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SHE MARRIED A GRIT

There can be no further doubt in the minds of reasonable persons that Mr. R. L. Borden is a great statesman. If there had been any doubt after the manner in which he patterned in the Nationalists in Canada and then went over and captured the Imperialists in England, and on his return produced the famous emergency money with its thirty-five million dollar bill, the news that now comes from Cape Breton must not only remove all such doubts but place Mr. Borden upon the very highest pinnacle of the temple of enduring fame.

At Whitney Pier in Cape Breton there is a post office. It is true there are post offices aplenty in this broad land, and have called for the exercise of statesmanship since Mr. Borden became premier. In one famous case, if we remember right, it was necessary to raise a man from the dead in order to ensure a proper administration of the affairs of the office. But the case of Whitney Pier required even more delicate skill, and a more nicely balanced judicial mind. Mr. Borden was equal to the task.

A lady conducted the post office at Whitney Pier. There was no evidence to show that she was a militant suffragette, or that she had the quality of any indelible offence, or had gossiped about her neighbors; but there was a fatal defect in her character, which made it impossible for a statesman like Mr. Borden to recognize her as a fitting and proper person to be the postmistress at Whitney Pier. That defect is revealed in the words of the applicant for the position which she held. He sent two letters to Mr. Borden, and in one of them he made this fatal charge against the tenant of the office:—

"Mrs. Gallivan married a Grit." In another letter the applicant went more fully into the details of the case, and presented so strong an indictment that it could not fail to impress the prime minister. He wrote:—

"The person who has the Post office, her husband done all he could on election day to help the Liberal Party. That people he employed are the strong Liberal Party and after all I done for the Conservative Party I think they should make my appointment."

It will be observed that this reformer, whose name is Carlin, is a scholar as well as a gentleman; and we find on examining the record that he was appraised by the appointment of his sister to the position previously held by Mrs. Gallivan who married a Grit.

It must have afforded Mr. Borden a peculiar satisfaction to be the instrument of reform in this particular case. The incident reveals the broad sweep of his mind, and the care with which he studies everything in any way relating to the welfare of the state. There would be a fly in the ointment even in connection with that thirty-five million dollar for Dreadnoughts, if Mrs. Gallivan who married a Grit had remained the postmistress at Whitney Pier.

THE LIBERALS WON

The Conservatives boasted that they would win the battle in the provincial elections in Alberta yesterday. Their chief organizer on the eve of the election gave out an estimate claiming thirty-one seats. According to the estimate in the morning papers the Liberals have elected thirty-one members and the Conservatives thirteen, with two doubtful and two deferred. The Liberals will therefore have a large majority in the house. The full strength of the Ottawa government was of course thrown into the fight for the Conservatives, and Mr. R. B. Bennett took an active part in the campaign. It is not surprising that the government sustained some losses, but it has so large a majority that the result can be no comfort to the government at Ottawa. The west is Liberal.

PATROLLING THE HIGHWAYS

The system of patrolling the highways is to be adopted in Nova Scotia. A bill has gone to its second reading in the legislature providing for the appointment of patrol men or section men for the public roads. The Halifax Chronicle says: "The duties of these men will be to maintain and keep in order the section of road which may be placed in their charge. The government providing them with the necessary tools. Their work will be surface work, the cleaning of rocks from the roadway, the filling in of ruts and holes, the attention to culverts and bridges, and all work that may through the action of nature be undone. In short, the appointment of these men is a recognition that no work under the climatic conditions and the wear and tear upon the roads, can be permanent, and patrol men will be provided to keep mile by mile, these roads in condition. On the principle that 'a stitch in time saves nine' these patrol men will be employed to remedy all defects in the roads which through neglect would develop more serious trouble and greater expense."

The example of Nova Scotia in this matter ought to be followed by New Brunswick.

Congratulations to Lieut.-Governor Wood on having arrived at the age of three score and ten with unabated vigor, and the ability to serve the province well in his official capacity.

CANADA AND DREADNOUGHTS

The Standard declares in its largest type that it will be "years yet" before Canada can build Dreadnoughts. This head line is based upon a statement made by Sir Robert Peria. What Sir Robert really said, as it is printed in the Standard, was as follows: "It is my opinion that not for several years can the Dominion undertake the construction of Dreadnoughts. No one will dispute this statement, Sir Robert is perfectly right. They do not build a Dreadnought every fifteen minutes even in the old country. What Canada can do, however, is to establish shipyards, begin with smaller vessels and in a very few years begin the construction of Dreadnoughts. This country is quite as capable in that respect as Australia or the United States, and any man who denies it reflects very seriously upon the ability of the Canadian people. Sir Robert as reported by the Standard itself makes no such reflection. It follows that the best use to which the \$35,000,000 can be put would be the establishment of shipyards in Canada, at the beginning of a permanent naval policy, which as Sir Robert points out, would lead to the construction at as early a date as possible of her own Dreadnoughts by the Dominion.

Hon. H. F. McLeod expects to see an election in Canada before next autumn. A good many more people have the same expectation, although Mr. Borden will not go to the country if he can prevent it.

The murder of a president and several members of his family has not brought tranquility to Mexico. Conditions appear to be growing steadily worse in that republic.

The Standard features the letter of an alleged Liberal who agrees with Mr. Borden and approves of closure. This is so singular a Liberal that one would like to know his name. Why not print it?

At last the automobile is to be given a chance to demonstrate its usefulness in Prince Edward Island. That it should not have been long ere this the profitable servant of the island people is one of the facts which are difficult of explanation.

The announcement that water and sewerage are to be extended along Douglas street, and that the residents of Garden Street want a permanent pavement laid on the street shows that the progressive spirit is still with us.

The world has followed with a sympathetic interest the struggle at Rome, where the splendid vitality of the venerable Pontiff has fought inch by inch the encroachment of disease, and appears to have gained the mastery for the time at least.

It is announced that the Empress of Ireland will carry the mails direct from St. John to Liverpool on her voyage of May 2. Mails should be going and coming direct through this port next winter. This means that we need increased accommodation at West St. John.

There is an intimation that the colonial office has warned Mr. Borden against probable results of closure which would not be in the interests of imperial unity. The rumor may not be well founded, but it is perfectly plain to every clear-eyed observer that Mr. Borden is not doing the cause of imperial unity good service.

Hon. Robt. Rogers has been saying something about the "reptile press." We all know from his record in Manitoba and at Ottawa that the Hon. Robert is a tireless advocate of political purity and the dauntless enemy of boss rule. In the words of a never to be forgotten local poet "he is a fine man."

BIRTHDAYS OF NOTABILITIES

FRIDAY, APRIL EIGHTEEN The Hon. Joseph Wood, Sackville, N. S., is seventy years of age today. He was born in Sackville and has had a long career as a business man, being engaged in shipbuilding, shipping and stock raising. He was member of the House of Commons for Westmorland for many years, being elevated to the senate in 1888. He is now governor of New Brunswick.

George H. Gooderham, M.P.P., Toronto, was born in Toronto on April 18, 1868. He has many business interests in his native city and has always been much interested in sport. He is member of the legislature for South Toronto.

LIGHTER VEIN GOOD PHILOSOPHY. What's'er there be of sorrow I'll put off till to-morrow; And when to-morrow comes, why then 'Twill be to-day and joy again. —John Kendrick Bangs.

NOT A MINUTE WASTED. "Can't I get my pants pressed while you cut my hair?" "Certainly, sir." "All right. Boy, shine my shoes at the same time and hand me that newspaper. By the way, get the restaurant next door to send in a couple of sandwiches, and I can be eating my lunch." —Washington Herald.

NOT MUCH. "I hear Brown's been promoted, again." "Yes, that's splendid. He must be quite an important member of the concern now." "Oh, I guess not. The office boy still calls him by his first name."

NOT INVITED. "How does she manage to keep her husband at home?" "Easy. He can't make an after-dinner speech and he knows it, and so does everybody else." —Detroit Free Press.

IT'S A CINCH. He tips his hat politely as he helps her on the car. And finds a seat for her, it matters not how scarce they are. He sits right straight through every show and never tries to slide out of his seat between the acts to buy a clove outside.

He asks her if she would object if he enjoyed a smoke. When she approaches with a "smile" he never says he's broke. He doesn't go out evenings, for he doesn't care to roam.

He wears his smoking jacket all the time that he's at home. He treats her as politely as he'd treat a neighbor's wife. He couldn't let a swear word out, not even to save his life.

He hangs his clothes up carefully and simply does on style. He has no slovenly manners and he always wears a smile. He doesn't growl about hard times or quarrel with his food.

He's simply shocked at everything that savors of the rude. He gets home from his office on the minute every day. And there is no attraction that can make him stay away. His household etiquette is great and life is one sweet song. Yes, gentle reader, it's a cinch they've not been married long.

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HAD TO RAISE HEMP. The late Hiram Read, of Sackville, was a son of the late Elphinstone Read, and grandson of a more remote Elphinstone of the other side of the border, whose name is found in the records of Sackville for the year 1770, and who in 1773 got from the British government a grant of 500 acres. A rather curious condition attaching to the grant of the date was that each grantee was to plant "annually two acres in hemp."

GOING TO ALBERTA. Frederick Mail—R. B. Roseborough, who has been transferred from the Charlottetown branch of the Bank of Nova Scotia to Edmonton, Alta., is expected here next week to visit his parents, Aid. and Mrs. William Roseborough. Mr. Roseborough recently was presented with a gold watch and address by the business men of Charlottetown. He is a U. N. B. graduate.

THE LOG DRIVERS. John Kilburn, who is on the headwaters of the St. John making ready for stream driving reports the outlook to be very good. Now that the ice has gone out of the river, owners of bark logs are making ready to get their rafts to Springhill. The cut of bark logs last season is reported to have been the lightest in many years and high prices are expected to rule.

AFTER THE TROUT. Sussex Record—The fishing has started a number of parties have been out following the brook, but so far the fish have been shy. With a good warm rain and a rise in temperature, the followers of the sport will commence in earnest. The lakes are practically clear of ice and the season for lake fishing should be an early one.

FORESTRY SURVEY FOR C. P. R. Kenneth Yavasour, Clarence E. Maitland, Guy Horneastle, Reginald Jago and Alfred Brewer, of the U. N. B. left yesterday for Nova Scotia to conduct a forestry survey for the C. P. R. EARLY CROP SEASON. Farmers are getting ready for an early spring. The high ground is drying out rapidly and it looks now as if the crops will go in some little time in advance of the average.

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POSITION IN WEST. Edward A. O'Brien of Fredericton, who removed to Edmonton a short time ago, has accepted a position there. Mr. O'Brien's family will likely remove to the west early next month.