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We want our subscribers to take into their serious consideration what we are saying to them on our first page. We expect to hear from a large number of them before this day week.

Ottawa Weekly Letter.

Another Member Cared For.

Mr. Demers Goes to the Bench.

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Mr. Borden in Nova Scotia—Enthusiastic Conservative Meetings.

Ottawa, Sept. 8, 1906.

This week has brought several Ministers back to Ottawa, and witnessed a renewal of Executive activity. One of the first proceedings of the Cabinet after the holidays was to create another vacancy in the House of Commons by the appointment of Mr. Demers to the bench. This gentleman has for some time been regarded as a prospective judge and was thus in the position described by Sir William Mulock a few years ago in a well remembered speech. Sir William, who was then a private and untitled representative spoke of members expecting office as persons themselves deprived of independence and moving among their associates as a corrupt and contaminating influence. Whether this is true or not of Mr. Demers it is certain that he was a member of the committee appointed to investigate the "Arctic" scandal, and that he signed the majority report declaring that there was nothing wrong in the whole affair except the price paid for one order of tobacco. It is much to be hoped that Judge Demers will not be so easily satisfied when accusations of fraud and misappropriation of funds come before him in future.

THE EX-MEMBER FOR SHELBURNE.

Mr. Fielding, fresh from the election trial which resulted in the forfeiture of his seat, with the question of his disqualification still to be settled, is resuming the Tariff inquiry. The Finance Minister has not as yet revealed the names of those Conservatives who have been denounced in the prosecution of this election petition. It is hard to find any claim that the unseated member has on the sympathy of the party whom he defeated by the means disclosed in this trial. Mr. Fielding surely had sufficient odds in his favor in his normal majority, his official patronage and prestige and the influence of two governments, without the wholesale bribery shown to have taken place.

THE PERSONAL QUESTION.

As to his personal connection with the corrupt proceedings it must be remembered that the sum of six hundred dollars, which seems to have been used for corrupt purposes in one small corner of the constituency, was furnished to the operators by Mr. Farrell. Now this gentleman, who is Speaker of the Nova Scotia Assembly, appears to have been all along Mr. Fielding's most intimate political friend and campaign adviser. Mr. Fielding admitted that after the election of 1900 he paid Mr. Farrell a sum of money which the latter reported to have been spent in the election in addition to the amounts authorized. He swore that he paid the money to Mr. Farrell unwillingly, but he absolutely and repeatedly refused to disclose the amount. It is believed that the sum which Mr. Fielding or his friends had to repay or which was provided out of campaign funds was not less than \$4,000 or \$5,000. Now if Mr. Farrell had offered Mr. Fielding by this corrupt expenditure one would expect the finance minister to have sought some other adviser and manager for the next contest. THE SAME THINGS AGAIN. But we find in 1904 this same

friend in the same confidential relations with the minister. We find him again distributing money to local operators, who thrust two or three dollar bills into the pockets of electors to induce them to vote for the minister of finance. We observe that this friend disappears when the election trial comes on and cannot be obtained as a witness. There is no doubt that as a sequel to the election of 1904 another demand would be made for the payment by Mr. Fielding, or the contributors to his campaign funds, of many thousands of dollars spent in buying Mr. Fielding's election. The finance minister might as before be unwilling to pay. But the bills have been or will be paid as before, and unless the election trials put a stop to these methods the programme will be repeated at the next election and as many times as may be deemed necessary to prevent the constituency electing a Conservative. Those who choose to believe that Mr. Fielding is an unwilling victim of these methods of electing him should have their heads examined as soon as possible. Conservatives who are thus beaten by bribery and whose honest votes are nullified by ballots that are bought will perhaps seek more deserving objects for their sympathy than the winners of such victories.

MORE OF THE MONCTON LAND DEAL.

The Moncton land deal, whereof the exposure produced a sensation last session, involved the purchase by the Intercolonial for \$1,000,000 an acre of nearly four hundred acres of land which a friend of the Minister knowing the land would be bought and secured in advance at a little over one-third the price paid by the government. Mr. Emerson could as well as Mr. Lodge have bought this land for \$53,775 instead of paying \$13,880. But it is understood that the disclosure of last session was only the first part of the story. Other land was purchased by Mr. Lodge at the same time, and also transferred to the government at about the same margin of profit. Payment for this additional property was not made until after the fiscal year had closed and the Auditor General's statement concerning it has not yet been published. That will be a contract for the Public Accounts Committee to investigate at the next session. It will be found that some thousands of additional raffle-off have been made on these land transactions.

MR. LEOPOLD ONCE MORE.

Official information is given out that a determined effort is to be made to hunt down and suppress the fraudulent immigration agencies in England which have been sending mechanics and artisans to this country with all manner of false assurances and promises. The Deputy Minister of Labour is said to be in pursuit of the Leopold bureau which has been prolific in false promises of employment and high wages in Canada. In this work of correction and extermination the government is beginning late. The agents whom the Department of Labour is hunting down are the ones whom the Department of the Interior has hunted up. The Leopold bureau could never have been established on a prosperous basis if Mr. Preston, Chief Commissioner of Immigration, had not given its author and owner personal and official help.

LEOPOLD A GOVERNMENT CREATION.

It was on Leopold's behalf that Mr. Preston wrote his notorious Ennis letters. Mr. Preston was the man who encouraged Leopold, whose right name is Lassure, to take a room under the same roof with the government offices at Charling Cross. The Commissioner of Immigration issued and circulated at the country's expense thousands of circulars advising mechanics to deal with Leopold. Artisans calling at the government offices for information concerning labor in Canada were regularly sent upstairs to Leopold's room. Mr. Preston recommended his own son-in-law to Leopold as the legal adviser of his alleged labor bureau. Leopold was concerned in the North Atlantic Trading Company contract, negotiated by Mr. Preston and Deputy Minister Smart. He had some mysterious relation to the Arrand Printing contract made by the Immigration Department. He received at least one six hundred pound cheque out of the money supposed to be paid for government printing in London. Until the exposure of last session nothing that the Department of the Interior had to offer was too good for Mr. Leopold.

MR. BORDEN IN NOVA SCOTIA.

The Leader of the Opposition has addressed several meetings in Nova Scotia this week and will speak in other provinces before Parliament assemblies. Though his own province sends a solid delegation of government supporters to parliament the Conservative party was sufficiently strong there to poll some 45 per cent of the total vote in spite of the corrupt use of money and patronage to a greater extent perhaps than in any other group of eighteen constituencies. Election trials in Halifax and Shelburne-Queen's party did close the methods employed. It is certain that both of Mr. Borden's opponents in Halifax would have been unseated and probably both would have been disqualified, if the proceedings had not been brought to an end by the decision of the Judges that they had deprived themselves of jurisdiction by their own

act in fixing the date of the trial. But neither bribery nor patronage, nor the peculiar conclusions of election judges can detach from Mr. Borden and his party the confidence and support of the majority of the independent and uncorrupt electors on Nova Scotia. The meetings are said to have been full of enthusiasm. The events and disclosures of last session will be laid before the electors not only by the Opposition Leader, but by other members and cannot fail to produce a strong impression on the minds of right thinking people.

The Two Decisions.

(Ottawa Citizen.)

The text is to hand of the conflicting decisions handed down by Chief Justice Weatherbe and Mr. Justice Russell on the question whether the report and certificate declaring vacant the seat for Queen's-Shelburne should be sent to the speaker of the house of commons, or sent to the supreme court of Canada, together with the appeal to that tribunal from the decision of the trial judges rejecting certain evidence intended to prove charges involving Mr. Fielding's personal disqualification. Perusal of the full report of their lordships' decisions shows that the chief justice took the ground that, as argued by respondent's counsel, the report and certificate as to the unseating of Mr. Fielding should be sent to the speaker. His lordship thus decided because he held that the only question determined by the court of trial was that the election was void, and no appeal has been taken from that particular judgment. Judge Weatherbe lays special emphasis on the advisability of so deciding the question as to avoid delay in holding a bye-election. That is his strong point, for in conclusion he says: I am confirmed in the view that in the case of an appeal which does not challenge the decision declaring the seat void it was not the intention than an appeal on some other matter should prevent the judges from certifying to that first mentioned determination because it cannot be in the interest of the petitioner or the public that delay should take place.

The Great North Country.

Nimrod was a mighty hunter, but had hunted in the Highlands of Ontario he would have been a mightier one. Nimrod hunted for glory, but those who go into the several districts of Northern Ontario hunt for game. Those Indians who made the first canoe of birch bark long ago, were our greatest benefactors. The children of these Indians know the canoe, and they know how to use it, and they know just where the moose and deer are to be found. They will be the best guides you ever had. The Moose Lake, Lake of Bays, Magnetawan River, French River, Magamsam, Georgian Bay, and several other districts in this Great North Country, abound with deer and moose. The best hunting on the American Continent is offered here. Write the undersigned for copy of *Hunts of the Moose* passing the *Map of the Province* issued by the Grand Trunk Railway System, giving all information, game laws, maps, etc. J. Quinlan, District Passenger Agent, Bonaventure Station, Montreal.

The Yendys Wins the Race.

A Sydney despatch of the 4th says: The second and final heat in the Coronation open series sailed yesterday between the Yendys and Micmac was probably the best race ever seen on Sydney harbor. With the crack of the gun at 12.30 the defender poked her nose across the starting line the challenger following in her wake 14 seconds later. A light westerly breeze was blowing and with the wind on the beam the boats made a good run to Barrington Cove buoy, the Yendys going around at 1.13, the Micmac passing the flag 2 minutes and 8 seconds behind her opponent. The Yendys jibed round Livingston's buoy at 1.43.20, the challenger having gained 8 seconds on this leg. The first real test of the yacht sailing powers was given in the three mile stretch to windward back to Barrington's. The time of rounding was, Yendys 2.33.30; Micmac 2.38. The breeze had freshened up to about 16 knots and the long beat home of 5 miles square into it was begun. Both boats were lee-rail under as they staggered along with every shroud of their working canvas set, sending the foam churning away from their bows and leaving a swath behind them as a steamship. On the last couple of tacks the Micmac gained considerably on the leader, but Mr. Duggan kept sailing as close to the wind on the last leg as his boat could go, finishing well out by the one side, while the challenger lay off with an easy sheet going across the line under the club quarters. The time at the finish was: Yendys, 3.35.55, the Micmac getting over 1 min. 42 sec. after.

Manufacturing Sympathy for Hon. Mr. Fielding.

(Halifax Herald.)

Rather desperate efforts are being put forth by Government organs and other partisans to stir up or create, if possible, some public sympathy for Mr. Fielding over his questioning in the constituency of Shelburne and Queen's. Such efforts must indeed be regarded as desperate, because it would be difficult to find any other leading politician whose whole record has less entitled him to consideration at the hands of his party opponents, or less qualified him for public sympathy when wounded in political party contest, to say nothing of his present defeat by the operation of the public laws and the judgment of the courts.

Mr. Fielding throughout his whole career, has treated the leaders of his political opponents in a spirit of unadorned savagery. He has sought their political destruction in the most ruthless manner, and was never scrupulous as to the means by which he might attain his personal or party object. To strike down and politically destroy the leaders of his opponents by any possible means and at any possible cost, was throughout his whole political career his regular policy and plan of campaign. In pursuit of this savage policy he directed all possible efforts,

and foul, to the defeat of Dr. William McKay of Cape Breton, when that gentleman was the leader of the Conservative Opposition in the Provincial arena. Subsequently the same policy was followed in the case of the Conservative leader, Mr. C. H. Cahoon, and a wild-cat railway scheme was created, at the public expense, for the express purpose of compassing that gentleman's defeat in Shelburne. After Mr. Fielding had stuck close to his Provincial office in 1906, and waited for others to do the party fighting, he was quite ready to step past others, more deserving, and take a Dominion office he had done nothing to earn; and his blood hound tactics against Conservative leaders were thus extended to the Dominion arena. Sir Charles Tupper the Conservative leader, was the next victim upon whom Mr. Fielding set his political murderous eye, and of course Sir Charles was down before the hired assassins. Sir Charles, having devoted a long time to the public service, and being far advanced in years, retired from active politics highly honored by true Canadians, but gloated over by every heeler and hireling of the Fielding stripe. That was in 1900; Mr. R. L. Borden succeeded Sir Charles in the Conservative leadership and for the first time for Mr. Fielding to direct Mr. Borden's political assassination was in the general election of 1904. As every body knows, the assassination took place.

Such in brief, is the politically bloody record of Mr. Fielding's savage treatment of the leaders of his political opponents. For such a man, after such a ruthless record to expect any public sympathy in the hour of political party defeat is glaringly preposterous; and for any public journal to ask public sympathy for such a man under such circumstances, is an insult to, and outrage upon, the public who possess some sense of justice and fair play. Shall the man who has run the course of a political sleuth hound be now treated as an innocent lamb? Is there another politician in Canada whose victims can be pointed out as we have just pointed out in this man's victims—victims of what we can describe only as political assassination? Shall the man, whose political path is thus strewn with victims, be now treated, in the presence of courts of justice with nothing but sympathetic tenderness? The spirit of justice and fair play can permit no such outrage; rather does justice cry aloud for vengeance upon a long career of political assassination. Sympathy! If ever there was a politician who deserved not sympathy but a scourge, the record of Mr. W. S. Fielding shows him to be the man.

But what are the circumstances of the case? Has Mr. Fielding met with any misfortune for which he was in no way to blame? If such were the case, we should join all good citizens in extending sympathy. But such is far from the case. The fact is that Mr. Fielding has been deprived of his parliamentary seat, which he has occupied for two years without legal right, and to which he was returned through political crime to which a competent court adjudges, after full enquiry that he was legally a party. That this judicial decision is in accordance with facts nobody doubts. That the election of 1904 in Shelburne-Queen's and the Province generally were carried in the Government's interest by the most unparalleled and lavish use of corruption funds, and that Mr. Fielding was personally fully cognizant of the use of such corruption funds, probably nobody doubts. That if the whole facts could have been brought before the court, Mr. Fielding would have been merely unseated, but would have been disqualified for seven years, also probably the general opinion of the public. For such public opinion Mr. Fielding's refusal to tell the amount of the money he admitted having paid Speaker Farrell in connection with the election of 1900, and Mr. Farrell's withdrawal from the Province, and the fact that he could not be subpoenaed to give evidence at the election trial, are no doubt largely responsible.

Prisoner Escapes.

Jacob Jebreiski, 55 years old, a convict en route to the penitentiary at Kingston from Chatham Ont. where he was sentenced to a term of seven years for forging stolen furs from New York to Canada made a sensational escape on the 6th from the Grand Trunk car window between Napanee and Kingston near Fredericksburg. The prisoner was handcuffed to his 17 year old son Simon, sentenced for the same charge to five years imprisonment. The two prisoners were in charge of sheriff Semmler, Jailer Davidson and Constable Peters. Jebreiski went to the toilet room with his son and the constable stood at the door. The latter soon heard a scream from the son and when he forced the entrance he found the older prisoner gone with the shackles with which Simon was brought to Kingston. The police were puzzled to know how the shackles were removed from the boy's wrists as there are no marks of violence on him. Search was commenced for the escaped prisoner, but nothing could be heard of him. The son was placed in prison. He would say nothing as to the capturing of his father. He declared to say how the irons were worked off. The constable said the cuff could have been slipped over the lad's hand, but he could not see how the boot irons were removed. The lad had his boots on when taken from the lavatory. Sheriff Gemmill says he has brought some sixty-two prisoners to the penitentiary during his term of office, and Jebreiski is the first one to escape.

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LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS.

A grand picnic will be held on the grounds of the Catholic Church, Head St. Peter's Bay on Tuesday next 18th.

Fourteen horses were burned to death in a stable owned by Geo. N. Cole, of Matheson, Mass., on Sunday afternoon. The stable was located in the city of Lawrence and the horses were owned by Philip Holland, contractor and employed in the work of excavating and grading at New Wood mill. In addition to the horses Holland lost eighteen tons of hay which he had put in a barn on Saturday. Fourteen other horses were rescued.

As an aftermath of the recent strike on the united railroads, a riot broke out in San Francisco last Monday night when the Sleight Car Company started to march about 200 strike breakers from the cars along Filmore St. to the ferry building. Many shots were fired by the armed guards escorting the men and a half dozen persons are reported wounded. The strike breakers were guarded in the ferry building by the police, and twelve men have been arrested. A large mob gathered in front of the ferry building waiting for the police to bring out the prisoners.

Captain Henry Augustus Moriarty, C.B. who was one of the principals in laying the first Atlantic cable died in London a few days ago aged 91 years. He was born in Liverpool in 1815, and joined the navy in which his father was a commander, at the age of 14. After a distinguished career he was promoted the rank of Captain. He commanded H. M. S. Agamemnon, which, with the U. S. frigate Niagara laid the '67 cable and spliced it in mid ocean. It was a tremendous effort for a little result. Only a few messages were transmitted when the cable retired from business. Then, in 1865, he became Admiralty representative and the navigator of the historical Great Eastern, when the second attempt was made. When 1,064 miles out, however, that cable broke. In 1866 the big steamer took out the third cable and Capt. Moriarty, when in mid ocean, indicated the place beneath the waves where the broken end of the second cable could be found. Simultaneously with the laying of the second cable, the Great Eastern was "over the spot" a ship officer shouted:—"We've hooked it! You said we ought to, Capt. Moriarty, and we have."

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