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As the end of the year is approaching, we must ask our friends to be so kind as to send in their Herald subscriptions. We need the money and trust that subscribers who have not already paid will not delay. What is put off from time to time is liable to be neglected altogether; so please remit now.

Under False Colors.

We are in receipt of a letter bearing date of the 23rd, inst., from Mr. M. C. Delaney, member-elect of the Legislature for the fourth district of Prince County. In this letter Mr. Delaney sets forth that on Thursday last 21st, inst., between 10.30 and 11 o'clock at night J. J. Johnston, K. C. of Charlottetown came to Mr. Delaney's residence at North Tryon and told him that "Mr. McIsaac" was out in a carriage waiting to see him (Mr. Delaney). The letter further states that Mr. Johnston had papers to serve on him; but Mr. Delaney was not to be caught by such a subterfuge; so he refused to come out of his house. Failing to lure Mr. Delaney from his own fireside, Mr. Johnston, according to the letter, "remained hid in a back yard, and behind the water closet till 10 o'clock next day." But failed to come in personal contact with Mr. Delaney.

Mr. Delaney's letter left no room for doubt that the "Mr. McIsaac" referred to was none other than the editor of this journal of the home and fireside; but we emphatically demur to such an unwarranted use of our name and such an unfounded declaration as to our whereabouts, by Mr. Johnston, on the date in question. We have never visited North Tryon, the home of Mr. Delaney, and we know very well that Mr. Delaney would not expect our first visit at such an unseemly hour or that our advent would be heralded in such peculiar fashion.

With the view of vindicating our honor and absolutely removing every vestige of the false identity thus sought to be established, we visited the office of the Frothonotary of the Supreme Court in this city, and there found evidence that throws a flood of light upon the actions of the meandering nocturnal visitors of Mr. Delaney. We found here filed a lengthy affidavit of J. J. Johnston, K. C., wherein, after describing his journeying by rail and carriage, he sets forth that he approached the residence of Mr. Delaney at North Tryon, in the vicinity of 10 o'clock on the night of the 21st inst.; that when he first passed the house lights were burning in the front rooms; that when he returned a little later light was shining from a back window only; that he went into the back yard and after some investigation found that all the doors entering the house were locked. Quite natural at that hour. Mr. Johnston says that the light then went out and he went round to the front door. While standing there he says he heard someone say in a whisper, "I believe that is Johnston." To this Mr. Johnston answered: "No; it is not Johnston; it is Mr. McIsaac, and he would like to see Mr. Delaney or his wife, for a minute." Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Delaney was to be drawn out on any such false scent and Mr. Johnston, for the time, retired from the scene. He went to the residence of Mr. John Dawson in company with deputy Sheriff Wright, who was waiting for him in his carriage.

Before daylight next morning Mr. Johnston and Mr. Wright renewed the attack. They crossed the fields and concealed themselves between two outhouses in Mr. Delaney's back yard. They "bored a hole through a board fence," so as to have a clear view of the back door of the house. Here they remained on sentry for upwards of four hours. Once their vigilance seemed on the point of being rewarded. About 8 o'clock Mr. Delaney left the house and started for an outbuilding. Now the weary watchers felt their drooping spirits revive; they rejoiced in imagination over the success crowning their efforts

and the reward of duty well done. With dilating eyes they measured their unsuspecting victim and by anticipation gloated over his discomfort. Simultaneously they left their ambush and by different directions made a dash for the doomed little man. But alas! the uncertainty of things human rendered null their efforts, and their roseate hopes ended in bitter disappointment. Dapper little "David" Delaney, who vanquished and decapitated the "uncircumcised political Goliath," is also an expert sprinter. He was on the alert, and when his would be captors were within a few yards of him as Mr. Johnston says, he sprang within the door of his castle, slammed it in their faces and laughed at them.

The attacking party once more retired to Mr. Dawson's; but returned again about 1 o'clock with no better results. On this last visit Mr. Johnston tells that he had a brief colloquy with Mrs. Delaney through a front window. Laughingly she asked him: "What has become of Mr. McIsaac?" She further informed him that Mr. Delaney had gone on a holiday. The hours Mr. Johnston may choose to make social calls and the choice he may make of recreation grounds are, of course, altogether matters of taste with which we have no right to interfere. But if the "Mr. McIsaac" he had in mind when he sought to introduce himself under false colors was the editor of the Herald, we most emphatically object. We decline to allow our name to serve as a shield for anyone who shrinks from the responsibility of introducing himself by his proper designation.

Closure Anticipated.

Paragraphs evidently inspired from Ottawa are going the rounds of the government press, to the effect that during the coming session of parliament an attempt will be made to gag the opposition by adopting a "closure" rule, such as obtains in the Imperial Parliament at Westminster. It is doubtful however if the valiant little army of men sitting to the left of the Speaker will give up one iota of their hard earned rights of fair and same criticism. The fact cannot be gainsaid that the protracted sessions of the past have been due not to the obstruction of his Majesty's loyal opposition, but to the lack of energy displayed by the government itself in placing important legislation before the House. It can be stated plainly and without the slightest necessity of concealment that an attempt to put through a closure regulation will do more to drive the present government from power than all their sins of omission and commission. The big stick of Czar Laurier can be wielded too vigorously, and the slash of the knout will fall in the long run on the shoulders of those who fear criticism so much that they would murder it in its infancy. That there will be a storm of protest not only in parliament itself but throughout the country if this slaughtering of free speech in the nations council halls is even attempted goes without saying. The Government organs point to the existing system in the British House of Commons, as a warrant for introducing it here. It may be pointed out however that in England there is a mass of legislation to cope with of a most important and at times cumbersome nature and were it not for rules and regulations of this nature parliament at St. Stephens might become a continuous performance. There is no such necessity of adopting similar customs so far as the Canadian parliament is concerned. If the men who adorn the treasury benches for the time being wish to copy British methods let them cleanse their premises from all sorts and conditions of graft and scandal, from the slimy trail of the hanger on and the party refuse which clings to the keel of the ship of state. This kind of emulation would be far more practical

than plunging the Laurier knife into the body of sacred privileges of an opposition. But then no one ever accused this government of being practical. The opposition has not forgotten the dictum of Mr. Fielding a couple of sessions ago, uttered from his seat at the left hand of the Colossus of Arthabaska, that the opposition had no rights save by the will of the majority. That was the thin end of the wedge and forecast what the Laurier organs are clamoring for to day, viz the closure. Mr. Fielding with his eye glued to the shifting mirage of bogus surpluses, has never lost that parochialism in things political which branded him as the smallest man in the public life of Canada to day. So far as the opposition is concerned, they will not give up without a desperate fight any of their privileges and the greatest among these is to protest vigorously against unwise and wanton legislation, and the grossly extravagant expenditure of the peoples money in get rich quick schemes for party favorites. Millionaires are in the making to day in the Liberal party. No wonder that the followers of the Colossus look towards their idol as the Moses who can lead them to the promised land where they toil not neither do they spin. The Liberal politician is but human. He knows exactly on which side his bread is buttered and if by his vote in parliament he can stifle the ugly scandals which since 1896 have rattled their bones in the Laurier cupboard he will not be chary in doing so. The closure proposal promises to precipitate some exciting scenes. That it will be fought tooth and nail goes without saying. That it is the most impertinent proposal of a government sated with the fruits of power is incontrovertible.

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Mr. David Rogers of Summerside died at his residence on Friday last aged 80 years. Mr. Rogers had, in his day, been one of the leading merchants and most prominent and energetic citizens of Summerside. He was the first Mayor of the town. He was a strong Liberal Conservative and at one time represented Summerside in the Provincial Legislature. He was twice married and leaves two sons and three daughters.

The British Columbia Legislature dissolved on the 20th, and a general election will be held on November 25th. Nominations on the 11th. The Government's railway policy will constitute an important factor in the election campaign, as an agreement has been signed between the administration and the Canadian Northern for the construction of 600 miles of railway from Yellowhead Pass to Vancouver. Premier McBride has given British Columbia good, clean, progressive Government, and there is little doubt the people will sustain his administration, and return him to power with undiminished prestige.

Ottawa advices inform us that two more Liberal members of the House of Commons have received their reward. They are Hugh Sutherland of North Essex, Ont. ex-Speaker of the Commons, who is appointed a judge of the exchequer court of Ontario; and W. S. Calvert of West Middlesex, Ont., Chief Liberal Whip who is appointed a Commissioner of the National Transcontinental Railway. Orders in Council making these appointments, were put through Friday. New elections will be on at once.

In referring at Queensbury on Friday last to his recent visit to Canada, Lord Millner said that he met a man whose business it was to study the questions of the importation

of British goods to Canada. He belonged to no party and he had no political bias, but he was possessed of much information. Lord Millner said he asked him to tell honestly what had been the effect of the Canadian preference as regards the importation of British goods, and his reply was that it had saved for Great Britain whatever trade she still had with Canada.

David Lloyd-George, Chancellor of the exchequer, presented in the British House of Commons Friday afternoon the budget estimate as revised by him. The new figures show a falling off from the original estimates aggregating \$10,500,000 of which slump \$4,000,000 may be accounted for by the decreased revenue on spirits since the new and higher taxes were levied against them. To offset these decreases there are estimated increases of \$9,250,000 included in which are unexpected windfalls in the shape of death duties totalling \$6,500,000 more than was originally expected, and thus saving the chancellor from the necessity of facing a serious deficit to meet a shortage of \$1,250,000. Mr. Lloyd-George proposes to take \$2,500,000 more out of the sinking fund.

British politics must be in a rather critical position when a single impending by-election should be regarded with deep anxiety. There are nearly seven hundred members of the British House of Commons, and more than two-thirds of them are Liberals. The loss of the Liberal seat of Bermondsey in London would make no perceptible difference in the Government majority. Scores of by-elections have taken place in the last few years, many of them Government reverses, and in the ordinary course of events the election of a Conservative in Bermondsey after a Liberal record of four elections would not cause a sensation. But the budget situation and the problem before the House of Lords has produced a nervous desire in both parties to know the mind of the rank and file of the electorate. It appears to be assumed that Bermondsey is a normal riding which may show the trend of opinion among the average votes. —St. John Standard.

For the past week or more, it has been "on the streets," that Mr. H. James Palmer, M. P. P. is to be the next Lieutenant Governor of this Province, and that Mr. L. E. Prowse, M. P. is to get the Senatorship rendered vacant by the late Donald Ferguson. Whether or not there is anything in these rumors, the fact that a Liberal convention for Queen's County was called for yesterday would seem to indicate that something of an unusual nature was under advisement by the inner circle of our Grit friends. It is not at all customary to summon a convention of delegates from all sections of a county simply to advise the members before departing for Ottawa, and although that is the ostensible reason for calling the faithful together on this occasion, it is not improbable that something more than appears on the surface actuated the conveners. They doubtless held some cards up their sleeves.

Evidently Insane. Among the passengers to St. John on the Boston train last Friday evening was Mary Anne Lamont of Gardigan, P. E. Island, who was afflicted with a form of insanity. When she arrived in the depot she was very violent and it took two men to keep her quiet. She was taken to Central Police station for the night. The woman left St. John Friday evening on the Boston train, having purchased a ticket for Boston.

King Edward Officiates. A slight click the whirl of an electric motor, the spectacle of doors opening of their own accord, and of the Royal standard slowly unfolding itself from a flag staff surmounting a triangular openwork from structure, and the sound of short sharp words of command as

the guard of honor of the first regiment Prince of Wales Fusiliers presented arms and their regimental band played the National Anthem, were the immediate and obvious features signaling the His Majesty King Edward the VII, three thousand miles away in the library of West Dean Park, Chichester had pushed into position the switch which sent across the rolling Atlantic an electric current officially opening the new Royal Edward Institute in Montreal on Thursday morning. It was a most interesting scene. Beneath a large canvas tent erected on the space immediately opposite the institute at the east end of Ballmont Park, were assembled ladies and gentlemen representative of every branch of public and social life and activity. His Excellency the Governor-General was represented in the person of the Chief Justice of Canada, Sir Charles Fitzpatrick.

Just after the train had left the depot she began to act in a strange manner, talking to herself and singing, and making other noises. She was travelling second class and the other passengers were rather more amused than otherwise. Just before the train reached Grand Bay, it slowed down and Miss Lamont gathered up her luggage and prepared to get off. The train did not stop, however, and she left her suit cases on the platform and jumped. Providentially she landed on her feet and escaped without injury. She immediately began acting in a peculiar manner, and attracted the attention of the station agent, who persuaded her to enter the waiting room. Once there, however, she became very violent, and threatened to do herself serious harm, so the agent summoned two other men and between them they managed to keep her quiet. She was held until the Boston train arrived about 11 o'clock and was placed on board of it and conveyed to St. John. On arrival the woman was taken charge of by Officer Clark and I. C. R. Officer Scovil and she was placed in a coach and driven to Central where she was placed in a cell.

Sad and Pathetic. Ten-year-old Annie Wojcikowski, of 76 Essex St., Jersey City, skipped out of St. Peter's Parochial School in York street, that city, at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon with her books under arm and joined a group of small schoolmates who were posing in front of an itinerant photographer's camera. She smoothed out the wrinkles in her frock, tucked some strands of loose hair behind her ears and then looked solemn. The "picture man" clicked his machine, shouldered his tripod and walked off and little Annie started to go home with her younger sister to see if her mother wouldn't let her buy one of the "lovely pictures." She walked around the corner to Grand street and was crossing the trolley tracks in front of St. Peter's College when a westbound Plank Road car on its way to Newark in charge of Motorman Philip McEate ran her down. She disappeared under the fender and was killed by the forward wheels. The Rev. Father Bernard Keany, priest of St. Peter's Church, saw the accident from one of the college windows and ran out. He was joined by Rev. Father Magrath, president of the college. A newspaper reporter lifted the fender and Father Keany, kneeling under the forward part of the car, administered extreme unction to the little girl. Grand street is a busy trucking thoroughfare and several teamsters jumped off wagons and crowded around the car with scores of badly frightened school children. The drivers pulled off their caps the moment they saw the priests and reverently dropped to their knees as the last rites of the church were performed. The solemn ceremony was broken by the sobbing of many children. When it was over a crowd of young men, including several St. Peter's College students, said harsh things to the motorman and somebody telephoned to the city hall for the reserves. The cops came in a hurry and arrested the motorman on a charge of manslaughter. The body of the girl was taken home.

Boiler Explosion. While workmen were testing a new heating unit which was being installed in the Chateau Frontenac Quebec Friday one of the two boilers exploded, injuring four men, all Montrealers. The boilers were being installed by the Canada Foundry Co. At the time of the explosion they were only carrying a pressure of one hundred and fifteen pounds. Mr. E. Laurin of the Angus Sheds, Montreal, who has charge of the installation for the C. P. R. was the most seriously injured of the men. He was thrown about forty feet and had a leg broken and his face and body badly cut and burned. He was rescued by John Hayes who went into the room filled with scalding steam and dragged him out. His condition is serious. The other men are not seriously injured. The victims are all now progressing favorably. Mr. E. Laurin who was reported as dead, was transferred from the Hotel Dieu to Jeffery Hale Hospital on Saturday afternoon and it was discovered that his bones were not as serious as at first expected. In fact the other victims are more seriously burned. However, Mr. Laurin has a compound fracture of the left leg which will confine him to the hospital for some time.

The Market Prices. Butter, (fresh) 0.24 to 0.25 Butter (sub) 0.20 to 0.21 Calf skins 0.13 to 0.14 Ducks per pair 0.80 to 1.00 Eggs, per doz. 0.21 to 0.22 Fowls 1.25 to 1.50 Chickens per pair 0.75 to 1.00 Flour (per cwt.) 0.00 to 0.06 Hides (per lb.) 0.10 to 0.10 Hay, per 100 0.06 to 0.07 Mutton, per lb (carcase) 0.50 to 0.75 Oatmeal (per cwt) 0.40 to 0.42 Potatoes 0.20 to 0.25 Pork 0.92 to 0.10 Sheep pelts 0.55 to 0.60 Turkeys (per lb) 0.13 to 0.14 Turkeys (per lb) 0.16 to 0.18 Eggs 1.00 to 1.50 Hk oats 0.40 to 0.41 Pressed hay 10.00 to 00.00 Straw 0.30 to 0.35

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