

THE HAMILTON TIMES

FRIDAY, APRIL 16, 1909.

SLANDERERS SCARIFIED.

Last night in the Commons, the Opposition, in pursuit of its slander campaign against Hon. Mr. Pugsley, continued its efforts to make capital in the matter of the notorious Mayes affidavit while shirking the honorable course of making charges against the Minister. The affidavit in question was produced practically upon compulsion. For months it had been concealed, probably to shield Mayes from an action for perjury, and when it is now allowed to see the light it is accompanied with a "corrected" document in which the date is moved back two years—before Hon. Mr. Pugsley's entry into federal politics—thus showing that the Opposition itself appreciates the fact that it is entirely in the wrong in the matter. The acknowledgment of the "correction" is a severe reflection upon the honor of the New Brunswick Premier, who presented the affidavit in the midst of a campaign with the deliberate purpose of making it appear that affairs of 1907 took place in 1905. Hon. Mr. Pugsley's speech exposed fully the motives of the Opposition, the falsity of its charges, and the character of the men who thus sought to injure him. His flagellation of Dr. Daniel, the tool whom the Opposition used for its dirty work in this case, was properly a severe one, and caused that gentleman to whine and squirm, and again and again appeal to the Speaker for protection against the well applied verbal lash. Members of the Opposition benches sought by interpolating protests to lessen the severity of the drubbing administered to Daniel. In the course of the discussion it was discovered that the false affidavit, which had been kept concealed, had been "corrected" by a new one sworn to on March 21st last.

With regard to the Mayes and McAvity revelations, Hon. Mr. Pugsley declared that he would examine a full investigation of the matter if any member of the Opposition would take the proper and manly course of making charges and accepting responsibility therefor, instead of making reflections and insinuations against his character. Dr. Daniel, however, with a contemptible cowardice which usually characterizes a slanderer, hastened to deny that he had made any insinuations against the Minister. Neither Daniel nor any member of the Opposition would accept the challenge to prefer charges in a parliamentary manner and to demand an investigation.

It is not improbable that we shall now hear from the slander-mongers that investigation of this matter is being blocked. That suits their tactics. We have no idea that the Opposition will pursue the honorable course, make its charges and endeavor to prove them. But any other means of getting at all the facts is ever available to it. The Public Accounts Committee exercises the wisest power in matters of this kind. It can fully sift the matter. It can require the production of all documents, and call for the testimony, under oath, of any and all persons connected therewith. If Dr. Daniel and the crowd he represents have any other object than slander by insinuation while keeping back important facts, why have they not recourse to the powers of inquiry of the Public Accounts Committee? Does anybody think that if they really believed in the Mayes-McAvity matter was to be found means of damaging Mr. Pugsley or the Liberal party they would delay action in this direction?

AIRSHIP INVASION.

The public has of late had so much discussion of airship warfare that it may not be without interest to readers to learn something about the "monsters of the air," as the sensation-mongers love to style the mammoth balloons and other forms of aerial vessels. Toward Germany these days all eyes are turned, and some attention may be given to the products of her airship inventors, for whom such great claims have been made.

The German airships are of three types, rigid, semi-rigid and non-rigid. The first is the Zeppelin machine, the second the military, and the third, the Parseval balloon. The Zeppelin ship has a variety of failures and successes, and has been accepted by the German Government. Its speed is estimated at twenty-eight miles an hour; it is dirigible; but a strong wind may easily take it far out of its course, preventing it from ever again reaching its base.

The Parseval semi-rigid balloon has also been accepted by the German War Department. It has made a trip of eleven and a half hours; has risen by its own motors to 1,000 meters (3,281 feet), and then by throwing out 484 lbs. of ballast has risen 1,503 feet more and remained at that altitude for an hour. It was inflated and raised, when officially tested, in four and a half hours, and attained a speed of 29.14 miles and hour.

The military type, represented by Major Gross' balloon, has a record of twelve and a half hours in the air, but it has also a record of many disasters, and is hardly to be compared to the Parseval or Zeppelin airships. It is slow to answer its helm and lacks speed. Then there is the Prill balloon, from which much is expected. Its framework is of steel instead of aluminum, and weighs 7,709 lbs. Its inventor claims that it could carry—with certain trifling "ifs"—a load of 30,800 lbs. Of course, it has not yet carried it!

best defence is its speed. They cannot readily rise beyond gun range. It is true that they can rise to 2,000 yards or more, but not without losing ballast and gas, as a rule; hence they are no longer fit to manoeuvre properly in the lower regions when they come down again, and are at least for the time being out of action. The German War Department requires the Parseval ship to rise to 1,500 meters, assuming that to be the limit of effective gun fire. The modern infantry rifle can fire to a height of about 7,500 feet, while the field gun, with buried trail, can reach up to 10,500 feet, but of course in both cases the balloon must be within actual range to be hit. Gunmakers are now working on weapons of high elevation, mounted on auto cars for attacking balloons. Various projectiles are also being tested for airship destruction. Machine guns and field artillery have both been found to give good results against airships. One great problem to be solved is the supplying of hydrogen gas for inflation of these balloons. For tactical work on a small scale a supply may be brought in steel flasks, but when it comes to larger demand plants for the production of the gas must be built. This is no slight matter. Looked at from the point of view of practicability, any great terror founded on airship fleet invasion seems to be very far from warranted.

A BAD SHOWING.

The adulteration of food products, even by substances which are not in themselves injurious to health, is bad enough in itself, and is properly punishable by law. How much worse then is it to adulterate drugs upon the purity of which the saving of the lives of the patients in serious emergencies may depend? The Department of Inland Revenue has been analyzing some of the drugs offered for sale in Canada, among them 77 samples of spirit of nitrous ether. It is discouraging to find that of the 77 samples only 28 were found to be genuine. Four of the samples contained no ethyl nitrite whatever; and 15 others contained less than half of 1 per cent. In 1891 nine samples of this drug were analyzed, and only three were found to be up to the standard. Something should surely be done to protect the public from such impositions.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

"Smile" clubs ought to be popular with the hotel men. The "smile" habit is not an entirely new one.

"Nothing is either expedient or useful which is unjust. He who has not learned this, cannot be a good man." Cicero.

Dundas temperance men are moving already to get in shape for next municipal election campaign. What are Hamilton temperance men doing? Do they want to get thrown down again?

The County fathers can do a lot of work in a little time when they get their gear. The road appropriations involved a good deal of money, but they were disposed of in about an hour.

The wooden block pavement to be laid this spring may justify the reversion to that type of street paving material; but we shall wait a while before concluding that asphalt or brick or concrete are out of the race.

Less than 100 contracts have been made under the Annuities Act. Evidently "something for nothing" is what would be pensioners have been looking for. But the scheme is a good one, and while it may but slowly grow into favor, it is certain to succeed among the people who are industrious and frugal and appreciate a good, sound investment.

In eight years Toronto's annual civic wage bill has increased 71 per cent., while her area has increased 4 per cent., and her population 4 per cent. But Toronto is the holy of holies of the worship of municipalization, and municipal graft is to be expected to thrive there. The average Torontonian pays \$7.10 a year in the wages of civic employees.

The Grand Trunk and Grand Trunk Pacific will have a capable and energetic official as assistant passenger traffic manager in Mr. G. T. Bell, who in his capacity as general passenger agent of the Grand Trunk won so many golden opinions from the public of the country. A large field is opening to him, and he will prove himself equal to the demands which it will make upon him.

The newspapers which are denouncing the land grant to the Canadian Northern Railway have nothing but glorification for the Grand Trunk Pacific contract.—Toronto News.

Observe, Mr. Willison, that there were no huge land grants to that road, and no departure from principle, such as you seek to excuse, in the case of Whitney's grant of 2,000,000 acres to the C. N. R.

Hon. Mr. Pugsley from his place in the House announces that if any of his slanderers will make a charge against him in connection with that Mayes affidavit, accepting responsibility for doing so as a member of the House, he will not only not object to the proceedings, but will welcome investigation. But that doesn't suit some of the Opposition; and a pretended "independent" organ refers to it as "obstruction by technicalities." Now is that reasonable?

Saturday, April 17, 1909

Store Opens 8.30 a.m. Closes 10 p.m.

Early Morning Sale Blouses

Sharp at 8.30 we put on sale over 100 Women's Waists in blacks and colors, taffeta and Jap. silks and nets and laces. Not a waist in the lot worth less than \$2.50, most of them \$4.50 and \$5.00 values, on sale Saturday, no alterations and no exchanges, each...\$1.95

Dress Goods Sale

A Sweep of Everything in Stock at Clearing Prices. Fancy Striped Dress Goods in navy, grey, browns, blacks and greens, all wool materials, directoire finish, worth 75c, to clear per yard...\$50c. All-wool Venetian Cloths, 75c, for \$50c. Elegant Striped Satin Cloths...\$75c. New Striped Taffeta Cloths, browns, blues and greys, 64 inches, 75c for \$50c. All-wool Serges for women's wear, 40c values, for per yard...\$29c

Veilings Worth 25c for 15c

500 yards Russian Net or Sen Sen Veilings in Black and Colors, worth 25c, on sale Saturday for 15c

Women's Fancy Collars--A Sale

150 only Women's Fancy Lace Collars, in white and pretty light shades, nicely finished with ruching, Collars worth easily 35c, on sale for each...\$19c

Collars, Belts and Combs

Fancy Lace Yokes, in elegant quality, full 75c and \$1 value, to clear at each...\$49c. Fancy Broad Belts, in assorted patterns and colors, 39c, for...\$25c

A Grand Blouse Show--Bargains Too

Shun's for Blouses. There's a reason. Do your Blouse buying here on Saturday. You'll not need telling. Then you get premium tickets, too. It pays to save them.

Lawn Waists at \$1.00. Waists worth \$1.50. Every one of them made embroidered front, long sleeves, new with cuff, special at, each...\$1.00

White Waists for \$2.25. Made of fine Victoria and Persian Lawns; back, front and sleeves finished with fine Swiss needlework and Valenciennes lace, full 83 value, on sale for, each...\$2.25

White Aprons--Special. Women's White Lawn Aprons, with bib and 20 bibs, trimmed with laces, frills and embroidery. The best values in the trade, at, each...\$25, 75c

Women's Gloves

Pewney's Guaranteed Kid Gloves, 8-button length, tan, brown and black, worth \$2.00, on sale for per pair \$1.50. Pewney's Kid Gloves, correct shades of grey, mode, tan, brown, blue, etc., and black. Fully guaranteed, at \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50

Silk Lisle and Suede finished Lisle Gloves, in all the new shades, special values, all colors, 25, 35 and 50c. New Lisle Thread Gloves, all colors, 25, 35 and 50c. The best Men's Black Cashmere 1/2 Hose in Canada, at per pair...\$25c

5 Underskirt Bargains

Black and Colored Satin and Moreen Underskirts, all the new fashions and ruffles, \$1.50, Saturday at...\$1.00. Embroidered Hydrographic Taffeta and Moree, black and colored, full \$2.00 value, Saturday for, each...\$1.95

Black and Colored Broad Ribbed Underskirts, very deep shirred fashions, special at, each...\$2.50. Black and Colored Silk Taffeta Skirts, worth \$6.00, on sale for...\$3.95. White Cambric Underskirts, highly embroidered, worth \$2.50, Saturday for...\$1.95

Newest Styles in Women's Coats, Suits and Skirts

Garments That are Remarkable for Their Quality and Effective Styles. A Showing of the Best Man-Tailored Garments. Made of the Most Stylish Materials in the Newest Models

You will find what you are looking for in this splendid stock. The very best Canadian makes adopted from the foremost New York models, a collection that is most complete. Women's outer garments for Spring wear offered at the well known Shea low prices—prices less than those charged by any other house in Hamilton.

Suits at \$10.95—Black and colors, fitted or semi-fitted coat, skirt with folds, \$15.00 regular, for...\$10.95. Suits at \$12.50—Black and colored all wool cloths, in plain and fancy weaves, black, silk lined coats, fancy trimmed very stylish, \$17.00, for...\$12.50. Coats, \$22.50, for...\$15.00

2 Big Values in Spring Coats. Over a hundred Women's Spring Coats in one clearing purchase, fawns, navys, greys, fitted and loose backs and semi-fitted, hip length and longer, on sale in two lots, \$7.00 Coats for \$4.95, \$9.00 Coats for...\$5.95

A Rousing Sale of Swell High Grade Skirts

200 in the deal, just cleared out this morning from the best Skirt maker in Canada, plain cloths, Panamas, poplins, broadcloths, Venetians, voiles, etc., black and all the good colors, every one new and fashionable; the entire lot goes on sale to-morrow for the first time as follows: \$5.00 Skirts for \$2.95, \$6.00 Skirts for \$3.95, \$7.50 Skirts for \$5.00, \$10 Skirts for...\$7.50

SHEA'S THE STORE FOR THRIFTY PEOPLE

Stylish Millinery Sold at a Small Profit

Modern merchandising teaches the doctrine of quick sales and large turnover. The past two seasons the Shea store has adopted this plan of selling women's headwear at an ordinary dry goods profit, and is doing double the business. It saves you money and pays us better. No more stylish millinery is sold in Canada than that turned out by this busy store—try us on Saturday. We give premium tickets, too.

Stylish Mohair Dress Hats, elegantly trimmed with duchess ribbon and finest French flowers, \$10.00 value, for...\$7.50. Swell Black Tailored Hats, made of mohair, lustre and chip, at...\$3.95, \$5c, \$1.00, \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2

Misses' Sweed Dress Hats, elegantly trimmed with velvet ribbons and French flowers, at, each...\$5.00. The most stylish shapes in the trade in every wanted color at, each...\$3.95

Table and Household Linens

Bleached and Unbleached Sheetings, full 2 yards wide and good clear weaves, five from dressing, worth 25 and 29c, on sale for...\$19c. Bedroom Towels, plain white and colored border, good large size, full 15c value, on sale for each...\$10c. Roller Towelling, heavy Scotch and Irish weaves, 12 1/2 to 15c value, for...\$10c

Table Damask--Bleached. Full Bleached Satin Finished Table Damasks, 64 to 72 inches wide, and the very best designs in Canada, at these special prices: \$1.40 Damask for...\$1.10. \$1.25 Damask for...\$1.00. \$1.00 Damask for...\$75c. 65c Damask for...\$48c. 50c Damask for...\$37 1/2c

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Women's and Misses' Hosiery

Women's special All Wool Black Cashmere Hose, double heel and sole, worth 50c, on sale for...\$3 for \$1.00. Women's Fine Cotton Hose, black and tan, with new polka dot and fancy stripes, the best Hose for the money, at per pair...\$25c. Children's All Wool Cashmere Hose, all sizes, black and all colors, fine 1-1 rib, per pair...\$25c. Boys' Diamond Knee Hose, all finest cashmere wool, extra heavy, the best wearing Boys' Hose that is sold in Canada, per pair...\$40 to \$75c

OUR EXCHANGES

PLEASANTER WORK. (Toronto Globe.) The Tory members at Ottawa object to Mr. Borden playing golf while they are busy at the old party game of mud-throwing. Perhaps Mr. Borden really prefers golf.

A PIPE DREAM. (Toronto News.) Hamilton thinks it is likely to get a new Union Station. Sir! Do not disturb such a pleasant dream.

NOT FRENCH, EITHER. (London Advertiser.) The Ontario teachers have pronounced against military drill in the schools. They are not under French domination, either.

BY TORY ROWDIES. (Toronto Mail and Empire.) Unless Speaker Marcell becomes more assertive of his authority there is danger of Canada's popular chamber being made a "rough house."

TARIFF-MAKING CORRUPTION. (N. Y. Journal of Commerce.) The one fact that stands out above all others in the remarkable legislative contest just closed is that votes were bought and that legislative debauchery of the worst type was characteristic of every step in the progress of the Payne bill and particularly of its later phases.

ONTARIO'S BIG MAN. (Toronto Globe.) The Canadian Courier has been taking the opinion of its readers as to who are the most prominent Canadians. If it were to inquire in the right direction it would be apt to discover that the most influential personality in the life of the province at the moment is Sir William Ralph Meredith, Chief Justice of the Common Pleas.

AFRAID OF THE LIGHT. (Toronto Globe.) The Public Accounts Committee has full power to call for every document relating to the contract for dredging the harbor of St. John, N. B. It has power to examine Mayes, McAvity, Dr. Pugsley, and anyone else that it chooses under oath. Why has the Opposition failed to avail itself of this power? Is it afraid that under examination this precious "scandal" would vanish like the dew of morning?

In this busy world, there is no use being useless.

GRAND OPERA.

What an Expert Says of Royal Italian Company. To the Editor of the Times, Sir—Some ardent admirers of the musical art have approached me for a public expression regarding the work done here by the Royal Italian Opera Co. I know of nothing that I have ever heard in this city from which I received so much pleasure. That this pleasure was limited to the musician only is a mistake. With a proper understanding of the plot (for which I strongly recommend the purchase of a libretto previous to the performance), grand opera is bound to prove fascinating to all. The east heard here was of the highest order of merit, and I must admit that I enjoyed Bertozzi's Violetta more than that of the peerless Tetrazini in the same role at Covent Garden last summer. A cast of great stars are ever too big for the picture and stick out of the frame. Torre's "Don Jose" and "Canso," Anghelini's "Tomio" and Bertozzi's "Violetta" were presented with a rare grasp of the characters and their dramatic work was stronger than I have yet heard in the same parts by the all-star aggregations of New York and London. With the prospect of a Canadian grand opera circuit for next season, it is to be hoped that Hamilton will show a desire to be considered by an attendance limited only by the capacity of the house. The east billed is stronger than any previous, and the opera "Aida" is Verdi's greatest—the most spectacular of all grand operas. Their prices are lower than demanded even in Italy, and when compared with the New York tariff, is most reasonable. Bruce A. Carry.

MINISTER KILLED.

Falls Upon Tracks in Subway Skull Fractured. New York, April 16.—A Methodist minister on his way from his church in Ireland to visit his son in Elgin, Neb., fell in front of a subway train in the station at One Hundred and Fifty-seventh street and Broadway shortly after 5 o'clock this afternoon, and died later.

His name was Samuel William Hamilton Nesbitt, and his church was in Clontarf, Tipperary county, Ireland. Rosalia Nesbitt, his daughter, was with him, when he was struck, and she stayed by him until he died. It was about 5 o'clock that the

ATTACKED BY RAT.

Child Bitten About the Face by Bloodthirsty Rodent. Pontiac, Mich., April 16.—Awakened by the screams of their 9-year-old daughter, Almeda, Mr. and Mrs. George Bobber, 222 North Saginaw street, were not frightened, as the child is subject to nightmares. A moment later the child ran into their room, blood streaming from her lip.

At this the father, thoroughly aroused, rushed into the room occupied by the child, shut the door, and, sure enough, found a big rat in a corner of the room. The rat fought desperately, but Bobber killed it. Four of the rat's teeth left marks in the child's lip and one tooth pierced the lip. There were no rat holes in the room, and the only explanation offered is that the rat came boldly up stairs, jumped on to the child's bed and attacked her.

FARMER DEAD.

Kingston, Ont., April 16.—James Baird, a prominent farmer of Dalhousie township, is dead, aged 45 years. Death was due to erysipelas, which affected his brain. Mr. Baird was a well-known Oldfielder.

CANADIAN NURSE.

Napanee, Ont., April 16.—Miss Minnie Miller, daughter of S. R. Miller, of this place, and for some years past a nurse in New York, has been appointed member of the staff of the Canadian Hospital at Paris, France.

MAY MANTON BAZAAR PATTERNS ALL 10C

Save the Cost of a Dressmaker

Early Morning Sale Tabling

400 yards only full bleached Linen Tabling, 60 inches to 72 inches wide, in ends of from 1 yard to 3 1/2 yards, all good patterns and worth from 50 to 75c, sharp at 8.30 you get your choice of this entire lot for per yard...\$25c

Spring Sale of Lace Curtains

Hundreds of pairs of Lace Curtains in the best Nottingham and Scotch qualities and patterns. Curtains that are being sold all round at regular prices and good value too, just note the savings, these cut prices give you: 50c Curtains, per pair...\$30c. 75c Curtains, per pair...\$50c. \$1.00 Curtains, per pair...\$75c. \$1.50 Curtains, per pair...\$1.00. \$2.00 Curtains, per pair...\$1.50. \$3.00 Curtains, per pair...\$2.00. \$4.50 Curtains, per pair...\$2.95

Corset Sale

Royal Worcester Corsets in all the Wanted Styles, High and Low Bust for Every Figure, all being cleared at less than cost. \$1.25 to \$2.50 for 89c and \$1.75

Wash Goods and Suitings

Fine White Dimities in very stylish plaids and stripes, special at...\$19 and 25c. Fine Swiss Muslins, in plaids and stripes, special values at...\$19, 25 and 29c. Newest Scotch Zephyrs and Gingham, stripes and open checks...\$12 1/2 and 15c. 36-inch Indian Head Cotton, for suits or wash skirts, all colors, worth 25c, for...\$19c. Motor Suiting, in all the new stripes, worth 30c, for...\$23c

Table and Household Linens

Heavy White Cotton, specially woven for night gowns, worth 15c, on sale for...\$12 1/2c. Fine Cambric and Longcloth, soft finish, full 36 inches wide, worth 15c, on sale for...\$11 1/2c. Turkish Bath Towels, very large size, and splendid quality, worth 25c, on sale for...\$22 1/2c

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