

GOVT. MAY ADOPT NEW POLICY TOWARD PROVINCIAL FISHERIES

Recent Criticism May Prove Very Useful—Why Is Mr. Hanna Figuring So Prominently in Matter Belonging to Another Department?

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Toronto, Dec. 19.—Criticism is useful. It occasionally does have an effect. The Ontario Government, for example, shows by documentary evidence in the Legislature to have discriminated against local Canadian fishermen in favor of the fish trust (an appendage to the American trust), exhibits signs of bowing before the sweep of criticism and of adopting a new policy towards the fisheries of the Province.

There are rumors, apparently inspired, that the Government instead of merely looking after their own narrow sphere of public institutions (a selfish policy which whenever enunciated led to Province-wide objection) is now going to try to secure a relief for the general consumer, either by prohibiting the export of fish or by taking over the fishing industry and conduct it as a government enterprise.

Why Mr. Hanna?

Why is it that Mr. Hanna is the minister who figures in the reports on the subject? As long as it merely was a matter of supplying fish for public institutions the matter naturally came under the Provincial Secretary's jurisdiction. But if the Government really is going to make a step forward in the interests of the general public, why is it not announced and explained by the minister charged with the administration of the fisheries, the Hon. Dr. Reame? Is the latter's incompetence so pronounced and the record of the department up to the present so unfavorable that another minister is to take over his work? And what about Mr. Hanna's fitness for the post? Is

his record in the administration of the Central Prison Industries with the famous Taylor-Scott contract and contribution reassuring?

Not Too Confident.

Moreover, the people of the province should not be too confident that as consumers they will receive benefit by any action in connection with the fisheries undertaken by this Government. They should be wise and not believe anything until they see it. This instance may possibly be another case of "when the cat's away the mice will play."

Last year during the absence of Sir James, Mr. Hanna spoke favorably of tax reform and it looks like clear sailing in the special assessment committee for the proposed change.

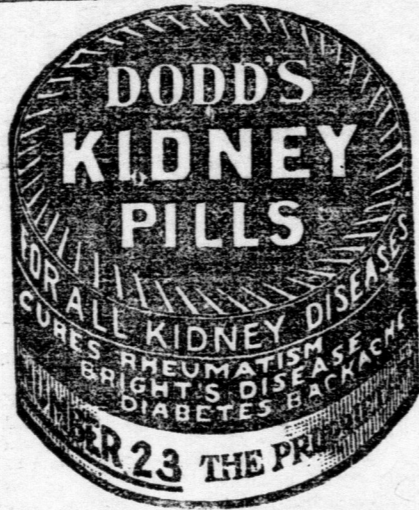
Sir James Whitney's return, however, closed all the partially opened doors, re-imprisoned the forces of progress and put an end to tax reform for the time being.

In one speech he blocked all action and the Conservative members of the committee, as automatically as a clock, voted against the introduction of assessment reform. Who knows but that Sir James when he returns from this trip will have even less mercy on the consumer of fish than on the owner of a house, and will cancel all projected developments looking to the relief of the housewife.

CARGO OF LUMBER.
[Special to The Advertiser.]
Sarnia, Dec. 19.—The tug Walter H. Stone is at the Laidlaw lumber docks taking on a cargo of pine and hemlock lumber, also several thousands posts, which she will take to Sombra.

Town Clerk Gough Fell Over Dead

Port Stanley Official Stricken While Reading Minutes at Council.
[Special to The Advertiser.]
Port Stanley, Dec. 19.—The funeral took place to Union Cemetery yesterday afternoon of James Gough, town clerk here for the past 25 years. Mr. Gough dropped dead as he was reading the minutes at the regular meeting of the council. Councillor McDonald caught him as he fell, but nothing could be done to revive him. The dead town clerk was 73 years old, and had resided in Port Stanley practically all his life. Before becoming town clerk he took an active part in municipal matters. Besides his wife, he leaves five sons and two daughters: Mrs. Albert Burton, Port Stanley; Madeline, at home; Albert, Farnham, Que.; John, Calgary; Arthur, Seattle, and George and James at home. Also three brothers: Benjamin, of London, and George and Henry.



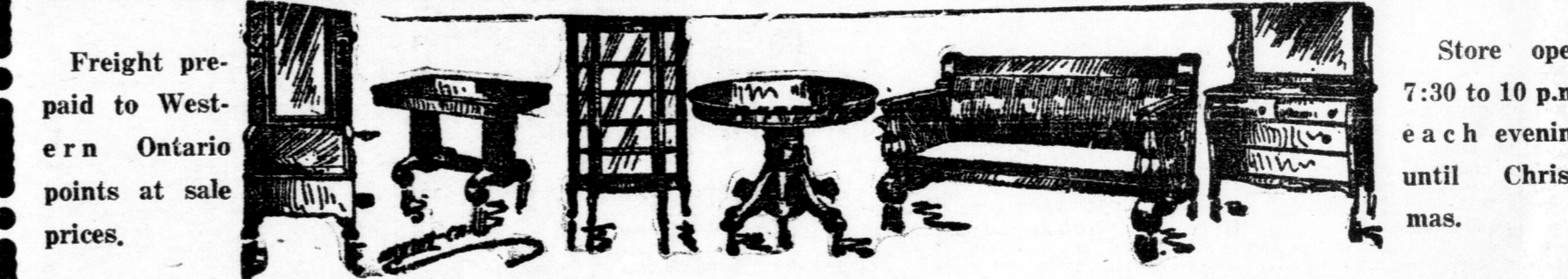
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