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A Poor Last-Hour Appeal.

Hon. Howard Ferguson is hard pressed for votetatching material. As the day draws near when the voters will deal with him, he resorts to an old practice, out the extra \$600. one that is just as poor as it is old.

At Massey Hall, Toronto, on Tuesday evening, he

"The Conservative party, if elected, will inaugurate a policy whereby grants of money will be paid direct to the farmers in the different counties and districts as a reward for successful development in the various branches of agricultural

a promise takes to itself the form of an open bribe. It is not a good, honorable form of campaigning; It is not one that farmers themselves will appreciate.

As a matter of fact, they will resent it, because they are weary of political sops thrown out around

Hon. Howard Ferguson furnishes new evidence every day that his one great aim is to attain office. and if he can rattle on the doors of the provincial treasury to attract attention to himself, then he is prepared to go ahead with the rattling.

The People Name the Issues.

or writer making the declaration that the O. T. A. is ceeds. not the issue, hydro is not the issue, the road policy is not the issue, and so forth.

If all these statements were taken collectively it would be found that everything that could be mentioned as a possible issue had been ruled out of court a dozen times or more, and there would be nothing at all Monday.

It is hard to see why or how any candidate or going to judge the government on its record. To some out in the evenings on account of the clouds of dust who are particularly interested in temperance legisla- raised by speeders. tion, the O. T. A. and its future will be the issue; others who today want to see it kept free from politics will tax bill too high is almost certain to consider that any- should be kept off the roads. thing that has contributed to the size of his tax bill is a vital issue in the campaign. Men and women who believe that the time is here for a campaign based on interesting issue to them.

For that reason the politicians will find, no matter got none at all. how they try to drive the line of battle one way or the other, that the people are looking at them from many angles, and will refuse to consider any one or two set. policies as the issues, and the only issues, of the campaign.

The "Party Hobbles" Are On Now.

The Toronto Globe of September 29, 1919, commended Sir Adam Beck for coming out as an independent. On that occasion the Globe said:

"He must continue his fight to prevent the indertaking of which he is head becoming the ball of designing politicians. Accordingly, he kicks off the party hobbles and runs free.'

"Sir Adam's action will put an end to a lot of campaign camouflage. He does not propose to trust the future of the people's power project to the men who, at election time, proclaim themselves crusaders in its cause and, when the polls have closed, become effective enemies to its progress. He is unable to accept the electoral claims and protestations of the Conservative ministers."

That was surely high and excellent ground, and the Liberals of London in 1923 subscribe to every word the Globe said in 1919.

The Globe held in 1919 that the Conservative minishydro. Has it changed its mind since then, and, if so,

Today, with Sir Adam Beck a straight Conservative nominee, with his headquarters in Conservative rooms, with the party hobbles all in place, the Globe has nothing but commendation for the whole scheme.

The Globe's somersault might well be the envy of any political acrobat.

Not An Idea of Real Liberalism.

Mr. C. C. Davies, Progressive member for North Battleford, Sask., writes an interesting letter to the North Battleford News, in which he discusses public matters and gives his views on things as he sees them at Ottawa.

Mr. Davies takes the election expenses of Mr. H. Marler, Liberal member of St. Lawrence and St. George Division of Montreal, showing them to have been as follows:

Rents		 	\$ 2,717.84
			27.108.21
Traveling	expenses	 	210.65
			10,500.91
Publicity		 	2,135.03
Total		 	\$42,672.64

A man who spends that amount of money to get elected to the parliament of Canada starts under a handicap. Some person is sure to suggest that he must be there to protect some interest or other.

Real Liberalism, the battle of the common people. never called upon any man, or any association of men, to put up anything like \$42,672.64 for a seat in the Canadian House of Commons.

And Now He Wants \$15,000.

Some people are very fussy and too particular and greed for power." about what they eat. Here is David Mark, for instance, who ate a meal in a New York restaurant last November. Sitting beside him was another customer, eating chicken pie. Mr. Mark happened to look at the dish, no doubt wondering if it were good, bad or indifferent.

Now he is suing the restaurant for \$15,000 because he took that look. He claims that tucked away in that chicken pie was a mouse. Yes, sir, a mouse. Had it been a woman, she would have squealed and climbed up on top of the coffee urn, but being a mere man Mr. Mark turned sick and walked out.

Furthermore, he hasn't been able to eat meat since,

hence the claim for damages.

Either Mr. Mark or that dead mouse should be entitled to damages, for it was certainly a mean trick to play on the mouse.

Cost of Living Falls \$600. Mr. C. M. Macfie, Liberal candidate in West Middlesex, is quite certain that the cost of living has come down in Toronto in the last year, if no place else.

Speaking at Delaware, he showed that for two sessions it had been necessary for members of the legislature to have an extra \$600 each time, but when they came to the session just before it was time to appeal to the country, it was possible to get along with-

Mr. Macfie figures that if they did not need the extra \$600 in the session just before a general election they did not need it in the two preceding sessions.

Piling it on the Week-End.

The driver of an automobile in a Sunday afternoon race at Detroit was killed. His car smashed into another that was stalled on the track, and the driver Coming as it does on the eve of an election, such was hurled 50 feet, and picked up dead.

And yet what a protest would go forth if there were a bullfight staged there on a Sunday afternoon, where the chances are that a bull would be killed instead of a man.

We are traveling at a fast pace, and conjuring up queer standards of value. There is an insane effort to pile, pack and cram excitement and amusement and thrills into the week-end in order that some people may go on making money seven days a week.

And back of it all stands that old injunction, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy."

Some day, after we have killed and bruised enough people, a returning sanity may find time to pause and Hardly a day passes without some political leader meditate on that old law. Meanwhile the killing pro-

Both Selfish and Dangerous.

Small wonder that people living in the country feel at times as though they would like to get out the old shotgun to stop some of the tourists who tear down the left to place before the electors of the province on road, leaving a cloud of dust and dirt to settle over their

On some of the highways around here the hedges leader can declare that such and such is the issue in around farm homes are gray, so is the grass, the flower this election. Voters are going to judge the candidates bed, the veranda, and in many instances, if the wind appealing for their support on their records; they are is blowing in a certain direction it is impossible to sit

Some of them tear along, and the effect is that there who have for years followed hydro development and has been an explosion which has blown up the whole center of the road. These drivers have no consideravote for that purpose. The farmer who considers his tion for the community or for the rights of others. They

Note and Comment.

The summer shower is a fickle thing. London was "better homes" will be quick to regard that as the most treated to a splendid liftle rain on Tuesday afternoon, while a few miles out, where they need it more, they

> Milverton comes forth with a story of 34 ducks from Milverton comes forth with a story of 34 ducks from Played golf by night and golf by day 33 eggs. That is up in Wellington Hay's riding, and And never to himself did say is simply an indication of how votes are going to be hatched out for him.

> Police around Niagara are able to catch whiskey
>
> Into some nearby vacant lots,
> He'd voice no feelings of despair;
> He'd tear the turf but not his hair, sinugglers because others in the same line of business And would continue with his game furnish the information. When thieves fall out an honest man has a chance.

Two girls hanging to a water-filled canoe were And told her how to make a shot pulled from the Detroit River by a policeman. That She hit the pill an awful swat was their first trip in a canoe, and the police boat pre- 7 Into the Khan. vented it being their last.

New York with an order for Welsh coal. When United And cursed his bride for evermore; States starts to buy Welsh coal in the middle of the Believe me, folks, this guy was sore hot weather, it's high time we started in this country getting a through line to Alberta.

A year ago the Canadian weekly newspapermen met in Vancouver. They liked the idea, so this year they went away down to Halifax. Again they liked it, ters were not safe to be trusted with the future of and decided to hold their next session in London, England. They ought to be the most-traveled and bestinformed group of journalists in the country.

> A big Conservative rally in Toronto never mentioned the name of Hon. W. E. Raney or the O. T. A. They no doubt stake their hopes on Hon. Howard Ferguson's ability to slay Mr. Raney at Fergus today. The only discomforting feature is that Mr. Raney will be present when the slaying is being done.

The London Tory paper in 1919 said of Sir Adam Beck: "No party whip could crack him into line." Today he is taking up light housekeeping during his day he is taking up light housekeeping during his campaign at the headquarters of the Western Ontario Conservative Association. The whip cracked and Sir with your afternoon tee. Adam jumped.

The St. Catharines Standard says: "The Liberal candidate has dropped out of the fight against Sir Adam Beck in London. We don't just know the reason for this, but we presume that the candidate in question is only human after all, and will escape a good drubbing while it is time." You spoke too soon, sonny. When one dropped out another dropped in, and the candidate now in the field is a capable, well-informed woman. Now, then, let us hear no more of your talk about a

BUT THE PEOPLE ELECTED THEM.

(From the New York Herald.) The Comptroller charges that the Mayor conspired to gain political control over the Sinking Fund and its vast resources.

The Mayor replies that the Comptroller would have sold city land at one-fifth of its value. The Comptroller declares that the Hylan administration is afflicted with a "complex of ignorance, stupidity

The Mayor answers that the Comptroller is either their scores. So the Scotch can be ill or malicious.

These formal accusations having failed to satisfy the tempers of Mr. Hylan and Mr. Craig, both officials get

down to a lower level. The Mayor calls the Comptroller a liar.

The Comptroller calls the Mayor a damned dirty liar. The Mayor calls the Comptroller a deliberate liar. The Comptroller calls upon the Mayor to step out nto the hall and settle it.

How inspiring all this must be to the people of this city who elected Hylan and Craig in 1917 and returned them triumphantly to office in 1921! We are building no subways. We are short of

schools. Our highways are in bad condition. The She's worthy yer vote an' the very treasury is almost empty. The city needs official wisdom

and co-operation to get it out of many holes. But all the city gets from its chief two officers is a rare exhibition of billingsgate.

DIBS AND DABS

--BY HARRY MOYER



Rarebits by Rex

SQUARELY ON COW'S BACK PL

In olden days there lived a man, Who by the ancient river Khan,

"Gol darn my jinx!"

For when he sliced or pulled his shots And if he missed, would try again To clear the links.

His wife expressed a wish to play; He took her to the club one day But what he said she heeded not;

Like surf that splutters in the tide One of the Welsh mine owners has returned from He fumed, he raved, he yelled, he

With his young wife.

That bird whom history tells us of Is like the modern golfing dove: He does not rave, he does not fuss If it's himself that makes the muss, But let his wife make one bad shot And she will surely get it hot; Yet such is life!

If irresponsible driving is a criminal offence why don't the police arrest a few of those new golfers?

In Jackson, Fla., golf was voted the hardest game to play. Hard on the pocketbook and harder on the dispo-

Sir Adam doesn't play the game. robably because he can get into Probably because he can get enough holes playing at hydro.

The prime qualification for being good caddy is to keep your face straight every time a player dubs a

You don't have to be born with arms to play golf. The first requis-

ite is a pair of tweed knickers. body except the experts are only too willing to give you the benefit of

Women are not really supposed to play on Saturday afternoons. So if you want to meet a lot of 'em just go to the links any Saturday after

Inexperienced married golfers are advised to play behind closed doors. If they don't they are certain to lose their reputation, temper, self-respect and a dozen balls. Then, when they get home to their wives they are

Since women have taken up the Since women have taken up the the rash. This first appears on the game they've started to call the links chest and neck. There is general fair-ways.

Golf originated in Scotland. that was when you could get balls and clubs for nothing.

credited with inventing more than one thing with a kick in it.

THE LADY CANDIDATE. The ladies o' London should surely

Isabel Armstrong tae carry the The Liberal banner in splendor shall When women, like Isabel, capture the vote.

Guid luck tae the lady wha's rinnin' Sae gang tae the polls on An' mak' her a peer o' the provin the mastoid, inflammation of the joints, heart attacks, infection of the

The Guide Post-By Henry van Dyke

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might.-Ephesians vi., 10. Two modern expressions have been popular in our day; the Strenuous

Life, and the Simple Life. Each of these phrases has its own value. But when they are overemphasized and driven to extremes they lose their truth and become

catch-words of folly. The simple life which blandly ignores all care and conflict soon be comes flabby and invertebrate, sentimental and gelatinous. The secret of it is in the text, for it tells of an inexhaustible reserve

The strenuous life which does everything with set jaws and clenched fists and fierce effort, soon becomes strained and violent, a prolonged nervous spasm.

Somewhere between these two extremes must lie the golden mean: a life that has strength and simplicity, courage and calm, power and

But how can we find it? (Copyright, 1923, by The Republic Syndicate.)

The patient is a menace to other

complications prolong the necessity

There is much to be done to pro-

Some day the laboratory will find

fever, as it has against other infec

Answers to Health Questions.

MRS. M. G. C. Q .- One of my fin-

ger nails has become separated. Will

your face over night. Add a few

hot water and soap are very detri-

L. L. Q .- Will you please tell me

what causes the hands to perspire

A.—This is due to nervousness or

o poor circulation. You should

take plenty of outdoor exercise an

For further particulars restate

keep your bowels active and regular.

question and inclose a self-addressed

"The Ten Books

I Have Most

Enjoyed"

BY RALPH HENRY BARBOUR

ep your general health built up

and what can be done for this?

drops of tincture of benzoin to

water when bathing the face.

mental to dry skin.

stamped envelope.

Your Health

HERE ARE IMPORTANT FACTS

By ROYAL S. COPELAND, M.D., United States Senator from New York Inited States
Former Commissioner of York City.

Some diseases are of little consequence, but scarlet fever is a thing to be dreadcondiseeks his ch

quently followed by disagreeable and sometimes tions that every protect against Many

ease. school career has been interrupted by a visitation of scarlet fever, and many a life has Will you kindly tell me how been ruined by it.

In every great city there is rarely soap harmful to the skin. a time when large numbers are no afflicted. In small communities hardly a season passes without a period disease.

The period of incubation of scarlet days. The disease comes on suddenwithout warning. may be the earliest symptom. Alimmediately the fever appears This is very high, running to 104 or 105 degrees the first day. The face is flushed and the skin excessively

The mouth and tongue are dry. The throat is dry and sore. On inspection the throat is found to be red and the tonsils swollen. The tongue is red at the top and edge, and the sur face is rough.

The most characteristic symptom is

redness or flushing of the skin, with here and there red points. This involvement of the skin spreads and in another day it covers the body. The entire surface takes on a brillians scarlet color, and the appearance explains the name of the disease After two or three days the rach begins to fade. In a week or ten

days from the beginning of the at-

tack, the swelling, redness and itch-

ing of the skin have disappeared.
When the redness and fever have subsided, the skin is left rough and dry. Pretty soon it begins to scale peel. Whole casts of the of the fingers may be stripped off, and great flakes or scales

This is called the "period of desquamation" and it lasts two or three weeks.

The worst thing about scarlet fever is that it has so many complications. Inflammation of the kidneys, mid-

dle-ear disease and involvement

"Eugenie Grandet" (Balzac). "Robinson Crusoe" (Defoe).
"Three Guardsmen" (Dumas). Undiscovered Country "Collected Poems" (Longfellow). brushed from various surfaces of the "Conquest of Mexico" (Prescott).
"Quentin Durward" (Scott). "New Arabian Nights" (Steven

"History of English Literature"

Tomorrow: Arthur Stringer. (Copyright, 1923, in U. S. and Great Britain by North American Newspaper Allian e. All rights reserved.)

Looking Abroad

of the faults and foibles of the criminal capitalistic class, for Mr. Thomas E. Groves, Labor M.P., for the Stratford division of West Ham and his wife were recently adjudged the winners in the contest for the famous Dunmow flitch.

Groves was:

"You say that your favorite author is Charles Dickens, and that having read 'David Copperfield,' you searched for the perfect Agnes, and found her in your wife. Don't you know that Agnes was David Copperfield's second wife."

This quaint yearly custom which dates back to olden times, originated Before M in the village of Little Dunmow, for-merly the seat of a priory, and consists in presenting a flitch of bacon to any couple who can give proof that they have spent the first year of married life in perfect harmony and have never at any moment wished they had tarried in putting on hy-meneal fetters. In place of the monastic juficature of the 16th century a jury of six bachelors and six maidens officiated this year. The institution of this strange

matrimonial prize which had its parallel in Wichanoure in Staffordshire, at St. Moleine in Brittany, and apparently also in Vienna, appears to date from the reign of King John. The is in 1445, but there are references of an award to a patient husband, years of your life. without reference to the wife. A re- troubles were nearly over when y vival of the custom was effected in 1855 by Harrison Ainsworth, author of the novel, "The Flitch of Bacon," but the scene of the ceremony was the summing up.

Mr. Arthur Robert Kitley, an elderly gardener, of Swanley Juncbut the scene of the ceremony was the background to the scene of the ceremony was the same of the scene of the ceremony was the same of the same

and unconscious. Counsel for the sel for claimants and counsel for the flitch, was on dressed the jury consisting of six every time who has to give way," he pretty girls and six smart young said.

Durham, were very serious, not to up.

The British Labor party can now proudly claim that at least one of its members possesses all the homely domestic virtues of the poor and none say unctuous, nence the amusement caused by the facetious cross-examination of C. E. Grigsby, a London journalist, who appeared for the flitch. One of his questions to Mr.

Before Mr. Groves could recover

Aren't they sometimes used as excuses? "I am on the telephone, and I always telephone my wife when I am coming home," was the reply. "What a curse the telephones are!" was the cynical comment of "coun-sel," who further insinuated that Mr

All the competitors were abstainers, did not belong to clubs first instance of its award recorded and had never spoken an angry word. W. A. Heasman, a Manchester school which suggest its previous award in master, said he had been a bachelor Piers' Plowman and Chaucer. The for 50 years, and was married two Chaucerian couplet conveys the idea years ago. "You have wasted 27

transferred to the town hall of Great years to his wife, a cheerful-looking woman, who had been a nurse. He admitted he was a Rechabite. "De Of late years it has again been you know what Jeremiah said of the transferred to Ilford, and the con-Rechabites?" he was a keelabite. "You testing couples kneel on the ancient shall drink no wine, sow no seed, and stones which were brought for this live in tents. You sow needs, and purpose from the original Dunmow. You do not live in a tent; therefore, In this year's contest, competitors you are not a good Rechabite, who is from Manchester and Swanley Junc-

tues recited by the husbands made sallies; but the claimants, prepared every woman present envious and with their testimonials of character. every man uneasy. The ceremony, insisted that their lives were records held in a marquee, was picturesque of harmonious bliss, unbroken by a and full of humor, both conscious single quarrel, which caused "counsel for the flitch" to suggest that it was only the self-effacement of the complete in wig and gown, argued woman that produced these wonder before a red-robed judge, and ad-ful marriages. "It is the woman "It is the woman

All the claimants, who were represented by the Rev. Herbert Dunnico enough. But it must be an awful life of Ilford, the Labor M. P. for Consett, without a single row to liven things

imports free from duty, especially for themselves, and when they vote again

and again for an immigration policy

to inundate the country with cheap

abor to keep wages at the lowest fig-

TO THE EDITOR.

ELECT MISS ARMSTRONG. Editor of The Advertiser

the evening of the 25th.

tive a capable as well as a brilliant woman. Why not, even on the lowest plane, advertise London by electing a woman as her glands and many nervous conditions are among the most serious of these secondary complaints. islature? It would be unique; it ould be splendid!

(2) To elect a woman, who comes hildren for at least one month and of fine Liberal stock, and who stands firmly and consistently on a platorgans are involved. Nasal and ear form that is in keeping with century progress, and that is as or guarding against exposing others. broad as the most advanced Liberal-

note the comfort of the little patient. Proper bathing and care of the skin four-square on all moral issues, and will help to control the symptoms. The family doctor will watch for the tion of the most clever lawyer—withcomplications and guard against out his proverbial craftiness and

> ire head who files in when the bell rings for a division, and votes blindly bills and measures framed and introduced by others at the crack of the party whip.
> (5) To elect a woman, who comes of

A .- Consult your family physician nd have the nail removed. Be guided by whatever advice he gives you. A. A. Q .- My face is very dry. quarters against remedy this? Are hot water and But what about the wide A .- I would advise you to massage your face with a good cold cream each night and allow it to remain on

> LONDON LIBERAL. INDEPENDENT LABOR PARTY TO MR. FIELDING.

> > Toronto, 25th May, 1923.

the selfish desires of evil men, who

uthor "The Lost Dirigible," "Quarter-back Bates," "Guarding His Goal," etc. Mr. Barbour has also written under the name of Richard Stillman doubtedly true that the burden owner fall wholly on industry?

from his embarrassment, he was asked: "What about those all-night sittings in the House of Commons

Groves' claim for the flitch was an attempt to give the Labor party a respectability that it did not at pres-

tion Kent, also put in claims for the trophy, and the list of negative vir-

To which a woman at the back of

Sir,—I read with pleasure your editorial of Thursday last, "Miss Armstrong for London," and also the very concise and methodical state-

This is a rare opportunity that is persistently and loudly knocking at ute to the owners of the natural (1) To elect as her representa-

for a longer period if any of the

(3) To elect a woman who stands

(4) To elect a woman, who has a neans of protection against scarlet mind of her own, is a fluent and witty speaker, and so will be no mere fig-

> Scotch extraction, and so naturally trenchment in the provincial expenditures without being unduly stingy There may be a silly prejudice in woman standing for election, whose mission, they say, should be in the home. Just splendid influence she can wield in securing legislation, safeguarding the purity of the home, and restraining

> would lower its moral tone and poison its springs at their very source

To the Hon. W. S. Fielding, Minister of Finance, Ottawa. your budget, and have looked in vain for any consideration of the indus-trial classes. Not the slightest hint do we find of any attempt to protect industry from the endless, the increasing, and the irredeemable tribute which they have now to pay for living on the land and for access to its bounties, or from the excessive charges which the tariff enables the manufacturers to extort, or from the intensified competition which the immigration policy imposes on the laare carefully protected from foreign

competition.
In this city the owner of a wellsituated acre can collect in one year without any service, as much as the laborer with all his work can get in hundred years. Who gets the benefit of the protective policy, the man who gets a fortune yearly for doing nothing, or the man who gets a misfortune yearly for doing everything? by the speculator, ground down beneath the tribute to the landowner, compelled to bear the burder of taxation, is not the statement that Labor is protected a piece of cruel fortune, year after year, without work, in what way does he help to provide for taxation? Is it not un-Many people proclaim aloud their unfaltering faith in the protection of industry; but when they

ures, does not their professed pro-tection of industry have a very onesided look? To make laws that enable the employers to buy cheap and sell dear, and at the same time to ment of the advanced Liberal plat-sell dear, and at the same time to form on which she, as the Liberal make the workers buy dear and to candidate for London, is appealing sell cheap, we can hardly call this the to the electors for their influence and Golden Rule of Christian Charity. support in the provincial election Is not that the religion of protection? As the amount of the home manupleased, too, at your reports of the factures is four times the amount of enthusiastic reception London's com- the dutiable imports, have we not a is receiving from the right to assume that the excess employees of the large city factories, charged by the manufacturers is four as well as from the electors in gentimes the amount of the customs? as well as from the electors in gen-eral. The thing is contagious; it is When the goods pass into the hands in the air; everywhere, and, doubt- of the merchants they must add their less, will end in glorious victory on profits—the wholesalers 20 per cent the retailers 30 per cent.

tion we have to pay an endless trib-A summary of the burdens on in-Customs, year ending 31st March, 1923

Four times the customs

added by manufac-

Total burden of taxa-

. \$591.379.000 Merchants' cost for collection, 50 p.c. ...\$295,689,500 Tribute to landowners, 4 per cent on \$9,000,000,000 360,000,000

into the treasury. If the land value were taken for axes, it would yield more than three times the customs, and save the taxnearly \$900,000,000 yearly, to \$100 per head, or \$500 per payers nearly \$900,000,000 The present burden is equal

ANDREW GLEN. President.

JOHN YOUNG, Secretary. **BEDTIME**

BY ANNE CAMPBELL To their demands I must give heed.

A dozen times the stairs I run To cover them and stop their fun. Three youngsters in one nursery Are hard to settle readily! And when I sit with magazine And everything appears serene I hear, while reveling in ease. I want a drink now, mother, please! It's never failed in all the years That I have had the little dears If I should start to sew or read To their demands I must give heed And often as I sit with dreams

seems. I'll miss them most at times like "I want a drink now, mother, please!"

Of years when they are grown, it

