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FRIDAY, DEC. 6.

THE WARDEN'S SUPPER.

Last night—and this morning—witnessed another splendid observance of the time-honored function, the Warden's supper.

Mr. Charles L. VonGanten, of Blenheim, the present Warden, was the host and the excellent wands and splendid program provided were a tribute to his enterprise and generosity. The banquet was most successful and the gathering proved a very enjoyable one. Mr. VonGanten is to be congratulated.

The Warden's supper is a happy conception. It brings the County commissioners, their ladies and their friends into pleasant social relationship at least once a year, which, we believe, will do lasting good.

CONDEMNED BY ITS FRIENDS.

The Kent County Council, now in session, is engaged, among many other things, in dealing with the petition of a number of representative ratepayers from the township of Zone and the town of Bothwell, concerning the transferring of certain lands. Some bitterness has, it seems, arisen over this proposition and the aid of the commissioners is being sought in adjudicating it.

Regarding the matter at issue The Planet is unable to deal, having secured but an imperfect idea of its details, but the discussion has served to bring one of Kent's county commissioners—a life-long Liberal and the choice of many as the parliamentary standard-bearer of the party in his constituency—to his feet with a vigorous and strong denunciation of the duplicity of the promise-breaking Ross Government.

Mr. Johns, who has a sturdy habit of designating a spade as a spade, said:

"The provincial government is to blame. A bill was introduced into the Ontario House last Easter providing for the transferring of farm lands from towns into townships where such a change was rendered necessary. The Ontario Government promised Bothwell that the bill wouldn't affect them. They said that it was being passed for the town of Whitby and Bothwell's interest would be safeguarded. This is true, because they made the promise to me. When Bothwell learned that such a bill was before the House, a public meeting was called and the council at the request of the town appointed two delegates, the Mayor and myself, to go to Toronto and wait on the government. We met the Hon. John Dryden, the Hon. Mr. Gibson, Premier Ross, T. L. Pardo, and Geo. Graham. After discussing the matter they all promised that the bill would be changed so as not to affect the town of Bothwell. The government didn't keep their promise and the bill cuts some 1500 acres off the town of Bothwell. It doesn't, however, affect another town in Kent County. The government promised that they would safeguard Bothwell's interest. I have the documents in their handwriting to prove it. This is the government, too, that I have had the honor of supporting ever since I had a vote. I am a Liberal but I believe in talking out when my party is not doing right. That's the way I am built. I am a supporter of the Liberal party and always have been but the Ross government certainly played double with us. There is no doubt about it."

These words—from a Liberal of the old and honorable school, an ex-warden and present county commissioner of Kent, a man who has fought the battles of Liberalism for years, a prospective candidate with a strong following at the Liberal convention—have a meaning for the Ross Government and its machine. They prophesy the end of pledge-breaking and promise-abandoning politicians.

When the Rossites and Maybeites are hurled from power next year the Conservatives will be no deserving of all the credit—a large share will belong to the Liberals of the honored old school who cannot condone dishonesty and demand strict and unswerving integrity.

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own assumption that British prestige has received a severe blow in South Africa, will be surprised at the conclusion reached by Captain Alfred T. Mahan, of the U. S. navy, in an able paper, contributed to the National Review, points out the Hamilton Herald. Captain Mahan, the celebrated author of Sea Power in History, has a world-wide reputation as a writer on naval subjects, and his opinion must command respect in all naval and military circles. In the paper referred to he calmly and judiciously reviews the South African military situation, and comes to the conclusion that Great Britain's prestige as a naval and military power has been increased by the Boer war.

There are excellent reasons for this opinion. In spite of all the mistakes that have been made, and of the reverses that have been suffered, it is certain that no power in the world could have overcome the enormous difficulties of the South African situation so well as Britain has overcome it and is overcoming them. No power or combination of powers could have supplied such a transport service as Britain has supplied. No European army could have done any better than the British army has done under the new, unaccustomed and trying conditions which it has had to face, for a continental army in South Africa, as well as the British army, would have had to learn new lessons in warfare and could have learned them only by

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The clean-up in South Africa is not far distant, and when peace is restored, and the war, with its results, can be calmly reviewed, continental Anglophobes, whose wish prompted the thought that Britain's prestige had received a fatal shock, will be compelled to reverse their opinions, and weak-kneed, hysterical Britons will have cause for shame.

THE SULTAN'S STATECRAFT.

It is beginning to dawn on those who make a study of affairs in the near east that Turkey is not so decrepit nor so easily to be disposed of as western people imagine, points out the Montreal Witness. The Sultan is now credited with having years ago conceived, and ever since persistently pursued, a deep-laid policy for strengthening and consolidating his empire in Asia. Perfectly aware of the designs cherished by the European powers for the partition of his territories whenever they may agree among themselves or when some unexpected event should give them the opportunity, Abdul Hamid has laid his plans to thwart them. Curiously enough, but with Oriental subtlety, he has made those powers parties to his schemes by granting concessions for building railways in Asia Minor and down the Euphrates valley to wards the Persian Gulf, while he has himself managed to construct a line intended, when completed, to connect Constantinople with Damascus and Mecca. The road now being built by the Germans, with branches in various directions, suits his purpose as well as his own line, for in case of attack by the powers, or any one of them, he could seize these lines and employ them in bringing to his defence the hordes of Asiatic Mohammedans who would spring to arms at his call. The Greek war showed the effectiveness of the Turkish army in an unexpected manner, and it is known that, however other matters may have been neglected, the Sultan has taken care to provide stores of modern guns, rifles and ammunition sufficient for any contingent that may arise. Another indication of the presence of Turkish policy was given recently in a London paper by a Sebastopol correspondent, who described what he called a steady wholesale emigration of Mussulmans from the Crimea and other southern parts of the Russian empire to Asiatic Turkey. Every week, he says, about a thousand Mussulman Tartars may be seen embarking at Sebastopol for Turkey. This movement is compared to the exodus of some three hundred thousand Tartars from the Crimea and the Caucasus in the early part of the last century. When questioned, the immigrants merely said the Khalifa was providing them with more fertile land in Turkey, which is quite true, for, according to a Constantinople correspondent, they are being planted along the lines of newly constructed railways in Asia Minor. But this movement of Mohammedans is not alone from the Russian provinces. It has been noted that from the Balkan states and from Bosnia and Herzegovina the same concentration of departure has been in active progress for months past. From the Caucasus also there is a constant stream of emigration to Turkey. The conclusion drawn from these remarkable facts is that Turkey, with instinctive fear, is collecting all her strength in view of the day of wrath which she sees looming in the near future from west and north. A new aspect is thus given to the old, everlasting Eastern question which may any day develop conditions that will bring Christendom and Islam face to face again as in the days of Solymann the Great.

is as certain as any other phase of civilization. To feel pity for them is natural and inevitable. To recognize the certainty of their fate is just as natural. Their valor has become folly. Their pride of liberty was folly from the first.

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