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ONTARIO'S TEXT BOOKS

Premier Whitney Secures
Books for 49c Per Set, While
Saskatchewan Pays \$1.75—
How Ontario Government
Looks After the Interests of
the People.

Ontario has been much more for-
tunate than the western provinces in
getting their school books printed for
a very low price. Dealing in a news-
item with this question the Toronto
world says:

A brief statement made yesterday
by Sir James P. Whitney, prime min-
ister of Ontario, that "the lowest
tender for printing and publishing the
new Ontario school readers was put
in by the T. Eaton Co., Limited, to
whom the contract has been award-
ed," follows the government's persis-
tent effort to break the "school book
ring," and place the cost of text
books upon a reasonable basis.

The retail price named in the ten-
der is 49 cents for the set of five
books. From this there is a dis-
count of 20 per cent, which is avail-
able to anyone paying cash, making
the net price of the books 39 1/5
cents. The cost of the old readers
when the Whitney government assum-
ed office in 1905, was \$1.15. That
contract expired in December 1906. A
short contract for a year and a bill
was then awarded to the lowest ten-
derer, at 49 cents for the set. But
this was for old books, and the prices
secured were ridiculed as bargain
rates for old stock and unobtainable
later.

The preparation of the new series
was then begun, with the result as
follows: Prices of old readers in
1905, primer 10 cents, part II, 15 c,
second reader 20 c, third reader 30
c, fourth reader 40 c. Reduced prices
1905, primer 5 c., part II, 7 c., sec-
ond reader 9 c., third reader 13 c.,
fourth reader 15 c. New readers,
primer 4 cents, part II, 7 cents, sec-
ond reader 9 cents, third reader 14
cents, fourth reader 16 cents. With
20 per cent discount for cash, the
net price of the new readers will be,
primer 3 1/5 cents, part II, 4 4/5 c.,
second reader 7 1/5 cents, third read-
ers 11 1/5 cents, fourth reader 12 4/5
cents, making the total net cost 38
1/5 cents.

The actual saving in cost to the
people of the province on a basis of
former sales will be half a million
dollars for the first year, and \$125,-
000 a year thereafter for the remain-
ing years of the contract. The con-
tract will be current for ten years.

Here, too, is a triumphant vindica-
tion to the premier's words, made in
the face of jeers and sneers on May
6, 1908, in Hamilton, that if the
price of the new books was not as
low as the reduced price of the old,
the government would undertake the
printing themselves.

The new contract supplies hand-
some modern school books at prices
without parallel in Canada. This re-
sult is due, mainly, to two causes:
(1) The policy of the government in
ensuring high quality and standard
work by making and owning the
plates; (2) in throwing the printing
and publishing open to competition.

The prices obtained by Ontario, as
compared with those under the recent
contract made by Saskatchewan and
Alberta, are as follows:

	Ontario	Sask. and Alta.
Primer	4 1/5	20 18.66
Part II	7 1/5	35 16.54
2nd Reader	9 1/5	35 18.91
3rd Reader	14 1/5	45 23.75
4th Reader	16 1/5	50 27.36
Total for set, Sask. and Alta.	\$1.75	
Total for set, Ontario	\$.39 1/5	

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

A statement issued by the govern-
ment says:
"The prices secured in 1907 were
derided as bargain day prices for old
stock. Similar rates for the new
books, it was declared, could not be
got again. The Globe ridiculed the
result as a 'fake reduction.' The Ca-
nadian Courier, in an article attrib-
uted to J. A. Cooper, (a member of
the Text Book commission), and
widely quoted said: 'This reduction in
price lasts only one and a half years.
What will happen then is a matter of
conjecture. The probability is that
a new set of readers will be prepar-
ed, and the binding brought up to
date, the price will go back to the
old figure, if not higher.'

"The fallacy of these arguments is
now exposed. Those who used them
for political purposes are left in an
unenviable position. The new readers
are to be printed on superior paper,
attractively illustrated, handsomely
(Continued on page 4.)

CAMPBELL SCORES SCOTT

Member for Dauphin in the
Dominion House Tells of
Walter Scott's Connection
With Land Deal—Knows
Man Who Gave Him Cheque

Ottawa, Ont., April 23.—The budget
debate occupied the whole of the time
of the House today, and it would
have been a dreary session if it had
not been for a lively speech of Glen
Campbell, late at night, delivered in
characteristic style.

The feature of it was a charge that
Hon. Walter Scott had, when he was
a member of the House, accepted a
certificate for \$10,000 stock of the
Saskatchewan Valley and Manitoba
Land company.

"It has been said that a man who
has been a politician, and who is
still a member of this House, received
as his share for putting the Sas-
katchewan Valley and Manitoba Land
company deal through, a certificate
of stock amounting to \$50,000 signed
in blank."

Speaker Marcell pointed out that
such a statement could not be made
about a member of the House under
the rules.

Dr. Sproule thought that Mr. Camp-
bell was not outside the rules of the
House. He was telling what had been
said outside the House, and not mak-
ing a charge.

Hon. Mr. Fielding could not agree
with this view. A member could not
make a charge against another by
using the phrase, "It has been said."

After the speaker had reported his
ruling, Mr. Campbell said: "I bow to
your ruling," and proceeded to say:
"Other charges were made as late as
last summer. It was said that Hon.
Walter Scott, when a member of this
House, accepted for his efforts in put-
ting through that deal, a certificate
of stock of the Saskatchewan Valley
Land company signed in blank to the
amount of ten thousand dollars. That
is the common report. It was said
on every public platform in Saskat-
chewan. It is denied, it is true, by
Hon. Walter Scott, who took very
good care not to deny the accusation
to the man who made it. This was
common report, and the cheque was
paid. Possibly every member of this
House knew of the report. I know
the man who handed the cheque to
Walter Scott and I saw all the evi-
dence in the matter."

Mr. Campbell in opening took ex-
ception to the recent statement of
Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in connection
with the Newmarket canal debate,
that he would not trust the Conser-
vatives. It was a harsh remark from
the premier. As long as the first
minister whipped his followers into
line to vote for such a useless public
work as the Aylesworth ditch, he
could trust him to oppose him. As
long as he continued his present po-
litical policy of extravagance and waste
of public monies, he could depend on
him to vote against him.

Mr. Campbell called Hon. Wm.
Templeman on his defeat in Victoria,
and the retirement of William Sloan
to give him a safe seat. He told the
story of Richard Croker who, when
he first entered for the English Derby
had secured "God" Sloan, the jockey
as a rider. His horse came in first
and Croker exclaimed: "Thank God
for Sloan." The ministers them-
selves joined in the general laughter,
while Templeman blushed a deep
crimson.

Glen took up the question of the
finance minister's remark that the
Liberal policy was "the land for the
settler." The fallacy of the remark
he exposed. He pointed to the way
in which the Canadian Northern had
received thousands of acres of land
from the government. For the line
from Erwood to the Pas they had
been granted some of the best land
in Saskatchewan. He referred to the
policy by which speculators secured
possession at a mere song of the pick
of the fertile lands of the west. It
was in this connection he made his
charge against Mr. Scott.

To the immense amusement of the
House he took a fall out of Dr.
Clark of Red Deer. He reminded him
of a "maverick" of the western
plains. He enlightened the mystified
speaker and the House that a "ma-
verick" was an unbranded steer, owned
by no one. That was Dr. Clark's
position in advocating free trade. He
had talked free trade, and yet admit-
ted that the Conservatives had a low-
er tariff than the Liberals.

"I never mentioned the word free
trade," interrupted Dr. Clark. "Yes,
there are some things that must not
be mentioned in a Liberal camp," re-
torted Glen, while the House roared.
He referred to the famous speech
of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in Winnipeg in
1894, when he promised the west he

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Young Ramsay was said to have had an unfortunate love affair with an American girl and he was rather depressed during the voyage. Friday night before the captain's ball, he flung himself overboard. Boats were immediately lowered and every effort was made to rescue him, but all was unavailing.

Ramsay left the following letter addressed to his uncle, the Hon. Chas. Maule Ramsay, who married Martha Estelle Garrison, daughter of the late W. R. Garrison of New York and who is highly popular and respected on both sides of the Atlantic.

"Dear Uncle—I am feeling rather queer but must just write to say good-bye. You looked after us boys so well, I wanted to be a credit to you so much, but I have not been able to keep had thoughts out of my head lately.

"I have not made a will yet, but I suppose my things will be divided among my brothers. I should like to have seen them again. Give my love to Fox and I hope he will be all right and fairly happy. Your affectionate, Ronny."

Young Ramsay was the third brother of Lord Dalhousie. Their father and mother had died twenty-two years ago under somewhat peculiar circumstances. They had made a voyage to New York for the benefit of the earl's health, and landing at Havre on their return the countess died after one day's illness of blood poisoning, and the following morning the earl was found dead of heart failure. The countess was one of the most beautiful women of her time, and her husband was unusually respected in England.

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