

HAMILTON EVENING TIMES

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"ANOTHER TEN THOUSAND."

From the inspired statements in our city newspapers, as well as from a brief letter from Lawyer Jones, we learn that Mr. W. W. Buchanan, of the Hamilton Templar, would like to have the Times Printing Company pay \$10,000 in compensation for alleged damage done him by a paragraph in the Times of Friday last.

Our paragraph of Friday last was not strictly correct, as explained on Saturday. It was not Mr. Buchanan, but A. J. Lees, his alter ego, who was collecting subscriptions. The subscriptions were not for the purpose of establishing a daily paper, but to retain a weekly paper in Hamilton.

In starting a suit against the Times Mr. Buchanan knows perfectly well that he has not been damaged and can get nothing from the Times at the hands of any unprejudiced jury.

Apartment politics, the Times has no interest in Mr. Buchanan or his paper. While pretending to be a Reformer, he has been a nuisance to the Reform party in many elections, and the matter may as well come to a head.

If Henry Clews & Co., the New York bankers, are correct in their judgment of the effects of the big strike now on, the railway men who have undertaken the boycott of Pullman will not profit by the disturbance which they are causing.

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THE SPURRING PROCESS.

The Montreal Star is one of those protectionist organs which has never risen above the idea of expediency, and its disregard for principle in tariff matters has led it to make some queer turns in defending the shilly-shally course of the Government.

Its special hallucination is the home market fallacy; its special horror trade with our nearest neighbor; its bait-which it follows like a will-o'-the-wisp—is trade with anybody at a great distance. Its tariff idea seems to be that the "degrees of geography" and the general laws of nature may be repealed or set aside by a stroke of Mr. Foster's pen, and that taxing the people of Canada to compel exchange under unnatural conditions, with people with whom we would not trade under natural conditions, is a policy greatly to be admired.

Recently the Star went into ecstasies over the home market, and the Times having pointed out that the home market was a delusion, that the purchase of wheat, what he was obliged to pay, and that the farmer cared not whether his wheat or barley or pork or cheese was eaten by his neighbor or by the foreigner, our contemporary proceeded to show us that if Australia could be brought to our doors, the conference now being held at Ottawa might have an easier job bringing us together.

The Times does not like the proposal to "spur" ourselves to do anything at all. On the contrary, we do. The tariff as an instrument of Protection is not a spur—except in a very figurative sense. In that capacity it is simply a business proposition to manufacturers looking for a site. We say to them: Look at Canada, our Canadian goods wear Canadian-made clothes, etc., and we will keep foreign competitors from spoiling your market for you by slaughtering stale goods here and like devices, so long as your industry is of sufficient vitality to bring to the country more in the way of consumption than it requires in assistance.

The Times does not believe in building walls to prevent trade and then "spurring" people by enormously high taxation to climb over them. It believes in smoothing trade's pathway; not in placing obstacles therein. It views trade as an exchange made because the parties making it regard it as of mutual advantage. It believes the people who trade know more about their business than Mr. Foster does, and that they are less likely to be taken in by purchasing "stale goods" than Mr. Foster or any other Finance Minister is to benefit the people by meddling interference. It does not regard the Canadian mercantile and consuming people as either fools or children to be prevented from making bad bargains by a semi-almighty Finance Minister and a long tariff schedule.

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ring" process does not seem to satisfy the Star, and it proposes to further urge it on Canadians till they ride down the "degrees of geography." It is a great idea.

But on second thought our contemporary decided that "Protection is not a spur," and in that we fully agree with it. It is a brake on the wheels of progress, an obstruction in the path of commerce, a dam in the stream which makes our rich land reek with the miasma of stagnation. It should be removed.

PRACTICAL POLITICS FIRST.

On Dominion Day, the breast of the Toronto World was filled with a vague unrest and a nameless longing. It would like the Dominion of Canada and the Federation of Australia to become sovereign states, with power to elect their own Governors or Presidents. Then it would like to see a federated Empire of Greater Britain, governed under a constitution giving the Empire control over all interests that are common to the federated states.

There is no particular harm in our Tory contemporary's yearning after the unattainable, except that it tends to divert attention from practical reforms which are much needed, and which can be effected by the vote of the Canadian people, without asking for the co-operation or waiting for the consent of either England or Australia.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

The hot wave is not confined to this quarter of the world. It is general. In Paris yesterday more than 500 persons were taken to the hospitals suffering from sunstroke. Compared with that our condition is comfortable.

The terrible black death in Europe followed several years of influenza. The plague now ravaging China has many features corresponding to those of the Black Death as described by Boccaccio. Will it follow in the wake of the grip?

Dr. Smythe has four of a majority over Mr. Harty in Kingston, according to the official returns. There are, however, a number of tendered and disputed ballots, so that in view of the recount demanded by Mr. Harty there is still room for speculation on the result.

Will Tarte tell? That seems to be the question of the hour with Sir Hector Lanfear. Should Mr. Edgar's charges come up and the Government fail to interpose to prevent inquiry, Sir Hector is at Mr. Tarte's mercy.

The returns of only four members of the Legislature were gazetted last Saturday. They were George Augustus Dana, Brockville; George Sterling Ryerson, East Toronto; Edwin C. Carpenter, North Norfolk; and Honorable John Morison Gibson, West Hamilton. The string will be longer next Saturday.

Come, Thompson, quit your fooling and let the members of Parliament go home. It is worse than cruelty to animals to keep the two houses in session during such weather as this, and the business is not of sufficient importance to warrant the delay in prorogation.

The Mail's Hamilton correspondent writes learnedly about the license for the Mountain View Hotel being kept in suspense because proprietor John Clark was such a strong supporter of Messrs. Hancock and Smith.

The Toronto World would feel very much obliged if the Patrons would flop over and help Mr. Meredith. It says: "The Patrons if they are in politics must, and no doubt will, accept the responsibility thereof. If they do not then they must withdraw."

ever, if the World orders them to withdraw they will not stand on ceremony, but will go instantly. What business have farmers taking an interest in politics without the World's permission?

Before our cousins across the line begin to discuss the Government of Hawaii or Canada they should be able to govern the territory which they now own. At present a combine of railway managers and a few professional labor agitators seem to play at shuttlecock and battleship with the public interests in a way not to be tolerated by any self-respecting government.

Some advanced Prohibitionist writes to the Empire from Hamilton, over the signature "A Bartender," as follows:

It is reported here that two-thirds of the Ontario Legislature have been elected on the prohibition ticket. Sir Oliver Mowat, Hon. J. M. Gibson and Ross, together with Middleton did not allude to this here in their pre-election speeches. As a consequence they got the credit of the vote, notwithstanding their previous speeches in favor of it.

SINKING AN ARTESIAN MILK WELL.

There comes, in the life of every man who cannot afford it, a time of burning unrest, when he is overpowered by an uncontrollable desire to live in the country, writes Robert J. Burdette in an interesting article on "Making a Suburban Home" in the July Ladies' Home Journal. A railroad man who doesn't know for the life of him which end of the plough hits the horses to, is always longing to go on a farm; a successful merchant, who vaguely knows that you dig potatoes, although by that he rather understands that you mine them, and you do not mine them, after a certain time of life, for a cheap little place, not too far out of town, where he can sink an artesian milk well and raise his own bananas, of which he is very fond.

MISNAMING A CHILD.

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CANADIANS FOR AFRICA.

Mrs. M. French-Shepherd sailed for London last Saturday. She is bent on establishing colonies in East Africa, and is precisely speaking in Gusha and Sumali lands, about 600 miles north of Zanzibar. This country is located either side the Juba River, along whose banks live about 40,000 industrious blacks.

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