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## THE LIBERALS OUTCLASSED

Never in the history of Canadian parliaments have the government and opposition parties in the House of Commons shown such a vast contrast in ability, power, and spirit as during the present session. While nothing of a contentious nature has developed to date, and in consequence, the debates have lost much of their usual vivid coloring, yet even under the most placid conditions, the members of the opposition party make but a sorry showing in comparison with the gentlemen to the right of Mr. Speaker.

What debate there is, has been of the most trifling piffing character. Grit members occasionally approve of questions, seeking information on points of minor importance, but even in this role they are a dismal failure.

The sharp incisive incisive passages of last session are lacking. Questions are asked in languid, perfunctory fashion, and when the usual answers are returned, the subject is cast aside with something of relief, not again to occupy attention. The whole attitude of the Liberal party is that of a body of men leaderless, policyless, spiritless. "We are here, but why?" seems to express it. Once in a while some bellicose blusterer, like Mr. Kite of Richmond, Cape Breton, or Mr. Carvell of Carleton, or some wupine academic person, such as Mr. Sinclair of Guysboro, gives a brief exhibition of wind jamming, which is usually greeted with polite indifference by the government. Then the oratorical gust becomes a mere breeze and finally loses itself in a whispering zephyr, which does not so much stir a leaf on the government tree. Then it is all over, and the sober business of governing the country proceeds without interruption. But it is all very dull and only serves to illustrate the complete confident strength of the government party and the feeble timorous weakness of their opponents. Truly the great Liberal party has fallen upon evil days.

## THE FREE FOOD ORPHAN.

A report is in circulation in Ottawa to the effect that by the time the budget is brought down, probably within the next three weeks, Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his supporters will have summoned sufficient courage to bring the subject of free food within the range of parliamentary discussion. So far the Liberals have shunned the very name of free food and there are some who say that Sir Wilfrid Laurier had it intimated to him in a very direct way that any attempt to remove or reduce food duties would be regarded by the agriculturists in Canada as a distinctly unfriendly act. Sir Wilfrid has already antagonized the cities by his efforts to make the farmers believe that reciprocity would give them a larger market and better prices for their produce.

Now if the farmers get better prices the cost of living to the consumers must increase, hence the hostility of the consumers. Under the free food proposition Sir Wilfrid plans to reduce the cost of living to the consumers by placing the Canadian farmer in direct competition with the United States farmers, thus robbing the Canadian agriculturist of the protection he now enjoys. In consequence of this move the farmers are up in arms. For this reason Sir Wilfrid halts. Conscience of his reciprocity blunder, he dare not repeat and it is remarked as very doubtful that the free food baby will again be cuddled to its foster parent's breast.

The Conservative administration has adhered consistently to the policy found to be in the best interests of the whole country. The Liberals on the contrary are attempting to play at sectionalism, one class against another, the town against the country, the East against the West. Experience has shown the fallacy of his sort of campaign in the past. It will prove equally fallacious in the present and future.

## "BLIND ALLEY" OCCUPATIONS.

The inventor of the term "blind alley" was a social benefactor. He should be sought out and honored for the word applies so well to many of the callings into which both boys and girls drift without even a thought toward the future. Either the stress of home life or the attractions of a wage starts them off in the industrial world before they are properly equipped and the result is that before they go far they find the door of promotion closed in their faces. It is a sad situation but such are the facts.

In many places unskilled labor is a drug upon the market today. The conditions that demand it are transient, not permanent, and the unskilled laborer's proportion of the profits is likely to grow less as the efficiency of the community advances. The plums are all packed higher up on the ladder.

trial tree of life. A Boston professor who has recently made calculations on the earning capacity of different workers, states his conclusions thus. He figures that the average high school graduate earns about twelve hundred dollars yearly. The salary of the average college graduate he puts at double that amount. If those figures be correct they probably indicate a still greater difference of income between the trained and the untrained man. And the general impression is that the gulf between them grows daily wider.

Seeing this, a sincere attempt is being made to grapple with the situation and it is a hopeful sign of the times that so much consideration is being shown for the girls and boys just entering the industrial life.

Last autumn day classes were authorized by the educational authorities of the city of Birmingham to be held in one of their district institutes. This was done at the instance of the Cadbury, one of the largest employers of labor in that neighborhood. These employers require the attendance at classes of between four and five hundred girls and one hundred and sixty boys between the ages of fourteen and sixteen for the whole of a morning or afternoon of three and a half hours taken out of working time. The classes are also open to the employees of such other firms as care to make use of them. This is the first time that the plan of day classes has been applied to the general education of working boys and girls and it is clearly a step in the right direction. It represents a decided advance on the evening continuation school since it gets hold of the children when they are not already tired by a full day's work. Moreover it puts the burden of obligation upon the shoulders of the employer who is generally best able to bear it, and withal provides a stronger incentive for promotion for the average worker. Hitherto the chief objection to evening classes has been their spasmodic nature. They start with a flourish but the students, either through fatigue or carelessness lose interest. This fact has led the London County Council which for years has provided evening classes on all conceivable subjects to finally give up almost in despair. Accordingly this new venture of the Cadburys will be watched with interest and it is generally believed that the experiment will be the largest contribution for many a day to the education and employment of growing boys and girls.

The Hamilton Spectator remarks that with all the clap-trap sympathy being expressed for the farmer, for political purposes, no complaint comes from him of being out of work in the winter season. That, it may be said, is where the agriculturist has the advantage over the city worker. The farmer has his troubles, but seldom or never is in danger of being reduced to the verge of starvation. Sometimes his urban brother is.

An engineer on a New York railroad has traveled in twenty years a distance equal to about 125 times around the earth at the equator. His run, however, has been principally between New York and Buffalo, so that he has seen only a small part of the world after all. Like many others, he is probably looking forward to the time when he can go off somewhere for a change.

Why should there be any shortage of fruit in a country that has 200,000,000 apple trees of bearing age, about twenty million pear trees, more than sixteen million cherry trees, to say nothing of its orange, grape fruit and plum trees? Apparently there is no reason, except it be a lack of distribution facilities. The country referred to is the United States.

Dr. Tanner, who achieved notoriety by fasting for forty days, and who is 55 years of age, says ten cents' worth of food a day is enough to keep any individual in good health. Perhaps that is so. Just the same not many people will feel inclined to make the test voluntarily. In eating the ordinary mortal finds much pleasure.

A non-partisan deputation from the Ontario Good Roads Association has been in Ottawa to urge the passage of the Highways Improvement Bill. Fortunately for the visitors they arrived when the Senate was having a holiday.

The crew of that wrecked British freighter, who had to take to the masts and live on coconuts for four days, had ample opportunity to reflect upon the probable truth of the Darwinian theory.

However, the feminist movement hasn't progressed so far yet that the description of the gowns doesn't constitute the most important feature in feminine news.

## Diary of Events

### HISTORIC DAYS IN CANADA

February 16 is the birthday of Dr. Santer Brown, distinguished physician and scientist, at Bloomfield, Ont., 1852. On this date in 1877 news was received of the loss of the steamer George Croun during Cape Race, with thirty persons on board.

On this date in 1888 an agreement went into effect by which United States fishing vessels were permitted to enter the bays and harbors of the Atlantic coast of Canada and Newfoundland by annual license at a fee of one dollar per ton, for the purposes of purchasing and shipping crews and transshipping the catch.

### THE HUMAN PROCESSION

#### BIRTHDAY OF TWO FAMOUS AMERICAN JOURNALISTS.

Two of America's most distinguished journalists, Col. Henry Watterson and Col. George Harvey, will be the recipients of birthday congratulations today. Mr. Watterson, who everybody knows, is editor of the Louisville Courier-Journal, and George Brinton McClellan Harvey presides over the editorial destinies of the North American Review, as well as being the president of the great publishing house of Harper.

Marse Henry Watterson is a unique figure in the American Press. He is the last representative of the old personal school of journalism, and his pungent, vigorous editorial utterances are read with delight, admiration and respect all over the world. He was born in Washington seventy-four years ago today, and was a staff officer of the Confederate army during the civil war. Before that he had been a reporter and editorial writer on a Washington paper, and when the conflicts of the battlefield were over he returned to the journalistic fold as editor of the Republican Banner of Nashville. His editorial connection with the Louisville Courier-Journal began in 1868 and has continued without a break for forty-six years.

Personally Col. Watterson is the type of the southern colonel of the old school. Hot of temper, quick to wrath, irascible, he is yet courteous, genial, companionable, and a lover of his fellowmen. Many of his piquant and forceful epigrams will live forever.

Col. Harvey is a native of Vermont and will pass the half-century mark today. He began his journalistic career as a reporter on the Springfield, Mass., Republican, thirty-two years ago, and subsequently worked on the Chicago News and the New York World, becoming managing editor of the latter paper. He made a fortune in the electric rail way field, and invested it in a controlling interest in the Harper publishing house. Until recently he was editor of Harper's Weekly, as well as the North American Review, but the former publication was sold not long ago and is now edited by Norman Hapgood, ex-editor of Collier's Weekly. The able journalist gained the distinction of "colonel" as a member of the staff of a South Carolina governor. He is tall and thin, and his ascetic appearance is exaggerated by a pair of enormous spectacles with rims of tortoise-shell.

### SIR GERALD LOWTHER.

Sir Gerald Augustus Lowther, the British diplomat who was made a baronet on the first of the year, was born fifty-six years ago today. He has served in the British diplomatic corps since 1878, his last post having been that of ambassador to Turkey, from which he resigned last year. He was secretary of embassy at Washington some years ago, and married Miss Alice Blight, of Philadelphia, the granddaughter of Richard Greenough, the distinguished sculptor.

### RUDOLPH BLANKENBURG.

Rudolph Blankenburg, Philadelphia's famous mayor, was born in Germany seventy-one years ago today, and landed in the Quaker City while he was twenty-two. He had been educated for the ministry, his father having been the pastor of a Reformed church in Germany, but on coming to America he decided to follow a commercial career. His first job was as a clerk for a dress goods house. He started in business for himself in 1875, and made a fortune, although only a side issue to his long fight for political reform, which finally landed him in the mayor's chair.

### A Combination Husband.

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## IN LIGHTER VEIN

### AND HE DID

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### AND HE DID

The Cynical Widow. Kitty—The fortune teller said that the man I marry would be rich, handsome, intellectual and good. Widow Wyse—Ah! so she told you you would have four husbands, did she?

### Modern Conditions.

Old-Fashioned Individual—Well, little man, building a castle? Fin-de-Siècle Infant—Nope. This is a hotel; there's no money in castles. Harper's Magazine.

### Real Ivory Ones.

On seeing an elephant for the first time little Ethel exclaimed: "Mamma, look at that funny big cow with the two toothpicks in his mouth."

### Heard at a Reception.

"So the Scraggintons are at out again."

"Yes; their latest quarrel was about madam's pet dog and the expense of feeding it."

"Great Scott! They have bones of contention enough to feed a dozen dogs."

### Risky Occupation.

She—The life of a secret service man must be very thrilling. He—Yes, that's what I thought when I read of one of President Wilson's guards falling asleep standing up.—Buffalo Express.

### Some Jump.

Big—They say a flea can jump over a thousand times his own length. Fanny if a human being could do that! Dix—He can. I know a man who jumped his ball in New York and landed in Liverpool, three thousand miles away.

### Baby's Advantage.

"Oh, no! There ain't any favorites in this family!" soliloquized Johnny. "Oh, no! If I bite my fingernails, I catch it over the knuckles. But if the baby eats his whole foot, they think it's cute!"

### Tantilizing.

Debtor—I want to pay that little bill of yours. Creditor—Very well, sir. Debtor—But I can't.

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