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A TORY CHALLENGE

The St. John Standard says: "Ever since 1868 the Liberal party in New Brunswick has been losing ground."

Do the Liberals of St. John and the province generally accept this statement as true? It is an open challenge to them to prove to the Standard and those for whom it speaks that the Liberal party is quite as able to hold its own as ever in the past.

"WE UNTO YE, HYPOCRITES" is Mr. J. W. Keirstead a political opponent, and is the Rev. W. R. Robinson a disappointed office-seeker?

The substance of his charge is that a portion of the temperance people and a few ministers are being made a tool of by one of the city candidates, backed by a certain minister.

Gravely oppressed by this sad condition, as a humble and conscientious citizen naturally would be, and yearning for utterance, we can readily understand the unhappy condition of this leading layman and recognized champion of temperance.

And the Globe "received him gladly." It had been waiting for him. By some premonition it knew of the travail of the soul of this leading Baptist layman, this temperance man of recognized standing, this citizen well known and respected; and it made room for him on the editorial page, among live matter, with the stamp of editorial approval on him and all his works.

Opinions differ as to the distance this pilgrim had to journey before he reached the goal. Some believe he travelled a whole block, some more; and some that he was already in the Globe office when the moment of inspiration came. Be this as it may, he arrived, and his consciousness is once more void of offence. He has done what he could. The villainy of Mr. Keirstead and Rev. Mr. Robinson is exposed, as well as the stupidity of a portion of the temperance people and a few ministers, and there does not seem to be anything more to be said. It is true that some wretched persons object to anonymous at-

tacks, and Monsieur Brann, in a recent sermon in New York, described an anonymous writer as "an assailant who, like a midnight assassin, wraps about him the cloak of anonymity and stabs his defenceless victims," but such opinions are not to be quoted as having any reference to a prominent layman and temperance man of recognized standing, who holds a brief for the Flemming government and is vouched for by the Globe.

ST. JOHN AND THE VALLEY RAILWAY The people of St. John have a vital interest in the construction of the Valley Railway all the way to Grand Falls. They must, therefore, have been startled on Saturday to receive confirmation from the columns of the St. John Standard of the assertion that the Flemming government had insisted upon this course. Here are the Standard's words:

"The road if extended to Grand Falls would run through a narrow strip of territory between the river and the international boundary already served by the Canadian Pacific Railway, and except as a connecting link with the trans-continental would be valueless."

The Standard's article printed in June last, along with a map of the proposed route, declared further that just as soon as the subsidy act was changed by Dr. Pugsley to permit of construction from a point on the international boundary in the Parish of Andover the contract would be signed and the work begun.

Two more days for an active canvass and to perfect the ward organization. Make them tell for better government.

The last days of the Flemming government are marked by weather portents of the most gloomy and depressing character.

A worried people find some comfort in the fact that the wild yells of the Standard will only last a couple of days longer. Thursday is polling day.

Read the report of the great Liberal meeting at Sussex on Saturday evening, especially the speech of Hon. C. W. Robinson on the record of the Flemming government.

The Globe expresses the hope that the C. P. R. will get control of the Temiscouata Railway. Will Mr. Flemming echo this expression? He is heading other lines in the direction of C. P. R. control.

President Curry of the Canada Car Foundries, Ltd., a strong Conservative, says that the road between St. Andrews and St. John is "actually dangerous," and the worst he had seen between here and Montreal. What has Mr. Flemming to say about it?

The successful work of Mr. Copp as leader of his party is the greatest surprise of the campaign to his opponents. They are not jeering any more. The Liberals are correspondingly cheerful over the situation.

SUFFRAGE IN KANSAS The Community Welfare League of Kansas City, Mo., has entered the campaign for equal suffrage. Petitions have been drawn and sent to sub-chairmen all over the state for the purpose of getting voters' signatures. The Kansas City Journal says: "Locally the movement is receiving much encouragement from the most influential men and the same support seems to be evidenced all over the state."

The annual report of the Cunard Line for 1911 shows that the net receipts for the year, including \$301,660 brought forward, amounted to \$4,491,750.

A ROOSEVELT BOOMER



IN LIGHTER VEIN

Vicar's Daughter—"I'm sorry you don't like the vicar's sermons, William. What is the matter with them? Are they too long?"

North-country Visitor (to friend, also North-country)—"Come on, it's too quiet here; we're getting no value for our money."

Full Size—Customer—"I want a ton of coal."

Dealer—"Yes, sir. What size?"

Customer—"Well, if it's not asking too much, I'd like to have a 2,000-pound ton."

Exactly—"Did her wedding go off without a hitch?"

Dealer—"Yes, indeed—the man she was going to marry didn't show up."

More Than One—Jack—"Are you going to the big fight?"

Jack—"Do you mean Las Vegas or Chicago?"

No Time—"Why doesn't James Jones go to work and get prepared?"

"Because," replied the lady friend, "he's a patriot who never neglects his duty as a citizen. He has been a member of the petty jury three times, a delegate to four conventions and has gone unreluctantly to the legislature frequently. What time has he had to himself?"

"Yes," said the veteran, "at one time we were within an inch of freezing to death. Luckily, however, we had the presence of mind to fall into a heated discussion."

There was an old soldier, who said to a friend—"My wife does look after me well. She even takes off my boots for me."

"When you come home from the club," the friend said.

"No, when I want to go there."

Rich—"Are you going abroad this year?"

"No. You say I can afford to stay at home."

Miss Oldstyle—"I don't think that a college education amounts to much."

Mr. Sparrow—"Don't you? Well, you ought to pay my boy's bills and see."

"What started the riot at the performance of 'Hamlet' last night?"

"Why, Hamlet held the skull and said: 'Alas poor Yorick. You are not the only deadhead in the house.'"

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Shudders at Name of "Emotional Actress," as She Smiles Her Way Through The Light Comedy, "Green Stockings"—Would Rather Laugh Than Cry



SCENE FROM MISS ANGLIN'S PLAY "GREEN STOCKINGS"

An over-actor in the New York World, in describing Miss Anglin recently, said in part: "In forming a mental picture of the individuality of Margaret Anglin, it is very necessary to emphasize her Irish descent. You must also put out of your mind any thought of the Zira's, Mrs. Danes, and Helen Ritchies—those emotional roles in which Miss Anglin earned the reputation of being America's greatest emotional actress—tearful, sobbing, dramatic roles. It is impossible to be in her company two minutes without discovering that she is a critically vivacious individual, with a refreshing Irish tendency to say exactly what she thinks. She is quick in her movements and exceedingly quick of speech. To illustrate her meaning, she will grab the nearest article to hand, whether it be a powder puff, a fan, or a chocolate éclair. I think the greatest emotional roles, although they made her famous, have been getting on Miss Anglin's nerves, and she seems to be genuinely and impressively glad to have the delightfully humorous, sparkling role she is now acting in 'Green Stockings.'"

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