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CONS. DID NOT GET LA PRESSE **WANTS CANADIANS TO DO, NOT BLOW**

Liberals Have Control of the Big French Sheet.	Parkin Hopes Men for Oxford Will Be Modest.
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CONTINUES SUPPORT OF LAURIER | **CONTEMPT FOR TWO OBJECTS**

Borden's Party Were Hot-Foot After the Influential French Journal, But Failed. Dislikes the Cry "Canada for Canadians," and That Our Educational System Is the Best in World.

Toronto, Oct. 17. — La Presse, the French-Canadian newspaper of Montreal, has not been bought by the Con-

conservatives, neither has it withdrawn its allegiance to the Laurier Government. Both these reports, telegraphed broadcast from Montreal on Saturday and Sunday, were denied today by persons

It is true that La Presse has been sold, but it is not true that it is now controlled by Rodolphe Forget, stockbroker, and Conservative candidate in

Dr. Parkin said that any of them who were familiar with Oxford could easily understand that when it was suddenly announced at Oxford that two hundred young men from Arizona and Queens-

B. and other Liberals. They have formed a joint stock company, and the letters patent will be issued shortly. The change in ownership will in no particular affect the policy or management of La Poudre. The Berthouge and America and Rhodesia, and from the Northwest Provinces were going to be projected into their classical circles, that there were persons whose nerves were distinctly shaken. He could vouch for the fact that the learned men had

distinct conception of the Buffalo Bill boy, and such like coming to Oxford and treading up the high street. But these fears he had had to relieve, and, knowing Canada as he did, and knowing the people and the intellectual ideals of the

week, will return to Montreal tomorrow morning, when he will repudiate the report concerning the alleged transfer of La Presse to Conservative interests and his own reported removal.

One paragraph of the Montreal dispatch reads: "The deal was negotiated by Mr. J. N. Greenshields and Mr. David Russell. However, Mr. Graham emphatically denies the part attributed to

him, and all the others are out of the city, except Mr. Berthlaume, and he is non-committal. This much at least can be accepted as pretty near the truth: *la Presse* had certain financial arrangements to make, and it was found

which he had an absolute contempt—on was the feeling of "Canada for the Canadians," and the other was that they had got the best educational systems in the world. They had not got anything like the best in the world. They must go to

not Conservatives. This fact is known but the \$750,000 that they paid for La Presse passed through a Conservative banker's hands, and he at once jumped to the conclusion that it was a Con-

Those in the inner circles say that

the Conservative party in Quebec have been looking with covetous eyes for some time. It claims a circulation of 78,000, and undoubtedly is the most influential of the French-Canadian papers. This evening on the part of the

Conservatives took definite form, and money was being raised for the purpose of acquiring it. The Liberals were not asleep, however, and when La Presse was bought and sold, it was not

"The personnel of La Presse will be unchanged," The press was told this

morning, "and Sir Wilfrid Laurier will be supported, as usual. Do not believe in their entirety all the hopeful tidings the Conservatives are sending from the Province of Quebec, and let me tell you

re- this, Mr. Casgrain will be defeated in
Montreal. As for Montreal, Mr.
Borden will lament the loss of his one
true supporter in Montreal when the
polls close on voting day."

GIRL HANDLES RIFLE

Mrs. Villiers, of Barrie, Shot Through

the Body.

Barrie, Oct. 18.—A distressing accident occurred here yesterday morning, and

two houses are shrouded in gloom. A young girl named Miss May Slidden was handling a 32-calibre rifle at the back door of her father's house, when it discharged. The bullet struck Mrs. Mary

Villiers, a lady about 55 years of age, and passed completely through her body. The accident happened about 11 o'clock, and though Mrs. Villiers is suffering great pain, it is hoped the accident will not be

In Peril of Flames.

trous fire is raging at Rehoboth, Del., a summer resort. The fire started in the home of Mrs. King, which was soon destroyed, together with the Townsend and Brayton hotels, the cottage of

Mayor Thompson and a large hotel, and two cottages owned by Dallas Marvil. A score of cottages were on fire. Aid was sent from Wilmington, but it is feared that the entire northern end

The Students Bought Up

For Borden's Procession

\$1.50 Per Head and Liquor Ad Lib in the Montreal Con-

servative Parade.

Montreal, Oct. 17. — The Witness,

whose political independence is seldom impugned, publishes the following today:

The Conservative campaign fund is

without doubt considerably lighter today than it was before the big procession on Saturday night, which purported to be representative of the

Numerically the demonstration was of huge dimensions, but that is easily accounted for when the fact is known that at least twelve students, and

Doubtless many more who took part, were offered \$1 50 each to do so, the contract calling not only for their presence, but also the unstinted use of their lungs and vocal organs in wild, east to St. Henri and back again. When the first of these requests were made, when a request would be made for the nearest saloon where liquor ad lib was served out to all who would imbibe.
