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Devonshire's Withdrawal.

British politics have taken another dramatic turn. The Duke of Devonshire has resigned, and his resignation probably means the early downfall of the Government, and an appeal to the people.

Seldom has a great issue been projected with such force and suddenness into the political arena.

Seven months ago, when the war taxes on imported corn were taken off, the prospects of a preference for colonial products in the British market seemed to vanish and the British Government seemed to have set its face resolutely against any departure from free trade.

Six months ago the Unionist party was apparently united and impregnable and the Liberal party hopelessly weak from internal dissensions.

Five months ago a single speech from Mr. Chamberlain turned everything topsy-turvy. The Unionist party is now split in twain and for the first time in ten years, Liberals of all factions find a common standing ground.

A British Government has declared for the reversal of the fiscal tradition of the country which most Britishers have accepted for fifty years as a natural law, and the fiscal unity of the empire, regarded as a dream not long since, has become the dominant issue before the British people. All this is a tremendous tribute to the power of a single individual.

Mr. Balfour could have spared any colleague, excepting Mr. Chamberlain, better than the Duke of Devonshire. With his countrymen, the Duke is not a brilliant man but he has the reputation of being a safe and sure-footed one, of the Salisbury type, and he has in addition the prestige of a great name. His influence in the country is unique; he is universally trusted, and idolized by the squirearchy, as in his personal qualities he is thoroughly representative of the landed classes. Before he parted from Gladstone on the home rule question he was heir to the leadership of the Liberal party. His secession from the present Government deprives it of its main prop, a fact candidly admitted by Mr. Balfour, who describes him as the most distinguished member of the Cabinet.

Mr. Balfour, in his reply to the Duke's letter of resignation, shows an asperity quite unusual with him, virtually accusing him of a breach of good faith. The Premier assured the Conservative conference at Sheffield last week that the remaining members of the Government were in accord and boasted that unity had been restored to the Unionist party. The duke's withdrawal, therefore, comes as a thunderclap. His grace claims that Mr. Balfour's Sheffield speech went further in the direction of protection than he (the duke) had been given to understand was Mr. Balfour's intention. No matter who is at fault in this matter, the duke, although in his 71st year, is now to be reckoned with as one of the strongest forces against the Conservative party, to which he brought a great strength as the foremost of the Liberal-Unionists.

Mr. Balfour has now only one minister—Mr. Wyndham—who impresses the country as a man of first-class ability. Mr. Chamberlain is young, and his elevation to the great post of the Treasury is an experiment, regarded with some misgivings. His record in minor offices has been excellent, but he has had no opportunity to show his fitness for great tasks.

The majority of Canadians have never heard of the new Secretary for the Colonies, Alfred Lyttelton. The office has been invested with a new dignity and importance by Mr. Chamberlain, and is worthy of a tried statesman; but Cabinet material in the Unionist party has become very limited owing to recent defections.

The India Office is a soft cushion for Mr. Brodrick to fall on. He was a glowing failure as War Secretary, and in any other country he would have been sacrificed by his party. The other changes in the ministry are of little public interest. The Cabinet is immeasurably weaker than it was, and it is regarded as a makeshift to fill in the time until a general election.

A Tribute to John Bull.

In late years John Bull's self-complacency has been undergoing many attacks. He has been told that his industries were languishing, and that he was being driven out of the world's markets because his manufacturers were asleep, and his workmen lazy. He was advised to get out of the rut or the bustling Yankees and Germans would leave him nowhere. A royal commission informs him that his war office is a terrible mess, after Kipling had rubbed it in about the flannelled fools and the muddled oafs. He discovers also that his physique is deteriorating and another royal commission has been appointed to find the reason why. On top of all this along comes Sir Norman Lockyer and tells him he needs more brain power.

While his critics abroad and at home have reduced him to a state of helplessness, bordering on imbecility, he must be grateful for an occasional kind word. The New York Post, a distinguished authority, is not so sure that Sir Norman Lockyer established his case. It advances the proposition that, "for three hundred years not a single conception has taken sovereign

pre-eminence in science that has not been largely—in most cases, even without contest—of British parentage."

It is a bold claim, but the Post proceeds to give particulars as follows: "The inductive philosophy; the corpuscular philosophy with the atomic theory and its progeny; universal calculus (certainly discovered by Newton, not certainly also by Leibnitz after enjoying Newton's conversation); the theories of elasticity (Boyle and Young), of heat as vis viva of molecules (Bacon and others), of electricity (Gilbert, Faraday, etc.), of light as transverse vibrations of an electromagnetic kind (Maxwell); natural selection (Darwin and Wallace); universal evolution (Spencer). The new science of radiations, if it has importance enough to be mentioned in this connection, has grown directly and uninterruptedly out of Crookes's experiments."

British soil, the Post contends, is fertile in men of the highest types of genius. In seeking to explain this fact the Post says that it is not yet possible to disentangle the causes of national character, but it quotes Montesquieu's saying: "A truly great work must owe its birth not only to a man of genius as its father, but also to a society of intellectual freedom as its mother." Probably in no other country, adds the Post, is thought of almost all kinds so completely, untrammelled as in England.

Hereafter Vancouver's narrative will be classed in American libraries as a work of fiction.

When a British cabinet minister is a failure they don't keep him in office—they give him another.

Kipling's latest verse doesn't please the critics, but after all Kipling is the only man who could have done it.

The Socialist party in the British Columbia Legislature is not very large—it numbers two—but it appears to hold the balance of power.

This is the day Mr. Chamberlain makes his great speech at Glasgow. All Birmingham went to the station to see him off.

The day after "tomorrow" is the date set for Russia's evacuation of Manchuria, but there is a general feeling that Russia will pay the part of "Old Tomorrow."

Mark Guy Pearse, who visits this city next week, is one of the great voices of English Methodism. Many Canadians know him through his writings.

The bye-elections in Sault Ste. Marie and Muskoka take place on Oct. 20. The standing of the parties in the Legislature is:

Liberals 50
Conservatives 45
Vacant 3

AUTOS MUST NOT SCORCH
First Offender Pays \$5 Into Police Court Fund.

Claims He Was Not Going Faster Than the Law Allows.

Automobilists must not go 30 or 40 miles an hour while in the city. If they go more than ten miles an hour they will get fined. One of them was fined \$5 this morning. Mr. Fred G. Mitchell was that gentleman, but he claimed he was not going too fast.

Then the evidence was taken. P. C. Noonan saw the chauffeurs hustling down Richmond street from Dundas to York street, where he said they could go no farther than the Tecumseh House. There were two machines, and the first car, he said, waited for Mr. Mitchell's to get even with it, and then they raced past King street without pulling up at the crossing. He judged they were going 20 or 30 miles an hour.

Mr. Mitchell said they were not racing. To the chief he said that the auto was not afraid of the street car, the excuse that is given invariably by a man summoned for moderate speeding of a horse. Mr. Mitchell said he had come down Richmond street, and passed the other man and had kept ahead until they reached York street, when they turned. At King street he could have brought the machine to a standstill in two lengths.

Mr. Wm. Hyman gave testimony. He had been riding in the other machine—both machines were Geneva steam machines—and he was in charge of Mr. Keller, an expert chauffeur. There were four in the car and they were not going at more than ten miles an hour.

The chief stated incidentally that he had been in a machine the other day that must have been going 30 miles an hour. This was in answer to the argument that it was impossible to get up such a speed in two blocks as was claimed.

Not did the statement satisfy the magistrate that Mr. Mitchell made regarding the speed as he told it to people. The defendant explained that almost every time the machine was stopped on the street somebody came up and asked how fast it could go, also as many other questions as miles an hour that it could go. Naturally he told them many things for which he would not expect to be held responsible.

Mr. Mitchell was told that people with automobiles must learn to slacken up at crossings and not to go faster than the law allows, or there would be some accidents.

The defendant paid over a nice new \$5 bill, the first to go into the treasury from this source.

JUSTICE ARMOUR'S DEATH

Referred To at the Reopening of the Supreme Court.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Oct. 6.—The death of Justice Armour was the subject of a feeling expression of regret and condolence on the assembling of the supreme court this morning. Mr. Justice Kilgour, former chief justice of Manitoba, took his place on the bench, having previously been sworn in by Sir Edgar Taschereau.

A circular has been issued by Paris physicians taking the radical ground that alcohol is never and never can be of any use whatever to the organism.

Reminiscences.
[Andrew Pattullo, in Woodstock Sentinel-Review.]

When the writer began journalism, many of the greatest newspapers of the United States were not in existence. And in Canada the changes in the field of journalism have been scarcely less striking. The name of George Brown still represented the strongest influence in the newspaper world of Canada, a fact which illustrates the altered ideals and methods of the press of today. In the world of politics and in the material progress of the country, the changes have not

been less great. Sir Wilfrid Laurier was then almost an unknown man; and his great provincial career of Sir Oliver Mowat was all before him. The provinces of Confederation had been loosely tied together; but the work of consolidation was for the future. These have been eventful years, even to those who have lived outside the big centers of human or national activity. Judged by past standards, they represent centuries of change and progress throughout the world, and especially in this young and progressive country, now emerging into the status of nationhood, and all this rather than a colony of the motherland.

DEFENDANT FOUND GUILTY OF PROFANING LORD'S DAY

Magistrate Love's Decision in Case of McKone, Employee of T. H. Robinson.

Judgment was handed out by Police Magistrate Love this morning in the case against Mr. McKone, the employee of Mr. Robinson, manufacturer of health foods, who was charged with profanation of the Lord's Day. It will be remembered that a few weeks ago the case came up in the police court and the defense was that as a Seventh Day Adventist, the defendant did not recognize the first day of the week as the Sabbath. Mr. Cowan intimated that the case would probably be appealed as a test case. The magistrate's judgment was as follows:

"I find that the defendant, McKone, being a workman in the employ of Mr. T. H. Robinson and being a man whose work of his ordinary calling was in the course of such work to pack in boxes a certain process or product called and known as 'health food,' on Sunday, the 6th day of September, A. D. 1903, exercised and did work of his ordinary calling in the premises of his employer, Mr. Robinson, at the city of London, by packing in boxes the said process material or product known as 'health food,' the said work not being the conveying of travelers or his majesty's mail by land or by water, nor selling drugs and medicines, nor other works of necessity not works of charity; and that the doing and performing of such work constituted a breach on the part of the defendant of chapter 16, section 1 of the consolidated statutes of Upper Canada, intituled an act to prevent the profanation of the Lord's Day in Upper Canada."

"I find that the work did not come within the exception of the statute, as the contention that it was necessary to give the greatest satisfaction. Two of the defendant did always regard and keep as the Sabbath Day, Saturday, the seventh day of the week, and performed no work on that day, thus prefer-

ring to hold as the Sabbath Day, conscientiously, no doubt, a day other than the day fixed by law.

"I do not find that the authorities quoted by the learned counsel for the defense apply in this particular case. Regina vs. Budge and Regina vs. Summers apply to cab-drivers or live-ry proprietors, who were properly held not to be subject to the statute. Hester vs. Shaw, which was a case of technical grounds, the information being insufficient and improperly drawn, and the contention not satisfying facts to overcome the defect. Regina vs. Reid refers to a railway employee, and it was expressly held that railways operating under a Dominion charter could not be legislated against in this regard by a local legislature. But the learned Chief Justice Ames, in a portion of his judgment in these words, 'The servants of persons or corporations not aimed at or included in the statute are not more liable to the penalties or punishments than their employers would be.'

"It is true that in this case, the defendant, Mr. McKone, is a servant or employee of Mr. Robinson. Mr. Robinson's business is that of preparing from grain cereals and other materials a process or product known as 'health food,' and vending and disposing thereof. Would Mr. Robinson himself not be liable in case he had been discovered in the act of performing this parson, at home or abroad, or in the streets of London, provided he had been accustomed to do or assist in such work ordinarily? I think he would, and therefore hold the defendant liable as well."

"While I sympathize with the due exercise of conscience by everyone, yet I can only hold that the defendant, living here a citizen of Ontario and enjoying the protection of its laws, must observe these laws. He is not compelled to violate his conscience by working on Saturday, but, as I hold, he must refrain from working on the Sabbath Day fixed by law, namely, the first day of the week."

"For the reasons above stated, I, therefore, find the defendant guilty, as work was necessary to him, a fine of \$1 and \$2.50 costs, including a witness fee, to be paid forthwith, or in default of payment five days in the common jail."

SEVERAL CHANGES REPORTED IN THE LOCAL G. T. R. CIRCLES

Mr. J. Navin To Be Yardmaster—Crews To Be Kept Together Where Possible.

NUMBER of local changes in G. T. R. circles have taken place during the last two weeks. Mr. Joseph Navin, who has held the position of night yardmaster for some time, has been made yardmaster vice Mr. John Gillen, and he will have as his assistant Mr. McCready. The position of yardmaster at London is not one that is easily filled, the lay-out of the yard being such that with the immense amount of traffic which is being handled, it is exceedingly difficult to keep the yards clear. Mr. Navin is looked upon as being capable to fill the bill.

Mr. Gillen succeeded Mr. Tobin as yardmaster on the latter's transfer to Toronto some months ago. He has at his own request been relieved of the duties here, and will be in charge of the yard work at Woodstock and Ingersoll, with headquarters at Woodstock.

The number of large engines of the 900 class is being gradually increased in the freight service, between Sarnia and the Bridge, having been found able to cure in all stages, and that is catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c.

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is believed that the compact to kill themselves was made a week ago and that the details were agreed upon at a meeting on Friday night.

One person in every 57 in the United States is a physician, and this does not include the people who always take good care of their health.

When accomplished, the Romanization of the Japanese language will put the final touch of victory to the revolution begun 40 years ago, says the London Times.

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Only One Objection.
[Philadelphia Ledger.]
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"Oh, yes," replied Miss Greathood, "except for the vulgar trade winds we encountered."

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