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LONDON, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1.

Mr. Sifton's Resignation. The resignation of Hon, Clifford Sifton, Minister of the Interior, is ascribed to his opposition to some features of new provinces of the Northwest, There posed to the main principle of the billaccusation that the Government had postponed the consideration of Northwest autonomy because it hesitated to face the school question. He is reported by Hansard as saying:

"I know of no political game that can be played, and so far as the separate schools are concerned, my own view is that the school question is settled. I understand that the settlement at which they (the Northwest Territories). have arrived - and I am very happy to be able to express that opinion-is a satisfactory settlement, and that the Roman Catholic people on the one hand, and the Protestant people on the other, feel that they have a satisfactory compromise, and that there is no necessity for difficulty or agitation upon the question.'

Mr. Sifton must have perfectly ungerstood that the Government intended to provide for the maintenance of the dual system, and there can be no doubt that ne assented to it, or he would have resigned before this. The details of the measure, however, were framed during his enforced absence of many weeks in search of health and rest. The dispatch announcing his resignation says that he objects to the clause which binds the new provinces to divide equitably between the public and separate schools the funds arising from the sale of school lands. Under the Dominion land act, liberal provision was made for the endowment of the public schools in the territories, lands being set apart and administered by the Minister of the Interior, subject to the Governor-in-Council, and the proceeds invested for school purposes in the Northwest. It is understood that Mr. Sifton regards the division of these trust funds as a diversion of them from the public schools. The school clauses of the bill now before the House of Commons require that the Legislatures of the new provinces shall make no discrimination between public and separate schools in educational grants, the Dominion Government holding that the rights of the minority will be share proportionately in moneys appropriated for school purposes. The Territorial Government, however, has never discriminated between the two classes of schools in making grants, so that the present measure does not introduce a new principle. The Premier of the Territories, Mr. Haultain, in an interview, declared that he would not change the existing school system if he could, but contended that the new Provincial Governments should be given a free hand. This is probably Mr. Sifton's point of view with regard to the school fund.

Mr. Sifton's resignation, owing to his great abilities, and his position as the western representative in the cabinet is a very important event. To what extent the force of public opinion in the west is behind him on this question remains to be seen, as no serious protest has hitherto come from that quarter. His explanation of his reasons for resigning, which parliamentary usage demands, is awaited with keen

Salaries of Judges.

This is a subject often referred to and the consensus of opinion favors more liberal treatment of the bench. The scale of remuneration was fixed many years ago when living was cheaper and incomes in all lines were

There is no profession that calls for more industry and ability as a condition of success than the profession of law. To become a judge is the proper ambition of every lawyer. It has been said that the lot of the lawyer the world over is to "work hard, live well and die poor." Perhaps the reason of this is that the ranks of the legal profession are mainly recruited from among those who have to make their way without capital, who know they must depend for success upon their own energies, who have no rich parents to fall back on, but who look hopefully and manfully into the future and determine to overcome its difficulties whatever they may be. It is no wonder that from this profession, many splendid men come into public life. Canada already has a list of which any country might be proud, such names as Robert Baldwin, Edward Blake, Oliver Mowat, Arthur S. Hardy, Wilfrid Laurier, John S. D. Thompson, John Abbott, R. L. Borden, William Mulock, Charles Fitzpatrick, Clifford Sifton, David Mills, William R. Meredith. To name the men given have been both public men and judges -for example, Oliver Mowat, John Thompson, David Mills and William R. Meredith. To name the men given by the legal profession to the bench who have been a credit to the country is to read the whole list from such names as William Hume Blake and John B. Robinson down to the last appointment of R. C. Clute. This is without an exception an honor roll of men who have conscientiously and ably performed their duties, and whose high standard of conduct has imbued the public with confidence in the administration of justice.

To have achieved this is to have played a very important part in the welfare and government of the country, a service which the country should recognize. The salaries of judges, as

already mentioned, were fixed in the lays of comparatively small things. but today bank managers, loan company managers, railway officials and a host of others in the employment of financial, commercial, and industrial corporations, are in the enjoyment of ncomes which far exceed those of superior court judges, although it will ot be claimed that their work is as essential to the nation, or requires a higher order of ability. It is time judges were given their just dues. Let Parliament take into consideration the the proposed school legislation for the difference in living and in earning power, the increased importance of the is no evidence that Mr. Sifton is op- judge's position, the necessity of maintaining its dignity, and then fix the to the guarantee by Parliament of the salaries of the judges on a scale that maintenance of the present school sys- will fairly compensate them for the tem in the territories. In the session high duties they are called upon to of 1902, he took occasion to deny the perform, and attract the best available men in the legal profession.

An Unwelcome Judgment.

The decision of the supreme court in the matter of the C. P. R. land court was asked to interpret the clause of the contract made in 1881 between the Dominion Government and the C. P. R., providing that the company's lands should be exempt from taxation for 20 years "after the grant thereof from the crown." It was contended in the present case that the 20 years ran (1) from the date of the conthe road when the lands are earned. or (3) from the time at which they were selected by the railway company, and accepted as forming part of its grant. The court upheld the company's contention that the 20 years' exemption dated from the issue of the patent for each parcel of land. If this decision is upheld by the Privy Council, the Territories and Manitoba will lose millions of dollars. Up to March 1, 1902, only 9,464,522 acres of land had been patented to the C. P. R. out of land grant of 25,000,000 acres. Most of the 9,464,522 acres had been patented within the previous six or seven years, so that it will be at least fifteen years before any considerable proportion of the C. P. R. lands can be taxed for municipal purposes.

There can be no doubt that the people of Canada in 1881 imagined that the exemption of C. P. R. lands would run only for twenty years from the date of the contract. It is not known whether the company at that time interpreted the clause as the supreme court interprets it today, but certainly it did not enter the public mind that the clause was open to different constructions. It was a costly blunder, for which the bill is now falling due. The assessable even for school purposes. will be a clog on the development of the Northwest, and seriously interfere with the working of municipal institutions during the period of exemption. It is to be hoped the incubus will be lifted by the Privy Council, when the case comes before it on appeal. The C. P. R. is not to be censured for demanding its legal rights, but those who represented the Canadian people in the framing of such an agreement be trayed the public interests.

The Little Father.

[London Punch.] Nichol, Nichol, Little Czar, How I wonder where you are! You who thought it best to fly, Being so afraid to die. Now the sullen crowds are gone, Now there's naught to fire upon, Sweet your sleighbells ring afar, Tinkle, tinkle, Little Czar!

How are you a Czar at all? Yours had been a happier lot In some peasant's humble co Yet to you was given a day With a noble part to play As an Emperor and a Man; When it came—"then Nicky ran."

Little Czar, beware the hour When the people strike at Power; Soul and body held in thrall, They are human after all.
Thrones that reek of blood and tears
Fall before the avenging years.

The Songs We Love.

[Eugene C. Dolson.] The songs we love, the dear heart songs, Our lives from day to day.

Are those that reach the heart, And that which thrills the commo

The Well-Read Man.

[San Francisco Bulletin.] Let him who pretends to be a master of English letters say whether he has Dryden. Has he first-hand knowledge of the Elizabethan dramatists other than Shakespeare? Has he really perused all of Edmund Spenser's poetry? What does he know, from his own reading, of the "Advancement Learning" Has he read all of Has he read all of Sir Thomas Browne's prose and John Donne's poetry? And the great English pulpit orators, Jeremy Taylor, Fuller, South and Barrow, has he nastered their sermons?

Can he truthfully testify that he knows all of Swift, Johnson and Burke, all of Bishop Berkeley, Daniel Defoe: the novels of Richardson, Fielding, Smollett and Sterne; the histories of Hume, Robertson and Gibbon, and also Hume's philosophical essays; the prose of Coleridge, Wordworth's "Ex-cursion," all of Shelley, Jane Austin's, Maria Elgeworth's and Disraeli's These are English classics. books which no gentleman's library should be without, and with the contents of which a well read man ought to be acquainted. One would wager much against little that the ordinary man who calls him-self well read has not read 50 per cent

Keeps Busy All the Time.

[Philadelphia Record.] Time never hangs heavily on the hands of a woman who marries a man

Adolf Menzel's Hydrocephclus, [London Daily Chronicle.]

The doctors who carried out the autopsy on Adolf von Menzel's remains state that his lungs showed that he had suffered as a young man from tuberculosis; yet he lived to be nearly 90 years old. They further state that he was "hydrocephalic"—that is, had water on the brain, in this respect re-

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The Editor and the Doctor. [Inland Printer.]

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smell of varnish. if the editor uses it he has to spell it. If the doctor goes to see another but if the editor goes to see another

When a doctor gets drunk its a case overcome by heat, When an editor gets drunk it's a case of too much booze, and if he dies t's a case of delirium tremens Any old college can make a doctor.

Use for Ab. Harvey.

o be born.

can't make an editor; he has

[Atchison (Kan.) Globe.] Ab. Harvey is so filled with hot air hat his friends are thinking of buildhouse around him.

Peace to His Pieces.

[Dayton News.] And as for the Grand Duke Sergius-

'Peace to his pieces." A Sincere Wish.

[Washington Star.] "Tomorrow is your birthday," said little Fauntleroy Jenkins' "and I want you to tell me what you wish me to give you.' Grateful tears sprang to the eyes of the curled darling as he fervently an-"I don't want a single thing in the world but a hair cut.'

Swift Divorce Court Action.

[Philadelphia Press.] Judge Fitzgerald, of the New York Supreme Court, had 55 divorce cases on his calendar on Wednesday, and he disposed of seventeen cases in four hours. That is about the record of a western court. Divorce cases are handled much the same as police court matters. The persons concerned in these cases were nearly all foreigners, who seem to have a low idea of Ameri can divorce laws, and, what is worse they are not much astray on that

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