

Ex-Governor Williams' Book.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Dear Sir,—The most casual consideration of the public acts of Sir Ralph Chamneys Williams in his capacity as Governor of this Island, coupled with a perusal of his recent literary effort amply justifies us in stating that as the representative of British Royalty and British State-manship he was a "flawless" man. Fame may be enviable—or otherwise, and there are few of unbiased mind in Newfoundland who envy the ex-Governor his position on the scroll. For his conduct in office and his literary pronouncements afford sufficient evidence that his "greatness" was of that variety that is thrust upon a man. If he ever possessed a talent that justified his appointment to a Vice-Royal position, it must have been buried deep—very deep—in the earth before he "happened" to us. We have yet to learn that some achievement of unusual worth gained Sir Ralph his high position; we know that it was not given as the reward of brilliant intellect, striking personality or good statesmanship. For the ex-Governor was not great enough mentally to preserve his high office in its right place—independent of personal bias or party leanings. This was suspected before he had been long in this country; it became a matter of general knowledge after his pronouncement on the questionable conduct of the Minister of Justice; it is fully confirmed by his book "How I Became a Governor."

Consider his comments on the two leading figures of Newfoundland public life "My association with Sir Edward Morris who was Prime Minister during my term of office in Newfoundland, is," he states, "one of the most pleasant memories of my official life. During the whole of that period he was my warm personal friend; and I recognize him as one who, if sometimes inclined to be rather egotistic as to the prosperity of the colony, served it uprightly with a whole-souled desire for its welfare." It was evidently a "warm, personal" friendship that was of considerable political advantage to the Premier and must be taken as the cause of the very obvious bias in favor of his party welfare shown by Sir Ralph in dealing with the Morrison memorials.

He is considerably less enthusiastic in his characterization of Sir Robert Bond. "He held office," declares the ex-Governor, "with almost dictatorial power—I have marvelled (sic) at the sheep-like obedience of his colleagues and supporters. In the House he was a very Rupert of debate, eloquent, stinging and unflinching in his condemnation of his opponents, sometimes, as I thought, allowing the bitterness of political animosity to overshadow his better judgment."

There is a decided contrast, between these two pronouncements. They show up the stamp of the man's mentality most conclusively. Sir E. P. Morris, the bland, self-interested politician finds his blandishments as effective at Government House as on the political hustings and forthwith endears himself to the Governor, whose chief mental foe is evidently obsequiousness, unlimited deference and flattery. He remarks in his book that the fishermen were not always kind to salute him. Evidently self-conceit was not the least marked side of his character. And it is equally as apparent that he expected much obedience to be paid in his badge of office. And there are many such who lacking nature's endowment of the characteristics of gentlemen, consider it possible to don gentility with place and its appurtenances. But

nature overlooked Sir Ralph in this respect and the most the Imperial authorities could do was to give him his appointment as Governor.

And this is the stamp of man who terms Sir Edward Morris "my warm, personal friend."

To put the best construction on it, Sir Ralph's compliments to Sir Robert Bond are very grudging and decidedly left-handed. Personal bias evidently overcame fair criticism in his pronouncement quoted above. It is a well-known fact that Sir Edward Morris is the speech-making bully of the House; that he is pre-eminently violent, frequently rude and very often vulgar in his criticisms of his opponents faults that can never be fairly attributed to Sir Robert Bond. The "bitterness of political animosity" has caused the Premier to forget himself on occasion and has given the country the sorry spectacle of its Prime Minister indulging in speech and action that neither befit the dignity of the Assembly nor add to his reputation for calm, sane, moderate statesmanlike conduct. The facts here as on another very memorable occasion are against Sir Ralph, who evidently is not dispassionate enough to paint a "warm personal friend" in his true colors and is not endowed with sufficient impartiality to sink personal prejudice and deal justly with an opponent of that "warm personal friend."

In using such strong terms as "dictatorial power," and "sheep-like obedience" with reference to Sir Robert Bond, the ex-Governor either speaks from personal knowledge or comes his terms from information supplied at second hand. He did not hold office in this country during the administration under Sir Robert Bond, and personal observation having been denied him, we presume he relied upon the pronouncements of others. Sir Robert's colleagues were extremely unlikely to characterize their leader as "dictatorial" and still less themselves as "sheep-like" so what is more probable than that Sir Ralph is merely parroting the opinion of his "warm personal friend" when he makes this statement and others equally fantastic and incorrect.

That the colleagues and supporters of Sir Robert Bond absolutely and unquestionably trust and support him is perfectly true. But their obedience is not "sheep-like" nor is their support forced or self-interested. It is based on unwavering confidence in the man, his ability, his statesmanship, his self-sacrificing patriotism. It is true that a political freak, an ambitious party seceder did manage to pull the wool over the eyes of the electors by specious, vote-catching promises and discreditable political tactics, but he has alienated his whole supporters by the contrast between his policy of reckless finance and the sane conservative financial record of the Bond administration.

Did Sir Ralph derive his views of the character of the Newfoundland electorate from his "warm personal friend?" The latter had no very high opinion of the integrity of our voters if an historic declaration of his regarding the influence of rum on elections be accepted as "really emanating from him." "The bad reputation," says the ex-Governor, "which Newfoundland has is due to the extraordinarily oblique ideas which the electors at large have of their political duties and political responsibilities. Electors give no thought to general principles of pol-



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icy, of which they know nothing and for which they, for the most part, care nothing. Broadly speaking, every election in every constituency turns on local matters, the erection of bridges, the sinking of wells, the establishment of a ferry, the subsidizing of a steamer and other little kindred jobs. The Newfoundland elector regards his vote as an absolute asset.

Considering some recent acts of the present Government on the eve of a general election, we are led to ask whether Sir Edward Morris also subscribes to these sentiments. A man is said to be fairly judged on the basis of the company he keeps, and Sir Ralph claims the optimistic Premier as his "warm personal friend."

The ex-Governor did not hesitate to gratuitously insult the people of this country as being particularly careless of personal cleanliness, in his precious volume he proceeds to brand them as corrupt politically. In view of these facts further light is thrown on the undesirable character of the man by a consideration of his statement that "the genuine welcome accorded me by hearty crowds of cheering colonists touched me very greatly and I felt that I was amongst my own kith and kin."

As a matter of fact he was received on landing and treated everywhere with proverbial Newfoundland hospitality. He partook of our salt, was given the freedom of the Island, its homes and public utilities and with gentlemanly ingratitude does not hesitate to abuse and slander his generous hosts.

In view of this characteristic it is not at all surprising that the ex-Governor indulges in some strongly adverse criticism of temperance workers in this country. His sympathies are evidently with the opponents, a fact that is also doubtless significant of his character.

It is rather amusing to note the off-hand way in which he dismisses, in few lines, his treatment of the Morrison memorials. "In respect to one matter only," he says, "did I bring down a shower of violent criticism on my head in the opposition papers, but it was a solace to me to think that no one in any class whose opinion was of value paid the least heed to it."

Only absolute ignorance of public opinion or colossal self-conceit could explain such a conclusion on his part. Altogether it is a matter for regret that this country has ever known such a type of Governor as Sir Ralph Chamneys Williams. He was a very weak reed indeed with which to support royal Imperial dignity in this outpost of Empire; his personal

influence had been by no means unlifting; his public actions cannot be commended as desirable examples; his rule of conduct has been altogether obnoxious to our conceptions of true, worthy manhood.

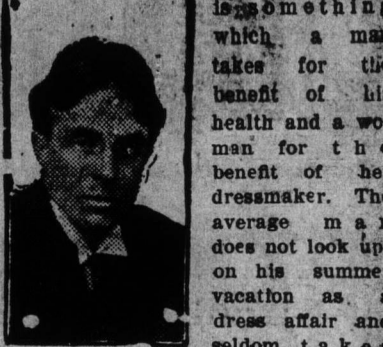
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Wedding Bells.

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Vacation.

By H. L. BANN.



Vacation is something which a man takes for the benefit of his health and a woman for the benefit of her dressmaker. The average man does not look upon his summer vacation as a dress affair and seldom takes more than the change of trousers with him, but his wife is never satisfied unless she is accompanied by a carload of V-shaped gowns and a trunkful of toilet accessories.

No two people enjoy the same kind of a vacation. Some men will leave home without a safety razor and plunge into the Canadian woods, accumulating fish stories, mosquito bites and whiskers in wild profusion. Their idea of a vacation is to get lost eight hundred miles from a barber shop and sleep on the mossy turf where the carnivorous red ant can roam at will up and down their reclining forms and there is nothing to drink except canned corned beef. Each man is allowed to carry several hundred lbs. of birch canoe and baked beans around the portages, which are usually two and one-half miles long, and this affords a unique and pleasing form of exercise.

Other men prefer to enjoy their vacations at some place where there is more population and fewer specimens of the untrifled jigger. These men pick out some costly resort, with porcelain bath attachment and long distance telephone in every room, and secure exercise by changing from negligee to evening dress. The man who spends his vacation communing with a manure and value seldom collects any permanent sunburn and returns to town looking like an advertisement for a face lotion.

As a general proposition, the business man who never takes a vacation because he hasn't the time to spare finds out sooner or later that he hasn't anything left but time. If people would take more and longer vacations there would be fewer cases of night-riding, drapepsia and nervous prostration. There are times when a man had better let up while the letting is good.

The Regatta.

Five weeks from to-morrow, the Regatta will be held. Not a single boat was on the Lake last evening. Intending crews should soon start to get ready. Practice would serve well the less experienced oarsmen. So far, we hear, that there are only two crews for the Amateur Race. It is regrettable that enthusiasm in this race, the first on the programme, is declining year after year. The Pink-U, which is now the property of the C.C.C., was brought from the lakeside last evening and placed in the water at Job's wharf. The racer will be used by the Brigade crew for practice on the harbor. Four crews will enter in the Press Race. The Herald is the only crew practicing thus far. The Telegram and Daily News will have their initial spin to-morrow. The Myrtle, which has been rebuilt, will be put on the Lake this evening. Those who will row the Shamrock, will have a spin in her to-morrow. The Doctor will also be launched to-morrow for crews to practice in. Those who know say that the Highlanders will give a good account of themselves in the Brigade Race. Their backers are confident that they will do much better than last year. The N.H. will row the Nellie R.

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