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EXIT MR. TANNER

Mr. Charles E. Tanner, opposition leader in the legislature of Nova Scotia, is said to have insisted on being a candidate for parliament in the late general elections.

He resigned his seat in the legislature, but failed to secure the seat at Ottawa. Yesterday he ran for his old seat in the legislature, and was defeated again. Mr. Tanner is out of politics and his party is without a leader in Nova Scotia. This is the result of the big-type and rethoric campaign of the Halifax Herald and Mail for several years past. In recording Mr. Tanner's defeat there is a melancholy interest in the eulogy pronounced upon him by the Standard, which is Mr. Tanner's newspaper, on the morning of the day of his defeat. The Standard said:

"Mr. C. E. Tanner, the conservative standard bearer in Pictou County, has labored unflinchingly in the House of Assembly to make known the acts of the government. Almost single handed, and again with only two or three supporters, he has faced an overwhelming government majority time and again to champion the public interest against the inroads of private greed and monopoly. Friends and favorites of the Murray government do not want to see Mr. Tanner returned in the coming by-election. Even Premier Murray has taken the field against Tanner. Mr. Tanner, has familiarized himself with provincial affairs by years of sacrificing work in an exhaustive manner. He has become a dangerous critic, and it is possible to accomplish his defeat, the Murray government's friends will see no stone unturned to prevent the re-appearance of this popular champion in the legislature at Halifax. But, do the people of Pictou County wish to place themselves at the mercy of the Peabodys and others, and silence the voice of Tanner, who has been fighting for the rights of the province? It is the duty of the representative of the great county of Pictou to return Tanner triumphant at the polls today."

The brazen elections triumphantly returned Mr. Tanner's opponent, and his party must now secure a new leader of its former hope.

HERE'S TO MR. LEWIS

Mr. E. N. Lewis, M. P., for West Huron, invites the Times to join him in a campaign in favor of shorter sessions of parliament. This journal has been to assure Mr. Lewis that brevity of speech has always been among the blessings it desired for its friends, the politicians. Regularly each year the staff of this paper resolves that it will read Hansard and keep its tongue in the pockets of the politicians, and the resolution breaks down beneath the weight of words, words—words. Mr. Lewis assures us that thousands and thousands of dollars would be saved to the country by shortening the session. This is true, but trivial. What are a few thousands of dollars compared with the national exhaustion due to the vain effort to find out what it is all about?

In his remarks in a recent speech in parliament, referring to the last eight-month session, Mr. Lewis asked:—"To what end the face of the earth. In an eight-month term? Did it tend to benefit the Dominion of Canada for the time spent?" We pass the query on to a suffering and over-indulgent public.

Mr. Lewis has presented some facts worth noting. He says the Canadian Parliament has longer to do the business of the country than any other parliament on the face of the earth. In an eight-month session it passed only 157 bills, while in one month and twenty-two days the Quebec legislature passed 218, and the Ontario legislature in two months and twenty days passed 146 bills, while the imperial parliament passed 200 to 300 bills in a session shorter than ours. The United States Congress passes about 2,000 bills every session. Mr. Lewis would give the first two speakers on a bill not more than one hour each, and curtail every other speech. To fortify his position he says:

"Patrick Henry's famous oration lasted 22 minutes; Sir Wilfrid Laurier's speech

on the South African question lasted 22 minutes; Sir John A. Macdonald's speech on Confederation lasted 35 minutes; Burke's great speech on the impeachment of Warren Hastings was 90 minutes; and Thomas D'Arcy McGee's famous address on 'the land we live in' only lasted eight minutes. The speech which gave Bryan the nomination for president of the United States, a speech which is described as the speech of 'the cross of gold,' lasted only 12 minutes."

There is one paragraph in Mr. Lewis's speech which should not be without a warning—and a salutary effect upon the talking politicians, who are popularly believed not to be very well prepared for the eventualities which it dully suggests. We quote:

"The figures which I have compiled show that the average number of deaths in the Canadian House of Commons is greater than in that pestiferous institution which they are building the Panama canal. During the last ten years 39 members of this House of Commons have died in harness, which shows a higher average than the preceding ten year period when the sessions were shorter. I leave it to hon. gentlemen who were here last parliament to agree with me that with the exception of some old veteran war horses, there is not a man who has sat for four years here who is not ten years older than he was four years ago."

This is a solemn warning, but it was not, perhaps, the part of prudence for Mr. Lewis to make the assertion that four years in parliament make a man ten years older. There is the fearful possibility that the members, impressed by its significance, may try to crowd the talk of ten years into four. In that event, nothing but a Canadian Roosevelt could save the country.

THE WHITE SLAVES

The Moral and Social Reform Council of Canada is distributing in leaflet form an article by Hon. Edwin W. Sims, United States district attorney in Chicago, on "The White Slave Traffic," the "Foullest stain on twentieth century life." It is issued as a warning to young girls, and to the parents of those young girls who are attracted to the large cities. This article first appeared in the Women's World, of Chicago, and is sent out by the Moral and Social Reform Council of Canada as part of a campaign that will aim:

1. At warning innocent, prospective victims; and—

2. At arousing the conscience of Canadians as to imperatively call for the merciless and thorough-going enforcement of the law against those engaged in this diabolical traffic.

The Council has asked the Canadian government to take the criminal code amended by increasing penalties for procuring for immoral purposes, from a maximum of two years imprisonment, as at present, to five years, with the addition of the lash.

The subject, as Mr. Sims in his article points out, is not one that any journal would discuss from choice, but the conditions are such as to call for plain speech and a determined agitation for the suppression of the vilest traffic of our time.

In terribly plain, forcible, and unemotional terms Mr. Sims sets forth the evidence gathered by the United States district attorney's office in Chicago, which proved that there exists a syndicate which has its ramifications from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and reaches out even to Europe for victims, its sole purpose being to procure young girls for the vilest of industries in the great cities. It has clearing houses or distributing centres in the larger cities, agents at ports of entry in the United States and Canada to which immigrants come, and has also richly dressed and highly cultured procuroresses who about the country lure young girls into cities, and then pass them on to the procurers.

These revelations at the Chicago enquiry are horrible almost beyond belief, and yet whoever has visited that city and passed along certain portions of Clark and Dearborn streets at night is prepared for almost anything in the line of evidence of degradation and debauchery. This awful traffic is carried on because it pays. The girls, when lured to the dens of vice, become veritable slaves. They are kept under constant surveillance until they have lost the desire to escape. Their span of life is brief—averaging about ten years—and they die of consumption or other disease, or through dissipation, or commit suicide. "Those who enter here have hope behind." Note this paragraph from Mr. Sims's article:

"When once a white slave is sold and landed in a house or dive, she becomes a prisoner. The raids disclosed the fact that in each of these places is a room having but one door, to which the keeper holds the key. In here are locked all the street clothes, shoes, and the ordinary apparel of a woman."

Language fails in the effort to denounce this infernal traffic, or the fiend in human guise who batten on the virtue of girlhood, and mock the misery of their victims. And of the mothers whose daughters are lost to them in the unrepentable depths of a fate that is worse than death. Enough of words and repentance follow in the wake of the common frailty of human nature, without this horrible pandering to lust and passion for the sake of gain.

Canada is a young country. In every one of its cities there are conditions which tend to the hearts of all who feel the degradation as Lincoln felt the lash that cut the unoffending slave. The Moral and Social Reform Council does well to enter upon its campaign against an invasion of Canada by the loathsome system which Mr. Sims describes in sentences that shock and burn.

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Quite proper then did Miss Brewster. Then she placed upon the big Worcester. Miss Brewster then tried to bluster. But after the flurry and furor, Worcester and Brewster declared he'd be married.

And correct, and he sought the parson. —Chicago Evening Post.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

"Robson thinks he plays a good game of bridge," he does. I spent \$7 the other night trying to dissuade him of the idea—and failed. —Cleveland Plain Dealer.

TOMMY'S REBUT. Teacher—"And don't you feel sorry for throwing snowballs at that old gentleman's hip?" Tommy—"I do, indeed; I stood out here in the cold making snowballs for over thirty minutes, and I ain't never hit de tail bat yet." —Chicago Daily News.

THE LONG WAIT. "It took you over an hour to serve that order of frogs' legs," grumbled the impatient guest. "Well, there are so many orders ahead, ma'am, that I couldn't get to yours." "Indeed? Well, the next time I'll order out the frogs." —Chicago Daily News.

THE NEW CAB. "Well, Silas, what did you find new down to the city?" "Why, something with seals. The hull plating full of seals with registers on 'em, and red flags to show folks it's dangerous to go on the lake. They call 'em taxi-derry cabs. Gosh, I say, don't you think drivers 'll just take the skin off ye?" —Life.

NOT SO HERE. Every London man should remember that in the ordinary way, if he has reached 3 p.m. without getting married, he is, by a medical dissertation of ecclesiastical law, out for the day at any rate. —London Punch.

DRIVEN TO DRINK. Artist—My next picture at the academy will be "Olympia." Doctor—To Olympia? Artist—Oh no; it's a cab approaching a watering trough.

A RELAPSE. Into a general hospital in a town in Arkansas there recently came a dapper gentleman that a ham which he had purchased at a store was not good.

"The ham is all right, Zeph," insisted the stockholder. "No it ain't," insisted the negro. "That ham's shore bad."

"How can that be," continued the stevedore, "when it's cured only last week?" The dapper gentleman looked at the ham reflectively, and finally suggested:

"Den maybe it's had a relapse." —Cleveland Leader.

NO BURGLARY. Judge—You are charged with burglary. How do you plead?

"I plead guilty, your honor, I'll tell you why. In de rust place, de chicken coop doah was no burglar alarm; in de third place, de burglar was no burglar; and in de fourth place, de burglar was no burglar. Now, dat ain't burglary at all, boss; dat's just simple chicken-stealing, as I take it, your honor." —Chicago.

PROVINCIAL NEWS

New Brunswick The values of the fish caught in Westmorland county last year, with regard to the different parishes, were as follows:—

Shediac and Moncton .. \$23,130
Botsford .. 378,830
Sackville and Westmorland .. 54,664
Dorchester .. 16,100

Total .. \$781,514
The county is credited with 1,283 boats, valued at \$40,700; 84 canoes, valued at \$14,000; 180 smoke and fish houses, valued at \$14,800. The parishes of Shediac and Moncton are grouped together. During the year in question, these parishes produced 277,890 lbs. of lobsters, but the parish of Botsford shot far ahead of this, with 718,000 lbs., while Sackville and Westmorland produced 500,000 lbs. only. Moncton and Shediac produced 40,000 lbs. of smelts during the year; Botsford, 300,000 lbs.; Sackville and Westmorland, 100,000 lbs.; Shediac and Moncton, 11,000 lbs. trout; Botsford, 7,000 lbs.; Dorchester, 5,000 lbs.; Shediac and Moncton, 4,500 lbs. of salmon. Botsford, 2,200 barrels; Sackville and Westmorland, 1,000 barrels; Shediac and Moncton, 170 barrels; Botsford, 75 barrels; Sackville, 75, and Dorchester, 50 barrels.

Nova Scotia Oxford has two new industries. The Oxford Woollen Co., which began as a private enterprise, is now incorporated for the manufacture of shawls, robes, hampers, and rugs. The Oxford Woollen and Skating Club has been formed to erect a rink in the town with a capital stock of \$5,000.

H. L. Harrison, of Dorchester, N. B., was in New Glasgow for a few days. He had been down in Antigonish County, looking over the Lake Copper Co. properties and he believes this mine has a great future before it, and considers the proposition a good one.

The Halifax board of trade has communications regarding four new industries which might be located in Halifax. In most cases they ask regarding exemptions or privileges, and also what support there would be from the public. A large carriage factory requires this information. The factory they would erect would give employment from 110 to 120 men. They would ask a city guarantee of \$100,000 per cent. bonds and a free site of four acres. An Iowa concern would establish a factory for making crushers for road and mine work. A Halifax man believes a profitable industry could be established in the manufacture of iodine, from material in Nova Scotia now going to waste. A large American company wishes to establish a factory for novelties, with facilities for an output of \$300,000 annually. These have been referred to a committee known as the new industries committee.

There have been several quite extensive lumber deals at Weymouth in the past few weeks. The largest, probably, was that by Emil Stehelin, Jr., who, acting as it is stated, for Bridgetown parties, has purchased the extensive holdings of his father, Emil Stehelin, at New France and other sections of this district.

G. O. Hankinson, of this town, has purchased the Charles Donette property, back in New Tuxedo, and the Stehelins have secured the lumber rights in the timber. All this, taken in conjunction with the fact that Dickie and McGrath have had their representatives, after a most every foot of the ground between Meteghan and Bear River, would indicate that the operators are having no stone unturned in the way of securing new holdings.

The Blackhairs have sold a large quantity of pulp wood to the Campbell Lumber Co., which the latter will raft to their mill when the river opens.

Moncton, N. B., Feb. 16.—Geo. McKeever, son of Bernard McKeever, the well known barber, passed away at the home of his parents this afternoon after an illness lasting five months. Deceased was twenty-three years old, was employed as a barber in his father's shop previous to his illness. He had a great many friends who deeply regret his demise. Besides his parents, two brothers, Edward and Willie, and three sisters, Mrs. Gordon Melville, of Montreal; Mrs. Campbell, of Moncton; and Miss Jennie, at home, survive.

Mrs. George F. Pinder St. Stephen, N. B., Feb. 16.—Mrs. Pinder, wife of George F. Pinder, of this town, died tonight at her home on Union street. She had been in poor health for several years. Mrs. Pinder was a daughter of the late Hon. John McAdam, of New York, and one brother, John McAdam, in Minnesota.

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OBITUARY

Hiram B. Jones In the General Public Hospital yesterday Hiram B. Jones, engineer of the river steamer Sincennes, passed away. He was fifty-four years of age. He was a native of St. John but for about twenty years was a resident of New York. He returned to St. John about a year ago with his wife and about four months ago Mrs. Jones was taken ill and died.

Mrs. Jones became sick a few weeks ago and was taken to the hospital but left the institution about two weeks ago. On Sunday last he was again taken to the hospital as he was very ill and he died yesterday afternoon.

Last year he was engineer of the river steamer Elaine and at the time he was taken sick was in charge of repairs on the Sincennes.

His wife was Miss Emma Nice, daughter of the late Nelson Nice, of the west side. He is survived by three sisters—Mrs. B. F. Thornton, of Vermont; Mrs. A. T. Lamb, of Boston, and a third also living in the States. The funeral will be held on Thursday at 2.30 o'clock from St. George's church.

Mrs. W. M. Duff Bridgeport, Feb. 15.—The death occurred on Wednesday morning last of Elizabeth H. wife of W. M. Duff, of Bridgeport. The deceased was a lady much beloved in the community and her death came as a shock to all. Her husband, two daughters and four sons survive. The eldest son, W. F. Duff, is with the Masses, Harris Co., Ltd., at Winnipeg, Man. The second son is