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THE LABOR LEGISLATION

The labor legislation of the province of Alberta is more advanced than in any other province in Canada. In the recent session of the legislature several matters of very great importance to workingmen were passed. Most important was the mining act, which was very acceptable to the mining men. This includes some very important changes which mining men desired. It will protect the lives of the mining men and greatly improve conditions. The employers are required to make bi-weekly payment of wages.

Another law of very great importance passed during the recent session of the legislature gave added protection to the labor men working on buildings. This revolutionizes conditions and makes the lives of the working man much safer. There will be no further accidents due to poor scaffolding and that sort of thing.

It was the Liberal administration that placed the Workingmen's Compensation act upon the statute books and last session that very wise legislation was very greatly improved.

The government has been the friend of the laboring man.

WHISTLING FOR COURAGE

The opposition is at the stage where they are whistling to keep their courage up. The Herald dilates with some appearance of hope on defeating the administration. In the meantime, the Conservatives themselves have no expectation of winning the present contest.

"We have some hope of increasing our representation in the house," is the way that one Conservative member of the late house refers to it. "I would not say at all that we expect to defeat the government."

And that is the very best that the Conservatives expect!

There is not a single safe Conservative seat. Even the Calgary seats, which, before the contest began, were looked upon as comparatively safe, are doubtful—and in the whole three the government candidates have hopes of winning.

The opposition will not carry the southern part of the province or anything like it. There is every prospect of the Liberals winning every seat along the main line of the C.P.R. east of Calgary. Medicine Hat, Redcliff, and Bow Valley are certain, and Gleichen fairly certain. With the exception of Lethbridge and Pincher Creek, the Liberals are positive of winning every seat in the extreme south, which includes Taber, Warner, Cardston, Macleod and Little Bow. In Pincher the Liberals are hopeful. There will be hard fights in every riding between Calgary and Macleod, with chances slightly in favor of the government candidates. Mr. Fisher is safe in Cochrane.

The Albertan is informed that there is no chance of the opposition getting more than four seats north of Red Deer.

But The Albertan has no desire to make election predictions, because it is too early in the season. But one thing is certain, and that is that the government will be returned by a very good majority.

The Herald says that Mr. Cross is "scared blue," that Mr. Boyle is in trouble, and that Mr. Marshall is worse than that, but it does not mention any color scheme. But that is not anything to what The Herald said at the last bye-elections. Then, it had Mr. Cross defeated to a frazzle, or even worse. But Mr. Cross was elected by some hundreds. It had Mr. Boyle beaten to bits, but Mr. Boyle's opponent never collected his deposit money from the courts.

Going back into ancient history, The Calgary Herald in 1905, predicted that only two Liberals would be elected north of Red Deer, and it declined to give the names of the two ridings that would elect Liberals. But in all Alberta, only two Conservatives were elected.

In modern times, it will be remembered that the same Herald stated in most positive terms that R. A. Brocklebank would be elected mayor for the city. Every person knows what happened there.

But elections are very uncertain, as uncertain as horse races, as a celebrated electioneer once said. The only thing really certain, is that the Liberal administration is sure to be returned by a very comfortable majority.

WILL MR. HILLOCKS APOLOGIZE?

Rev. S. Bacon Hillocks, candidate in North Calgary, has made the statement that Premier Sifton was interested in a coal mining proposition in the Crows' Nest Pass and had guaranteed bonds to a railway company which would benefit that property. That statement is absolutely untrue. Premier Sifton has been interested in no mining properties, directly or indirectly, since becoming premier of this province, or since the creation of the province.

Whether or not the untruth was deliberate will be known when we see if Rev. Mr. Hillocks retracts the statement at his next meeting. If he permits the lie to go uncontradicted to do its worst to blacken the reputation of the premier of the province, the untruth must be regarded as malicious and deliberate.

No person is worthy of public life who comes out on a public platform and makes such a poisonous attack upon an opponent without first ascertaining, beyond question, the truth of it. If he does not retract and apologize for the misstatement, he will reveal to the electors of North Calgary and Alberta just the sort of person he is.

A PARTY WITHOUT A POLICY

The Calgary Herald, after diligent search, has found in the very bottom of the barrel an old copy of what was described at one time as the platform of the Conservative party in 1912. Though it is only a year old, every person had forgotten all about it. It was never mentioned in the editorials. It was not spoken of in polite society by the leader or any other member of the seven. It was whittled out one day in Calgary, framed, and placed away as a memento.

For instance, there is such a thing in it as a promise for a referendum on the question of prohibition. The Albertan invites the leader of the opposition to publish in these columns the resolution or resolutions which he, or any of his followers, introduced in the legislature at this session or any session asking for a referendum of the people on the question of prohibition. It further invites The Calgary Herald for any editorial that it, or its Southam kindred, has ever published favoring a referendum of the question of prohibition. The Calgary Herald has referred to the temperance question occasionally. It condemned the government with no uncertain sound, when the license department closed up the bar in the King George hotel, but that is some distance from a referendum on prohibition. It championed the cause of Charlie Bell, but he is neither a referendum nor prohibition, nor a combination of both.

It is the same with all the planks. The platform refers to the government building of internal elevators, but forgot all about it and supported the government measure of co-operative elevators. The members evidently forgot that they had a platform of their own.

We have searched the records of the recent legislature. That is where the policies are made and endorsed. During the late session the opposition brought in but two resolutions of a constructive nature. One referred to the taxation of railways, but the party was hopelessly divided upon the measure and the members were somewhat mixed up as to how they were voting. The other was a resolution favoring an examination of the finances of the province, when the members of the opposition could find nothing wrong with them.

The opposition might copy out the Ten Commandments and declare them to be the platform, but that would not make them an issue in this election.

Despite the fact that after diligent search The Herald has dug up what it declares to be the platform of the party, the party never having made any effort to carry it into effect, The Albertan repeats that the opposition is a party without a policy.

Editorial Notes

Harold Riley in his preachments in Bow Valley, is dilating upon the iniquity of the A. & G. W. The A. & G. W. was the work of A. C. Rutherford, who now announces that he has cast in his lot with Mr. Michener, and while that legislation was passing through, Mr. Harold Riley was an official in the employ of that same Rutherford government. George Lane did more than any person outside of the house to maintain the uprightness and integrity of the provinceby putting an end both to the Rutherford government and the A. & G. W.

R. B. Bennett says that the A. & G. W. is the issue in this election. For once he is too modest. R. B. Bennett, with his elevator monopoly and his 15 1-2 cen toats is the big issue in this election. The government that took its life in its hands to face the elevator combine and the implement trust, can be relied upon to defend the interest of the farmer.

The Liberal candidate in Center Calgary is not ashamed of his high calling. He glories in the work he has done in the good cause. He does not ask his supporters to leave the "Rev." from his name as the leader of the opposition and hi ssupporter, Rev. S. B. Hillocks, in North Calgary do.

One opposition speaker says that the Co-operative Elevator bill is the very best bill there is and that the farmers made it, and the next one says that it is very bad and the government made it. In one part of the paper the Herald insists that the bill is bad and government-made and in the other that it is good and farmer-made. As a matter of fact it is a government bill and the government passed it, risked its life upon it, is prepared to enforce it and put it into action. Would the opposition, with R. B. Bennett the working force, pass an eelvator act?

The Southam people are again making nasty insinuations about Duncan Marshall. But when Mr. Marshall faced Mr. Michener and all the rest of them in the house and invited them to do their worst, they had absolutely nothing to say.

Mr. Michener, as an election prophet, has something to learn of the veteran Sir Charles Tupper, who could size up the entire dominion and point out that it would be impossible for the Laurier government to get more than five or six seats at the very most, and he would not even concede that many.

Ideas of a Plain Man

By Dr. Frank Crane

KNOWLEDGE AND WONDER

The conflict is not between science and religion. It is between knowledge and wonder.

There are two kinds of mind-joy, one at grasping a thing, the other at feeling how much there is you can never grasp.

Out of the several vigintillion facts, laws and truths of the universe we can get hold of seventeen or so; that is science, and it is keen delight.

To contemplate the immense remainder is also a delight; it is religion; it is awe.

It is a pleasure to sit among the family and friends around the lamp at evening, to hear the familiar chatter, to play with the baby and discuss the welfare of the hens and pigs. It is also a pleasure to go out in the yard and look up at the starred sky and feel its mysterious lift.

Why oppose the two? Why not enjoy both?

I love science and the scientific spirit. I admire a beautiful locomotive, and am a devotee of botanic analysis, it does me good to read of things known and laws discovered.

But also, like Heine, I would "feed upon the stars and drink the milky way."

Like Ptolemaeus I can say: "I know that I am mortal and ephemeral, but when I scan the spirals of the stars, no longer do I touch earth with my feet, but sit with Zeus himself, and eat the ambrosial food of the gods."

As between science and religion, I choose—both.

Vest Pocket Essays

By George Fitch

AARON BURR

Aaron Burr was a fine illustration of the manner in which Nature sometimes spoils things by overdoing them.

Nature fashioned Burr on a magnificent plan. She gave him wisdom, energy, patriotism, and persuasiveness. Then she gave him genius and precocity enough to make an early start. If she had been content with this, Burr would have been at least an uncle to his country, and would probably have been president.

But Nature then proceeded to add personal ambition and attractiveness to women to Burr's stock and ruined him.

Burr was born in Newark, N. J., in 1756, and barely had time to grow up before the revolution began. He joined the American army soon after the first gun was fired and was a lieutenant-colonel at 21. The next year he was a member of Washington's staff. At 34 he was attorney-general of New York, and at 35 senator from New York. He was then nominated for vice-president in 1800, and at this point Nature's course work began to show.

The celebrated constitution was at this time a little childlike in several spots and one of these was the method of electing president and vice-president. Burr had been nominated for vice-president, but when he received as many votes as Thomas Jefferson he made a mad grab at the presidency. Congress defeated him after many months, but it soured his proud spirit, and he soon became a national nuisance.

In 1804, Burr polished up his pistol practice and invited Alexander Hamilton to a duel on general principles. He killed Hamilton. It was considered a misdemeanor at that time to kill a man in a duel, just as it is considered bad taste today to shoot an editor in South Carolina, and Burr was never popular after that.

In 1807 Burr got an expedition together and drifted down the Ohio to found a colony in the South. He was

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suspected of desiring to be its king, and was arrested and tried for treason, but was acquitted.

Burr lived to be over 80 and managed to break up at least one family and to marry a wealthy widow in his old age. He died without jarring even the immediate neighborhood, and although he was one of America's ablest men his example is never pointed out to American boys.

Sidewalk Sketches

By Howard L. Hann

POCKETS

Pockets are small, obscure receptacles in men's clothes which retain everything except money. This is illustrated by the fact that many a man has come home at night with $15 tucked away in his vest pocket and gone down town in the morning without carfare, on account of having married a kleptomaniac disguised as a helpmeet.

When a man orders a suit of clothes made, he has pockets scattered all through it, and deposits small change in each pocket, in the hope that his wife will miss one and leave the price of a shave in it. This is usually a vain hope, however, for when a woman sets about to burglarize a pair of pants she manages to leave nothing but the buttons. It is getting so that out of pure self-defense a great many husbands have a compartment sewed over the left hip, equipped with a time lock attachment and a burglar alarm.

Women do not wear pockets, as they are never allowed to carry any money. Once in a while a women will get hold of a small piece of money from some relative, upon which she will do one of two things. She will either hide it on the top shelf of the pantry, behind the baking powder can, so that her husband can't get hold of it and squander it on the grocery bill, or she will place it in her handbag, and then leave the bag on the ribbon counter. Most of the discord in the American home is caused by a stubborn wife who refuses to allow her husband to spend the residue of her father's estate in payment of back rent.

Small boys' clothes are nine parts pockets and one part fit, and are made to hold everything from a fish hook to a can of angleworms. It is a bigger job to invoice the contents of a small boy's pants than it is to take stock in a 10-cent store. When a boy stands on his head in the parlor, plunder will rain out of him and sound like a melee in a pawn shop.

The Poet Philosopher

By Walt Mason

THE TRUE PATRIOT

How blessed is the man who asks no office, low or high, who rustles at his useful tasks, nor yearns to bleed and die! No spoiled ambitions make him sore or cause him to repine; and every day, at every door, he gets the "Welcome" sign. He is no politician's pup, to follow him through town; no whippersnapper higher up can ever call him down. He does not need to whine and sob in some cheap statesman's ears, that he may hold his dinky job another term of years. It isn't needful to pretend he loves the unwashed jay; he needn't call his bosom friend each rube who comes his way. He cares not for the smiles or frowns of people in high place, but, in his old blue hand-me-downs, he tolls with skill and grace. From all official fetters free, he herds his lowing kine, and prunes the spreading pumpkin tree, and trains the cabbage vine. Administrations oft may change, or make him lose his sleep. Let others break their hearts to nab those prizes dear to men; all quietly he keepeth tab upon his setting hen. How blessed is the man who'd take no office, small or big! Who'd rather stay at home and make a boudoir for his pig!

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We're marking these at reduced prices and you owe it to yourself to visit this, our miniature Paris, at your earliest opportunity, because selections are possible with greater ease now than later.

Some very pleasing styles, designed in our own workroom by "The Bay's" own milliners, are here to greet you, and the prices are modest.

Price Reasons for a Lively Two Hours in the White Goods Section

SALE COMMENCES PROMPTLY AT 9 O'CLOCK TODAY AND CEASES AT 11 O'CLOCK

Ladies who keep a careful eye on our store news from day to day, have come to realize and appreciate that value-giving is at its height in our periodical short, sharp sales, and we anticipate a vigorous two hours today during the progress of this sale, which must appeal to every woman who reads the full details given below. If you would profit to the fullest extent in this special reduction, then be forewarned and be here as soon after nine o'clock as possible.

A "Scurry Out" of Women's Shoes

60 pairs only of women's fancy Patent Leather Button and Vici Kid Laced Boots are "chalked" to slip away today at nearly a third off their regular price. They certainly won't last long because they're the kind of styles a woman is proud to wear and it won't take the first 60 women who come, long to decide that, you may be sure.

The lot consists of all sizes, but not in each line. The vici kid laced boots have the improved neat short vamp and "Hito" with smart Cuban heel and the button styles are built along the same lines, which admit of very neat fit. All Goodyear welt soles. The limited quantity is an imperative reason why you need to come early. Regularly $3.00 Saturday, per pair $2.25

MAN TAILORED BLOUSES 75¢

Sounds almost impossible, doesn't it? Yes. But here's another example of "the Bay's" way of making this store popular. When we cut, we cut deeply, and every word in our advertisements can be verified when you see the goods. There's just 100 of these pretty Blouses, and they'll fairly melt away before the eager and appreciative buyers who'll throng this section. Made of splendid vestings, linenette and linen; some with soft collars and cuffs, others laundered. They are indeed beauties. Many are fully man-tailored; others almost as nice in a fine variety of patterns; wide and narrow tucks. All sizes in the lot if not in every style. Regularly sold at $1.50 to $2.00. Today, 9 to 11 a.m. Each 75c

LADIES' HOUSE DRESSES, $1.25

You can "kill two birds with one stone," by supplying yourself with a smart new house Gown, today, while purchasing your share of the Blouse special in this same section, and then you'll feel doubly grateful to "The Bay" for the reminder. Freshly arriving shipments for this department are simply crying for space, and while we could otherwise retain these fine House Dresses at regular prices and give you great value even then, still we are helpless, owing to our crowded state, and that's why we're favoring early Saturday shoppers so immensely. These dresses are of fine percale, cut with low neck and three-quarter length sleeves, prettily piped with navy and red and plain self material; colors are black and white and blue and white, neat pin stripe. Sizes 34 to 42. Today, 9 to 11 a.m. Each $1.25

Lustrous Example of a Silk Sacrifice

There'll be a stir in our section devoted to Silks today, and it doesn't require a prophet to predict that. Hosts of women who know by past purchases our marvelous silk qualities find their way here every day. But news of a price-favor of this kind spreads like fire and no doubt these 300 yards of Honan Silks will be gone early in the day. That's just a hint to you to see that you get supplied in the morning.

Our buyer was fortunate—he "got the best of it"—and we're going to pass on the good luck to you. Handsome in texture and finish, these "Shantungs" may be had in pink, tan, and mauve, all 25 inches wide and worth in the regular way 65c per yard. Special Today, per yard 50c

Grocery News That Talks Economy

We are admittedly specialists in Tea, and the very careful attention we are giving this department is resulting in largely increasing sales, showing without doubt a recognition of our efforts to supply the very choicest and delicious Teas grown.

In blending Hudson's Bay Teas we carefully take into consideration the nature of the water, etc., and confidently recommend our blends as the outcome of extreme care in selection and dexterity in blending.

Hudson's Bay Co. "Imperial Blend," exceptional value, a blend of choice Ceylon and Indian Teas that we can recommend for its fine flavor and aroma. Per pound, 35¢; 3 pounds for $1.00

Hudson's Bay Co.'s "Family Blend," fine hill grown Ceylon and Indian; a blend unsurpassed in delicacy of flavor. Per lb. 40¢; 3 lbs. for $1.10

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Holbrook's Punch Sauce. Week End special, per bottle ..... 25¢

Pickles. Maconochies' Imported. 20-oz. bottle, mixed and Chow-Chow. Week End special, bottle ..... 30¢

Hartley's Delicious Marmalade, 1-lb. jar 20¢, 2-lb. jar, 35¢; 4-lb. tin. .. 65¢

Coffee. H. B. Co.'s Imperial Blend, per lb. ..... 35¢
3 lbs. for $1.00

PROVISION COUNTER

Hams. Choice, 10 to 12 lbs. Per lb... 22¢
Bacon. Side or half. Per lb. ..... 24¢
Lard. Armour's, pure, 3-lb. pail .... 50¢
5-lb. tin ..... 80¢
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Reg. 30c dozen, for ..... 25¢
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Lemons. Fancy California Sunkist. Regular 50c dozen, for ..... 40¢
Apples. Fancy Table, 4 lbs. for ..... 25¢
Apples. Fancy cooking, 5 lbs. for ... 25¢
Grape Fruit, Fancy Florida, 10¢, 12 1-2¢, and ..... 17 1-2¢
Celery. Fancy, per lb. ..... 15¢
Asparagus. Fancy, per lb. ..... 20¢
Tomatoes. Fancy ripe Florida, per lb. 20¢
Cauliflowers. Fancy large white, 25¢ and ..... 30¢
Cocoanuts ..... 15¢ and 20¢
Cucumbers. Fancy hothouse. Each.. 30¢
Rhubarb. Fancy, lb. ..... 15¢
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LADIES' DRAWERS—120 pairs only, fine cambric, handsomely trimmed and finished in lace and tucking. Both open and closed styles. Sizes 23, 25 and 27. Today's bargain, each 35c

LADIES' NIGHT DRESSES—60 only, made of fine, evenly woven nainsook, slipover style. Dainty yoke of eyelet embroidery. One of our big sellers. Sizes 56, 58 and 60. Today's bargain, each $1.25

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