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## Punishing Election Offenders.

The contribution of the Ross Government to the purity of elections is writ large in the statute books of Ontario. Drastic amendments to the election law were embodied in the bill introduced by the Attorney-General in the session of 1900, and these have played corrupt practices in the same category with the graver crimes. The amendments may be summarized as follows:

1. The penalty for undue influence has been increased from six months' imprisonment to one year's imprisonment.
2. For personation the penalty has been increased from \$200 to \$400, and the term of imprisonment from six months to one year.
3. For voting more than once the term of imprisonment has been increased from three months to six months.
4. For falsifying or altering lists of voters or polling books by a returning officer, the term of imprisonment has been increased from six to twelve months.
5. For tampering with the ballot boxes by (a) a returning officer, the term of imprisonment was increased from two years to three years, and (b) by any other person, from six months to one year.
6. For unlawfully destroying or injuring documents, or adding or subtracting therefrom, a penalty of \$2,000, the term of imprisonment was increased from six months to one year.

Mr. Whitney and his followers have been extravagant in their denunciations of the Government for its alleged neglect to mete out condign punishment to offenders in the bye-elections. What are the facts? Thirty persons have been convicted in the courts since the elections of 1903. These men have been fined sums of from \$200 to \$800, or failing to pay their fines, have been imprisoned for periods of six months. The Ontario Government has done its utmost to safeguard the sacred rights of the franchise. It is not too much to say that no other administration in Canada has to the same extent set the law in motion against this class of offenders.

## Public Opinion the Power.

The press of both parties has been discussing, in a judicial spirit, Mr. Mulock's bill providing for the compulsory arbitration of labor disputes on railways. The principle of the bill meets with general approval, though difficulties in the way of its practical operation are suggested.

The measure provides that "every railway company which locks out employees contrary to the provisions of the act shall be liable to a fine equal to the wages of such employees for a term equal to the lock-out and shall also forfeit to each employee an amount equal to double his ordinary wages for a similar term." It provides also that every workman who goes out on strike is amenable to a fine equal in amount to his wages for a period as long as the duration of the strike. Any person inciting a railway employee to strike is liable to a fine equal to a week's wages of that employee. Suppose that either party refused to abide by the judgment of the board of arbitrators—could that judgment be enforced? The penalty might be inflicted upon the railway companies with their centralized capital, but could the great mass of employees, who might have no collective fund, be penalized? The difficulty at first glance may appear insuperable, but it is more imaginary than real.

There can be no doubt that the decision of an impartial tribunal, which had weighed all the facts of a dispute, would be accepted by the public as conclusive. Against the recalcitrant party would be arrayed the whole force of public opinion, which in such a case would be irresistible. Public opinion is the real power which will make the measure effective.

## The License Record.

The license statistics of the Province tell their own tale. In 1871 the liquor traffic was under the control of the municipalities, and there was a tendency to abuse the privilege. The first radical step in advance was the Crooks Act, passed in 1876, by which the license system came under Government control.

The first five years of Liberal rule witnessed a reduction of 2,165 licenses, or 43 per cent. During the second period of five years the licenses were reduced at the rate of only ten per cent. In the third five year period the reduction in the number of licenses was considerably greater, being 410, or 82 per cent. The rate of reduction per year for the next five years was 81. During the fifth five year period there was a total decrease of 201, or at the rate of 40 per cent. For the period from 1875-1890 the rate of decrease in licenses granted was 130 a year, or an aggregate of 3,235.

The steady reduction in the number of licenses issued and the general improvement in the character of hotels, testify to the wisdom of Provincial control, and constitute a record of temperance legislation which should be remembered to the credit of the Government. The Methodist General Conference of 1882 passed this resolution:

"Although we cannot accept as

righteous absolutely any license law, yet, if we must tolerate some one as the tentative regulator of an evil till we can have it removed, we must regard the Crooks Act as the best instrument for this suppression of the Province of Ontario ever had. We would emphatically deprecate any legislation that would impair its efficacy, and we would respectfully recommend our people, where the law obtains, to use their voice and franchise to prevent the control of this license system reverting to the municipalities, where the industrious ward politician and the interested liquor dealer so largely manipulate the election."

## The Municipal Election Inquiry.

Every good citizen will agree with Judge Edward Elliott when he says that the state of things as revealed by the investigation of the municipal elections is a matter of regret, and a stain on the good name of the city. When a contemporary calls these clumsy and reprehensible practices the work of the "Grit machine," it slanders the decent Liberals of London. The word "machine" is simply another name for the working organization of the party, which embraces hundreds of reputable citizens in every walk of life, among them leaders in the commercial, industrial, social and religious life of the community. The Conservative organization of London, or the "machine," to use the opprobrious term, is composed of the same representative class. To attempt to connect an honorable body of men with the misdoings in January last, is, we repeat, a gratuitous insult and a deliberate misreading of the judge's report, which does not identify any prominent Liberal with a criminal act. The frauds were committed by some irresponsible persons, and we are sure no one can regret it more than the candidate who was the innocent victim of their misconduct.

## Too Sincere.

"My husband often says that his disposition might be worse," said the pretty-looking woman.  
"That sounds gentle and conciliatory,"  
"Yes; but he always insists on going ahead and proving it."

## Apprehensive.

"I'm kind o' worried about Josh," said Mrs. Cornstossel.  
"He seems to me to be doin' purty good," rejoined her husband.  
"I don't know about that. His last letter says that he has gotten to be a trusted employee. An' jedgein' from the newspapers, those are the kind that are a-ers gettin' into difficulties."

## Dr. Goodcheer's Remedy.

[Nixon Waterman, in Success.]  
Feel all out of kilter, do you?  
Nothing goes to suit you quite?  
Sides seem sort o' dark and clouded,  
Though the day is fair and bright?  
Easily spread on every hand?  
Hearing so impaired you're missing  
Songs of promise, sweet and grand?

No, your case is not uncommon—  
'Tis a popular distress.  
Though 'tis not at all contagious,  
Thousands have it, more or less.  
But it yields to simple treatment,  
And is easy, quick to cure;  
If you follow my directions,  
Convalescence, quick, is sure.

Take a bit of cheerful thinking,  
Add a portion of content,  
And, with both, let glad endeavor,  
Mixed with earnestness, be your bent.  
These two care and skill compounded,  
Will produce a magic oil.  
The ingredients, quick, are taken  
With a lot of honest toil.

If your heart is dull and heavy,  
If your hope is pale with doubt,  
Try this wonderful Oil of Promise,  
For 'twill drive the evil out.  
Who will mix it? Not the druggist!  
From the bottles on his shelf,  
The ingredients required  
You must find within yourself.

## A Sure Sign.

[Baltimore News.]  
"Mrs. Livina Platte has just bought a lot of new spring clothing."  
"So Howdjanow?"  
"She has just started to have her washing done at home, that she can hang her purchases out on the line for our edification."

## New Court of Love.

[Tit-Bits.]  
Madge—Which of her two lovers is she going to marry?  
Marjorie—She can't decide, so she's going to let them play ping-pong for her.

## Mademoiselle Fame.

[R. V. Risley.]  
She laughs at me and vanishes,  
She sits between the trees,  
She hides around the corner,  
She whispers in the breeze;

Disguised, she passes in the crowd,  
She kisses me in sleep,  
I hear her singing in the dusk,  
At night I hear her weep;

When I am all alone her step  
Comes softly up the stair—  
I open wide my attic door—  
And there is no one there.

## Exorbitant.

[Chicago Tribune.]  
Littigant—What will you charge me for taking the case?  
Lawyer—It ought to be worth a hundred, but I'll do it for you for an even sixty.

Littigant—Sixty dollars? Great Croesus? I can buy a whole jury for that!

## Gives Him More Time.

[New York World.]  
"Why do you believe in early marriages?"  
"It gives a man a longer season for repentance."

## His Explanation.

[Judge.]  
Nurse was reading nature-stories of the chickens, ducks and geese.  
"Johnny, tell me, what's a gander?" asked she with a smile of peace.  
Little Johnny looked up quickly, all his As he answered, smiling proudly, "It's the rooster of the geese."

## An Unfortunate Croesus.

[Cleveland Plaindealer.]  
"The very rich have their troubles, too."  
"Of course they do. I've got a multi-

## DAILY PICTURE PUZZLE.



WHO IS GOING TO THE WOMAN'S RESCUE?  
SOLUTION FOR YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE—With the upper right-hand corner as base, the bird may be found in this lower corner, formed in the trees.

millionaire uncle who has writer's cramp the worst way."  
"What did he go to?"  
"Signing checks."

## Old Story Newly Told.

[Cleveland Plaindealer.]  
In a recent speech Senator Carmack said that Gen. Funston was the greatest captain who ever wielded the jawbone of an ass. This reminds Representative Curtis, of Kansas, of a story.  
"What did Samson slay his enemies with?" asked a school teacher of his class.  
No one could answer.  
"What is this?" inquired the teacher, touching the side of his cheek.  
"The jawbone of an ass," was the prompt reply.

## Child Laughter.

[Washington Star.]  
A laugh rippled out through a window  
One day as the twilight fell;  
Twas gay and light as a sunbeam's  
And sweet as a fairy bell.  
And it gave the lie to the cynic  
Who says that the world is bad;  
There were love and bliss in a mother's  
And a little child was glad.

## The Working Grid.

[Chicago Tribune.]  
"Didn't you shingle your house six or eight months ago?"  
"Yes."  
"What are you shingling it again for?"  
"Well, I couldn't think of anything else to do to the house, and I've just got to do something."

## A Name in the Sand.

[Hannah Flagg Gould.]  
Alone I walked the ocean strand;  
A pebbly shell was in my hand;  
I stooped and wrote upon the sand  
My name, the name I loved and wanted.  
As onward from the spot I passed,  
One lingering look behind I cast,  
A wave came rolling high and fast,  
And washed my lines away.

And so, methought, 'twill shortly be  
With every mark on earth from me;  
A wave of dark oblivion's sea  
Will sweep across the place I loved,  
Where I have trod the sandy shore  
Of time, and been to be no more  
Of me—my day—the name I bore,  
To leave no track nor trace.

And yet with him who counts the sands  
And holds the waters in his hands,  
Adopted the only course open to him.  
He humored the demented man, so far  
Persuading him that the train was  
Slowed up at two stations where it  
should have stopped. It is said that  
the flyer narrowly missed a couple  
of trains that were pulling into  
sidings to let No. 5 go by.

Nothing would induce the passengers to adopt the only course open to him.  
Brown was left at the throttle, and as soon as possible Engineer Cassidy, of the local switching service, was secured and took the train to its destination. Brown was taken to a hospital at Battle Creek. He has always been considered a very careful man and one of the most reliable in the company's employ.

CONTINUED INRUSH  
OF IMMIGRANTS

No Fewer Than 7,392 Came to Canada in a Fortnight.

Ottawa, May 6.—Never in the history of the Dominion immigrating department has there been such an influx of settlers to Canada by ocean ports. During the past two weeks the following arrivals have been reported: By steamship Lake Simcoe, 1,333; Turanian, 1,478; Parisian, 177; Sarmanian, 300; Pretorian, 380; Bulgaria, 1,700; Lake Manitoba, 1,423; total, 7,392. In addition to these were 339 British mariners, who were on board the Lake Manitoba.

The great bulk of these passengers, possibly 6,000, were for the Northwest. The department of the interior has now a system for receiving and caring for arrivals, so that no difficulty has been experienced in looking after this large number of new settlers. It is expected that during the next few weeks there will be quite as large a proportion of arrivals as during the past two weeks.

Ottawa, Ont., May 6.—Two thousand German and English immigrants, bound for the Qu'Appelle Valley, passed through Ottawa Sunday night on the C. P. R.

THE BIDDLES' FRIEND,  
MRS. SOFFEL, IN COURT.

The Warden's Wife Pleaded Guilty and Will Be Sentenced Saturday.

Pittsburg, May 8.—Mrs. Kate Soffel, the wife of Warden Soffel, of the Allegheny county jail, who figured in the sensational escape and recapture of the Biddle brothers last January, was called into court yesterday morning and entered a plea of guilty to the charge of aiding and abetting in the escape of prisoners. She will be sentenced next Saturday.

The maximum penalty is two years in the penitentiary.  
The court room was crowded to the doors, many women being present and much curiosity to see the prisoner was manifested. Mrs. Soffel entered the room with a firm step. She was accompanied only by her physicians and

attorney, having made a special request that none of her relatives be present during the trying ordeal.  
She was dressed neatly, unveiled, and appeared to have entirely recovered from the wounds received during the battle between the bandits and officers.  
During the preliminaries incident to the opening of court she showed little embarrassment, and talked freely with her attorney.

A MADMAN AT  
THE THROTTLE

Thrilling Ride of Passengers in Michigan.

Engineer Brown Had Become Demented and Tore Through Stations at Lightning Speed.

Flint, Mich., May 6.—Tearing along at the dizzy speed of sixty miles an hour, and whizzing through stations where the train ought to have stopped, was the thrilling experience of the passengers on board the Grand Trunk Western, due here a few minutes past 11 each evening. The train came into the station Saturday night at full speed, and made the attempt to stop at lightning speed, and the passengers and brakemen noticing that something was wrong applied the emergency brake, and the train was brought to a standstill in the yard. Investigation developed the fact that the engineer, Billy Brown, of Port Huron, had become demented, and that the lives of the passengers were at the mercy of a madman.

The train was scheduled to stop at Emmet, Capac, Imlay City and Davidson, but it went through each place at lightning speed, and the passengers began to fear that something was wrong. Someone started a rumor that the engineer was crazy, which was too true, and there was much excitement.

The demented engineer's cabmate, the fireman on the flying trip, had a trying time of it. Brown persisted in running the train at full speed, which was his right under normal circumstances.

The fireman detected symptoms of violence in the engineer's actions, and adopted the only course open to him. He humored the demented man, so far persuading him that the train was slowed up at two stations where it should have stopped. It is said that the flyer narrowly missed a couple of trains that were pulling into sidings to let No. 5 go by.

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## REUBEN DRAPER

Few Men Have Had Such a Thrilling Experience.

A Quebec Gentleman Who Relates an Interesting Story of a Narrow Escape—His Deliverance Just in the Nick of Time.

Bristol, Que., May 5.—There are not many men who feel better at once. About four years ago I was taken ill with what I thought was Gravel. "I was suffering great pain so I sent for the doctor. He gave me some medicine and said he would call again. He came twice more, and charged me fifteen dollars. I was a little better, but not at all well, and in a short time after I sent another bad spell. This time I sent for another doctor, with about the same results. Only I was getting weaker all the time.

"This is over four years ago, and I have not had the slightest return of the trouble since, so that I know now that my cure was an absolute and permanent one."

Stamps are first mentioned by Synesius, Bishop of Cyrene, about 300 A.D.

## Salvage Sale!

For Wednesday, 8 A.M.

## SILK DRESS GOODS

Ladies' Wrappers and Children's Jackets

The balance of Salvage Stock remarked and sorted in lots to clear out quickly today and tomorrow at 8 a.m.

## TOWEL SPECIAL 5c.

Pure Linen Towels, good size, red border, fringed ends, regular 10c towels. 50 dozen to clear at 5c each.

## Tafateen Stripes for Underskirts 10c

350 yards Roman stripes in Black Tafateen Gloss Silk for underskirts. Regular 20c and 25c, Wednesday, 8 a.m., to clear, per yard only 10c.

## RIBBONS 1c, 3c, 5c AND 10c.

Lot No. 1---1c yard  
Lot No. 2---3c yard  
Lot No. 3---5c yard  
Lot No. 4---10c yard

Regular 5c Ribbons,  
Regular 10c Ribbons,  
Regular 15c Ribbons,  
Regular 25c Ribbons.

208, 210,  
210½ and 212  
Dundas St.

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Carson  
McKee  
& Co.

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HOW CARRIE NATION  
SPOKE TO DETROITERS

She Says She Is Going to Strike at the Root of the Evil Now.

Detroit, May 5.—Carrie Nation was in Detroit on Sunday, and the News staff speaks of her afternoon meeting.

"Oh, where's your wandering boy tonight?"  
"Down in the licensed saloon."

"This, and other temperance songs, were sung with a will at Carrie Nation's meeting at the Grand River Avenue Baptist Church yesterday afternoon. The selection, 'Down With the Drunkard,' also 'There'll Be a Glorious Time When We Vote as We Pray,' added to the fervor.

Friends of John Russell Temperance Union packed the church to the doors. Mrs. Annie L. Andrus introduced the Kansas hatchet swinger, who was plainly attired in black and wore a black bonnet, which she removed before the address, showing hair streaked with gray.

"Well," she began, in an abrupt way, "you'll have to excuse me because my throat's bad. I had to sit next to a vile stinking cigar smoker all the way here in the car. I've been smashing saloons so long I'm going to smash the cause now."

By this she meant she'd get to the root of the evil. She continued:  
"The vile, stinking cigar smoker, he'll smoke and smoke in hell when he gets his just dues."

This tickled the crowd.  
"Saloons are hell-holes, the saloon man is nothing but a malicious pauper," she repeated in various ways. He not only robs you of the money that justly belongs to your wife and children, but sends your child to hell.

"Hell, hell, hell, all saloonkeepers should be in hell."  
"Oh, the hell-holes of Ann Arbor! Oh, the hell-holes of Detroit!"

Mrs. Nation next called out a Detroit brewer by name, and roundly scored him for sending 40 barrels of beer to students at Ann Arbor.

"Ain't that horrible?" she queried.  
She made sport of the Republican party for not helping the prohibitionists, and when the Democrats applauded, turned the joke on them by adding: "The Democrats wouldn't do any more for us, either, if they had a chance."

She promised to return in the autumn for a hatchet crusade against saloonkeepers.

There is no form of kidney trouble, from a backache down to Bright's disease, that DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS will not relieve or cure.

Polo is the oldest outdoor game played to-day. The Persians played it 600 B. C.

Before After Wood's Phosphodine, The Great English Remedy, Sold and recommended by all druggists in Canada. Only reliable medicine discovered. 82¢ per package guaranteed to cure all forms of Sexual Weakness, all effects of abuse or excess, Mental Worry, Excessive use of Tobacco, Opium or Stimulants. Mailed on receipt of price, one package \$1, six, \$5. One trial package, 50¢ with cure. Pamphlets free to any address. The Wood Company, Windsor, Ont.

Wood's Phosphodine is sold in London by C. McCallum & Co., and Anderson & Nelles, druggists.

Mental  
Strength!

do and dare great things if you eat Wheat Marrow instead of the pasty, dyspepsia-breeding, unclean porridges you read so much about.

Best Grocers sell it.

A. P. TIPPETT &amp; CO., SELLING AGENTS, MONTREAL.

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