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LONDON, FRIDAY, OCT. 23. ELECTION PROPHECIES.

Mr. Fielding predicts that seven out mind are doubtless Ontario and Prince Edward Island, the only Provinces 1904.

three ridings in Nova Scotia, but it looks for another clean sweep-a solid eighteen behind Mr. Fielding.

collected reports from all the counties in New Brunswick, and says the Province will do much better for the House the Liberals had eight New public issues. seats, and the Conserva No Liberal seats are seriously threatened in the present elec-Conservative hopes are confined to four seats-York, Charlotte, King's-Albert and Queen's-Sunbury The Liberals profess to be confident of defeating the notorious Fowler in King's-Albert, and Mr. Wilmot in Queen's-Sunbury.

Prince Edward Island has four seats feet, and to wish that others and a majority or all of them may go to the Opposition, thanks to Foster's promise of a tunnel to the mainland. In Quebec the Conservative Montreal Star, which is holding aloof from its party in this contest because Mr. Borden persists in keeping bad company the Conservative election estimates in that Province "dare not venture out of their teens." Liberals doubt whether the number of Conservative seats will even get into the teens. They are claiming 55 out of the 65 seats.

If, by a miracle, the Opposition got 15 seats in Quebec, five in New Brunswick, five in Nova Scotia and four in Prince Edward Island-which no eastern Liberal will concede-the Government would come to the Ottawa River with a majority of 42.

As for the West, maintain that they will carry all four western provinces by a two-to-one majority. They will be surprised if they do not get at least ten majority out of the thirty-five seats..

The above calculation gives the Government a majority of fifty-two, who reported in a perfunctory way at with which to confront the expected Conservative majority in Ontario; but this is from ten to twenty lower than Even the minimum estimate is a lead most exuberant Conservative prophet would not venture to say the Opposition could overcome in

Some of the Opposition claims in Ontario are manifestly ridiculous. The most exaggerated is that of the Toronto News, which is showing the extravagant zeal of a convert. It claims 52 safe Conservative seats and nine Conservative probabilities, allowing the Liberals only nine reasonably secure constituencies. It predicts defeat for Hon. George Graham, Hon. Charles Murphy, Hon. Wm. Paterson. and Speaker Sutherland, although Liberals say that only one is dubious. thinks it doubtful North and West Midwill be retained by the Liberals, and puts East Middlesex Conservative. This alone is sufficient to discredit the News as an election prophet. The Liberals of West and North Middlesex have no idea of losing, and Dr. Routledge's friends consider his prospects in East Middlesex are as good as his opponent's. The News has no justification for placing these ridings in the Conservative columns

If the rest of the News' forecast shows as little knowledge of local sentiment it is not worth the paper it is get in touch with the development printed on. Hon. George Graham, an experienced campaigner, claims 40 Liberal seats in Ontario, and the most pessimistic Liberal will not allow the

As a matter of fact, the election forecasts vary so widely as to ridicule the has been of immense benefit to the art of political prophecy. Correspond- Dominion. The various exhibits which ents survey the field through the have been made by Canada at Glasmedium of their personal prejudices gow, Paris, St. Louis, Buffalo, Dublin, and preferences. But the Liberals London, Japan, New Zealand and than 15 majority for Mr. Borden.

HANDS TIED AND TONGUE-TIED. I was worth much to Canada as an ad-Mr. Hugh Clark, of the Kincardine Review, who is stumping with Mr. Borden, writes to his paper:

"He (Mr. Borden) will assume the premiership without a heritage or public or private pledges to embarrass him. One cannot but admire the caution and ingenuity with which he avoids entangling alliances or embarrassing pledges."

Hugh is half right. Mr. Borden is certainly avoiding pledges so far as before questions of public policy are concerned. It was imagined for a time that he had committed himself to something definite in the Halifax platform. There was quite a flutter over is an advocate of the nationalization

saved to the Conservative party in Halifax programme, which called for The Halifax Chronicle says the Op- telephones." He substitutes a milk- thoroughly pernicious; but if it is not position has a fighting chance in only and-water plea for the "cheaper and his system, then the results he shows wider use of telegraphs and tele- us belie their origin.

So far Mr. Clark is right, but he is wrong when he goes on to say that The St. John, N. B., Telegraph has Mr. Borden has avoided entangling alliances. Could anything be more entangling than his alliance with Foster?-or with Fowler, Pope, Lefurgey and Bennett? These men have tied Government than in 1904. In the old his hands, and he is tongue-tied on

MR. BEATTIE'S "BREAK."

Mr. Beattle complains that he wa misreported in yesterday's Advertiser; that he made no disparaging referand merely commented on the inactivity of Mr. Verville, the one Labor

Mr. Beattle is not the first candidate forget what he said. If there is one partisan color or bias into reports of Conservative meetings. Mr. Beattie's attack upon Labor candidates was so tended the meeting, before his copy was "set up," was questioned whether he had correctly reproduced the speaker's remarks. He said he had been particularly struck by the major's "break" and had been extremely care. ful to catch his exact words. The Advertiser stands by the version of ts reliable and conscientious reporter

CANADA ADVERTISED.

The vast expansion of Canada's foreign trade, which grew from \$239,025,-360 in 1896, the last year of the Conservative regime, to \$650,738,200 in 1908, has been in no small measure due to the systematic methods adopted by the Laurier Government to promote trade with other countries, matter which had been practically neglected by the Conservatives.

The latter were content with four or five trade representatives abroad. trade and commerce, the reports being published quarterly, which rendered them of little or no value to

The Liberals, realizing that what was worth doing at all was worth doing thoroughly, increased the number of these representatives to eighteen, every one of whom is of the first rank, locating them in the following countries: The United Kingdom, Australia, the British West Indies, France, China, Japan, Mexico, Newfoundland, South Africa and Norway.

Each of these commissioners is required to make frequent reports, which are published weekly by the department, and as the reports are of practical, businesslike character, and are widely disseminated without charge to manufacturers and other business men throughout the country.

they serve a useful purpose. Another plan adopted by the Liberal Government which has had good results is a system of obtaining trade inquiries from all quarters of the world. Last year alone nearly 9.000 of such inquiries were received. Full and accurate information has also been procured as to the customs tariffs of other countries, and the department is thus in a position to be of valuable service to Canadian business men. Every few years Canada's trade commissioners come home to

that has taken place. The resources of Canada have been well advertised abroad as a result of the attention paid by the Government Opposition more than 25 majority in to having the Dominion represented at exhibitions in various parts of the world. The money spent in this way have just as much ground for their other places have been of the finest prognostications as the Conservatives, character, and Canadians who have seen them are unanimous in their is, there has never been a fractional deal with the railway magnates? It is claiming all the way from 40 to 65 praise and in their commendation of majority for Sir Wilfrid Laurier, while the Government's enterprise. The arch slept directly over the wheels. In 1,178 work of that administration is to be left the Toronto News, the most sanguine of Canadian wheat erected in White-Tory stretcher, can muster no more hall, London, at the time of the cor-

vertisement of the country.

In this and other ways the Govern ment of Sir Wilfrid Laurier has done much to make Canada and its resources known abroad, and it is little wonder, therefore, that Canadian products are taking a leading place in the narkets of the old world, and that European capital and immigration are finding their way to Canada as never

A WEAK VESSEL

(Montreal Star, Conservative.) It is only the truth to say that Mr. Borden has impressed the country as his public ownership pronouncement, being very much under the influence although it was pointed out that Mr. of the men who happen to sit about Borden had astutely tied to a string him in the Commons. He seems to Middlesex County by the Whitney of the nine Provinces will go Liberal. to every plank. Mr. Berden has since choose his policies very often by a Government is a taste of what Liber-The two exceptions which he has in pulled the strings. He denies that he system of lumping together the opin- als would get if the same party conions of these men some of them trolled the next federal redistribution. of railways, and in his latest mani- agents of the corporations, some of festo he blue-pencils the clause in the them "graft" hunters, some of them betrayers of trust-and striking an "a system of national telegraphs and average. If this be his system, it is

"Keep It Mum." "Choice Tomatoes." "My Dear Lefurgey." "Turn on the Tap." Mr. Beattie has put his foot in it duties.

Let Laurier finish the Slanderbund. London Liberals who don't wish to aid the Slanderbund should go to the polls on election day.

Calvert, Routledge and Smith ar candidates the rural ridings of Middlesex can be proud of.

The Opposition is fighting like a Chinese army-throwing stinkpots, and trying to rout the Government by bad odors.

Mr. Foster has at last entered suit editor. They've been trying to induce him to do it for a long time.

The indefensible gerrymander of

to how! down Mr. Sifton at a Winnipeg meeting. newspapers of the baser sort describe it as an outburst of public indigna-

The Opposition press is making much ado over the fact that a Mr Doherty, of Sarnia, has become a Con servative. Mr. Doherty's only grievance against the Government is that it doesn't "soak" the consumer hard enough by piling on more customs

Slandering the British New-Comers

the enormous increase in the cost to

Ontario by 20 per cent. If the Dominion Government had exercised shown that in the five years between that across the border. 1903 and 1908 the increase had been ures as his basis and using the calculation that each of these 'foreign-Hanna asserted that, as a consequence of the increase in the 'foreign-born' population of our asy-

000 for the last year alone." who heard him doubtless believed he spoke with a full knowledge of the facts. If he was correctly informed, he perverted the truth. In the first place he neglected to state that the within the category of "foreignborn," that a person born in any part Toronto Asylum, 1907 ... 44 of Great Britain is so classed, no Hamilton Asylum, 1901 . 20 matter how long-whether fifty years

been a resident of Canada. Naturally Mr. Hanna's assertions have created much indignation among the newcomers from England, Ireland of insane population has not kept pace and Scotland, a large proportion of with the increase in immigration. whom he stigmatizes as mentally below for his imputations.

exercise efficient supervision over immigration, it should be remembered that during all the years of Conserva- 1901 6,208 tive rule there was no adequate system of inspection, and that it was the Liberals who, in 1902, first instituted 1905 35,811 a system of inspection of immigrants. 1906 52,746 The result is that there is today an 1907 70,080 efficient body of inspectors at all So that while the increase of immuch more stringent system of in- cent. in prisons and asylums are increasing. of the newcomers to the country.

THE BRIDE'S PRESENT. [Judge.]

(News item that might well be appended to most nuptial notices.) "The bride's present to the groom was mother-in-law

METAPHORICALLY.

Patrick-Faith, an' it's a sad day for us all, sir. The hand that rocked the cradle has kicked the bucket.

UNEASY LIES THE HEAD, ETC.

[Collier's.] Mr. Bryan has slept 1,789 nights in sleeping cars in the past twelve years. There has been an average of five lumps to each bed. There has been an average

At a meeting at Pembroke recently The census returns and prison statis-Mr. Hanna spoke of what he termed tics show the opposite to be the case In 1901 the ratio per thousand of the the province of Ontario of the main- 07-08 there arrived in Ontario 155,460 tenance of the "foreign born" in the immigrants. In these years the insane Government. What he said, is thus 1906, it is seen that the ratio of insane per 1,000 is only 0.7. It should

"He found, he said, that in the be added, however, that of these 130 last five years the foreign element insane admissions 64 were deported. had increased in the province of leaving only 6.4 per 1,000 of insane. Compare these figures with those of reasonable supervision of the class the United States, where in 1906 1 .of immigrants coming to the country 285,349 were admitted, and only 367 the increase in the foreign element deported as insane, and it will readily at the asylums and at the Central be seen that the Canadian inspection ye can depind on its not being so. Prison would be 20 per cent. But system is much more stringent than

Examination of the asylum records. about 90 per cent. Taking these fig- also proves the falsity of Mr. Hanna's The slander factory has not yet reached statements. At Mimico Asylum, of 304 born' unfortunates would require at- patients admitted from Jan. 1, 1906, to tention for twenty years at an May 1, 1908, 212 were natives of Canaverage cost of \$200 a year, Mr. ada, leaving 92 foreign-born. Of these 12 were deported under the act, and of course. And that's the kind of talk 3 other cases are being investigated. lums and jails the province was The remaining 77 were not deportable, burdened with a liability of \$1,200,- as they were old people who had lived long in Canada-in some cases 30 and As Mr. Hanna occupies the position 40 years. A similar showing is made of Provincial Secretary, some of those by all the other asylums of the prov-

The following figures give further

P.C.

Toronto Asylum, 1901 Hamilton Asylum, 1907 . 28 London Asylum, 1901 .. 30 or fifty days-he or she may have London Asylum, 1907 .. 27 Brockville Asylum, 1901. 18 Brockville Asylum, 1906. 8

> Thus proving clearly that the ratio Equally, if not more striking, are

par. At a meeting of Englishmen in the statistics as to jails in Ontario. Brantford he was roundly denounced The following table shows the number of immigrants received in this As to Mr. Hanna's complaint that province in each of the years named, the Dominion Government does not with the number of jail commitments:

Immigrants. ments 8.546 8.280 9.261 10.146 11.035 10.810 11.804

the ocean ports and along the inter- migration into Ontario from 1901 to national boundary, until the point has 1907 was 110 per cent, the increase in been reached where Canada has a the jail commitments was only 12 per

spection than has the United States. It is clear, therefore, that Mr. Hanna But that is not all. Mr. Hanna either has not studied the statistics of states what is untrue when he says his own department or is guilty of wilthe foreign and British-born elements ful misrepresentation at the expense

and his clothes to build a dike eleven feet wide across the Missouri River. In the past twelve years Mr. Bryan has run an aggregate of 100 miles for trains. There is not a vehicle in the country over 75 years old in which he has three maiden aunts, sixteen cousins and a not ridden to or from a railroad station. Six hundred and seventy-nine times he has stood at the ticket widow, money in hand, and has waited fifteen minutes while the 19-year-old czar in charge of the Master-I'm sorry to hear, Pat, that graphic report of a car of hogs to the superintendent's office, and has paralyzed half a dozen travellers by answering their questions with incredible ferocity.

A CANDID FRIEND'S ADVICE.

[Montreal Star Conservative.] Then Mr. Borden promises "honest ad ministration of our public revenues." How is this to be accomplished? By making Foster minister of finance? By giving the militia department to Col. Sam Hughes?

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Saturday Bargains

BLANKET SALE Look to Your Needs

We picked up a small mill lot of White Wool Blankets at a saving from the regular prices, and we think you will likely do the same, according to your needs.

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weight, pink and blue borders. Per pair, Saturday \$3.50 5 PAIRS ALL-WOOL full 7-lbs weight. Saturday, cial, per pair \$3.75 per pair \$4.00

Saturday Waist Bargains

Ninety-five Ladies' Black Sateen Waists, two shirtwaist styles, with long sleeves, tucks in the back and front, cuffs and collar. All sizes from 34 to 40. A maker had this little left-ever lot of waists, which were to sell at \$1.00. We took them for a Saturday special, to sell

HAVE YOU THAT FALL HAT?

A table of very dressy, trimmed Hats, including many pretty blocked shapes. The trimmings include the newest Wings, Fancy Feathers, etc., also Buckles, Ribbons, Velvet and others. A variety of styles and colors. If you have not your fall Hat, see these Saturday, at \$4.95

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[Tit-Bits.]
"Yez know Casey, the contractor?" "Is he what ye'd call reliable?" "He is the most reliable man Oi ever knew. Whinever he tells yez anything

WATCH THEM. [Stratford Beacon.]

its capacity.

A CON. GAME.

What, asks a correspondent, is the ab, tations at the Grand tomorrow, "Babes the vaudeville. You won't regret it. breviation for Conservative? Why, Con., in Toyland" will be found altogether; superb from a spectacular point of view. It fairly bustles with tuneful hilarity and comedy, and one event

MR. SYDNEY FISHER. [Montreal Witness.]

Years ago, long before he became minister of agriculture, Mr. Sydney Fisher initiated a popular crusade in favor of dairying line, has greatly added ever since tiful chorus of thirty pretty girls. All inquiries from people who desire to to the agricultural wealth of this Province. He has continued that patriotic labor in office in so distinguished a manevidence of the falsity of Mr. Hanna's ner as to reflect the highest credit upon himself and the Government of which he Born in Great Britain Born in indeed will be dated the establishment and Foreign Countries. Canada of scientific farming in Canada upon a broad basis.

OCTOBER. [Cora M. W. Greenleaf.]

80 The frosts of October are white on grass. The meadows and fields turning brown; The leaves on the maples in showers of Drift silently, busily down.

Against the grey wall the pale asters are massed. Like clusters of stars blue and white; Over all is a shimmering, glimmering

Afar on the hills burn the sumach's deep And the golden-rod waves far and near,

Pierced through with gold arrows of

For golden October's abroad in the land-Most beautiful month of the year.

THE MISSION OF THE MORTAR. [Philadelphia Inquirer.] Two Irishmen were looking at brickayers busily working. "I say, Pat, kin yez tell me what kapes thim bricks together?" asked one. "Sure, it's the morthar, Mike," was the

answer. "That's where you're wrong," rejoined Mike. "The marthar's what kapes thin apart."

JUST AS EASILY.

With a moderate amount of practice s Conservative prophet can promise to carry a constituency as easily by a thousand as by a measly hundred or so.

THE LITTLE ONE. Because I toil for you, dear little one,

I do not grumble when my tasks are great: Because of you, my work is gladly done. There always is your love to compen

Because vou give me love, dear little one I have the strength to scorn temptation's call. To make brave resolutions and to shun The slippery places where the foolish

Because of your sweet faith in me. I cling To hopes that with your coming were How pitiful were I-how base a thing-If, having you, I fell, dear little one.

CANADA FAKIRS. [New York American.]

Cancda is just now the favorite hunting ground of the novelist, and Arthur Stringer, a Canadian author, has a grouch against the novelist for his or her careless dealing with a country so

Jack London (says Mr. Stringer) tells of an open water hole with the thermomeshowing 79 degrees of frost. Rex Beach has the Northern Light so dim that of Canadian wheat erected in Whitehall, London, at the time of the corhall, London, at the time of the coronation of His Majesty King Edward. Stept directly over the wheels. In 1,18 work of that administration is to a point
in such hands as these. This is a point
his in such hands as these. This is a point
has had to sleep in upper berths. He has
and there is no point at which he can
william De Morgan mentions that his
hero lived "at Ontario," which is much

his better instincts prompt him to be the same as saying that he lived at Ger- nett's last night. The beautiful anispecific in this regard; but his mistaken many. Stewart Edward White has the loyalty to his associates and, perhaps, a Ojibways and the Chippewas fighting each ground cheered trails beautiful animal never looked better, and the crowd cheered itself hoarse when the other, which, says Mr. Stringer, is the curtain went up and the world's chamsame as saying the New Yorkers and the plon stood before it on the stage. The Gothamites were fighting each other. Sir Gilbert Parker makes one of his men play Eel was hooked to the sulky which he the flute on the march when the cold was pulled to so many victories.

bitter enough to freeze the music. And. The bill, which is one of the best finally, a "lady novelist" has the midnight ever put on at the popular theatre, immensely pleased everybody. The inimitable Patsy Doyle made a tremendous hit. Bertie Fowler, fat, fair for-thirty, yes, thirty's the agenever was funnier. The four Floods put on a typhoon of fun. The Arlingon four made good again, the Wilfams and Walker colored man making the hit of the evening. Piper, the banjo wizard, electrified the audience. and Jacobs' dogs were as flexible as "Babes concertinas and as intelligent as it is in Toyland," will be given two presen- possible for canine head to

Bennett's Special Announcement. The Eel will be seen again at Bennett's next Wednesday night. As was the case last night, Dr. Fred, L. Wood, of interest follows so closely on the heels of its predecessor that the audi- the well-known London horseman, ence is kept on the qui vive without a will introduce the champion to the minute's cessation. The company audience, and will tell of his victories. numbers fifty people, including a beau- Manager Driscoll has had so many school children, when accompanied by see the famous racehorse, that he an adult, will be admitted to any seat secured him again from his owner, Mr. Frank Entricken, of Tavistock,

and the Eel will be again seen on the A packed house saw The Eel at Ben- stage on Wednesday night.

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