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LONDON, SATURDAY, MAY 4.

AN OPEN BRIBE.

An open bribe to the riding of Tem-
iskaming was offered at a public
meeting in New Liskeard by the Gov-
ernment candidate in North Ontario,
Mr. Lennox. Here is the offensive
passage in his address:

"It does not make any difference to an old riding like mine, for there is nothing for us to get. Are you going to say to Mr. Whitney that you do not approve of these large expenditures on colonization roads and other public improvements—that they ought to be withdrawn. There are members of the Conserv-
ative party who think we are spending a great deal of money up north, and they might welcome a Liberal from a northern constituency as an expression of opposition on the part of the north. Could you expect that the Government is going to give as large grants to Mr. McKelvie (the Liberal candidate for Temiskaming), who would criticize everything that they do? Do you think that the Government is going to be as liberal to a constituency that opposes it? Will Mr. McKelvie have the same weight as Mr. Shillington? If you send a Liberal you will not get as large a grant as you would should you send Mr. Shillington."

Mr. Gamble spoke at the same meet-
ing in the same strain. He is reported
in the Temiskaming Herald as follows:

"You will make the mistake of your lives if you send down a Lib-
eral. Blood is thicker than water. It is not human that the Government should do as much for a man who is everlastingly kicking open the back door as it would be for a supporter. No other constituency in the north is going to do it. I don't think you are going to be so foolish."

The Minister of Mines, Hon. Frank
Cochrane, sat beside Gamble and Len-
nox and allowed their bribes and threats
to pass unheeded. At Hamilton Mr.
Whitney declared that his Govern-
ment would not attempt to bribe con-
stituencies, but he is not sincere if he
allows supporters to go through the
country promising lavish expenditures
and if his ministers virtually sanc-
tion these corrupt appeals made in
their hearing. The public will look
to him for a repudiation of the ut-
terances of Lennox and Gamble.

A SORRY BOAST.

Mr. Whitney says he boasts of the
Canadian Northern guarantee. He is
putting on a bold face to hide the
deception of the Government's con-
duct.The Opposition took him at his word
when he said that the Ross govern-
ment had omitted to include the ter-
minals of the James Bay road (Can-
adian Northern) in the provincial secur-
ity for the bond guarantee of 1904. It
was not till after the adjournment of
the House that Mr. MacKay discovered
the truth.The act of 1904 provided that the
mortgage given to the Province by the
Canadian Northern as security for the
guarantee should include all lands,
station-houses, buildings, and rolling
stock "then owned or afterwards ac-
quired" by the company. This, of
course, covered everything. Further-
more the mortgage under this legis-
lation was taken out, not by the Ross
Government, but by the Whitney Gov-
ernment. It was dated July 12, 1905,
and signed by the present Provincial
Secretary.Mr. Whitney was not straightforward
in claiming that a further guarantee of
the Canadian Northern bonds was
necessary to improve the provincial
security, because of the previous Gov-
ernment's neglect to include the ter-
minals. His own administration is re-
sponsible for the omission. The truth
seems to be that Mr. Whitney had rea-
sons for placating the Mackenzie &
Mann interests, and feeling that such
legislation would be unpopular, tried
to trap the Opposition, and throw the
odium on his predecessors in office. Is
he boasting of the success of his sub-
terfuge?

ART IN THE SCHOOLS.

A few years ago in a conference at
Yarwood University, President Elliot
said: "I have recently examined all
the courses offered by the university,
and I find but one (the course in the-
ology) in which a knowledge of
drawing would not be of immediate
value (and even there, I think it might
help in some cases). The power to
draw is greatly needed in nearly all
the courses, and absolutely indispens-
able in some of them. A very large
proportion of studies now train the
memory, a very small proportion train
the power to see straight and draw
straight, which is the basis of indus-
trial skill."The value of art and manual train-
ing, where properly taught, cannot be
overestimated. It tends to develop the
power to see. Only when we come to
draw things do we realize how imper-
fectly we have seen them. It enlarges
also the power of expression. A few
strokes of pencil or color make clear
what pages of written explanation
might still have left doubtful.Leaving the painter and sculptor
out of the list, the craft of the illu-
strator, printer, designer, architect,
landscape, gardener, and house-furni-
sher, depends on the power of expres-
sion through the graphic arts. Not
less than this power to see clearly and
express definitely is the power of ap-
preciation. Every attempt to present
what appeals to us in nature opens our
eyes to the beauty in the work of the
great landscape painters. Every at-
tempt to match, blend, and harmonize
colors makes keener the appreciation
of masterpieces from the hands of art-
ist workmen, as shown in Oriental
rugs, eastern pottery, exquisite tex-
tiles from all ages and jewelry from
the days of the Etruscan down to our
own time.Away back in the beginning of
things, primitive man began to record
his thoughts, his hopes, his aspirations,
as best he could in clay and stone, and
with whatever means he had at hand
and man has gone on ever since record-
ing larger thoughts, higher, purer hope,
greater aspirations, less and less im-
perfectly, leaving vast treasures of art,
the magnificent inheritance of
those who can understand them. Only
that man or woman is truly poverty-
stricken who is blind to the beauty of
flower and field, of tree and sky, and to
whom this treasury of art is as a
closed book.Another prominent educator speaks
of the great value of drawing in all
departments of science, not only as a
language, but as a discipline of mind.
Dr. Emil G. Hirsch, of Chicago, be-
lieves that "Head, heart and hand are
the trinity that the true schools must
develop harmoniously. In no other
subject than art and manual training
can this trinity development be so suc-
cessfully carried on."No subject in the school curriculum
can be made so advantageously the
handmaid of all the other than can the
graphic arts. The highest, widest aim
of all art teaching as it touches the
general public must be the develop-
ment of the power to enjoy beauty and
to create it, in the home and in the
community, with what is at hand—or
within the means. The superficial ob-
server is prone to think of art as some-
thing quite apart from daily life, when it
is in reality the Midas touch by
means of which the common things of
daily life may be transmuted into the
pure gold of delight."NO TIME FOR THE HAND-
SHAKE.""I will not get round among the
workers," said Mr. Beck in his nomina-
tion speech. "Cabinet ministers are
busy, and have no time for the hand-
shake."Straightway Mr. Beck suited the ac-
tion to the word and hid to the Mon-
treal Horse Show.When the former member for London
in the Commons was at the head of one
of the greatest departments of state,
that of public works, he, too, was a
very busy man, and had little time for
the handshake. His opponents turned
the fact to his disadvantage by unfair
means.Mr. Hymans's duties kept him con-
stantly on the move. He made a prac-
tice of personally inspecting the public
works under his charge. He made his
private car his office, and carried his
secretaries with him, so that his work
should not fall into arrears during his
absence from Ottawa. His labor-saving
device, the private car, gave his ene-
mies an opening. It provided the
only campaign material they could rake
up in the election of 1904. The car
was photographed from the front, back
and sides, and columns were written
about it in the party organ. The min-
ister was represented as living like a
sybarite in a palace on wheels, and as
being too inflated with his own impor-
tance to travel like a private citizen, or
to spare time for his constituents.Mr. Beck is not even a minister with
a portfolio. He has not the burden of
a department of state on his shoulders.
If he has time for horse shows in the
thick of a campaign, he should have
some time for his fellow-citizens.Is Mr. Beck going to leave the hand-
shaking to Mr. Gray?Now both the busy candidate im-
prove each shining hour.The Whitney Government hit the
toboggan-slide in that "last awful
week." Facilis descensus, etc.The Federal Opposition threatens an-
other spell of obstruction. If the Op-
position would use the full length of its
cars it might hear what the country
thinks of its asinine conduct.Our local contemporary says that
one of Mr. MacKay's contributions to
the temperance cause is the prohibition
of barmaids. Did anyone ever hear of
barmaids in Ontario before Mr. Hanna
prohibited them?

"That Last Awful Week" is the

phrase the Toronto Telegram applies
to the closing days of the Legislature.
The Whitney Government wrung even
the Telegram's Tory heart. Perhaps
the election will show that awful week
was really the Government's last.When Liberals of the high charac-
ter of T. H. Preston, M. P. P., of
Brantford, are not willing to sacri-
fice themselves that they may stand
behind A. G. MacKay, they furnish
evidence of the want of confidence
in Mr. MacKay that cannot be dis-
counted.—Free Press.Perhaps our contemporary is un-
aware that Mr. Preston announced his
intention to retire from public life
before Mr. MacKay became the Lib-
eral leader. And then, again, perhaps
our contemporary was quite aware of
it. Mr. Preston, by the way, is
actively stumpng for Mr. MacKay.

A SIGNIFICANT OMISSION

[Hamilton Herald.]
A good deal of comment has been caused
by Whitney's careful avoidance to
give Adam Beck any credit in connection
with the proposed railway. He complimented
Hendrie and others, but Beck's name he
did not even mention.

DOMESTIC HAPPINESS.

[Galveston News.]
The trouble in too many homes is the
incompatibility of imported millinery and
domestic allowances.

MR. PENSE DENIES IT.

[Hamilton Herald.]
To do justice to Leader MacKay, it is
necessary to state that Mr. MacKay is
given an emphatic denial to the state-
ment that Mr. MacKay had told him
that the Liberals in the Legislature could
not afford to oppose the Whitney Gov-
ernment's C. N. R. guarantee bill.

SONNET ON SPRING.

[Sam Klier.]
Oh, lovely spring, thy mildness—greet!
I wish the northeast wind would cease
to blow—The brooks are singing "Courage" as
they flow.
The birds are caroling in careless glee,
The fragrant blossom lures the wanton
bee—Good heavens! Look! It has begun to
snow!
The poor old peach crop's done for now,
I know—And smiling Nature sweetly calls to me:
The daffodils are daffing in the lane,
The cowslips by the river's brink—but,
say!Behold the frost that gathers on the
pane!
The skies that in mid March were
sombre gray—In azure softness spread—save when the
rain—
Is filling the baseball fans with dismay.

A REDUCED RATE.

[Judge.]
Judge—How many times have you been
arrested before?

Prisoner—Five, 'er.

Judge—Then I shall feel it my duty to
impose the maximum fine on you.Prisoner—But, your honor, isn't it only
fair to give a reduced rate to regular
customers?

GOING TO SLEEP.

[Kansas City Journal.]
"Did you try counting 1,000 sheep, as I
told you?""Yes, doc. But then I got to figuring
what I could get for 'em by the pound at
present prices, and after that I just
couldn't go to sleep."

A SWELLING HEAD.

[Toronto Star.]
Manitoba's boundaries are to be extend-
ed to Fort Churchill, on Hudson Bay. But
even at that the extensions can hardly
keep pace with the growing pains in Pre-
mier Roblin's head.

CANADA'S NATIONAL GROWTH.

[Montreal Star.]
Amid the study of politicians, even
yet inspired at times by sectional inter-
ests, and sometimes degenerating into a
scramble for the sweets of power and
the emoluments of office, it is encour-
aging to turn from these narrow, sordid
things and to be able to see amid it all
indications of a broadening Canadian
spirit and growing solidarity among the
people of the Confederated Dominion.Provincialism, natural and perhaps ben-
eficial within proper limits, is a year by
year having its limits more clearly defined,
and the higher and broader federal or national
field, which the Fathers of Confederation
had in view, is becoming more generally
understood, and its worth and dignity
more fully recognized.

KIPLING'S TOWN MONUMENT.

[London Daily Chronicle.]
The naming of a new Canadian town
after Mr. Kipling puts him on a level, in
this respect, with Shakespeare. Not
counting our own Shakespeare among the
Dovers, we find just one Shakespeare in
the atlas, and that in Canada. Dickens
scores four times in the United States,
and Thackeray once. That is to say, they
do if we may assume that the places in
question were named in honor of the
novelists, and not after some obscure
individual. Doubts of this kind increase
in the cases of thirty odd Scots revealed
by the atlas, not to speak of the fifty or
sixty English. But a good many of these
and of the twenty odd Byrons must cer-
tainly attest literary enthusiasm, what-
ever we may think of the two American
Byrons.

A BIGGER JUMP.

[Toronto Star.]
Some of the horses at the Horse Show
jumped over seven feet. But they're
nothing, simply nothing, to Premier Whit-
ney getting over one of his old promises.

GOING TO EXTREME LENGTHS.

[Winnipeg Tribune.]
The Douks are not given to joking, but
one of the ladies suggests that their at-
titude is simply an exaggerated form of
the present day fashionable evening dress.

OH, FEATHERS!

[Montreal Gazette.]
The Lieutenant-Governor of New
Brunswick, when he went to open the
Legislature, was attended by a staff of
one general, ten colonels, a major and a
lieutenant. If there was a private around
he kept himself out of sight.

A GREAT PRIME MINISTER.

[New York World.]
A broad humanitarianism inspired
Campbell-Bannerman's politics and per-
sonal beliefs. He was the enemy of
Jugoslavism and devoted to the cause
of peace; he frankly sympathized with
the rights of weak peoples, and with equal
sincerity cultivated the good-will of the
great powers; he was the friend of Ire-
land's interests; he labored to bring about
social reforms in the way of small hold-
ings of land and better conditions for the
working classes, and he offended many
class interests like the church, the greatlandlords and the brewers by his progres-
sive ideas. All in all, Campbell-Bannerman
was the best representative of the
modern spirit of democracy that Great
Britain has ever had in the high office of
prime minister.AN INCREASED EXPENDITURE
OF SIXTY PER CENT.[Brantford Expositor.]
The Conservatives, when in Opposition,
moved resolutions and made speeches
condemning the extravagance of the Lib-
eral Government, and promising reform
in this respect. What has been the re-
sult? In 1905 the total expenditure of the
Province was \$1,488,982; in 1906, the year
the Conservatives took power, it became
\$2,388,019, and it advanced by leaps and
bounds till this year an expenditure of
\$3,000,000 is slated, an increase of 80 per
cent in five years.

WHAT HE THOUGHT OF IT.

[Chicago Record-Herald.]
"What do you think of my voice?" she
asked, after trying a selection from "The
Trovatore.""It makes me think of sailors," he re-
plied."Did sailors? Why should it do that?"
"It has a tendency to do it."

WHITNEY A DECEIVER.

[Kingston Whig.]
Mr. Whitney has been exposed as a
deceiver. When he sprang the Canadian
Northern Railway guarantee upon the
House he alleged that he wanted to im-prove the security of the Government, that
the original mortgage on the road did not
cover the terminals. He did not give the
Opposition time in which to investigate it.
It had been before the Conservative party
caucus, but the Grits were not entitled
to any favors from the Government, and
they were expected to gulp down the dose
without a grin.Two days later the business of the
House was rushed to a close, designedly
it would seem, and the bill was given its
third reading at a session which was cal-
led half an hour before the usual hour.
Later Mr. MacKay, the leader of the Op-
position in reading over the act of 1904,
discovered that it provided for a first
mortgage on all the property, movable
and immovable, building, plant, rolling
stock and revenues present and future.
If there were anything defective about
the mortgage the Whitney Government
had to assume the responsibility, since it
was not given until 1905, two years after
the maps and records had been filed for
inspection.The scandal deepens and becomes inde-
fensible as a consequence, and it is not
relieved in the slightest by the gross de-
ception of the premier. He indicates that
the Liberals knew the facts. They did
not, or there would have been a more
emphatic protest against the deal. It
was indeed smuggled through the House,
and became effective when some of the
members were away from Toronto, and
unconscious of what was going on. Some
of the members of the party, and con-
veniently absented themselves from the
session which gave the full effect.

The Guinness Farm Murders

Were Like the Bender Horrors

Story of the Kansas Family

Who Butchered Thirty-
four Persons.Chicago, May 9.—The history of
crime on this continent furnishes but
one equal for the record of the Guinness
farm in Indiana, and that one is
found in the story of the Bender fam-
ily, of Kansas. A further parallel lies
in a comparison of Mrs. Belle Guinness
with her prototype, Kate Bender,
daughter of old John Bender, and chief
butcher of the human abattoir in the
lonely shack on the edge of Labette
County, Kan.Mrs. Guinness was a believer in the
value of printer's ink. So was Kate
Bender. Mrs. Guinness lured her vic-
tims by printing "matrimonial ads,"
Kate Bender drew hers by inserting
notices in country papers out west in
which she called herself a spiritualist,
and claimed that she could call up the
spirits of the dead. In her horrible
work the methods of the pair were
almost identical even to the cellar,
where the bodies of the dead were
stripped, and the patches of plowed
ground where the mangled corpses
were hidden away.

Four in Murder Trust.

There were four of these Benders.
John, the old man, who had emigrated
from Germany before the civil war;
Mary, his wife; John, Jun., his son;
and Kate, his daughter, a good looking
and agile, pleasant-voiced young
woman. This 20-year-old girl was
the real head and front of the Bender
Murder Trust. The household lived in
a two-room ranch house near the
western borders of the state. Of their
other cabin they made a sort of road
house where travelers were entertained
in a rough kind of way. But if the
traveler came alone and if he had a
valuable team, or looked in any way
prosperous, his journey ended for all
time to come right there.He was put out of the way by what
might be called a simple process of
elimination. At the first meal he would
be induced to sit at a rough table with
his back against a thin canvas screen
which they called a "straw" and as he
ate old man Bender or Kate would slip
behind the screen, locate his head bythe bulge which it made in the flimsy
cloth, and with a heavy hammer on a
long flexible hickory handle—the work
of three such hammers—would crush the
unconscious victim's skull with one
blow.

Dropped Through Trap.

Simultaneously, a trapdoor would
open in the floor, letting him down
into a cellar that had been especially
prepared for such work. There the
fading man's throat would be cut, and
the body would be slipped open and the
entrails removed. For some reason the
Benders never omitted this mutilation.
The naked corpse would usually be
buried in the tiny orchard, where a
patch of ground was always available.
The trapdoor had been operating
for years before suspicion was directed to
it. The Benders got the warning and
fled. They had two days' start on their
pursuers. When the awful secrets of
their ranch was discovered all of West-
ern Kansas went half mad with rage.

Unearthed 34 Victims.

The bodies of 34 victims were dug up
in the orchard. Of these all were men
except two, one a young woman, and
the other a little girl, who had been
buried alive. There was evidence that
the child was stunned and thrust into
a hole under her father's body, where
she had died of suffocation. The body
of the 34th victim—a man—was found
in a creek near the house weighted
down with stones, and the well gave
up to two more bodies, swelling the total
to 37.The Benders are believed to have
escaped. It is said that they got to
Mexico alive and lost themselves there.
The report that a posse overtook them,
shot all four and burned their bodies
was generally circulated, but it has
never been seriously accepted. From
time to time alleged members of the
family have been arrested in the west,
but the identifications always turned
out to be incorrect.No one has ever been learned what
they did with their spoils. No cache
of loot was found about the place. But
the cellar with its red-stained
walls which had been stripped from
the dead and burnt one of the most
horrible the gravel under the cellar
floor had been converted into a solid
cement by the blood that trickled
into it.

Gas Explosion Kills Four Persons

St. Johnsbury, Vt., May 8.—The ex-
plosion of a kitchen gas stove in the
tenement of John Wilson today, set
fire to the interior and caused the
death of four persons, two by burn-
ing and the others by suffocation.The dead are: Mrs. John Wilson, 40
years old; Miss Mary Lee, her sister,
16 years old; Sarah Wilson, herdaughter, three years old; John Wil-
son, her son, two years old.While the cause of the explosion is
not known, as all the persons in the
tenement were killed, it was believed
that the fire started from one of the chil-
dren turned on the gas in the stove
and then Miss Lee later lighted it.
Mrs. Wilson was sick in an adjoining
room, and was cut off from safety by
the flames in the kitchen.

A BAD WRECK

ON MICH. CENTRAL

Eighty Freight Cars Jumped the
Track—Nearly All in
Ditch.Cayuga, May 8.—A serious wreck
occurred at the Cayuga bridge this
evening to a train on the Michigan
Central Railway.Eighty freight cars jumped the track
and the most of them landed in the
ditch.As a result of the accident No. 10
express, east, and Nos. 3 and 9, west,
had to go over the Wabash.The wrecking crew went down at
once to clear the way, but it will be
some hours before the blockade is
raised.No explanation is given of the cause
and no one is reported injured.

GOOD SUMMER TRADE

LOCAL MERCHANTS SEE

Montreal, May 9.—London reports
to Bradstreet's say there has been little
change in the situation there. The
movement of goods continues on the
light side, but active preparations are
going forward for the summer and
fall trade. Money is moving fairly
freely and local industries report in-
creasing activity. Country trade is
quiet. Collections are fair to good.

The Sugar Duties.

The sugar duty is reduced from 48
to 15 to 22 per hundredweight. The
duty on marine insurance policies is
reduced from 3d to 1d. There are
no other reductions in taxation and
no new imposts. The revenue from
wine and spirits during the past year
decreased \$151,000.

House Listers in Silence.

As the Prime Minister began to un-
fold the pension scheme, the House
listers in the tensest silence. Mr.
Asquith warned his hearers that the
plan was merely a beginning and more
or less of an experiment. His calcula-tions were largely conjectural. He said
he anticipated probable criticisms and
was of the opinion that the Labor
party would think the scheme did not
go far enough, to which the Labor
members immediately assented. He re-
minded them that it was only a begin-
ning, yet it made immediate provision
for half a million aged persons other-
wise dependent upon charity funds or
the poor law for relief. The scheme,
Mr. Asquith declared, would be at-
tacked as socialistic, but, he added, if
this were socialism, both parties in
the country were responsible for it.
It stands in principle exactly on the
same footing as free education.

WIFE-MURDER

AND SUICIDE

Terrible Deed of Nelson Smith

at Huntsville Result of
Insane Jealousy.Huntsville, May 8.—A terrible trag-
edy was enacted here today by a for-
mer resident of Hespeler, Nelson
Smith, who has lately been employed
by the Galt, Hespeler and Berlin Rail-
way Company.Nelson Smith arrived here this
morning and registered at a hotel,
where he breakfasted, and after some
conversation with the clerk started for
the home of his wife.Mrs. Smith (nee Martha Goldie),
was at the time staying at the home
of her parents. She formerly resided
here, and was a much esteemed young
lady.On his way to the home of his
mother-in-law, Smith called at the
district school and showed his little son,
who was attending there, if his mother
was at home. The child replied that
his mother was at home and asked
him why he wanted her."You will know soon enough," was
the reply.Smith found his wife with her
mother, and for a time conversed
quietly with her. After a time the
mother left the room.Mrs. Goldie had been gone but a
few minutes, when she heard screams
and the report of two pistol shots.
Rushing into the room Mrs. Goldie
found Smith standing over the body
of his wife with a smoking revolver
in his hand. The mother endeavored
to take the pistol from Smith's hands,
when he coolly turned the weapon
upon himself and without a word
blew his brains out. His body fell
over that of his wife and in both cases
death was instantaneous.The police were at once notified of
the tragedy, and an inquest was com-
menced tonight, at which the mother
and sister of the dead woman testified.Mrs. Smith, who was 30 years of
age, was of an amiable disposition, and
no reason can be ascribed for her hus-
band's terrible deed. So far as is
known now there was no infelicity on
the part of either husband or wife. It
is supposed that the man was seized
by some unaccountable fit of insane
jealousy.

BRUCE LIBERALS NAME

TOLMIE AND BOWMAN

Sitting Members for North Riding Re-
Nominated.Tara, May 8.—A large and enthusi-
astic meeting of the Liberals of North
Bruce was held here this afternoon,
when candidates for the Legislature
and the Dominion House were chosen.
Last year's officers were re-elected
for another term by a standing vote.It was not deemed necessary to
take any ballot for candidates, as there
was only one opinion on that score.Messrs. John Tolmie and C. M. Bow-
man were the unanimous choice for the
Dominion and Provincial respectively
by a standing vote.Both candidates addressed the meet-
ing, after which Hon. A. G. MacKay,
leader of the Opposition, made a rous-
ing speech.ANOTHER CASE OF BLOOD POIS-
ONING.Persisted in paring his corns with
a razor. Foolish when cure is so pain-
less and sure with Putnam's Corn
Extractor. Use Putnam's only. It's
the best—guaranteed and painless.

STOCKBROKERS.