

Dominion Day.

On May 22nd, 1867, Her Majesty the Queen issued a proclamation, in accordance with the terms of the British North America Act, declaring that on and after the first day of July, 1867, the Provinces of Canada, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick should be united into one Dominion under the name of Canada. Thirty-six years have passed away since that first Dominion Day was celebrated, and to-morrow the anniversary will be observed with the usual accessories of a holiday. The jubilee of Confederation is more than a century old. In the year 1800 Hon. R. J. Uniacke, of Nova Scotia, recommended a colonial union to the Imperial authorities, and in 1814 Chief Justice Sewall, of Quebec, addressed to the Duke of Kent, grandfather of King Edward VII, a letter commencing such a plan. In 1822 Sir John Beveridge, of Toronto, submitted a scheme of the same nature to the Colonial Office. In 1823 Robert Gourlay laid down the principles upon which Confederation was effected in 1867. Lord Durham favoured a Federal Union in his famous report of 1839. The Legislative Assembly of Nova Scotia voted unanimously in 1861 for Maritime Union. At that time the Legislature of United Canada was in difficulties, neither of the political parties being able to secure a safe working majority in the elections. George Brown proposed to John A. Macdonald that a coalition should be formed to carry Confederation. An Intercolonial Convention was called to meet at Quebec in October, 1864. Seventy-two resolutions were adopted, which were submitted to the several Legislatures at the ensuing session. An address to the Queen, based upon these resolutions, was adopted by the Canadian Parliament on March 10th, 1865. The Bill for the Union of Canada, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick was presented by the Earl of Carnarvon, in the House of Lords, and read the first time on Feb. 12th, 1867, and passed on March 29th. Not without some friction, but on the whole successfully, the scheme of Confederation has operated for thirty-six years, and there is now no thought of its abandonment. Indeed, in some quarters the vision has become enlarged, and there is talk of a federal union of Britain and her colonies as long ago as 1880. The Duke of Manchester said at a meeting of the Royal Colonial Institute:

"My idea of a Federal Union is that there should be legislation for each part of the Empire and the United Kingdom; that there should be another Legislature in which Canada and the United Kingdom would be represented on mutual terms for Imperial purposes, not dealing with local questions. I think if there were a great Empire of a Federal Empire of England and a Colonial Empire, that even the United States might perhaps not think it degrading to join the Confederation. I think that it is not possible that we should not have a magnificent position."

Perhaps Mr. Chamberlain's present propaganda may tend in that direction. In any case Canada is taking a good position in the family of nations, with her loyalty to the British Empire unshaken and undiminished, yet rejoicing in her freedom of self-government and energetic in the development of her resources and the increase of her wealth and population.

TORONTO VIEW OF THE WAGES QUESTION.

Toronto is known throughout Canada as a city in which the Tories are everything their own way. In the House of Commons, the Provincial Legislature, the City Council, the School Board—Toronto's representation is preponderantly Tory, and one hardly expects to find anything but Tory doctrine emanating from Toronto. What, then, was the surprise to read that Mr. D. W. Mackay, Secretary of the Toronto Labor Council, has addressed E. H. Cooper, of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association of Montreal, a letter from which the following extracts are taken:

"Your letter respecting the effort by labor unions to relieve themselves to some slight extent from the oppression of a flood of immigration, you characterize their conduct as 'unpatriotic.' Does not this come with a queer kind of irony from your association? Is it not the leading object of your association to secure the same policy? When you are asked to allow the laboring men the same freedom to buy goods in the cheapest market, as you can when your labor is the cheapest market, then, if we stay the influx of immigration, will you really understand the selfishness of your charge of a 'patriotic'?"

The Hamilton Spectator declares that "Ganey is an honest man." If this is true there ought to be a fair delivery—London Advertiser.

The Spectator is talking its share to keep Ganey in line, but it winks the other eye as it lays on the taffy.

Ald. Kerr can continue to laugh at the Spectator's efforts to discredit him. Things are coming his way when goods are plentiful.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Now it is Sifton whom the Spectator is trying to make away with. Next!

Mr. Carleton couldn't be goaded into lending his aid to glorification of Ganey or abuse of the judges.

Chicago Canadians are to celebrate Dominion Day with a banquet. There is danger that some of the Canadians at home may forget that the Dominion has a birthday.

The Globe interview [Ganey] was arranged for and prepared without the knowledge or consent of the person interviewed—Guelph Herald.

What does the Herald expect to gain by falsehood of that sort?

Ald. Kerr had not been seen when the paper went to press, so I suppose he is still all right for the bridge—Spectator.

Yes, dear, and every vacillating alderman has swung round to his side. Now dig in and praise the aldermen for deciding on the bridge.

The Oswego Times says: "More than any other day in the history of the nation is our Fourth of July typical of liberty." None will deny our neighbors a place as a great people, but perfection is far to seek yet. In the very paper in which the foregoing quotation appeared there were reports of murders, robberies, hold-ups, lynchings and wrongdoing that go so far to show that liberty, safety of person and property, and respect for the law are far from general in the Republic. Liberty is lived; it does not consist of boasts or declarations.

After the last elections the Spectator looked for much from the protests, and day after day it shrieked there would be no saw-offs. Now it is demanding that pairing of members be abolished, and taffying Hugh Clark, whom it credits with refusing to pair. Pairing is sometimes a convenience to private members, but it could be dispensed with, without disturbing the foundations of Parliamentary Government. If the opposition feels so wolfish it ought to be accommodated.

The British monitor, Scorpion, which founded last week on the way from Bermuda to St. John, was built by Laird Bros. of Liverpool, for the Confederate navy, under superintendence of Captain Bullock, an uncle of President Roosevelt. Owing to objections of the United States Government the British Government seized the Scorpion and a sister vessel, and refused to allow them to be turned over to the Confederate Government, and there are those who say that not had much to do in depositing the result of the war.

The Montreal Gazette, a paper that supported in the most slavish manner a Tory Government that tinkered the tariff nearly every session, attacks the Liberals for what it pretends to regard as the uncertainties of their tariff policy. It declares that "this conflict, moreover, is only a continuance of the conditions which have existed since the responsibility of directing the affairs of Canada was thrown upon the Laurier Government. It makes it utterly impossible for a man in business to know how a few months ahead the tariff will affect his calculations." The Gazette talks nonsense. Never has there been greater tariff stability or more certainty in business circles, in spite of efforts of the Tory organs to produce the opposite effect. The time is one for business, and the industries are engaged in making money. Play ball; don't growl at the umpire.

For some years the congregation of Jarvis Street Church, Toronto, has emphasized its belief in the duty of separating church and state by sending to the city an annual cheque for the amount of the taxes on its property, which it was not in law required to pay. Perhaps the people thought that the example would have an educational effect, but if they did they have been disappointed; no other church has followed its example, nor has its course been appreciated by the city. Indeed, of late it would seem as if the city set out deliberately to show its contempt for the people who were making this sacrifice to principle. The city took the taxes paid by the one church while it proceeds to give the property of the city to a congregation of another denomination.

That proved the last straw, and Jarvis Street Church has given notice that its voluntary contributions to the city tax department are to cease. The case is one that brings out strongly the particular injustice connected with the tax relations of the churches and the state.

Now that the manufacture of diamonds is once more discussed in scientific circles the mystery of the sudden disappearance of Herbert Warner naturally is revived. It was about 15 years ago that he discovered the secret of making diamonds that promised to wreck the diamond industry. Inferior diamonds can still be produced artificially, but only at a cost of about ten times their value. Warner, after years of experimenting, was able to turn out a genuine diamond of large size and of the first water at the cost of a small fraction of the complete stone's worth. He, like Wainwright, of heat-power fame, manufactured his diamonds before a number of scientists, and produced three fine stones, which were tested and pronounced fault-

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Ladies' Waists and Wash Dresses
There is bound to be a commotion here to-night, and we would advise that you be here early. Sheer Lawn Waists, all-over hem-stitched tucks, lace and embroidery and tucks, worth \$1.50, Tuesday, only, 85¢. Sheer Lawn Waists, trimmed in extra quality Yal. insertion and tucked yoke, they are worth from \$1.75 to \$2.25, Tuesday they go at \$1.00.

Ladies' Silk Belts
Ladies' Graduated Silk Belts, of non-cutting taffeta, etc., beautifully folded and stiffened with featherbone, prettily trimmed with Milan buttons and back buckles, 50¢.

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Upholstered Armchairs out of suites, velvet covers and birch frames, some have spring edges, would be worth \$5.50 to \$7.00, Thursday special at \$3.99 each. Jardiniere Tables, in quarter cut oak, worth \$1.60, Thursday, \$1.25 each. Armchairs, very large, golden oak finish, turned spindles and double rung, worth \$1.85, Thursday, \$1.29 each. 9 Reception Chairs, birch frames, velvet covers, and banded with plush, worth \$3.75 to \$5.50, Thursday morning your choice for \$2.90 each.

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For Thursday, priced so that you could not possibly pass them by: they will tempt you to come early, some are limited. Here they are:
At 8.30 we'll sell 100 packages of 10¢ Corn Starch for .50
At 8.30 we'll sell 5 barrels of Redpath's No. 1 Granulated Sugar at 8¢ lbs for .50
At 8.30 we'll sell 100 Tin Dippers at 4¢ each.
At 8.30 we'll sell 100 10¢ packages of Mince-meat for .50
At 8.30 we'll sell 200 lbs. of 10¢ Currants at, per lb., 50¢

Women's Shoes
Reduced a Third
80 pairs Women's Dongola Strap Slipper, hand turned, soles, regular \$1.25, Thursday, 80¢
60 pairs Women's Dongola Oxford, in hand turn and extension sole, 1/2 tip, regular price \$1.50, Thursday, 99¢
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RESULTS AT HIGHFIELD.

Names of Boys Who Stand First and Second

IN THE RECENT EXAMINATIONS

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Lower First Form.
Reading—W. Daw 92, R. S. Steven 90.
Writing—H. H. Washington 82, C. Martin 70.
Arithmetic—C. Martin, R. Steven 71, N. Bailey 70.
Tables—R. Steven 93, C. Martin 92.
Spelling—W. Daw 76, R. A. Steven 68.
Latin—V. Grantham 90, C. Sutherland 79.
Copes—C. Mewburn 98, Washington 90.
Upper First Form.
Reading—H. M. Steven 97, N. Caudwell 95.
Grammar—A. T. Wood 93, J. D. Scott 99, H. M. Steven 97.
Repetition—H. H. Carcaillon 100, E. Martin 100, Steven 99.
Spelling—C. E. Daw, S. S. Mills 100, E. Martin 99.
Composition—H. M. Steven 83, W. Newman 80, C. Daw 96.
Latin—J. D. Scott 81, H. M. Steven 81, G. S. Balfour 67.
French—R. Wood, F. P. Daw 84, A. T. Wood 82, N. Caudwell, H. M. Steven 76.
Geography—E. A. Martin 84, N. Caudwell, H. M. Steven 70.
History—L. S. Hendrie 96, E. A. Martin 96, W. H. Carcaillon 95.
Arithmetic—C. E. Daw 82, H. M. Steven 70.
Algebra—J. D. Scott 87, H. M. Steven 83, V. Grantham 73.
Third Fourth Form.
Spelling—F. P. Daw 100, B. R. Wood 99.
Grammar and Literature—S. W. C. Scott 96, T. A. Malloch 93, L. Wallace 90.
History—Scott 90, Malloch 75, Bristol 65.
Geography—E. Bristol 63, R. Cockburn 63, R. B. Nordheimer 62.
Essays—W. S. Marshall 70, Nordheimer and Gibson 65.
Arithmetic—P. W. Stansbury 96, T. A. Malloch 96, S. W. C. Scott 92.
Algebra—S. W. C. Scott 100, P. W. Stansbury 100.
Lower Second Form.
Reading—W. G. H. Brent 100, E. Skelly 100.

Grammar—E. A. Martin 98, D. K. Baldwin 97.
Repetition—H. E. Farmer 99, E. Skelly 98.
Spelling—H. E. Farmer 97, G. H. Brent 97, D. K. Baldwin 97.
Latin—H. Farmer 90, D. K. Baldwin 81.
Geography—E. Skelly 99, D. K. Baldwin 99, H. Farmer 96.
History—D. K. Baldwin 80, H. E. Farmer 63.
Arithmetic—D. K. Baldwin 90, A. R. Whyte 87.
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Euclid—T. A. Malloch 98, A. H. Gibson 96, S. W. C. Scott 98.
Third Alone.
Latin—A. T. Wood 68, Bristol 66, Nordheimer 66.
French—Bristol 93, Nordheimer 89.
Latin composition—E. A. Martin 88, Bristol 57.
Fourth Alone.
Latin—Scott 90, Malloch 90, Stanbury 82.
Latin composition—Scott 94, Malloch 92, Watson 83.
French—Stanbury 95, Scott 90.
Fourth Form Standing.
Trigonometry—C. J. S. Stuart, G. R. Morris.
Chemistry—C. C. Gwyn, E. G. Malloch.
Physics—C. C. Gwyn.
Higher Algebra and Euclid—Stuart, H. G. Zimmerman.
Literature—Stuart, Gwyn.
German—T. A. Malloch, C. C. Gwyn.
Latin and Greek—C. J. Stuart, Scott.
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Sidewalks in Nelson.
To the Editor of the Times:
Sir—Has the township of Nelson the legal right to substitute cement walks, instead of plank walks, for any of its ratepayers who are sending in a petition, duly signed, etc., to this effect, and agreeing to pay 40 per cent of the cost, against the grand-jury? The statute especially mentions plank sidewalks, but does not mention whether they are to be pine, oak or cement planks. In the long run the cement plank sidewalks would be the cheapest, can the township substitute cement walks for wooden sidewalks? An early reply would greatly oblige Nelson Township.

Didn't Need a Cook.
Chicago News.
It was a case of Cupid first past the post, for they had met, loved, and committed matrimony all within an hour and seven minutes of cuckoo.
"Forgive me, d-d-darling," sobbed the short-order bride, as she fell faintly on the other half's neck. "I kept a secret from you. I can't cook!"
"Oh, that'll be all right," replied the prospective end of the ill-matched pair, "I'll get you a better one. I'm a poet—consequently there won't be much to cook!"

A Beat.
Exchange.
He beat the butcher every day. He beat the corner grocer. If any one asked, "Will you pay?" His prompt reply was "No, sir." And any one he chanced to meet. Soon came to understand. He was a beat who was a beat. He beat the bars, he beat the cars. The owner of his flat. But when it came to beating rugs He let his wife do that.

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