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MONDAY, FEB. 17.

NO CASE IN POINT.

Hon. Mr. Ross cited many authorities in support of his action in submitting the prohibition question to a referendum, but he did not state a case analogous to his own, comments the Toronto News. He was evidently unable to discover any instance where, under our system of responsible government, an administration pledged to enact a certain law submitted it to a referendum. The theory of our system is that a Government is responsible for all legislation, and when it cannot carry its measures through the House it must appeal to the people.

We are not living in Switzerland, nor are we governed by the American system. We have responsible government as it is in Britain, and of all the citations which Mr. Ross gave, none had a bearing on the present case. He has established a new principle, and in all human probability his party will regret it before many years.

PARLIAMENTARY GRAFTERS.

The Stratford Beacon, Liberal, has this week been devoting its editorial attention to "Members of Parliament as Grafters" and in the course of its discussion of this subject the Beacon has spoken very truthfully and plainly regarding the new Liberal ideas of dispensing patronage. That the Beacon after long years of service in the Grit ranks is at last awakening to the true state of affairs is evident for it says:

"We look in vain for a rebuke from the Liberal leaders in days gone by in condemnation of the acts of Conservative administrations in appointing members of parliament to office, but the system is being exploited on even a more extensive scale by the men now in power. The rule seems to have been established that Senatorships and indeed all the other more important offices in the gift of the Government are the special "graft" of members or ex-members of the Dominion House, or of men of wealth, who have in some way, socially or otherwise, won the favor of the ministers. Others who have for years worked in the interests of the country and the party, suppressing their own ambitions, and spending their time and money lavishly to elect men less worthy, are plainly told by the indifference with which the claims put forward on their behalf by friends who know of their sacrifices that they must take a back seat until the ambitions of the members or ex-members are satisfied.

In order that it may not be misunderstood, we presume, the Beacon continues its discussion of this subject a day later by saying:

The time was in this country when the members of parliament scorned the idea of using the patronage at their disposal for their personal benefit. Then the honors and emoluments were fairly divided, but since the grafter parliamentarian has developed he "hogs" everything in sight. He must have his election expenses paid, others do the work of electioneering for him, his sessional indemnity increased, and when beaten retired into the Senate or some good fat office, if he had not gotten there before that event. The "grafter" should be taught that the people who support him aren't fools—all the time.

W. T. STEAD, FAKIR.

Under the above caption, the Ottawa Citizen comments as follows:—

W. T. Stead is a shining example of misapplied ability. That he has ability, his most scornful critics will admit, but he makes a practice of applying himself to the exploitation of fads with apparently no other object than to keep his personality in the public eye. He is the sort of man who must keep the calcium of notoriety trained on his unattractive self or he would be immediately relegated to oblivion.

Having worked the pro-Boer agitation in England for all it is worth, and finding that his most gullible dupes are commencing to get weary of the nauseating slanders with which he and a clique of his kind have fed their credulity and profited by the wave of sickly sentiment which the misrepresentations created, Mr. Stead has come to the conclusion that he must find a fresh fad for the exercise of his peculiar powers. Taking as his base the panicky feeling with which a class of jumpy people in Great Britain profess to be afflicted over the growth in wealth and power of the United States, Stead promptly takes his place in the front rank of these people and blatantly declares that only the annexation of Great Britain to the United States, can save the greatest empire in the world. The only serious thing about it is that such rot should be taken seriously by any of the British. There must be a certain mass of diseased sentiment in Great Britain or Stead and his Review of Reviews would die of financial neglect as have died the spasmodic boosters of an alleged annexation sentiment in Canada, but he goes on thriving somehow.

France has often been accused of being an hysterical nation, but its hysterics are invariably in the nature of exaggerated demonstrations of devotion to la belle France. British hysterics takes the opposite form of heaping libels, slanders and contumely upon the empire, and in exploiting propositions humiliating to the nation and flattering to its neighbors, as is the new fad of this man Stead. It is an old and a good saying about the bird that fouls its own nest. And England appears to have a coopful.

"DON" ON THE SCHOOL BOOK QUESTION.

The attitude of W. A. Kribs on the school book monopoly is thus referred to by "Don" in Saturday Night:

"In looking over the propositions which various members are representing, I noticed one by Mr. Kribs, of South Waterloo, which sounds promising. He has a bill for the publication and sale of school books by the Government, which would do away with many limitations which both the Department of Education and the public find costly and embarrassing. Of course this will receive the bitter opposition of the publishers who now have what is practically an exclusive right to make and vend these necessary books. I confess that I have never been able to understand the attitude of the Government on this question. The original plates were prepared and the books practically edited by experts employed by the Government. They are very good, but, being without competitors, have grown better so slowly that the improvements have not been perceptible. While the price of paper has decreased enormously, the price of books has not diminished in proportion. There is no risk attending their sale, for a bookseller must pay the same as cash or not get them. Enormous profits admittedly have been made by those who got a place in the combine which has controlled educational works. Publishers have not been to blame for getting all they could, and while the Government's mistake may have been made at the beginning of the scheme, I am not convinced that the present condition of affairs has been maintained without the Government's knowledge that they could greatly reduce the price of the books if they were published and handled, we will say, by the King's Printer. It is too soon to predict either success or failure of Mr. Kribs' bill, but as the benefits of public ownership are beginning to dawn upon the Government it is to be hoped that there will be a radical change in the present school book system."

Mr. Crawford has stated, in his place in the legislature, that he has not, directly or indirectly, the value of one cent of interest in the John Dryden Dakota Ranching company. For months the Liberal press of Ontario has been charging that Crawford was as bad as Dryden; but it turns out that Crawford is not in the deal at all.

A NOVEL EXPLANATION.

Hamilton Spectator.

Perhaps it was the "trashy" novels he handled that queered Librarian Lancefield.

IT ALSO RUNS FAMILIES.

Toronto Star.

It is a queer fact that it is generally a man who is pretty well off who gets a fortune by the death of a rich relative. Money seems to run in families.

"HOME WORK."

Grimsby Independent.

If parents did right they would throw the "home work" in the fire and refuse to pay school taxes until the teachers came out of the trance they are in and started to "teach school" instead of listening to the scholar rhyme over what has been "taught" them at home.

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