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A Stupid Attack Upon Mr. Hyman.

The Grand Trunk men are with Mr. Hyman in this election almost to a man. Frantic and unprincipled efforts to mislead them are being put forth by his opponents, who see the Grand Trunk Conservative vote melting away before their eyes. The Free Press fabricates a story to the effect that Mr. Hyman broke up a meeting of the railway committee of the House of Commons in order to defeat legislation asked for by the employees of the railway company. It is a campaign lie, as stupid as it is malignant.

Most people are aware that there is a Provident Society, managed by Grand Trunk employees, which disburses benefits to members or their relatives. Its funds are contributed to very largely by the company. The members enter into a contract, which, in the event of accidents or casualties, relieves the company of liability for damages, other than those to which the employees of their relatives are entitled from the Provident Society. A bill was introduced during the session of 1903, and re-introduced this year, by Mr. Guthrie, M. P., declaring in general terms that notwithstanding the contract between the Grand Trunk Railway and its employees, the latter should have the right to sue for damages in the courts.

When the bill came before the committee this year, it was opposed by a delegation of Grand Trunk employees, who held that the Provident Society scheme was in the interests of the men and would, of course, be demolished by the proposed legislation. It is fair to say that some Grand Trunk employees took an opposite view, and the majority of those who appeared before the committee were hostile to the bill.

The Department of Justice, to which the measure was referred, reported that it had grave doubts of the competence of Parliament to pass such a bill, and override an agreement between the company and its employees, which was in the nature of a private contract. At any rate, the committee, after full discussion, failed to pass the bill. The Free Press prevails the chair and broke up the meeting. Mr. Hyman is an important man at Ottawa, but he is not so omnipotent as to be able to defy the will of the committee over which he presides. His position as chairman is that of an umpire, corresponding to the Speaker of the House. His duty is to enforce the rules of procedure, and see that the members receive full play. He is not supposed to take sides in the discussion. He has no power to arbitrarily adjourn the committee, or to refuse to report the result of its deliberations to the House.

The connection of the Free Press is only one sample of the dirty tactics which it is employing in this hopeless and farcical campaign, which has been forced upon the city by a clique of the Conservative party against the judgment of many of its best members. The attempt to displace Mr. Hyman in London comes a little late in the day.

The Friend of the Farmer.

There is no class of people in the country whose interests should be more carefully conserved by those in authority than the farmers. Upon their prosperity rests in a very large degree the prosperity of Canada. That their prosperity depends altogether upon the political party in power, or upon the policy adopted by the Government, no one would be foolish enough to claim. The farmer needs energy and intelligence on his own part, and the kindly dispensations of Providence, in the shape of weather, without which all his work would be in vain. But the policy of the Government for the time being may seriously help or hinder him. Therefore one may very properly ask, when a government seeks a renewal of its lease of power, what have you done for the farmer?

The Liberal Government is not afraid to answer that question. It started out in the first place by placing a practical farmer in the position of Minister of Agriculture—one who knew what the farmers wanted, and who had a personal interest in securing for them beneficial legislation. Mr. Fisher's policy is one of which he may well be proud. Here are a few of the things he has done:

One of his first acts was to secure the abolition of the quarantine on Canadian cattle exported to the United States; with the result that in the four and a half years following, over \$5,000,000 worth of cattle were sold to the people of that country.

His department developed and perfected a cold storage system, in which the Conservatives had previously been timidly experimenting. The result was that after seven years of Liberal government, the exports of Canadian cheese amounted to \$24,000,000—nearly double what it was in the last year of Conservative rule; and the export of butter rose to nearly four and a half million dollars, just about five times what it was when Mr. Fisher took charge of the department.

By establishing experimental stations, and providing practical instruction in the matter of fattening and raising poultry, the Government has helped the farmer to make poultry-raising so profitable that the export trade in that article has grown from \$18,992 in 1896 to \$160,515 in 1903.

The passing of the fruit marks act has advanced the reputation of Canadian fruit in the British market to such an extent that our exports of that article last year amounted in value to \$4,500,000, and created so great an im-

pression on the trade that the United States consul at Liverpool reported to his own Government in terms of praise: "Great satisfaction is expressed at the result of the action of the Canadian Government in preventing fraudulent packing."

By the appointment of experts and the extension of experimental stations in all departments of agriculture work the farmer has had the benefit of experiments conducted at the Government's expense, and has acquired a fund of information as to the practical working of farms—the cultivation of improved grades of stock, new varieties of grain, and a wider range of crops.

Chemical laboratories and sanitary officers have enabled him to combat successfully diseases that afflicted his stock and injured his grain and fruit. The creation of a department for the extension of foreign trade in agricultural products has assisted in so developing the business of the farmer that in 1903 our export trade in Canadian breadstuffs, provisions, vegetables and animals and their products amounted to the magnificent sum of \$108,345,912, while our imports of the same articles—only amounted to about \$5,000,000, of which more than half went to the Yukon, British Columbia and the western provinces.

There are other points which might be enlarged upon, if space permitted. We might refer at length to what has been done, and is being done, to facilitate transportation, and bring the farmer in closer touch with the markets of the world—the improvement of harbors on the lakes and the St. Lawrence—the canal systems that have been completed, as well as those in process of completion—the abolition of personal tolls—the extension of railway accommodation, especially as shown in the proposed transcontinental line. We might catalogue the articles necessary for the farmer's use—some of which have been admitted free of duty, while on others a lower rate of duty has been imposed, thus relieving him of a burden which he carried before.

But enough has been said to justify the statement made in a London, England publication—Ice and Cold Storage, which, in reviewing the situation, in May, 1900, said: "When the history of Canada's agricultural interests come to be written up, its progress of truth must date from the year 1896," and that was the year when a Liberal Government took charge of Canadian affairs.

It is likely, as the farmer considers all that the Government has done to advance his interests and insure his prosperity, that he will hesitate, in his own interests, as well as in the interests of Canada, in deciding that this is no time for a change?

Circumstances After Cases.

Did Mr. Hyman show consideration for Sir John Carling, that it is now boldly suggested that he should be given a walk-over?

Who among the older citizens does not recall the bitter campaigns that were waged by Mr. Hyman and his friends against the grand old man whom everyone today delights to honor?

Again and again did Mr. Hyman assail the assault upon the veteran minister, refusing to recognize his long services to the country by a single act—Free Press.

It is absurd to pretend that the situation in London in the elections of 1887, 1891 and 1892 resembled that of today.

In 1887, 1891 and 1892 the Liberals of London were not obliged to scour the city and country for a candidate. They went into every contest hopeful of victory. They were eager for the assault, not upon Sir John Carling personally, but upon the Government, of which he was a member. They had a standard-bearer who commanded their whole-souled allegiance.

Can the same be said of the Conservative party today? Its search for a candidate has been the laughing stock of the city. Not one of the prominent members of the party on whom the nomination was pressed—Major Beattie, Mr. T. G. Meredith, Mr. A. T. McMahon, Mr. John R. Minihnick and half a dozen others—would consider it for a moment. The managers, in sore straits, went down on all fours to Dr. Montague, who toyed with them a few days and then threw them overboard.

Finally they stumbled upon Billy Gray, who, the Free Press tells us, is a John A. Macdonald in embryo, a young man of bright intellect and warm and optimistic temperament.

It is only fair to say that a number of prominent Conservatives in the inner councils of the party advised that Mr. Hyman be unopposed when it was seen that no man of parliamentary stature cared to carry the Conservative banner. They feared, and with good reason, that an overwhelming victory for Mr. Hyman would have a more disintegrating effect upon the Conservative party than an election by acclamation. They were overruled by their less astute but more belligerent colleagues, with the result that hundreds of Conservatives will be educated into voting Liberal for the first time.

More Grit Extravagance.

Well, well! Here is Dr. Beattie Nesbitt, the Tory boss of Toronto, declaring that three-fourths of a cent will furnish a workman with a nourishing dinner, to wit: five pounds of barley, five pounds of cornmeal, pepper and salt to suit the taste, water ad lib, and four red herrings. This post will make more than one meal, but the cost per meal will figure out a three-quarters-of-a-cent all right, and could be even reduced by cutting out one of the herrings.

When Mr. Robert Boston hears this he will feel like hiding his diminished head. The Free Press has been charging him with starving the prisoners on five cents a day. The readers of the F. P. have been led to suppose that the menu at the county jail is the leading issue in the North Middlesex campaign. But now Mr. Boston is confronted with the evidence of an eminent dietetic

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Perhaps the Baltic fleet didn't know it was loaded. The Baltic fleet appears to be nervous about being out after dark.

The Free Press threatens us with another pictorial contest. The note circulation of Canada has increased 100 per cent since 1896.

In eight years the paid-up capital and reserve of the chartered banks of Canada has increased 50 per cent.

The article attacks on Mr. Hyman by the Free Press show a pitiful lack of ammunition. Major Beattie is accused by his party friends of bribing London with the armories.

The press has saved Premier Ross any difficulty in reconstructing his cabinet.

There are some Opposition candidates who will have grave doubts about the growing time when they see the size of their votes?

Le Journal of Montreal calls Sir Wilfrid Laurier a Judas, who has sold his own race, Hamilton Spectator and Ottawa Citizen please copy. Second request.

Mr. R. A. Donald, president of the Toronto branch of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, is stamping for the Liberal party, because he doesn't believe in tariff tinkering.

Mr. Borden's election would mean repudiation of the Grand Trunk Pacific contract. Repudiation of the contract would be a heavy blow at the Grand Trunk system. A blow at the Grand Trunk system is a blow at London.

The Free Press says The Advertiser seems excellent. Excellent, according to the dictionary, is a kind of stuffing used for mattresses. Our neighbor's wit is a trifle ponderous. Will it show us the point?

Our local Grit contemporary has grown Gray all over in the last day or so. It will turn white shortly—Free Press.

The F. P. is trying to head off the joke about the Conservative managers hunting for a candidate so long that they got Gray.

Where is He At? [Toronto Star.] There is some doubt whether Mr. Tarte has retired from public life or whether the landscape shifted and left Mr. Tarte standing.

As Seen From Detroit. [Detroit Tribune.] Premier Laurier of Canada appears to take things as seriously as if he had some real antagonists.

A Safe Prediction. [Hamilton Times.] London Liberals nominated Hon. Mr. Hyman last night at the greatest and most enthusiastic convention ever held in the Forest City. London will give a record Liberal majority this time.

A Sketch of Mr. Hyman. [Toronto Star.] A few days ago it was announced that the Conservatives of London had offered the nomination to Hon. Dr. Montague at one time a member of the Conservative Government. Close on the heels of this announcement came the sequel, to wit, that Dr. Montague begged to be excused. The reason is not far to seek. The popularity of Hon. Charles S. Hyman, minister without portfolio in the Laurier Cabinet, is so great, that the call for Dr. Montague was a last resort. Local Conservatives of prominence there are plenty in London, there are a score or so with political and parliamentary

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BOOM TO HIT LONDON End of Hard Times is Seen in the Old Country.

London, Oct. 22.—After a long period of gloom, it looks as though the dawn of a brighter day really were breaking, now that the revival of business on the stock exchange is making itself evident in all directions. Taking Bond street and Regent street as the criterion of Mayfair, it is evident from the numbers of people shopping that money is more plentiful. It is confidently expressed that if things go on as they are doing at present, there ought to be a substantial boom before Christmas.

The shopkeepers are looking forward to a more remunerative season than they had since before the war in South Africa. The theaters, too, which always are a guide to public feeling, are packed nightly. Along the whole horizon, the clouds appear to be breaking, and the worst of gloom which is considered their presaging, which so long have been rightly drawn while there seemed no likelihood of the hard times being now prevailing, that the danger of international complications in the far east is very remote.

London at the present time is fuller than it has been known for many Octobers. The smart social world is returning, and there seems to be more life and bustle about than has been apparent for a long time.

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As we've always sold it on that representation, surely the purchasers have found it to be all that we claim or there would have been a sheriff's flag floating serenely in the breeze in front of our coal yard years ago. Isn't that true?

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