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PUBLIC MEN DISCREDITED.

Mr. George W. Fowler, M. P., is returning from the West, and will testify before the insurance commission with regard to the various speculative deals over which he appears to have been the presiding genius. The evidence so far goes to show that Mr. Fowler was the agent through whom the Union Trust Company secured a controlling interest in the property of the Kamloops Lumber Company, of which Mr. Peter Ryan was the chief owner. The Union Trust acquired 51 per cent of the stock, and Messrs. Fowler, Pope and others 49 per cent. The amount stated in the conveyance was \$225,000, but Mr. Ryan says that he actually received only \$170,000. He says he changed the amount of the consideration in the transfer to \$225,000 to oblige Mr. Fowler. The Union Trust handed Mr. Ryan \$225,000, and Mr. Ryan privately handed \$55,000 back to Mr. Fowler. Mr. Fowler will be required to explain how he advised Mr. Ryan to misrepresent the selling price of the property; what right he had to the \$55,000; and what he did with the money.

Mr. Ryan admits that the ethics of the deal were "not exalted," but says he got no share of the \$55,000, and agreed to misrepresentation to oblige Mr. Fowler, and because he was anxious to sell in the interest of his creditors. Mr. Stevenson, counsel for the Independent Order of Foresters, of which the Union Trust Company was an offshoot, declares that the company was swindled out of \$55,000, and he says the swindler must be found. Explanations on this point from Mr. Fowler are eagerly awaited by the whole country. The reputation of a group of public men associated with Mr. Fowler is at stake.

Mr. Foster has availed him of the opportunity to lay his case fully before the public. He recollects all knowledge of double-dealing in the transfer of the Kamloops property to the Union Trust Company, of which he was the managing director. He believed \$225,000 to have been the bona-fide price. The evidence shows that Mr. Foster received from Mr. Fowler \$25,000 out of the \$55,000, which Mr. Fowler received from Mr. Ryan. Mr. Foster says he borrowed money from Mr. Fowler before this incident and after it—between \$5,000 and \$7,000 in all—but this was fully offset by a long-standing claim upon Mr. Fowler, arising out of a mining deal. Mr. Foster explains that in 1903 he had to meet pressing financial obligations, and appealed to his friends, including Mr. Fowler, to help him.

The fact was elicited in the examination of Mr. Foster on Thursday that after the transfer of the Kamloops property to the Union Trust Company, Fowler, and others, Fowler signed a document stating that he held 300 Kamloops Company shares (value \$30,000) in trust for Mr. Foster. This document was dated June 23, 1905, but Mr. Foster confessed that he kept it secret until the insurance investigation began, and then endorsed the stock over to the Union Trust. People will be curious to know whether Mr. Foster would have disclosed the fact that the 300 shares were held in trust for him, or whether he would have turned these over to the Union Trust Company, had there been no investigation.

Another transaction in which Mr. Foster figured in a dual role was the purchase by the Union Trust Company of 9,000 acres of land from the Eastern and Western Land Company, of which Mr. Foster was vice-president. As manager and director of the Trust Company, Mr. Foster's duty was to buy the land as cheaply as possible. As vice-president of the land company his duty was to sell as dearly as possible. Mr. Foster confesses that he occupied this position, but says his interest in the land company was very small, and was known to the directors of the Union Trust. He says he put the proposition fairly before the Trust directors, and there was no disagreement as to the price, which netted the land company 50 cents per acre.

Still another transaction in which Mr. Foster occupied a dual position was the Great West Land Company deal. Messrs. Fowler, Pope, Bennett and Lefursey, members of Parliament, secured secret information from one of the owners of the Canadian Northern Railway, as to the projected route of that line, and got an option upon 200,000 acres of C. P. R. lands, which would be likely to increase in value by reason of their proximity to the Canadian Northern road. The option on these lands was purchased by Mr. Fowler and his associates, at the rate of \$3.50 per acre. A syndicate composed of three directors

of the Union Trust Company, of whom Mr. Foster was one, proposed to buy the option at \$4.50 an acre, or \$900,000 in all. In order to finance the proposition they formed the Great West Land Company, as a subsidiary concern of the Union Trust. The lands were turned over to the Great West Land Company at \$5 per acre, or \$1,000,000, the money being advanced by the Union Trust. This netted Mr. Foster and his two syndicate colleagues a profit of \$100,000, less \$5,000 for the vendors. The fact that the members of the syndicate were not required to advance any money of their own to earn these profits was learned afterwards with surprise by Sir John Boyd, one of the directors of the Union Trust, and of his child, the Great West Land Company.

Mr. Stevenson, counsel for the I. O. F., and Mr. Shepley, counsel for the insurance commission, protested that members of the syndicate should not have placed themselves in the position of being able to determine for themselves in their own interests, and also for and against the interests of the Trust Company. Mr. Foster declared that he saw no conflict of duty in his dual position. His defense was that the proposition was a good one, and that the members of the syndicate had done the Union Trust Company a good turn by "letting it in," as the transaction had turned out profitably for the company, and the I. O. F. The Union Trust got 6 per cent on its loan to the Great West Land Company, and borrowed money at 4 per cent, thus netting \$20,000 a year in addition to its profits on the land.

In the course of Mr. Foster's examination, it was ascertained that Messrs. Fowler and Pope, not content with using their influence as members of Parliament to secure choice lands in the Northwest, had been guilty of what looks like a piece of deception and sharp practice in disposing of their option to the Great West Land Company. Out of the 200,000 acres included in the option, they kept back 6,578 acres of good land. Mr. Foster declares that he was unaware of this at the time. Asked why he did not protect the interests of the Union Trust by ascertaining what lands he was getting, he replied that "on the final adjustment the payments would be made only on the basis of the acreage received." It developed that Messrs. Pope and Fowler afterwards sold the Great West Land Company 8,540 acres at \$5 an acre to make up the deficiency, but it is said that these 8,540 acres were lands which had previously been rejected by Pope and Fowler in making their selection.

The above is a fair outline of the evidence adduced so far in relation to the various deals in which several members of Parliament were concerned. The only conclusion to be drawn is that their usefulness as public men is at an end.

Mr. Foster has put his future behind him.

Messrs. Fowler, Pope, Lefursey and Bennett had other ways of making money than by increasing the indemnity. Revised figures show that Mr. Marshall's majority in East Elgin was only 72. Mr. Marshall was in the field three months; Mr. Haight only ten days. Had they started even, Mr. Marshall would probably have been defeated.

Mr. Cecil Smith, chairman of the Ontario hydro-electric commission and the Temiskaming Railway commission, is to be allowed to give half his time to the city of Winnipeg. Mr. Smith may be a versatile man, but he can't serve all these masters at the same time and give them all his best work.

The freshmen's class at the Western University numbers between 25 and 30, the largest in the history of the institution. This is indisputable evidence that there is a field for a university in Western Ontario, the richest and most populous portion of the Dominion. The institution has strong claims upon the citizens of London.

A witness in the London bye-election case was served with a subpoena after 11 o'clock one evening, ordering him to appear in Toronto the next morning at 10 o'clock. He had to wait till the bank opened in the morning to get sufficient funds and was not able to reach Toronto at the appointed time, whereupon the prosecuting attorney demanded a warrant for his arrest, which was refused. When the witness ap-

peared it was found that his subpoena had been improperly made out, and he need not have obeyed it at all. He was not wanted upon any charge of corruption, either. This is one sample of the injustice of holding the present inquiry at Toronto.

The bank account of Messrs. Pope and Fowler, produced before the insurance commission, showed several payments, among them being one to a Mr. Parlee of \$300. The name was misprinted "Parlee" by the newspapers. The correction is made in justice to Mr. F. F. Parlee, M. P. for West Lambton, who had no dealings with the Pope and Fowler land grabbers. The identity of Mr. Parlee will be revealed as the investigation proceeds.

BROWN STUDY.

[Milwaukee Sentinel.]

"How do you intend to have the study decorated, Mrs. Goldrocks?" "I think I'll have it decorated in deep brown," replied Mrs. Goldrocks. "My husband always likes to sit in a deep brown study."

DOLLARS IN A NAME.

[London Telegraph.]

The following conversation was overheard the other day between two build-uppers in a semi-aristocratic suburb of one of our large cities:

"Hallo! I see you have put a crown a week more on the rent of those new houses of yours."

"Yes, a friend of mine in the municipal office told me they are going to change the name of the street, from Bins road to Arundel avenue."

THE WHEAT-GROWING WEST.

[Gold Beach (Ore.) Gazette.]

Two years ago Zip swallowed a grain of wheat. Last Thursday night at the log-rolling he had a fit of coughing and coughed up a fifty-pound sack of flour and about one hundred and six pounds of bran. Truth is mighty and will prevail.

A LESSON IN ETIQUETTE.

[Harper's Weekly.]

Priscilla had, unknown to her mother, paid a visit to one of her small friends, and on her return Mrs. Parsons was disturbed to note the soiled dress her child wore.

"Priscilla, do you see that big spot? What do you suppose Mrs. Blakeslee thought of such a dirty dress?" she asked.

"I don't know," was Priscilla's prompt reply. "If Mrs. Blakeslee saw it she was too polite to mention it."

A REASONABLE REQUEST.

[Houston Chronicle.]

"Pa, Uncle James has given me his steamer trunk."

"Well, what of it?"

"Now, pa, don't be peevish. Couldn't you give me a trip to Europe to sort of round out Uncle James' present?"

CONDITION UNCHANGED.

May Martin, Who Drank Carboic Acid, Still Unable to Talk.

May Martin, the young woman who took carboic acid on Grand avenue Thursday night, remains in practically the same condition at Victoria Hospital. She is still unable to talk.

The girl was found at the corner of Grand avenue and High street, by Mr. J. S. Luney and another gentleman, who were returning home from church. Mr. Luney notified the Messrs. Bogue, grocers, who phoned for three doctors, and being unable to get any of them, drove the young woman to the hospital. It was an act of kindness on the part of Messrs. Bogue in looking after the girl.

Mr. Luney says the girl was lying on the sidewalk and that she was groaning as if in great pain. Mr. Luney knows of no one being with the girl at the time she took the acid.



REV. J. B. SILCOX.

Anniversary services will be held in the First Congregational Church tomorrow, when Rev. J. B. Silcox, the talented pastor of Bond Street Congregational Church, Toronto, will preach. Special music is being prepared for the occasion, and the Imperial Male Quartet will assist at the evening service.

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FOREST'S FAIR
A BIG SUCCESS**A Record Attendance and Large Number of High-Class Exhibits.**

Forest, Oct. 5. — There was a large attendance at the fair here today, and that despite the unfavorable weather conditions. Beyond any question the fair has proved highly successful. The exhibits in every branch were of the highest quality, and the show of live stock, poultry and fruits was the best ever seen in Forest.

The speeding events sent out by the Western Ontario Fall Fair Association said that the exhibits of sheep and horses were equal to anything shown at any fall fair this year, and complimented the management, especially on the magnificent show of draft horses they had secured.

The poultry show was very good, and Mr. William McNeil, of London, one of the best judges of poultry in Canada, expressed himself as being well pleased with the exhibit.

The speeding events proved to be the feature of the afternoon's entertainment.

What looked like a serious accident occurred at the close of the second heat in the 2500 pacing race. The finish was most exciting, and not a foot separated the three leading horses. While slowing up, the sulky of John Upton, who was driving Dr. Brown, the winner of the race, became entangled in the other two sulkeys, and was badly damaged. Upton was thrown out and dragged along the track for a considerable distance, but fortunately escaped with no worse injuries than a badly bruised arm and shoulder. He very pluckily drove the next two heats and was given a tremendous ovation when he won both of them.

The free-for-all was very interesting, and good time was made, Dell Bars winning handily. Summary:

Free-for-all:
Dell Bars 1 1 1
Captain Sphinx 2 2 2
Little Harry 3 3 3
Time: 2:15 1/2.

2:50 pacing race:
Dr. Brown 1 1 1
Freddie D. 2 2 2
Baker Boy 3 3 3
El Cielo 4 4 4
Time: 2:49 1/2.

The town band rendered an attractive programme during the afternoon. The officers of the fair this year were:

President—Samuel Bailey.
First Vice-President—Finlay Chalk.
Second Vice-President—John Emerson.
Third Vice-President—W. W. Kemp.
Secretary—H. J. Pettypiece.
Assistant Secretary—Forrie Steele.
Treasurer—M. A. Smith.
Auditors—J. M. MacKenzie and Geo. E. Monroe.

In this age of agitation for pure, clean foods, it is refreshing to know that "SALADA" Ceylon Tea, is sold to the public in all of its native freshness and fragrance, preserved in sealed, air-tight packets direct from the gardens, to the consumer, insuring a cup of tea "in perfection" hitherto unknown.

This fact is alone accountable for its enormous and ever-growing popularity. But as in the case of many other successful articles, many worthless imitations abound, therefore it is necessary to demand "SALADA," and steadfastly refuse substitutes.

A Delightful Winter Resort

It is announced that this year the Canadian Pacific Railway Company's fine hotel at Caledonia Springs, Ont., will be kept open for the accommodation of visitors all winter.

Many have great faith in Caledonia Springs as an all-year-round resort, something better than a mere summering place, and this action will without doubt be appreciated by many people to whom the Springs have been hitherto closed more than half the year owing to lack of accommodation. Sitc

GEO. F. O'HALLORAN,
Deputy Minister of Agriculture,
Ottawa, Sept. 24, 1906. 47c-ywt

MINISTERIAL ORDER No. 26.
It having been duly reported that the Townships of Camden, Howard, Harwich, Chatham, Raleigh, Dover East and West and Tilbury, East of the County of Kent, Tilbury West, Tilbury North, Rochester and Maldstone, in the County of Essex, and the Island known as Walpole Island, in the County of Lambton, in the Province of Ontario, in this Dominion, are now free from the disease known as hog cholera, I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE, that the restrictions imposed by the departmental order of May 1, 1906, upon the shipment of hogs from the said townships are removed. (Signed)

GEO. F. O'HALLORAN,
Deputy Minister of Agriculture,
Ottawa, Sept. 24, 1906. 47c-ywt

SEALED TENDERS, ADDRESSED TO the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for Owen Sound Revetment Wall" will be received at this office up to and including Saturday, Oct. 27, 1906, inclusively, for the construction of a Pile and Concrete Revetment Wall, Owen Sound, Grey County, Ont., according to a plan and specification to be seen at the office of J. G. Sims, Esq., resident Engineer, Confederation Life Building, Toronto, on application to the postmaster of Owen Sound, Ont., and at the Department of Public Works, Ottawa.

Tenders will not be considered unless made on the form supplied and accompanied by the actual signatures of tenderers. An accepted check on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Honorable the Minister of Public Works, for fourteen hundred dollars (\$1,400), must accompany each tender. The check will be forfeited if the party tendering declines the contract or fails to complete the work contracted for, and will be returned in case of non-acceptance of tender.

The department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. By order, **FRED GELINAS, Secretary.** Department of Public Works, Ottawa, Sept. 27, 1906. Newspapers inserting this advertisement without authority from the work department will not be paid for it. 47c-ywt

TENDERS

Sealed tenders will be received at the office of the undersigned, 468 Babbitt street, up to 12 o'clock Friday, 12th inst., for the erection of a four-room addition to Chesley avenue public school. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. G. CRADDOCK, Architect, 434

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**Get a Raincoat Tonight**

A special bargain tonight in Ladies' Cravenette Raincoats, full back and tight fitting styles, in light and dark gray, fawn and castor. Were \$12.50 and \$15, tonight at.....**\$6.85**

Wrappers Reduced

Our own make Flannelette Wrappers, good weight, serviceable colors, made with deep flounce, waist lined with cambric. Regular \$1.25 and \$1.50, all sizes.....**75c**

The Weather Changes

Make it advisable to select heavier underwear from our very extensive stocks tonight.

Ladies' Merino Drawers, natural colors, unshrinkable. Regular \$1.10 value, an early snap, on sale tonight.....**89c**
Children's Heavy Plush Underwaists. On sale tonight.....**25c**

Men's Underwear

Plain and ribbed All-Wool Undershirts and Drawers, all sizes. Regular 50c garment, selling specially tonight, at.....**39c**
Men's Flannelette Night-shirts. Worth 65c, on sale tonight.....**50c**

Fall Suits at Reduced Prices

Fall Tailor-Made Suits, in tight-fitting and Norfolk coat styles, lined through, made of fancy mixed tweeds. Were \$15 and \$16.50, marked tonight at.....**\$11.50**

Glove Samples

Pick out a pair or two of fall and winter gloves from a bunch of samples of Wools and Cashmeres. Quarter off the regular prices. At.....**10c to 50c**

Toilet Soaps

Williams' Glycerine.....**5c**
Williams' Turkish Bath Soap.....**5c**
Albert Pine Tar Soap.....**5c**
Vaseline Family Soap.....**5c**
White Rose Soap.....**5c**
Shell Brand Castile Soap.....**5c**
Mrs. Dooleys Laundry Soap.....**5c**
Large Package of Ammonia.....**5c**

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Lace Collar Supports, in pin style, pearl, turquoise and enamel. Tonight.....**25c**

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A Gentle Reminder of Wall Paper

We would call special attention to our Wallpaper department this week. Our assortment is large and the quality of paper perfect in every way. We have sold hundreds of rolls already this season, but those intending to purchase wallpaper this season will find it to their advantage to purchase from us next week. We intend to sell all our paper this coming week at just half price.

Beaver Brand Paints, sale price, a quart 40c
Varnish Stain, sale price, a can 18c
Enamels, in all shades, sale price, a can 15c and 25c
Aluminum, sale price, a can 25c
Paint Brushes, in all sizes, special prices.
A few only, Curtain Poles, seconds, complete, for 17c

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