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THE GERRYMANDER.

THIS refusal to "play the game," as the Englishman puts it, was unfortunately reflected in the redistribution bill, a barefaced gerrymander, obviously drawn with the sole purpose of weakening an Opposition already too weak for the country's good. Saturday Night holds no brief for any political party, but it cannot but deplore that a session marked by such admirable legislation as that referred to should have been the scene of so much unnecessary rancor and unfairness.—Toronto Saturday Night.

"The Whitney Government can do without even one supporter from Bruce County better than the Conservative party can do with a continuance of surrenders to the demands of local partisan schemes. "Gerrymandering will continue so long as gerrymandering is profitable. Leaders of the Ontario Government should not have listened to the small town patriots who sought to readjust the Liberals out of the Legislature. IT IS TO BE HOPED THAT THESE LIBERALS WILL BE KEPT IN THE LEGISLATURE BY BRUCE COUNTY'S SENSE OF FAIR PLAY."—Toronto Telegram (Conservative).

"The question will be asked why Bruce is selected, out of so many counties where readjustment is necessary. It will be asked also if the Government has faith in itself, or if Conservatives are losing faith in their own cause, when they have recourse to the butcher's cleaver and the axe.

"Bruce and the double-barrelled seats in Toronto are signs of decadence which all true friends of the Whitney Government will heartily regret."—Toronto World (Conservative).

MR. HANNA'S ISSUE.

The door to hell;
Whoever named it,
Named it well.

THAT is the issue in this Ontario election of yours, Mr. Hanna. Aren't you proud of it?

It seems to the Advertiser that a lot of the good men of the party you boss are not with you in this election. You tried to fool the temperance people in Huron County, and then you thought it a matter of expediency to bring on an election. Your position in the Huron matter, and in the Snider matter, made the issue of this campaign. There was not a single other thing upon which the Government could appeal for a mandate. You have smothered, or tried to smother, the other big issues. You refused to allow your conduct to be opened to the country.

You have chosen the bar as the issue. You have flouted your prison farm in the face of the country. You think it a wonderful thing to have constructed a sort of purgatory for the product of the bar-room. You have said that men would make greater brutes of themselves if the licensed bar was closed. You have insulted every decent man in Ontario when you told the country that it would break the law and become more besotted if the easy path to ruin were removed. Your prison farm is a hospital for the broken-down of humanity, all very well in its way. But you should be ashamed of it, rather than proud of it. You should be ashamed of every prison and every asylum that houses the human output of the liquor traffic. Yet you boast of them. For shame, Mr. Hanna.

A POOR EXCUSE.

CONSERVATIVE prohibitionists who want to continue their support of the Government, and the scattering few of the Liberals who object to Mr. Rowell's policy because they fear it will hurt the party, find some difficulty in excusing themselves. About the principal excuse upon which they seem to depend is that it is better to have local option than to abolish the bar. The one only cuts off the licenses of hotels and clubs; the other stops the sale in shops as well.

They ignore the very important fact that there are many places where local option does not prevail and cannot as long as the three-fifths majority clause blocks the way. And they ignore the other fact that the question is not one of choice between local option and closing the bars. If the people of any municipality desire they can still have local option or they can have the Canada temperance act, if they secure the necessary majority. The adoption of Mr. Rowell's policy for the entire province does not prevent further legislation by the people of any locality.

The claim that closing the bars will result in increasing the bottle trade for those who will use liquor at home, does not meet the undoubted fact that the greatest evil in connection with the consumption of liquor is the habit of treating at the bar. There are some people who

will have liquor no matter what prohibitory laws are passed. It will not be any worse for them to buy surreptitiously and drink at home than it would be if they stood up in front of a bar, and imbibed in public. That class of people may be left out of consideration. It is the great mass of people, some of whom are only moderate drinkers, or do not drink, but are exposed to temptation when the bar is open in their path; it is the youth of the country who are not at all liable to fall into drinking habits, if the facilities for drinking are not convenient. These are the people who are to be considered, and for them the closing of the bar will be a blessing. A few people here and there may drink a little more than they have done, though that is by no means certain. But there will be a far greater number who will drink less.

Abolish the bar; then one great evil will be removed throughout the entire province. The sale will then be confined to shops, and local option or the Scott act, for complete prohibition, is still at the disposal of the voters in any locality, if they are able to carry these measures. An old proverb says that "a poor excuse is better than none." A man divided in his mind between what he honestly believes and what party policy requires him to do, may try to satisfy his conscience with a poor excuse. It may be better for him than none. It is no argument; and we are afraid it will prove poor satisfaction after all.

THE ARMY'S CHARACTER.

"We do not want any of our people to venture any opinion as to the cause of the disaster. A question that would naturally be asked of survivors would be, 'Who was to blame?' We must protect the integrity of the Salvationists, and do not want any person to say whether they think the Emperor or the Stordast was responsible."

THIS warning was uttered by Col. Gas-kin, of the Salvation Army, and it will serve for the public as a proper attitude to assume toward those culpable in the St. Lawrence disaster. And it gives a certain suggestion of the character of the Salvation Army, whose conduct through the blackness of the tragedy has been a shining glory to its members and to humanity. When the calamity reached them they did not fail. They were strong men and women. They proved to us their physical courage as well as their moral courage, which we have known so well, and they made of their simple faith an inspiration that reached the hearts of many men. They were not spectacular in their grief. Those who are rescuers in the storms and calamities of life became rescuers of men in material form. They were ready to rescue bodies, as they are rescuing souls every day. They are brave in the flesh as they are courageous in the spirit. Wiped out almost, in so far as their leaders are concerned, we yet know that their great movement is not a thing of individuals. It is a thing of spirit and devotion. The Salvation Army cannot be wiped out. Those who remain will be rescuing the perishing and caring for the drifting to the end of time. And Londoners and Canadians will feel a new bond of affection for these fine Christian people.

HUGHESIAN STATECRAFT.

IN response to a suggestion made by Mr. Guthrie, M.P., in the House of Commons, that three or four million dollars should be cut off the proposed military expenditures to advance technical education in accordance with the suggestion of the Royal Commission, Col. the Hon. Sam Hughes said: "No technical education can approach the benefit to Canada of these drill halls and armories." Were it not that the Col. is Canada's foremost hare-brain, such an expression of opinion might have aroused educationalists and all thinking Canadians to a stinging reply. But no one seems to have noticed it. The country does not take Col. Hughes seriously, and even allows him to build battalions of armories and indulge himself generally. But his extravagances and Mr. Borden's general "dash away and spend" policy have added an increase in annual expenditures equaling \$17 for every man, woman and child in Canada.

FALSE CANADIANS.

IT is sometimes affirmed by "Liberal-Conservatives" that present-day Conservatism in Canada has little or nothing to do with old-time Toryism, Family Compact and Bond Head. We are told that followers of Mr. Hanna or Dr. Pyne have accepted the lessons of 1837, the system of Lord Elgin, and in general, the theory and practice of modern constitutional government.

Is it not strange, then, to find that the leaders of our Liberal-Conservatism show a constant and lively sympathy with the hereditary House of Lords and its allies in Great Britain? The newspaper organs which support Mr. Hanna, his gerrymandering and his whiskey, applaud the conspiracy between the British Tories and certain army officers to thwart the working of parliamentary and responsible government. They show hatred of Premier Asquith in his steady championship of democracy.

The Toronto News, for instance, which is with the backwoods peers in opinion, suggests that Mr. Asquith is a cheap, though clever, attorney (favorite word with the backwoodsman), and says that he has been proved a liar in his statements on Ulster. The proofs are about as cogent as those which satisfy some people that Lord Bacon wrote Shakespeare's plays. You can prove anything against Mr. Asquith to the Toronto News or Lord Willoughby de Broke.

Toronto newspapers that oppose democracy in Great Britain are friends of democracy in Canada, only to betray it with a kiss.

The gerrymander has gone lame already.

It will be quite appropriate to think of

them as the merry men of Windsor after this.

For whom would these two great church parliaments vote—Hanna or Rowell?

"Dissension at political convention," says a Conservative paper. West Peterboro, we might ask?

Windsor has the record for hasty unions, but Dr. Reaume can find no one there who will cleave unto him.

As the Essex cog of the Whitney machine creaks dismally why doesn't Mr. Hanna help with a little oil?

If you don't believe that the average man is just a big boy, notice his watchful waiting the morning of the circus parade.

It is hardly fair to expect Mr. Hanna to wish the bars closed. How would his prison farm be kept running if they were closed?

"The most abused man in Ontario." Shed a few tears for the Honorable W. J., but do not forget the good doctor Reaume.

The Conservative press is still hunting for an issue—and the only one that it had found is that Mr. Hanna is being terribly abused.

Just when the country is in the circus mood, wouldn't it be a shame if Mr. Hanna should find it necessary to remain in his own riding?

A Japanese murderer who appealed from a life sentence got the death sentence at the second trial. A case of going farther and farther worse.

It wouldn't surprise anybody—if the Government is returned to see some radical amendments to the compensation act—in favor of the manufacturer.

Purely as a matter of patronage, the Conservatives cannot be expected to touch the liquor traffic. Think of all the asylums and prisons and prison farms it keeps in business.

In the silence and restfulness of private life, far from the madding political crowd, Dr. Reaume might devote his time to work on "How I gerrymandered myself into oblivion."

Mackenzie & Mann are to receive \$45,000,000 and upon their own terms, without adequate protection to the country and without real investigation into the affairs of the C. N. R.

"Abolish-the-Bar" is a big, definite, clear cut policy that if carried out would lead this province into an era of greater health, and that means greater happiness, thus making it even more vital to the next generation than this.

Ontario, Manitoba, and British Columbia are about to have elections. The Conservative Government or the Pacific Coast province has brought on a serious financial muddle, in Manitoba the corruption, is the worst experienced in the country for years, and in Ontario the Conservative Government has given a weak and unprogressive administration. Now is the opportunity to make a clean sweep in all three provinces to the great advantage of the entire Dominion.

WHERE THE SHOE PINCHED.

[Puck.]
The Prima Donna (after the first act)—I won't go on again unless that box party makes less noise. I nearly had hysterics.
[The Manager (in surprise)]—I did not hear any noise.
The Prima Donna—You didn't? Why, they encored that upstart of a contralto four times.

MURDER AND THE DEATH PENALTY.

[Kingston Whig.]
The murder rate of the United States is thirty times that of Germany and fifteen times that of Great Britain. One per cent of the murderers are put to death in the States; a far higher proportion in European countries; therefore the execution of the death sentence should be retained.

BOTH COME BACK.

[Cleveland Plain Dealer.]
"You know what a boomerang is, don't you, Johnny?"
"No, ma'am."
"Why, a boomerang is something you throw out and after a while it turns and comes back."
"Please, ma'am, it's something like the prodigal son, ain't it?"

A PIG.

[Lippincott's.]
I always like a pig.
His appetite is big.
But he isn't like a chicken with its dig, dig, dig.
And he isn't like some men
Who are happy only when
They have grabbed the choicest morsel
Of the other fellow's pen.

A pig's not over neat,
And his foot's not always sweet;
And his highest aspiration is to eat, eat, eat.
He's the synonym for greed,
But, unlike the human breed,
He doesn't keep on piling up a lot he doesn't need.

Now a hen will scratch around
Over forty leagues of ground,
And holler, "Come and look at what I've found, found, found."
And a man is much the same
But a pig just fills his stomach, caring
naught for praise or blame.

Making an imposing front
Is the human's favorite stunt,
While a pig dismisses pretence with a grunt, grunt, grunt.
No, his figure isn't trim;
His mentality's not big;
And he's apt to be untidy—still, I always like a pig.

OUR MOTORISTS.

[London Opinion.]
The motorist (still at the wheel, to pedestrian, whom he has hit)—I say, before you go, if I haven't hurt your arm too much, you might start my bally engine up again.

CIRCUMSTANCES ALTER.
[Louisville Courier-Journal.]
"So you defy me? Did you not promise to love, honor and obey?"
"I was married on that platform," admitted the wife, "but conditions have altered and I shall have to repudiate some of its planks."

—and the Worst Is Yet to Come



THE MAN WHO USED COMMON SENSE

John Arbuthnotte, writing of the late Sir William Whyte in June Canada Monthly, tells a characteristic story of his when he was general superintendent of the western division of the Canadian Pacific. He says:

"Men who worked beside him twenty years ago tell many stories of the practical common-sense that he brought to bear on the problems of the road from the beginning of the service. The story of the Edmonton oats is one of the most typical."

"In his first general superintendent days, the Canadian Pacific was having a world of trouble with its freight cars engaged in carrying oats. There was a large and increasing tonnage of grain to be hauled, and all the rolling stock was needed. Yet the repair shops were in constant receipt of freight cars which came limping in with ruined journals, broken down apparently by overloading. The shops swore at the yard-men, and the division superintendent, with his desk piled up with kicks from irate farmers, swore at the shops. Yet the yard-men accused, and the shops swore at the whole prairie section of the line had bogged for weeks."

CAMPAIGN COMMENT

EXPENDITURE DOUBLED.

[Montreal Examiner.]
The Whitney Government has more than doubled the expenditure in the two years and a half of its existence, and has also added to the taxation of the people.

TORIES AND LABOR.

[Hamilton Times.]
The Tories have no use for Labor. They want to drive the workers back to the bench and teach him to know his place.

SIR JAMES' NEW ROLE.

[St. Thomas Star.]
Suspicion grows upon our dark, misanthropic mind that Sir James is allowing himself to be made a stool pigeon for party exigencies. A vote for Whitney is a vote for Hanna.

TIME FOR A CHANGE.

[Ottawa Free Press.]
In Ontario the voice of protest has been silenced by means of a voting majority. Campaign contributions under questionable conditions were received on behalf of the Government, but they could not be inquired into by reason of the crushing vote of the majority. The Government escaped not on its merits, but by reason of the goodwill of its friends. Public confidence has been shaken by the failure of the Attorney-General's department to take action in cases where duty appeared plain. The allegation that political favorites can go far without fear of Government interference looks as though justified by what occurs. The Attorney-General is a believer in the mastery policy of inactivity.

CANOE AND FOOLS.

[Hamilton Spectator.]
Canoe casualties have been remarkably few so far this season; but there is yet plenty of time for fools to operate.

SAFE.

[Yale Record.]
Chaufeur—"Sir, I'm afraid our gasoline is going to catch fire."
He—"Is that the same stuff I use in my automatic cigar-lighter?"
Chaufeur—"Yes, sir, and—"
He—"Not the slightest danger. Drive on."

HOPPING TO CLOTHES.

[Montreal Mail.]
"The world is running to clothes," says the Ohio State Journal. Part of the world, being in hobble skirts, is hopping rather than running.

WHEN CAN ITS GLORY FADE?

[Ottawa Journal.]
The death of Captain G. A. Lucas, announced in cable dispatches the other day, passed almost unnoticed, and yet his decease calls to mind one of the most glorious and, at the same time, most tragic happenings in the seafaring annals of the British Empire. Captain Lucas was a survivor of the ill-fated Birkenhead, a British troopship, which foundered in Simon's Bay more than half a century ago. The record of the brave deeds witnessed then has been deeply impressed upon history, and has been a stimulus to courage and selflessness. The Birkenhead was a troop-

THE REFORMERS' OPPORTUNITY.

[Toronto Star.]
A time arrives in the history of every Government when its reforming energy or its hold on the people begins to decline, and when it would do well to step aside. Such was the condition of the Conservative Government at Ottawa before 1896. Such was the condition of the Liberal Government of Ontario before 1905. Such is the condition of the Ontario Government today. No Government ever does step aside in a crisis, and it would not be reasonable to expect any Government to take so philosophic a view of its own position. It hopes against hope. It refuses to see the rising tide of the public opinion which will sweep it from power. It is, perhaps, not altogether culpable because it fights to the last.

The interests of a nation or a province, however, are greater than those of any government. When a change is inevitable, it had better come quickly, so that the people may have the benefit of the full force of the wave of progress. Ontario must get into line with the progressive communities of the world; Ontario ought to lead, not lag behind. Our agricultural organization, our industrial organization, our social organization needs to be re-modelled. The sooner the better. The campaign upon which we have entered, closing with the last Monday in June, is a grand opportunity for reformers. If they work and vote for reform they can powerfully influence the course of legislation and administration during the next four years.

verging soldiers to South Africa, many of them with wives and children aboard when she struck. She commenced to sink rapidly. It became plain to all upon her that she must soon disappear. The boats were insufficient to take more than the women and children, with men to handle them. At word of command, the soldiers formed up on the deck of the sinking vessel. Details were told off to assist the women and children into the boats. Then the troops were all formed up again, and stood firm in their ranks as the ship went down.

From Western Ontario Press

WORST FEATURE OF TIPPING.
[Woodstock Sentinel-Review.]
An esteemed contemporary says that the whole trouble in the tipping business is that those who have money enough to tip have not the sand to refuse. That is part of the trouble. The rest of it is that those who have not money enough to tip want to make it appear that they have.

THE DARING SEX.

[Bramford Examiner.]
Do the British militants really believe in equal rights? Appearances are against the supposition. If they believed that women should be treated in all respects as men are they would not be crying out for the "King" nor committing atrocious crimes. Men would not dare attempt the outrages that the militants are indulging in.

CHAPMAN'S



HOW TO ENTER THE CONTEST—Any child under 16 years of age may become a contestant by either going in person, or having friends go on their behalf to the six places of business conducting this contest. Their names will then be entered without any cost whatever. Send the children into this store today and we will enroll them. The sooner they enter the sooner friends will start saving coupons for them.

JUNE SPECIALS IN Wash Goods

Every woman is interested in our special offerings in Wash Goods. If you have attended any of the earlier sales come tomorrow and get:

Rosebud Crepes, Bedford Crepes and Colored Poplins at 19c yard

1,000 yards Wash Goods on a bargain table Friday and Saturday, including Rosebud Crepes, soft, light and airy for summer dresses; also Bedford Crepes and Colored Poplins, in all wanted shades and colorings. A special bargain 19c per yard

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In wistaria, rose, sky, copen, pink and tango, also white or black. Very fashionable for summer skirts, dresses and suits. } 25c

SUMMER HOSIERY

We were never better prepared to fill your Hosiery needs than we are at the present time, moreover our prices save you money.

WOMEN'S SILK ANKLE HOSE, fine quality, sheer and dainty, with feet reinforced for good service. White, black or tan. Sizes 8½ to 10. Our price, per pair 59c

OVER-SIZE COTTON HOSE, knit wide in the leg and wide garter top. Black, with plain or macco feet. Women who usually find it hard to get stockings wide enough will like these. All sizes. Per pair 25c

OVER-SIZE LISLE HOSE, wide leg and top, black only. All sizes. Per pair 35c

MISSIE'S LACE ANKLE LISLE HOSE, for girls of 12 to 16 years. In black, pink and sky. Were 35c and 40c. To clear, Friday and Saturday Per pair 25c

WOMEN'S LISLE HOSE—A table of odd pairs of summer hose, including embroidered, lace, ankle and sheer silk lisle effects. About 10 dozen all told. Were 50c. Week-end clearance price, per pair, 39c

CHILDREN'S LACE LISLE STOCKINGS, very pretty effects, in sky, pink, white and black. Were 25c and 35c. Week-end price, per pair, 19c

LACE COLLARS. Special 15c

Ten dozen Women's and Children's Lace Collars, four designs in cream or white. Usually sold at 25c and 35c. Balance of a hundred dozen lot which has been on sale before the 24th. Early comers will get them Friday morning at 15c each

FANCY BOWS—Rose clus- ters, etc. New designs and colorings. Each 20c

HANDKERCHIEFS—For school use, fine lawn, hem-colored. Special, 2 for 5c

LONG LISLE GLOVES

WOMEN'S LONG LISLE GLOVES, 20-inch length, Perrin's make, cut to fit; a most reliable quality. Black, white or tan. Sizes 5½ to 7½. } 35c

WOMEN'S LONG LISLE GLOVES, 18-inch length, white or black. Sizes 6 to 7. Out-of-town customers should order gloves by mail. We pay postage. } 21c

TWO WAIST SPECIALS

WEEK-END SPECIALS OF UNUSUAL MERIT—Messaline Silk Waists, a particularly dressy style, with lace collar and yoke. In tan, brown, navy, copen and black. Sizes 34 to 40. Were \$1.98. } \$1.29

WHITE CREPE WAISTS, drop or set-in sleeves, one style has colored crepe trimming on collar and sleeves; another style has lace pleatings and colored buttons. Sizes 34 to 40. Both were \$1.25 waists. } 98c

TOWELS

BATH TOWELS, soft weave unbleached, with red stripes. Size 18x36. Friday and Saturday only. Each 9c

GUEST TOWELS, silver bleached, warranted pure linen, damask border and hemmed ends. Size 14x24 inches. For early buyers. Each 9c

TABLING

BLEACHED DAMASK TABLE LINEN, warranted pure linen, beautiful shamrock pattern. 70 inches wide, Friday and Saturday, yard, 69c

CHILDREN'S DRESSES—Ages 6 to 14 years. One-piece Balkan style, made of print or gingham. Price 98c

NEW SHADOW LACES

Among the most recent arrivals are Shadow Laces, all widths, narrow ones for pleatings and beautiful wide flouncings for waists, dresses and underwear. Just opened and priced at very attractive figures.

Narrow Shadow Laces, in white and ecru, at 10c, 12½c, 15c, 20c and 25c per yard
White Shadow Laces, with gold picot edge, at 12½c, and 15c per yard
Shadow Lace Flouncings, 15 and 16-inch, pretty new lace patterns. Per yard 15c and 25c

SUMMER UNDERWEAR

WHITE RIBBED COTTON VESTS, with lace yokes or taped neck and arms, choice of six different styles. Each 25c

SUMMER COMBINATIONS, low neck, short sleeves or sleeveless (closed, knee or umbrella style). Per suit .50c

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