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The H. H. Cook Slander.

With the exception of a few mutterings that savor of disappointed expectation, the Opposition journals are for the most part disposed to get away from the whole subject with as little damage as possible to themselves and those with whom they are associated. And no wonder, for even apart from the specific details, under oath, by Sir William Laurier and Sir Richard Cartwright, the whole case conjured up by opponents of the Dominion Government speedily fell to pieces under the editorial spear of Mr. S. H. Blake's prose-examination.

1. The accusation on which the committee of inquiry was granted, was that an agent of the Government had offered Mr. Cook a senatorship for \$10,000. The accuser says, this agent was the late M. C. Cameron. The charge therefore is made by Mr. Cook, that the Hon. M. C. Cameron offered him a senatorship for \$10,000. This is the crime laid at his door. It is utterly an immaterial issue, so far as the late Mr. Cameron is concerned, whether he paid this money to A or B, handed it over for party purposes, or paid it partly for such uses, and partly for his own election expenses. The gist of the whole charge is that he committed the improper act of offering a senatorship for \$10,000. Mr. Cook has presented this and has made it public. No member of the Government has had anything to do with this charge except to repudiate it.

2. After the accuser and his witnesses had been examined, and the case closed so far as the accuser and the accused are concerned, Mr. Ritchie, the counsel for the committee, fairly stated as a result of the case as follows: "I do not see what could be gained by calling these witnesses (that is Messrs. Biggs and Preston), in view of the positive denial by the Ministers, because, supposing he did make this approach to Mr. Cook, it must have been without authority." This was a fair summing up of the evidence, which might well then have been adopted by the committee.

3. The only evidence adduced subsequent to that statement was the testimony of Messrs. Biggs and Preston that certainly did not add in the least to the case of the accused, but, on the contrary, appeared to remove absolutely any credence that might otherwise have been given to his testimony. The further letters produced strongly corroborated the statement of Sir Richard Cartwright, and explained more fully the various circumstances which caused the difficulties in the way of Mr. Cook's appointment. There therefore existed no reason for recalling the absolute statement made, so well borne out by the evidence given up to that time, and so much strengthened by the further testimony called for by the committee.

That British Budget.

In this year of grace nineteen hundred and one it may be safely said that no public man excited less envy than the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach; everybody admitted that he was in a tight place, and that the very best he could do would be to make the best of a bad job. The time had come for "pay, pay, pay," in grim earnest. The little war turned out to be a big war, a war in which there seemed to be no end. The expense is enormous, and the treasury must keep on pouring out its millions. Finally it turns out that, for the present at least, the Transvaal is ruined, and the British taxpayer, with all his other loads, must shoulder this tremendous burden.

The immense army still in the field, with all its accompaniments, baggage trains, ammunition columns, hospitals, etc., the maintenance of Poor women and children, the care and support of thousands of prisoners. It requires keen thought and quick imagination to understand all that this means; but one thing that will certainly help the taxpayer to understand is the present budget. The income tax, which was thought to be pretty high in Gladstone's days at sixpence, is now fourpence, and many think that in proportion to other things it ought to be more. The export duty on coal is a new thing for the present generation in Britain, and will no doubt produce some disturbance in trade, and thus bring home the war tax to another class of people.

To tax the poor man's sugar instead of his beer will be more of a domestic trouble, and its influence will reach to the children who like sweet things now and then. In this budget the Boer strikes at every British household, and in some cases hits them very hard. We are not now discussing the policy which led to the war; we are merely stating a fact. Supposing the Boer to have been all wrong, and always wrong, the fact is that he has been able to ruin his own country and involve Britain in enormous loss of life and almost incalculable expense. If that is the case, it makes one wish that the Boer had an island in the sea all to himself.

However, he is our neighbor, and we have got to live with him. Perhaps he has some good qualities, and was not at fault in every case. We can not open up that question, but at least the budget does one thing for us, and for the world; it shows us that war is now a horribly expensive game, and that our leaders will show their statesmanship in finding a better solution of difficult problems.

Patriotism in the Schools.

At the close of the eighteenth century there was a strong wave of cosmopolitanism, and in many countries men professed to have learned the lesson that humanity is larger and nobler than even the grandest nation. The close of the nineteenth century was marked by an equally strong wave of nationalism and patriotism in the narrower sense. These two forces are both needed, and one of the problems of the highest civilization is to blend them harmoniously. It is well for us to remember what an important fact the instruction given in youth plays in preparing men to deal with these important questions.

We hear a great deal just now about patriotism in the schools, and we are all prepared to admit that young people should be taught to understand the sacrifices by which their country has been built up, and that they should thus be trained to make the needful sacrifices when the time comes. But this can be done, like everything else, in a right or a wrong way. We have sometimes thought that much of the anti-British feeling among our neighbors can be accounted for from the way in which their school books have been written. We shall do well, then, to look to ourselves, and see that historical subjects are treated in our schools in a judicious manner, and with a fair spirit.

A well-informed Frenchman, writing recently on the relationships of England and France, makes this significant statement: "It is quite natural that a confession of ignorance should be the final result when a Frenchman is pressed as to what he thinks of the English. But more frequently the man we are examining, having had some instruction, will say that he dislikes the English as a nation, even if he likes them individually. The time will come, perhaps, when there will no longer be a good reason for such an answer. But at this moment it is only too significant. The teaching of history, as it is given in all the schools of Europe, is the glorification of one's own country in opposition to other countries. The history we teach our children is the history of wars. Certainly war-history has so far been part of the history of humanity. But to make children study from a patriotic point of view, the quarrels of the past, seems to me the surest way of causing strife among men in the future. The education given to school children about foreign countries is very like the tales which Corsican mothers tell their children about the families with whom they have a vendetta to settle."

There is too much truth in this, and we can well share the hope of this writer when he says: "We must hope that the day will come when such stories will be archaeological curiosities, and when we shall leave off compiling reasons for mutual hatred as the breviary of future generations."

KLONDIKE OUTPUT
WILL BE \$25,000,000Stampede Rushing to Montana Creek and
Gold River.

Victoria, B. C., April 29.—The steamer Amur brings news of the Klondike clean-up now in progress. Sluicing is in full operation, the heavy finding given plenty of water. The output is estimated at not less than \$25,000,000. Many experts say it will reach \$30,000,000. Stampede are still rushing to Montana Creek, which is now staked more than any Klondike Creek. There is also a stampede to Gold River.

One, going as high as \$50,000 to the ton, has been found on Twelve-Mile Inlet, near Ketchikan.

The Dominion gambling house, one of Klondike's largest resorts, has closed, owing to the loss of \$40,000, on April 13, following a bad week.

The Amur passed the wrecked barge Colordage, which is lying on Mananauze Reef, in Wrangle Narrows. Her cargo can be saved.

MRS. CARRIE NATION
MAKES TROUBLE IN JAIL

Quarrels With Officials and Fellow Crusaders—Won't Attend Her Brother's Funeral.

Wichita, Kan., April 29. — Charles Moore, mother of Mrs. Carrie Nation, who is confined in the county jail here, awaiting trial for joint-smashing, died Saturday at Lewisburg, Kan.

When Mrs. Nation received a telegram stating that her brother was dying, and asking her to come to his bedside, her attorney and former bondsmen went to the jail, with the consent of the county attorney, to arrange for her temporary release. She quarreled with them, and they returned and held a conference with the county attorney, at which it was decided that she should not be released.

WHAT DID SHE MEAN?
"Well, good-night," said Mr. Borem, finally breaking away. "I've had a most enjoyable evening. By the way, I expect to pass your house tomorrow evening and I thought I might—"

"I'll be delighted," said she quickly. "Good-night."—Philadelphia Press.

A LULL IN
ENGLISH
POLITICS.Discontent Among Advocates of
Army Reform.A Public House Trust—Prospects of
International Arbitration.

London, April 29.—English politics are in a transition stage, where the unexpected may happen any day. The chief safeguard against a crisis in the relations of parties or ministers is the South African war. Important changes in the leadership of the commons or the premiership are deferred, while the slow but steady progress of British arms is maintained, and the Liberals, while deriving partisan enjoyment from harassing tactics and the cutting down of government majorities are not prepared to take the responsibility of winding up an administration. The government is in no danger, even if the majority fell to 33, with 21 Nationalists absent, but while its supporters can be rallied with better whipping, the party lacks unity of direction and strength of leadership and there is

INTENSE DISSATISFACTION among the old Tories over the stalemate of ministers and the lack of efficiency in the administration. The rumors of cabinet intrigues are groundless, but the diplomatic, financial and military methods of the government are exciting harsh criticism and distrust.

ARMY REFORM.

There is also much discontent among military reformers over the feeble manner in which the government is playing with the issue of army reform raised in the last elections. Winston Spencer Churchill, who is coming to the front with long strides, has proposed an amendment to Mr. Brodrick's army resolutions, and may bring on an important debate. He takes the sensible view that the proposals for six army corps will involve heavy expense for barracks and other arrangements, when there is no reason to expect that recruits can be obtained and the skeleton organizations fitted out. He, therefore, suggests postponement of the army scheme until quieter times, when something less illusive and panicky can be worked out. If his views are shared by a considerable body of Conservatives, the bottom will be knocked out of the government plan for army reorganization. Mr. Brodrick, meanwhile, is plodding on in the war office. He has acted with discretion in appointing a committee of inquiry into the methods of military education at Woolwich and Sandhurst, and the processes of obtaining army commissions, but his main scheme for the reorganization of the service remains unreal and of doubtful utility.

JINGOISM CENSURED.

The spring meetings of the non-conformist bodies have been largely attended. The Wesleyan Congregationalists and Baptists have avoided discussion of the South African war as far as possible, but missionaries, like Rev. Walter Friend, who has been discriminated between an empire of Christian brotherhood, and have deplored the lack of interest here in the appalling problem of dealing with and converting the black races of South Africa. Dr. Dunning has been the most prominent American speaker at these religious assemblies.

INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION.
Frederick William Holls, who is in London, on his way to Berlin, St. Petersburg and The Hague, expressed yesterday the opinion that the South African war had enforced the most important phase of the congress of The Hague and had imparted a great impulse to the cause of international arbitration. His argument was that the risks and the cost of the war should be demonstrated with convincing force, since the resources of defense, estimated by experts at the congress at three to one, had risen to ten to one, and England's experience in fighting the Boers had powerfully impressed continental nations with the necessity as well as expediency of international arbitration.

WELCOME SPRING WEATHER.
It has been a wonderful week. Up till last Friday London had not reached half its average sunshine allowance for April. Now we have had about

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Ladies' Shirt Waists, in navy and white stripe, bias fronts, new Bishop style, sizes 32 to 38. Special, each75c Ladies' Shirt Waists, in fancy figured muslins, in colors of navy, pink, heliotrope, buff. Price.....\$1.25 Ladies' White Blouses, of very fine muslin, with insertion cuff. Price.....\$2.50

reached some twenty degrees above the 40 hours of sunshine above the whole of April average. The thermometer has reached some twenty degrees above the normal for this period of the year. As high as 7 degrees has been reached, the highest since 1893, when on the day the record for the month was registered at 82 degrees. But such a long spell of hot weather for this time of year has never been known.

Another feature, which runs alongside of the weather, is the remarkable health of London. Never since that dread disease, influenza, became recognized as an ailment to be feared, has London, indeed all England, been so immune from it as in this past winter. A PUBLIC HOUSE TRUST. Yesterday was Temperance Sunday, and hundreds of academic sermons were preached on social reform. The most remarkable phase of the temperance movement is presented at Glasgow, where a public house "trust" has been formed by many of the most practical reformers for the gradual introduction of the Gothenburg system. The town council, under the influence of total abstinence leaders, and Conservative obstructionists, has declined to take up the question, but the trust is well organized and is applying directly to magistrates for licenses to enter the field and open a class of superior saloons, which will improve the liquor traffic. This "trust" will be content with retaining four per cent of the profits from the business and turning over the balance to the town treasury for charitable purposes. The subject of the temperance movement, which has the support of many religious and philanthropic men, is to mend rather than end the liquor traffic, and also to break up the existing monopoly of the saloon business which has been created and rendered valuable by restricted licensing.

THE BLUE COAT SCHOOL. The removal of the blue coat school to Surrey involves the disappearance of the quaint uniform of the bareheaded boys from Newgate street, and unless the public authorities in London, that familiar landmark, Christ Church Hospital, with its precious memories, and picturesque quadrangles and corner, will be condemned to speedy destruction. More than \$500,000 is required for the maintenance of the school in Surrey, and the site of the historic buildings is of great value for business purposes.

Oatarrh. Called an American disease, is cured by an American medicine, originated and prepared in the most cautious of American countries. That medicine is Hood's Sarsaparilla. It cures radically and permanently. In that it removes the cause, cleansing the blood of scrofulous and all other impurities. It overcomes all the effects of oatarrh, too, and builds up the whole system.

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EXTENSIVE FORGERIES. Little Falls, N. Y., April 29.—A startling feature of the series of forgeries said to have been committed by ex-Mayor Hadley Jones, of this city, who is a fugitive, was disclosed here when Jones' safe was opened by an expert. In the safe was found a book containing blank stock certificates of the National Herkimer County Bank, of this city. Seventeen of the certificates had been used and some of the remaining certificates had the names of William G. Milligan, president, and Albert Story, cashier, forged thereon. It is believed that most of these forged certificates were put up as collateral for loans negotiated at various banks throughout the country.

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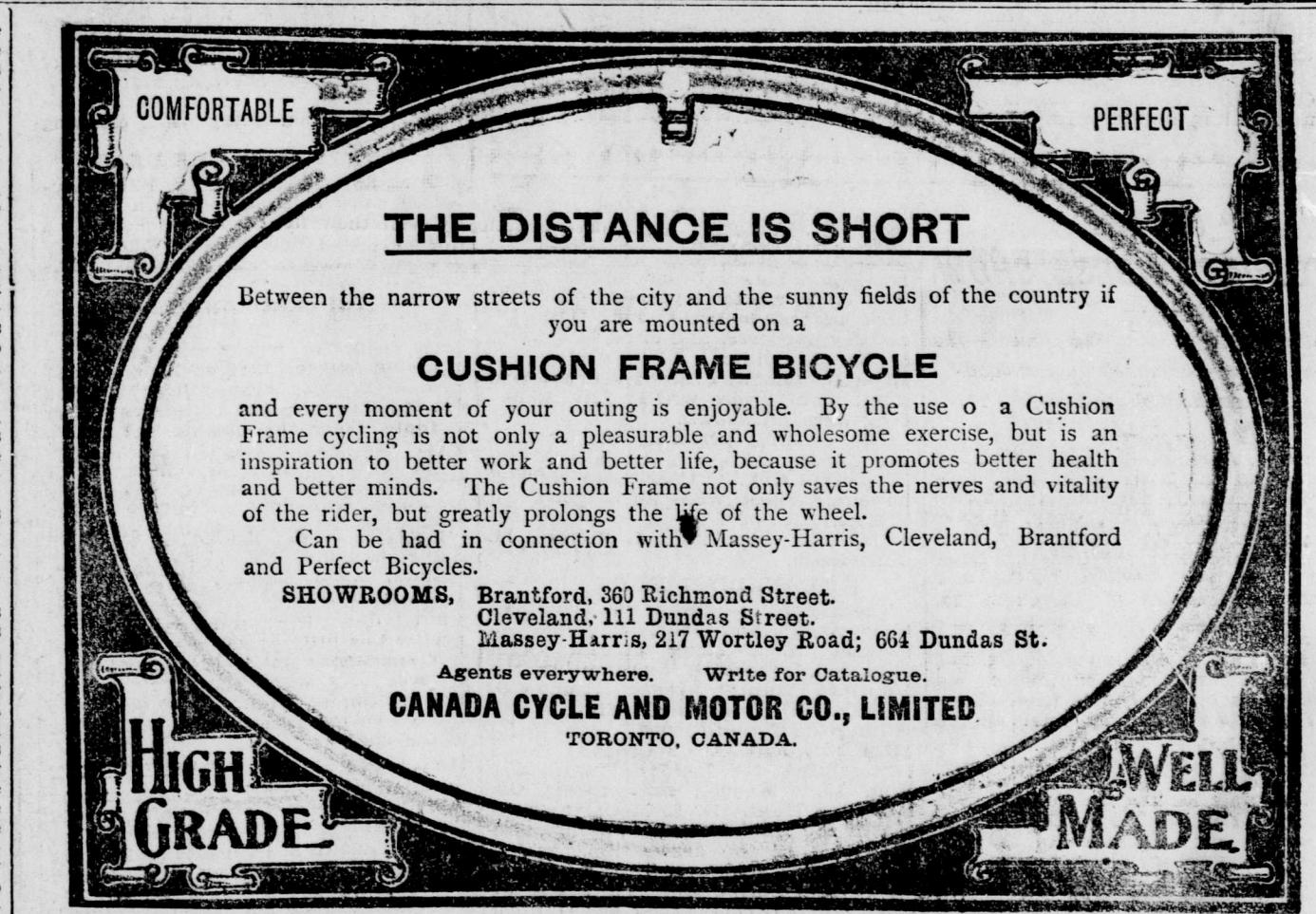
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