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Toronto Putting on Airs.

The country will be inclined to smile at the assertion of Mr. E. B. Oiler that "Toronto is the place which the Government fears most, as it is the center of commercial enterprise, intelligence and correct information on the great political questions of the day." A great center of commercial enterprise it is, but wherefore pre-eminence in intelligence and correct political information? Is the average elector of Toronto any wiser or better informed than the average elector outside of Toronto? While the great Province of Ontario for a quarter of a century supported Sir Oliver Mowat in his battles for provincial rights, and against the forces of sectarian bigotry, where was the city of Toronto? While the country declared overwhelmingly for the progressive policy of the Laurier Government, Toronto, almost alone among the great centers of population, swung against the tide. Is its persistent and apparently incurable Toryism a proof of superior intelligence and enlightenment? No one but a Toronto Tory would make such a claim.

Its party steadfastness is not hard to account for. The main reason, as everyone knows, is the predominance of the Orange Order. The boast has been made that every Orange Lodge in the city is a Conservative committee room, and there is more than a scintilla of truth in it. In Toronto particularly the Order is a powerful political machine, whose chief engineers are Dr. Beattie Nesbitt, the Conservative boss of the city, and Mr. E. F. Clarke, the strongest local candidate of his party. This is merely a statement of fact, and is not intended as a reproach to Orangemen, among whom there are many liberal-minded men. It explains political conditions in Toronto, and it is an insult to the rest of the country to attribute these to a higher standard of intelligence.

"Toronto," said Mr. E. F. Clarke, speaking from the same platform as Mr. Oiler, "must continue its work of education throughout the Dominion." The Dominion must sit at the feet of Toronto, forsooth! Montreal, Halifax, Hamilton, London, Quebec, Ottawa, Winnipeg, Vancouver, Victoria, and nearly two-thirds of the constituencies of Canada are in outer darkness, and Toronto is the beacon-light of truth and wisdom; the only prophet of the true faith. There is a characteristic touch of Toronto modesty in the assumption.

Another factor which helps to keep Toronto Tory is the numerous progeny of the old Tory families. It has been said of family trees, that like other trees, the further from the trunk, the smaller the branches; and these Toronto scions inherit the arrogance and intolerance of their forbears without their brains or capacity. They regard themselves as a preferred class, and are almost fanatical in their enmity to the contempt of the Liberal party. Toronto boasts of its loyalty, and calls itself the center of Imperialism. Its special brand of loyalty is a survival of the spirit of the family compact, which claimed a divine right to rule this country, and looked down upon Liberals as traitors and rebels. These Toronto influences, aristocrats as mischievous influence, and are always ready to play upon race and sectarian prejudice. As a matter of fact there is no community so completely out of touch with the sentiment of the country as the city of Toronto, and it is the last place to which the country looks for political light and leading.

The Provincial Situation.

If the Ontario Government goes to the country at once it will be blamed by its opponents for disturbing the holiday trade.

If it decides to postpone a general election, they will accuse it of cowardice, and of clinging to office by the skin of its teeth.

The Government must either bring on the bye-elections—five of them at least—before the end of the year, or dissolve the House.

The law, as amended at the last session of the Legislature, requires that the writ for a bye-election shall be issued not later than three months after the seat is declared vacant.

North Perth was vacated on Sept. 6, Saint George on Sept. 16, North York on Sept. 22, and North Renfrew and North Norfolk on Sept. 27. West Algoma and Dufferin were vacated very recently by the resignation of Mr. Connors and Dr. Barr, who have been elected to the Dominion House. North Grey is still hung up in the courts.

The first bye-election, if there is to be no dissolution, must, therefore, be brought on not later than Dec. 6. The fact that the adjourned election trial in North Grey, by consent of both parties, has been postponed till Dec. 12 is regarded as an omen of a general election before that date. The Government has kept its own counsel, but its decision must be announced shortly.

Canada's Hopeful Outlook.

The result of the elections cannot fail to have a steady effect upon business. The repudiation of the Grand Trunk Pacific contract would have given the west a setback and dashed the spirit of confidence with which the country faces the immediate future. The advent of the Conservative party would have been also the signal for a rush of protected interests to secure favors and privileges, and the chaotic condition of the tariff, for a period at least, would have unsettled trade and industry. Fiscal changes will not be

lightly or rashly made by the present Government.

It will approach the revision of the tariff cautiously by appointing a commission to take evidence bearing upon every branch of production, as it did in 1894. There will be three tariffs: First, a maximum tariff, applied to countries which impose excessive duties on Canadian goods; second, a maximum tariff, applied to countries which show a disposition to trade with Canada on fair terms; third, a British preference, below the minimum tariff, applied to Great Britain, and other countries of the British Empire, which give Canada preferred treatment. This arrangement may have the effect of inducing countries like the United States to moderate their tariff against Canada, so as to forestall an increase in the Canadian tariff against their own products. If not, they will receive the treatment which they mete out to the Dominion.

The assurance that the Grand Trunk Pacific railway contract is in no danger means that the promoters will push forward the undertaking without loss of time. The cry that another railroad is unnecessary, raised by the Opposition a year ago, has been stopped by the continuance of the rush of homesteaders, which is traversed by the new road. The settlement of these districts will be stimulated by the certainty of the Grand Trunk Pacific, whereas the defeat of the project would have been a blow at immigration.

Within the next ten years \$150,000,000 will be poured into Canada for the construction and equipment of the new railway. This will give a powerful impetus to settlement, and to industrial and commercial development from one end of the country to the other. With efficient government, a stable fiscal policy which does not tax heavy burdens on producers or consumers, and the favors of Providence, Canada may look forward with confidence to unabated prosperity for some years at least.

Are Laurier's opponents convinced yet that he's master of the Administration?

The indications are that the average Democrat tonight will feel like the average Conservative.

The dispatches say the Japs have driven a wedge into the Russian center. That's pretty rough surgery.

Leaving Quebec out of the calculation, the Laurier Government has a majority of 22, which will be increased. So much for French domination.

The Conservative candidate in Huntingdon, Que., ran as a free trader, and won by 600 majority. His only hope of success lay in denouncing his party's policy.

The country is waiting to hear more about those bogus ballot boxes in West Hastings. If the story was a roachback the authors ought to be punished.

The International Sunday school text day before yesterday was, "When the righteous are in authority the people rejoice." It may have been only a coincidence.

The Conservative candidates have dropped out in Comox-Atlin, B. C., Dauphin, Man., and Gaspe, Que. This makes the Government's majority 65, with five elections to be held. The country almost made it unanimous.

Premier Bond has swept Newfoundland on an anti-Canadian platform. Canada is just now in a hopeful mood and may worry along without the co-operation of the little fellow until he changes his mind, as he probably will, when he is hard-up again.

The Toronto World intends to make it for Mr. Ross. It begins by calling him a white snake. But wait till the Free Press gets its mud-batteries going. They are laid up for repairs just now, having been over-worked.

In His Opinion.

[Chicago Record-Herald.] "Pa, why did the Light Brigade charge that way?" "Because it wanted the money," the coal dealer answered, thinking of something else.

The Little Japanese.

Once I knew a Japanese. With a little blue chemise, socks and sandals and a pretty paper fan. Lady foot and dainty hand, meticulously planned. And he didn't seem at all a fighting man. He was neat and he was clean. Most delightful to be seen. He was spotted; he was spick and he was span. He was sugar; he was spice. He was everything that's nice. And he didn't seem at all a fighting man. He would greet you with a smile. Which would carry half a mile. Sweet as summer and expensive in its plan. He would nod his beaming poll. Like a polished little doll. And he didn't seem at all a fighting man. Which is why I'd give a lot. Could I camp upon the spot. Where he's winning bloody laurels for Japan. Just to watch him wailing in. With that smile above his chin. For he didn't seem at all a fighting man.

Saying It Too Often.

[Philadelphia Press.] "I don't see why you call him stupid. He says a clever thing quite often." "Exactly. He doesn't seem to realize that it's said too often."

Her Conviction.

[Chicago Record-Herald.] "Do you believe in predestination?" asked Mrs. Oldcastle. "Well, I used to," replied her hostess, "but after me and Josiah come back from Europe and had such a time getting our trunks through I almost think free trade would be a good thing, after all."

He Knew.

[Houston Post.] "Yes, she's pretty, but a poor con-

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romanticist; she seldom says a word I can't understand why so many men propose to her." "I can," sighed Henpeck.

The Battle.

[Chicago Chronicle.] The wounded lay in bleeding heaps among the wreck and dead. The business boats in the breeze were flung a sorry red. The ambulances were at hand to gather up the dead. The carnage had been fearful there. As shown by wound and stain. The struggle had been unto death. The victory to gain. And on the bloody field remained But heaps of silent slain. The battlefield was grim with death. There was a field of flame. The flag of the struggle waved. Then vanished like a flame. But across your ears, the battle was A modern football game.

Economy at Effort.

[Chicago Record-Herald.] "My sakes! How well your husband is trained. How did you ever do it?" "I didn't. He was a widower when I got him. It saves a lot of trouble."

Sinister Lights on History.

[Chicago Journal.] Noah was about to land on Mount Ararat. "Well," he chuckled complacently. "I've floated the first stock on record." Giving his state room key to the purser, he proceeded to the gangway.

The Way It Looks.

[Ottawa Citizen.] Sir Wilfrid says Canada has become known all over the world since he came into power. Recent events certainly indicate that the country is becoming no-Tory-ous.

Than and Now.

[Collier's Weekly.] I saw them one day in the sunshine. Out there where the clover blows. A wee little tiny towheaded girl. And a boy with a freckled nose. And a wee little girl without any brim. And a wee little girl with a pigtail braid. And a wee little girl with a pigtail braid. And a wee little girl with a pigtail braid.

Transparent.

[Cleveland Leader.] "Her complexion is very clear," said the casual acquaintance. "Yes, indeed," her devoted friend agreed, "anybody can see through it."

Reward for Endurance.

[Washington Star.] "How many bottles of this will I have to take?" asked Farmer Corns. "Before you're cured?" said the medical man. "No. Before I get my picture in the paper."

Long Ago.

[Buffalo Sentinel.] Shakespeare was showing "Macbeth" to a syndicate manager. "The part about the witches is good," said the manager. "The show are we going to ring in the show girls?" Realizing the force of this argument, Shakespeare rolled up his MS.

RUSSIANS MAY GIVE IN AT ONCE

All Britain's Demands in North Sea Affair Likely To Be Met.

London, Nov. 7. — After today's cabinet meeting the foreign office said that the Anglo-Russian agreement on the subject of the inquiry into the North Sea incident was practically complete. The only two important details remaining to be settled, it was added, would occasion no difficulty.

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FRENCH RIGHTS IN NEWFOUNDLAND

Matter Discussed in Chamber of Deputies.

BANQUET TO THE EARL GREY

New Governor-General Pays Tribute to Canada's Great Natural Resources.

London, Nov. 8. — The Anglo-French convention was again discussed in the Chamber of Deputies in Paris. Mr. Suchet, protesting against relinquishing French rights in Newfoundland, and expressed the fear that the rights of French subjects would not be respected. He said that the convention which might possibly be framed by the Newfoundland Legislature.

Mr. Suchet said that if such regulations paralysed the exercise of French rights the French Government would advise itself directly to the Imperial Government.

M. Suchet went on to relate grievances suffered by the French from Newfoundland, and described what was conceded to France as a deceitful mirage. The inhabitants of St. Pierre and Miquelon were dissatisfied and prepared to accept union with the United States. The discussion was adjourned.

Speaking at a banquet in Newcastle in honor of his appointment as Governor-General of Canada, Earl Grey said a tribute to its natural resources, giving every advantage to those desiring a free life. He was glad to know "The Lady of the Snows" idea was fast disappearing. It was not wonderful that Sir Wilfrid said that, though the nineteenth century belongs to the United States, the twentieth belongs to Canada.

The Canadian Government has agreed that if Great Britain takes national control of the wireless telegraph they will do the same in the Dominion.

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MUCH ADO ABOUT A SMALL MATTER

Abusive Language Case Before Police Court—Defendant Fined \$1 and Costs.

An interesting case came up in the interim sessions court before Squire Smyth this morning. The interest attached to the case was largely due to the fact that the defendant was Wm. White, a witness in the case of the Don farmer, and who was sent to jail for the space of two hours by Squire Smyth for contempt of court. Mr. White put out witness against the square, and the high constable, alleging that the action taken against him was not legal. Nothing has yet been done in regard to this affair, but in witness meantime, Dennis Dorman, another farmer, who neighbor of White's, has brought him into court for alleged use of abusive language towards himself and his wife. Mr. E. T. Essery, who was acting as prosecutor, contended that White (who was witness for the defense), was put in jail, in acting for Mr. Dorman. Mr. T. H. Lanscombe, counsel for the defense, the case is a rather intricate one, and some lively dialogue took place this morning.

Dennis Dorman, the plaintiff, was first put in the box. He said the defendant had taken some wire fencing that belonged to him, but which plaintiff thought was his, and that when plaintiff and his wife had substituted, defendant had called them down in warm language. "He called me a liar," asserted the witness.

"What else?" asked Mr. Essery. "He called my wife a liar, and said that we were a bad lot."

"Why did he call you a liar?" "Because I said the wire was mine. He afterwards called me a liar."

To Mr. Lanscombe witness said that he had been made a present of the wire a year ago.

"Did you not have any trouble with Mr. White before this?" "Oh, he sometimes came to the fence and swore at me."

"Did you ever call Mr. White a liar by any chance?" "No."

"Were you cool and collected on that heated occasion?" "Just about as you see me now."

"Did your conscience smite you at all when defendant accused you of being light-fingered?" "No."

"Didn't you tell Robinson that White owned the mits and that you were not going to give them to him because he had done a certain thing to you?" asked counsel.

"No," he told me before that you had told me to do with the mits, and now you tell me to do about them. Didn't you tell the high constable that if the wire were put back you would drop the charge of abusive language?"

Counsel then told the court that it was evident that the witness was prevaricating. The high constable, who was in the court, said he could give a word of explanation as to what part he had played in the solution of the difficulty. Mr. Lanscombe objected that the constable was helping the witness. The court then intervened and said that it was only the case of abusive language that he was there to try. "It seemed to me to find whether the witness stole the mits let him ask," said Mr. Essery. Counsel then read a letter written by

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KAISER OUTRANKS GOD

German Courts, in Strange Case, Fine Woman For Lese Majeste.

Berlin, Nov. 8. — Germany is stupefied over the latest case of lese majeste. A woman named Helmholz at a harvest festival in Blankenberge cried out: "Hoch, hoch, fur Gott!" On being questioned by a policeman as to why she did not reserve this form of salutation for the Kaiser, she replied she thought even the Kaiser would admit. Got some first. So Frau Helmholz was prosecuted for lese majeste and fined 10 marks, with the alternative of ten days' imprisonment. An appeal was telegraphed to the Kaiser, but he ignored it. They say he has been long troubled by this delicate question of precedence and is content now that it has been definitely settled by a German law court.