

The Planet

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THE LEGISLATIVE MUDDLE.

The Globe is horrified by Mr. Gage's language and especially by the violence of his attack upon the judges. To the Globe and the Government it is due that the judges are exposed to this attack. The Ministers were warned not to bring the judges down from the bench to umpire a dispute in which the strongest party passions had been aroused. When it was found that they were obstinately determined on this course they were asked to allow the Lieutenant-Governor to name the judges. They refused to yield; they refused to allow the opposition or Mr. Gage to name either of the judges. They acted as if they had deliberately planned to embitter party feeling, and to prejudice Mr. Gage and the opposition against the tribunal they had created. Now they hold up their hands in horror at the inevitable result of their obstinacy and lack of statesmanship.

A statesman at such a juncture would have assumed that all the members of the Legislature were equally desirous of discovering the truth and would have invited the co-operation of all. The Government had its judges named and published in the Globe before the debate began, and it refused to consider any other choice. Now it is surprised that the person against whom the award is made does not hail it with delight. The report of the Commission, thus constituted, severely denounces Mr. Gage as a scoundrel unworthy of belief. The report is presented to the Legislature, and Mr. Gage, as a member of the Legislature, is asked to approve of it, and to thank the judges. In moving its adoption, the Premier says, in effect: "I will not attack Mr. Gage, but I will read what the judges think of him. He thus drags in the judges as assailants of Mr. Gage. And now the Globe is horrified because Mr. Gage strikes back, and because the opposition applauded Mr. Cameron referred to Mr. Gage as a liar, and when he was called to order the Premier contended that his language was justified by the report. So the names of the judges are dragged into the discussion as having given a general license to abuse Gage. And now the Globe is shocked by Mr. Gage's attack on the judges.

Not only statesmanship, but ordinary knowledge of human nature seems to have been lacking. Who could suppose that Gage or any other man in his position would act differently? After he had made his charge in the House he was forced away to another tribunal, so chosen that he had every reason to believe it to be hostile. He was deprived of his rights as a member of the Legislature, and exposed to the fiercest cross-examination. He was abused by the Government newspapers. And, finally, he was condemned by a court nominated by his enemies.

Now he is back on his own ground. He strikes back fiercely at all his enemies—at the government, at the cross-examining counsel, at the Globe, which abused him and searched all history, sacred and profane, for injurious comparisons. He strikes at the judges, who, if not his enemies, have by the monumental folly of the government been exhibited to him as enemies. And the government and the Globe are shocked at the spectacle.

Obstinacy, self-sufficient conceit, and contempt for constitutional usage have produced their natural and expected results. Apart from the gratuitous folly to which we have referred, the whole proceedings are founded upon an absurdity. The question to be tried was virtually whether a government should stand or fall. The judges say as much. The government appoints two judges to answer the question "Shall we stand or fall?" The judges make a report upholding the government. It comes back to the legislature, and will, we presume, be carried by the government and its friends. In other words, a government must stand or fall as it holds or loses the confidence of the legislature and the people; and a report from all the judges in Canada would not alter that rule of the constitution.

It would be well if this result were nothing worse than absurd. But unfortunately it is also mischievous. Judicial authority has been invoked for a purpose with which it has nothing to do, and judicial authority has suffered. With personal attacks on the judges we have no sympathy, although we think they were unwelcome in accepting the commission, and their report must be open to the freest criticism. But we think that the whole question of the relations of judges with governments should be considered; that practices tending to impair the independence of judges should be abolished; and that judges should be kept as much as possible out of politics. Thus confidence in the judiciary will be restored. At the same time

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But eat it.

Malta-Vita is cooked ready to eat and the whole wheat, flaked and toasted, is already partly digested by the malting process which gives it that delicate flavor and makes it so delicious.

No Work—No Heat;
Just Cream—Then Eat.

It is better that Ministers and members of parliament should manfully face their own problems, and not shift them to judges. If the legislature cannot deal with Gage and Stratton it is not fit for any of its duties. If it took up the great question of the day, affecting the welfare of the masses of the people, such changes would not fill so large a place in the politics of the country. — Toronto World.

DISTRICT DOINGS.

TILBURY

June 23.—Allan Campbell, who has been attending college in Montreal, returned yesterday to spend the vacation with his parents here, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Campbell.

Public school here closes to-day for summer vacation, as the entrance and leaving examinations will be held in the school to-morrow and the following days.

Born, on Saturday, 20th inst., to the wife of D. Kett, Canal street, a daughter.

The ball game, which was to have been played here yesterday between Toronto Varsity and Tilbury, did not come off, owing to the rain.

DRESDEN

June 23.—Miss Gertrude Merrill, of Windsor, is the guest of Dresden friends.

Will Coupland, of Chatham, spent yesterday in Dresden on business.

Robert Aikin had his dry good store lit with acetylene gas, which makes a vast improvement to the appearance of the interior of the store.

Mrs. Galbraith, who has been confined to the house through illness for the past two months, was able to be out yesterday for the first time.

A special meeting of the council was held last evening to open the tenders for the grand old sidewalk. The tender of Kitchen and McNabb, of the Chatham Construction Co., was decided upon and the work will commence right away. Cost of sidewalks 12 cents per foot, of crossings 14-15 cents per foot.

BLENHEIM

June 22.—The grocery and china store of Messrs. Geo. Bounsell & Co., is undergoing extensive alterations, a metallic ceiling and other improvements.

Miss C. Sinclair, of Cedar Springs, died to-day. Deceased will be buried at Newcomb cemetery to-morrow, June 23rd, at 10 a. m.

Rev. D. W. Collins, at that Sunday morning service, gave an excellent exhortation on the work done at the Synod of the Diocese of Huron. It was much enjoyed by all present.

Bear in mind the garden party to be held by the W. A. M. A. of Trinity church on Thursday, June 25th. Rigs will be at the church at 6.30 p. m. to convey all wishing to go. There will be a football match.

Mr. Glen Crookshank spent Sunday at Chatham.

Mrs. Henderson, Mrs. Furse and Miss Beatrice Hall, of Detroit, are visiting their mother, Mrs. S. Todd.

Mrs. Townsend is visiting at Mr. Jas. Glendenning's, Guilds.

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The marble quarries of Carrara, Italy, number about four hundred and give employment to nearly seven thousand men. Hand-labor is the rule, for the distances separating quarry from quarry and the declivity nature of the country make the use of machinery almost impossible. Hence, says a writer in Pearson's Magazine, have grown up the methods of the "lizzatura," or workmen, who convey the marble over the roadless steep that stretch from the quarries to the wagon-track.

As soon as a great fragment of marble, detached by a blast, has stopped rolling, it is roughly squared into a block weighing, say, forty tons. Then the "lizzatura" set about getting it down.

Along certain lines of descent offering the least resistance a succession of stout posts has been firmly driven into the mountain-side. The men, by means of crowbars and screw-jacks, raise the block on to a soaped skid and hard beechwood. Before doing this they secure the blocks by means of three long hempen cables, which they take turns round the posts. They pay out sufficient rope to allow it to gain too much momentum down the incline.

During this descent, besides the men tugging on to the ropes, two or more cables are attached to the block, and a man following closely in the wake of it hands them the skid just passed over, which they re-soap and hand to a man who keeps just in front of the moving mass, to put down in its path, and so provide a continuous slipway. This last, of course, is the most perilous task. If one of the cables parts at a critical moment, or if a mistake be made in paying out or slackening them, he must inevitably be crushed.

It is an amazing fact that in former times the "lizzatura" used only one cable to hold back the load, until the Government, rightly regarding theirs as a dangerous occupation, passed a law that not less than three cables should be employed. On an average, this work is responsible for three deaths a year, but for the most part the finest discernment, judgment, coolness and skill are displayed by the "lizzatura," who work in gangs numbering from twelve to fifteen men.

It is really astounding to see how these workmen handle the huge masses of marble, without machinery of any kind but crowbars and jackscrews. Pieces of forty tons' weight, with these simple implements, are loaded on bullock "ragons and carted down to Carrara all the way by road—a terribly tedious process, for the mountain road is more like the bed of a torrent than a beaten track.

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