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Our Constitution Contrasted With That of Friends and Neighbors.

Our contemporary the New York Sun has been studying the proposed Federal Constitution of the Commonwealth of Australia, and it comes to the conclusion that the agreement between the different divisions of the new British combination "is a marked improvement upon that of the Dominion of Canada."

It remains to be proved by its working how much of an improvement upon the Canadian Constitution really is. The Australians would certainly have disappointed us if they had failed to improve upon the Canadian Constitution. It is now over thirty years since the confederation of the Canadian Provinces was accomplished. Confederation has had a fair trial, and though it has worked very well, considering the difficulties in the way, few Canadians there are who will not be ready to confess that if the work had to be done over again it could be considerably improved. With the experience this country has had of the confederation of the provinces, what fair-minded Canadian is there who would desire to incorporate such an anomaly in a federal constitution?

Nevertheless, taking it as a whole, even with the senatorial blot, which we hope soon to have removed, we regard our constitution as a considerable improvement on the antiquated instrument through which the people of the United States are ruled. In our Parliament of the Dominion, as well as in the Provincial Legislatures, we have the accredited ministers on the floor ready to promote the measures for which the Executive are accountable, and to be held to strict account for the management of their departments. The British method, improved to meet the wants of a new country, not only provides for this responsible government, but makes it desirable and easy to have experienced statesmen retained in the service of their country as members of Parliament so long as a constituency desires to be represented by them. The ancient system tolerated by our neighbors in the United States keeps their executive officers, no matter how capable, from having a share in the making of the laws, or of defending their administrative acts in either division of Congress. Moreover, as was confessed by several of our United States contemporaries the other day, when talking lessons from the life of Gladstone, statesmen of the type of that great Liberal leader cannot be retained in the service of the United States, because as soon as a President serves the two terms to which use and wont restricts his signal service to the State, he is shunted to one side, and it would be considered a dangerous innovation for him to seek service in the halls of Congress.

Under our system, a good statesman, a man in whom the people have confidence, is not permitted to vegetate after he has served his country. If he is the Prime Minister today, and tomorrow is defeated, he becomes leader of the Opposition, and has a great and important duty to fulfill. But at no time in his career do we say to a statesman, as they say in the adjoining republic, "You have occupied the highest position in the gift of the people; you have done your duty in an exceptionally able manner; it is, however, impossible for your fellow-citizens to receive you back into Congress, there to profit by your experience. Henceforth you must spend your spare time, not in the highest task which can be allotted to a statesman, but in fishing, in doing anything but directly serving your country, as statesmen are encouraged to do in those countries where parliamentary institutions prevail."

If, therefore, the constitution of the Australian Commonwealth is a great improvement on the Canadian Constitution, and we are not inclined to dispute the allegation of the New York Sun, how far ahead must it be of the hair-mouldy Constitution of the United States of America?

Dead Letter Arrangements.

On the first of next month the decentralization of the dead letter office work of the Canadian postal service will go into effect. After that date there will be six dead letter offices, at which letters and all other classes of unmailable matter may be treated, instead of one at Ottawa, as at present. The six are as follows: Ottawa, Toronto, Montreal, Halifax, Winnipeg and Victoria. In addition to these, there will be seven other offices at which all classes of dead matter other than letters will be disposed of. They are: Charlottetown, P. E. I., St. John, N. B., Quebec, Sherbrooke, Kingston, Hamilton and London. The general public may obviate a great deal of work imposed on the dead letter branch of the postal service, and save themselves disappointment and probably loss, if they will follow the advice of the department and have the name and address of the writer or sender of a letter placed on the upper left-hand corner of all envelopes or wrappers. When this is done the postmaster will, at once communicate with the sender, instead of transmitting the letter to the dead letter office, there to be opened for discovery of its original owner. This is a simple matter, to which all business men, at least, ought to attend.

A big extension in Canadian commerce is promised as a result of the demand for wood pulp which has sprung up in Great Britain, France and Germany. The first full steamship load has just been sent out from Chicoutimi, Que., for Glasgow. It amounts to 2,200 tons. The mill which produced it now employs 80 hands day and night, uses 900 logs every 24 hours, and has a daily output of 60 tons wet weight, and monthly pay roll of \$2,000. The company has spruce limits to the extent of 800 square miles, and during last winter 200,000 logs were cut for the mill. The industry is only in its infancy, and a very great expansion may be looked for.

Civic Electric Lighting Plants.

Valuable information on the question of municipal electric lighting has just been collected by Mr. Kent, deputy city clerk of Hamilton, for the use of the aldermen of that place, with the object of ascertaining whether or not it would be advisable to buy and operate a civic plant. In answer to inquiries sent out to leading cities in Canada, it was found that while London, like Hamilton, is again in the inquiring mood, the authorities in Toronto and Grand Rapids say they have already had the question of municipal control under consideration, and have decided to stick to contracts with private corporations, having, they assert, found that cheaper light could thus be secured than by operating their own plants. The following returns from the report compiled for the Hamilton authorities will interest Londoners:

City	Cost of Plant	Operation	Number of Lamps	Cost of Fuel	Cost of Maintenance	Cost of Repairs	Total Cost
Ashabula, O.	\$2,000	\$10,000	100	\$1,000	\$500	\$200	\$13,700
Aurora, Ill.	\$1,100	\$10,200	200	\$1,000	\$500	\$200	\$13,800
Albany, N. Y.	\$3,000	\$2,500	100	\$1,000	\$500	\$200	\$7,200
Bloomington, Ill.	\$3,000	\$15,500	200	\$1,000	\$500	\$200	\$19,200
Bangor, Me.	\$2,000	\$10,000	100	\$1,000	\$500	\$200	\$13,700
Bay City, Mich.	\$2,500	\$8,800	200	\$1,000	\$500	\$200	\$13,000
Bathurst, Ont.	\$1,500	\$10,000	100	\$1,000	\$500	\$200	\$13,200
Detroit, Mich.	\$2,200	\$10,100	100	\$1,000	\$500	\$200	\$13,000
Decatur, Ill.	\$3,000	\$10,000	100	\$1,000	\$500	\$200	\$14,700
Elmwood, N. Y.	\$1,000	\$10,000	100	\$1,000	\$500	\$200	\$12,700
Goshen, Ind.	\$2,000	\$10,000	100	\$1,000	\$500	\$200	\$13,700
Hamlet, N. Y.	\$1,000	\$10,000	100	\$1,000	\$500	\$200	\$12,700
Janesville, W. V.	\$2,000	\$10,000	100	\$1,000	\$500	\$200	\$13,700
Jacksonville, Fla.	\$12,500	\$20,000	100	\$1,000	\$500	\$200	\$34,200
Little Rock, Ark.	\$2,000	\$10,000	100	\$1,000	\$500	\$200	\$13,700
Peabody, Mass.	\$1,000	\$10,000	100	\$1,000	\$500	\$200	\$12,700
Topeka, Kan.	\$1,000	\$10,000	100	\$1,000	\$500	\$200	\$12,700
Tienville, Pa.	\$1,000	\$10,000	100	\$1,000	\$500	\$200	\$12,700
Windsor, Ont.	\$2,000	\$10,000	100	\$1,000	\$500	\$200	\$13,700

Hamilton has 382 arc lamps, which cost \$31.25 each annually. In London, each electric light costs 25 cents a night. The new proposal of the company is to supply the lights at 23 cents each.

In most of the places named, slack coal was used, ranging in price from 60 cents to \$2.25 per ton. All are operated with steam power except one, in which water power is used. In Jacksonville, Fla., wood is the fuel used. Some answers gave the percentage that should be added on capitalization account, which varied from 4 to 11 1/2 per cent. The Hamilton deputy clerk explains that the reason Detroit's cost per lamp appears so high is because of the figures given in the depreciation of machinery, insurance, loss to the city through the absence of taxation that would accrue from a private corporation. That city has investigated the question of municipal lighting at a greater length than any other place in America. Hamilton council, as a result of this investigation, have taken steps to get the report of an expert on the whole question.

Sir C. H. Tupper, who is now in Winnipeg, has been confronted with the following strong declaration by the Tribune of that city, in reply to his determined objection to investigation of the Dominion election ballot-stuffing cases in Manitoba: "A well-known Tory manipulator is said to have boasted that the ballot-boxes in about 20 constituencies in Ontario were stuffed by Tory deputies. This charge was made months ago, and the informant said that had records taken place in many places it would have been found that the number of ballots in the ballot-boxes and the register in the poll books would not have corresponded." Whether or not the rascality was as widespread as is here indicated, the evidence given in the Manitoba investigation, difficult though it was to get at, clearly proved the prevalence of a conspiracy to steal the representation of the province from the majority of the electors, and secure the sending to Parliament of Conservative M. P.s, though the Liberal candidates received the majority of the votes.

About Bands.

In Toronto they have a band difficulty, too. The city council there divided the appropriation for park music among four bands, but stipulated that only 25 men should be paid for each concert. The bandsmen point out that 30 men in each band have practiced during the winter, and they unitedly say that unless the whole 30 are taken none of the bands will play. How the mild hold-up will come out remains to be seen. In London, the arrangement which has been in force for a number of years has been broken through, and instead of the citizens hearing the Seventh Band one evening and the Musical Society Band the next, the whole appropriation will be paid to the Seventh. There will be no strike in the Seventh because of this change. A little variety, however, would have been appreciated by the public.

No use trying to stop our Fly. 2417

SACRED HEART

Commencement Day at the Academy—The Premiums.

Surpassing Beauty of the Assembly Hall—A High-Class Programme.

Thursday afternoon was a very interesting one for the pupils of the Sacred Heart Academy, when the closing exercises, so eagerly looked forward to in all boarding schools, took place. The large assembly hall in connection with the school was a scene of surpassing beauty. Graceful palms, with garlands of snowy-petaled daisies, were conspicuous in the decoration, while nothing prettier or more distinguished could be imagined than the long rows of youthful maidens in robes of purest white.

Music, vocal and instrumental, of the highest type, was the least interesting feature of the programme. Violins, mandolins, guitars and pianos, under the skillful touch of young girls, combined in a chorus of harmony to which it is not often one's privilege to listen. The teachers of the academy are to be complimented for the use of well trained and splendid voices among their pupils.

French and English recitations, and a charming dramatic "The Poets' Corner," among a bevy of little girls, completed the programme. The latter represented Shakespeare. Pope, Dante, Wordsworth, Bacon and Longfellow, as being sent from the poets' corner to look up doings of the present day. They most, and interchangeably, experienced much to his consternation, Shakespeare finds that Bacon is given credit for having written "Shakespeare." Bacon finds philosophy "nowhere." Pope that his fine lines are used chiefly for advertising purposes. Wordsworth disapproves that the beauties of nature are overshadowed completely by those of art. Longfellow discovers so many wonderful electric inventions in his native country that he is completely puzzled. They decide at length that the world is mad, when Dante appears and assures them they are mistaken, that wisdom has not entirely fled, and that always, and in spite of everything, the faith of Christ will remain unchanged.

The distribution of crowns of honor, medals and premiums then took place, after which his Lordship Dr. O'Connor, in a few short, but appropriate words, complimented the ladies for their well-earned laurels, and wished them a happy vacation, after which all repaired to the beautiful convent-chapel, where benediction of the Blessed Sacrament gave an appropriate ending to a pleasant entertainment.

HONORARY DISTINCTIONS.

Following is a complete list of the winners, less those given in last night's Advertiser:

Third blue ribbon—Misses Moriarty, Conolly and Harrold.

Fourth blue ribbon—Misses L. Moran, Williams and Molony, E. King, Wright and Tachereau.

Fifth blue ribbon—Miss Hanavan.

Sixth blue ribbon—Misses G. and D. Mason and Leonard.

Seventh blue ribbon—Misses McDonnell, L. and T. H. Howe, M. Connor, Williams and Molony, E. King, Wright and Tachereau.

Eighth blue ribbon—Misses Smith, Lebel, Noble and Hime.

Ninth blue ribbon—Miss U. Butler.

Second green ribbon—Miss Hiscoc.

Third green ribbon—Misses Martin and Boughner.

Fourth green ribbon—Misses Murray, Mulken, Traher and Evans.

Fifth green ribbon—Misses M. and A. Connor.

The highest literary honors of the institution were awarded to Misses Ellie and Lulu Moran and Hanavan. The premium for exemplary conduct was awarded to Miss Moran.

The gold medal for Christian doctrine, awarded by his Lordship Right Rev. Dr. O'Connor, has been merited by Miss Moran.

SUPERIOR CLASS.

Miss E. Moran—Premiums for literature and history, accessit to premium for application.

Miss L. Moran—Premiums for French, application to English and French; accessit to premiums for literature, epistolary style and needlework.

Miss M. Hanavan—Premiums for epistolary style; accessit to premium for history.

FIRST ENGLISH CLASS.

Miss C. Moriarty—Premiums for application, geography and five accessits. Accessits to premiums for history, grammar, epistolary style, elements of metaphysics and recitation.

Miss E. Scatcherd—Premiums for history, grammar, recitation, elements of metaphysics and German. Accessits to premiums for Latin elements and composition.

Miss G. LeBel—Premiums for epistolary style and Latin elements. Accessits to geography and application.

Miss E. King—Premiums for composition and Latin elements.

SECOND CLASS.

Miss M. Noble—Premiums for epistolary style, geography and French. Accessits to elements of logic, history and arithmetic.

Miss A. Pelletier—Premiums for history, Latin elements, French grammar, French epistolary style. Accessits to geography, grammar, application to French and needlework.

Miss L. Tachereau—Premiums for grammar and logic elements. Accessits to application, epistolary style and French grammar.

Miss M. Molony—Premiums for French and application. Accessit to Latin elements.

Miss R. Coles—Premiums for recitation and French. Accessit to elements of logic.

Miss A. Girardot—Accessit to style epistolary.

Miss R. Lang—Premium for book-keeping.

Miss T. McDonnell—Premium for needlework.

Miss E. Smallman—Premium for German. Accessit to French.

Miss H. Howe—Premium for arithmetic.

Miss M. Williams—Premium for German.

Miss N. Butler—Premium for application to French. Accessit to English application.

Miss M. Meredith—Premium for German.

THIRD CLASS.

Miss N. Conolly—Premiums for grammar, history, epistolary style, recitation, French and needlework. Accessits to application, geography and arithmetic.

Miss E. Wright—Premiums for application to French and English. Accessits to epistolary style, recitation and grammar.

Miss D. Mason—Premiums for geography and French. Accessits to epistolary style and application.

Miss G. Mason—Premiums for grammar, French and needlework.

Miss A. Aust—Premiums for penmanship. Accessit—Needlework.

Miss K. Dromgole—Accessit to French epistolary style.

Miss T. Howe—Premium for arithmetic. Accessit to French.

Miss M. Gies—Premium for German. Miss M. Norton—Accessits to penmanship and French.

Miss O. Binks—Premium for history. Miss C. Wilson—Second premium for geography.

Miss E. Gustin—Accessit for book-keeping.

Miss L. Leonard—Premium for history, geography. Accessits to grammar and arithmetic.

Miss G. Smith—Premium for diligence. Accessits to geography.

FOURTH CLASS.

Miss M. Traher—Premiums for application, history and geography. Accessits to recitation, grammar and French.

Miss M. Amant—Premium for grammar, epistolary style and penmanship. Accessits to French and application.

Miss L. Martin—Premium for French reading.

Miss N. Hillier—Premium for recitation.

Miss M. Coughlin—Premium for arithmetic. Accessit to French.

Miss M. Connor—Premium for arithmetic.

Miss I. Boughner—Accessit to penmanship.

Miss S. Birtwhistle—Accessit to history, geography and arithmetic.

Miss A. Connor—Accessit to epistolary style.

FIFTH CLASS.

Miss E. Traher—Premiums for grammar and application. Accessits to recitation, history, French and geography.

Miss E. Blackburn—Premiums for recitation and French.

Miss E. Mulken—Premiums for history and geography. Accessit to reading.

Miss H. Dampier—Premiums for French and reading.

Miss L. Evans—Premiums for arithmetic.

Miss S. Hiscoc—Premium for diligence.

Miss D. Gleeson—Premium for diligence.

SIXTH CLASS.

Miss I. Wilson—Premiums for grammar and history. Accessits to geography, reading and recitation.

Miss A. Regan—Premiums for geography, reading and recitation. Accessits to history and application.

Miss M. James—Premium for application. Accessit to grammar.

SEVENTH CLASS.

Miss A. Woodrow—Premiums to application, geography, Bible history, needlework and penmanship. Accessit to orthography.

Miss M. Conolly—Premiums for reading and French.

Miss E. Pocock—Premiums for orthography, and arithmetic. Accessit to reading.

Groves—Premiums for five accessits. Accessits to Bible history, geography, arithmetic, recitation and needlework.

EIGHTH CLASS.

Miss M. Miller—Premiums for application, reading and arithmetic. Accessit to recitation.

Miss R. Mulken—Premium for recitation. Accessit to Bible history and application.

Miss I. McDonnell—Premium for Bible history. Accessit to reading and arithmetic.

ELEMENTARY CLASS.

Miss M. LeBel—Premium for orthography. Accessit to French.

Miss K. Simes—Premium for reading.

Miss G. Fennec—Premium for object lessons.

Miss T. Donegan—Premium for encouragement.

PROGRAMME.

During the afternoon the following programme was pleasingly carried out by the pupils:

Entrée—Ballet Brilliant—Leybach (Violins and piano.)

Misses Hanavan, Girardot, Lang, Pelletier, K. Howe, L. Howe, M. Connor and K. Connor.

Chorus—Hymn of Praise—Gounod Violin quartet and piano—Hope March—Misses K. Howe, L. Howe, M. Connor, A. Connor, Meredith.

Recitation—Le Tableau Miraculeux—Miss L. Conolly.

Chorus—Crowned With the Tempest—Verdi Sextet—Norwegian Dance—Grieg (Violins, mandolins and piano.) Misses Martin, Molony, Pelletier, Amant, Meredith and Lang.

Dialogue—Poet's Corner—Misses Murray, Mulken, Harrison, James, Hiscoc, Wilson and LeBel.

Chorus—La Preghiera—Marchetti Quartet—Joyous Hearts—Pietrapertosa (Mandolins, guitar and piano.) Misses Meredith, Martin, Smallman and Lang.

Address—Tides—Miss L. Moran.

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300 pairs Ladies' Black Cashmere Hose, spliced heels and toes, worth 30c, Today and Monday, 19c pair.

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GERMAN STEAMER WRECKED.

Managua, Nicaragua, June 17.—The German merchant steamer Deedemona has run on the rocks 30 miles north of Corinto, on the Pacific side of Nicaragua. The passengers and crew have been saved.

COLORADO MASON.

Seattle, Wash., June 17.—An important event in the history of Free Masonry in this state occurred at the session of the grand lodge. It was in effect the recognition of negro lodges, and that the authorities of such bodies may confer Masonic degrees. The recognition is limited to negro lodges holding charters from the grand lodge of England. This is the first recognition of negro Masonry by any grand jurisdiction in the United States.