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SQUARE DEAL FOR THE PUBLIC

The Ottawa Evening Journal, an independent paper which attests its character much more frequently by criticism of government measures than by agreement with the opponents of the government, cordially endorses the investigation bill introduced by the minister of labor. The Journal points out that while both capitalists and labor organizations are opposing the bill to some degree on the ground of infringement on their prerogatives of force, the members who regard first the welfare of their constitution should be found standing by a measure which guarantees a square deal to the public whose interest demands the continuous operation of public utilities. The Journal says in part:

"When Hon. Rudolph Lemieux, minister of labor, introduced his Industrial Disputes Investigation Bill recently and it came to be discussed in the Commons, the House was assured, by the assurance of Mr. Lemieux, that the bill was to be assailed by labor leaders. Mr. Ralph Smith, of Nanaimo, and Mr. Verville, of Maison-neuve, that the bill found favor in the sight of labor. Some weeks later when Mr. McMullen introduced in the Senate his bill to prohibit aliens from appointment to boards of conciliation in railway disputes, and from interfering in the settlement of strikes or lockouts in Canada, the outlook became clouded. The McMullen bill, of course, is obnoxious to all labor men who bear allegiance to the principle of international unionism, and it was quickly condemned by labor organizations in many parts of the country.

"But the habit of dissent does not stop here. Mr. Lemieux's bill, which upon its introduction he described as having been approved by labor leaders in all parts of the country, which also Mr. Ralph Smith and Mr. Verville described as an admirable measure begins to be assailed by labor bodies. The Grand Trunk telegraphers declare themselves bitterly opposed to the bill so far as it affects them. The Smith's Falls division of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers protests against any measure which would deprive them of what they claim as their right as free men to quit their positions, either singly or in a body, when the working conditions do not suit them and every honorable means of adjustment has been exhausted. The Montreal Trades and Labor Council condemns the bill out right. A deputation from the organizations of locomotive engineers, firemen and trainmen wait upon the Minister of Labor and declare that it robs them of its one effective measure, the strike. Up to the present, then, if public pronouncements alone are to be considered, labor has two exactly antagonistic opinions on the measure. The leaders in Parliament approve it; the organizations outside disapprove it.

"On the other hand it is unanimously condemned by the employing classes which it affects.

"In any event it seems to have been admirably designed to serve the purpose of protecting the people at large in respect of the operation of the great public utilities which are to come within its scope. It provides for compulsory enquiry as to the causes of strikes and lock out and the publication of the award, leaving the implementing of the award to the force of public opinion. It forbids employers to cause a strike or lock out and forbids employees to go on strike, on account of any dispute, prior to a reference of dispute to a board of conciliation and investigation, and provides for a continuation of the operations of the public utility in question by both parties pending the decision of the board.

"Furthermore—and this is one of the most significant provisions in the bill—it provides for an 'open shop,' open in the widest sense. No employer may dismiss an employee because he is a member of a union; no employee may go on strike by reason merely of the fact that his employer has employed some person who is not a member of a union.

"These clauses in the bill seem to please neither party, but they seem to be of the sort to provide the square deal for the people at large who are vitally interested in the uninterrupted operation of public utilities. If, as is reported, Mr. Lemieux is determined to push his bill to the issue, he should find strong support among the members who consider the interests of the people at large before the interests of either party to so-called labor disputes."

STOCK JUDGING SCHOOLS

Judging from the interest taken by the farmers in the vicinity of this city in the stock judging school now in progress in Edmonton, the Depart-

ment of Agriculture is to be congratulated upon its ventures along this line. The live stock industry must always remain one of the cardinal industries of the province if the farmers are to realize the greatest benefit from the production of rough grains to which this country is so eminently adapted.

The course in the school, though short, is thorough and practical and aims at a scientific or expert treatment of the subject, and is in charge of a competent staff of lecturers and demonstrators. The work in the school is not merely of an academic nature but is directed along the lines of the greatest economic value to the agriculturists of Alberta.

It is a question of the utmost importance what breed of cattle is most adapted to the conditions of stock raising in this province. While the day of the range may be said to be passing still the close industry feeding so successful in Ontario will not obtain in this province for many years. In the selection of his breed the cattleman, therefore, must take into consideration the history and the adaptability of the respective breeds to the conditions in Alberta. The young farmer, in consultation with these conditions but he may not be familiar with the suitable breed and may be still less familiar with the type characters to be sought for in the chosen breed. This is the information that he may receive first hand at the stock judging school.

The excellence in the method consists not only in teaching from a picked animal that conforms as closely as possible to the ideal type, but also from an inferior animal that illustrates by contrast what the breeder should avoid.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The stock judging schools are proving a decided success.

Riley's majority in Gleichen has been increased by one.

Larger grants to hospitals is a feature of this session's legislation.

A car of coal shipped here on Feb. 6th did not leave the city until Feb. 16th. Fast freight!

The writer of the Journal's editorial on the public accounts must have a savage lust for statistics.

The commissioners are now making agreements in solemn secret; the public awaits the result with some interest.

A Chicago man has sued a newspaper for libel because it said his wife attended a five o'clock tea in evening dress. This is a tip for the Journal.

In Toronto there are no spur tracks from the railways, and there is some business done in that city. Why should Edmonton be gridlocked with railway tracks to the back of every person's warehouse?

WILL MAKE THEM SIT UP.

Among his declarations to the people of Manitoba, Mr. Edward Brown, Liberal leader in that province, has said:

"We will enforce to the limit the terms of the mortgage with the Canadian Northern. If it is possible under that mortgage, we will compel them to produce or provide rolling stock sufficient for their mileage and business. We will investigate in order to ascertain whether the \$2,000 a mile guaranteed by the province for rolling stock has been expended for that purpose. We will file the company before the Railway Commission, if necessary, in order to accomplish this."

This is the kind of statement that is not calculated to win the support of the railway company, but it would find universal favor among the electors.

The lack of rolling stock and motive power upon the part of the railway companies has seriously handicapped the shippers all over Western Canada this year. The winter was severe, it is true, but it only served to show how powerless some of the railways were to cope with conditions that must frequently be expected in the territory through which they run. Mr. Brown's expressed determination to call upon these companies, and particularly the Canadian Northern, to live up to their responsibilities as public carriers should be heartily endorsed by the electors of the prairie provinces. Railway domination in the politics of our country has been so prevalent that it is refreshing to see a politician take a stand of this kind. It is certain to lose him corporate support in his contest; will it gain him the support of the people, is the question for Manitoba to answer.

A RUSE.

A certain section of the Ontario press is experiencing a sudden and altogether unusual anxiety for the construction of the Georgian Bay canal. While little opposition is

likely to develop in Western Canada toward any reasonable proposal for increasing our commercial routes to Eastern Canada and the Atlantic seaboard, the canal scheme would be much more enthusiastically endorsed in the western country if it were advocated in more auspicious quarters and under less suspicious circumstances. It is not a reassuring circumstance that the journals which manifest this inordinate haste for construction of the canal are also possessed of an unshaken belief in the needlessness of the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway. Nor is it more reassuring that the agitation for the canal is confined practically to the communities which stand to benefit directly and enormously from its construction, provided the canal could be made the means of confining western traffic to the St. Lawrence route. In the premises it looks as if the point of the agitation for the canal is not to increase the desire to provide better facilities for the export of western grain than the desire to curtail the benefits of such traffic in Ottawa and Montreal. Western Canada is at present looking for railway outlet to Hudson's Bay. Such project would severely be undertaken without government assistance, yet if the Dominion invested one hundred million dollars in the Georgian Bay canal it could scarcely be expected to benefit or assist a railway to divert the business of the canal.

The attempt to persuade the government to undertake the canal may therefore very well be only a scheme to sidetrack the opening of the Hudson's Bay route.

A SIGNIFICANT APPOINTMENT.

Mr. Robert Birmingham has recently been appointed Orange organizer for the Grand Orange Lodge of Ontario West. This looks very much like a return to the old order of things in the Conservative party in Ontario. It will be remembered that for many years Mr. Birmingham was grand secretary of the Orange society in Ontario and at the same time Conservative organizer for that province. The two positions were worked so well together that almost every Orange lodge in Ontario virtually became a Tory committee.

In 1896, when remedial legislation for Manitoba was the issue, Birmingham was deposed as grand secretary of the Orangemen as he remained true to Tupper and the remedialists, E. C. N. Clark Walker being the chief factor in having Mr. Birmingham set aside. In a short time the latter was also relieved of his work as Conservative organizer and he and Sir Charles Tupper came perilously near an open break. Later Mr. Birmingham found a haven in the "Twister" and other deposed Tory politicians in the offices of the I. O. F. In some of the recent by-elections the present Orange organizer took charge of the Tory forces and he has apparently worked back into power. Of course his present appointment is not a political one, but those who know "Bob" Birmingham best will not fail to surmise the full significance of his present occupation.

Birmingham will be recognized by the people of the West as the man who won the credentials of Jack Fitzbourn. "He was a good man in North Bruce," when Jack came out to Manitoba in 1896 to teach Conservative returning officers how to switch and spoil ballots, and they will be inclined to watch the work of Mr. Birmingham for some time in the future. The Conservative party is evidently moving back to its habits prior to the landslide of 1896.

A LIBERAL VICTORY.

The election of Duncan C. Ross, as member of the Ontario legislature, to succeed his father, Hon. G. W. Ross, is a rather significant victory for Liberalism in Ontario, and is a splendid tribute by the electors of West Middlesex to the personal and political worth of the ex-premier of Ontario as the high esteem in which Mr. Ross is held in his old home riding no doubt had much to do with the election of his son.

West Middlesex is a close constituency, in 1894 Hon. G. W. Ross had only 112 majority, in 1898 he won by 151 and in 1905 he had only 113 majority, and in each case he had the prestige of being a cabinet minister, so that to increase the majority to 130 running as an opposition member is no small achievement for both Duncan C. Ross and the Liberal party.

The opposition didn't whine because the government would not give them the seat of their old leader by acclamation, they made no complaint when Hon. W. J. Hanna, J. P. Downie M.P.P., and other Conservatives went over to West Middlesex and asked the electors to endorse the government policy. Instead of complaining. The leader of the opposition and Hon. A. G. MacKay went over to campaign for Ross and to tell

the people why the policy of the Ontario government should be condemned and that of the opposition supported. They had a worthy cause and put up a fight for it which resulted in a splendid victory for the Liberal party and its policy.

A POLICY OF PROGRESS.

Every progressive temperance measure in Canada has been proposed and enacted by a Liberal administration. In Prince Edward Island the prohibition province of the Dominion, the measure now in force was passed by a Liberal administration, the Canada Temperance Act was placed upon the statutes by a Liberal government, and the many measures of temperance reform, including local option, passed in Ontario, were given the province by a Liberal administration.

As soon as the Conservatives came into power in Ontario they determined to handicap local option by requiring a sixty per cent. vote in its favor before it became law. The new Liberal leader, Hon. Geo. P. Graham, has already given notice that he will introduce a bill in the legislature to repeal the clause requiring a three-fifths vote to enact a local option law and restoring to the municipalities the right they previously enjoyed of deciding by a simple majority whether or not they would have licensed hotels.

Mr. Graham, like other Liberals, does not believe in retrograde legislation. He believes that in the policy of the Liberal party to move slowly and surely upon questions of this kind, realizing that a hasty measure may injure the cause of temperance more than it will aid it, but he also believes in the Liberal policy of progress. It will be interesting to note the position the different members of the legislature will take on Mr. Graham's bill.

THE JAPS WON.

The Japs have won an unconditional victory in the San Francisco school controversy. The establishment of oriental schools to segregate the Japanese children by the school board of California's capital was repugnant to the Japanese and they carried their protest to the White House in the hope that the president would give them relief and they were successful.

Roosevelt has always made it pretty plain that he has no race prejudice. Almost immediately upon his occupancy of the White House he invited Booker T. Washington to the presidential residence much to the chagrin of many southerners and ever since he has shown the greatest liberality toward all races, classes and creeds.

The Japanese question was likely, however, to develop into a rather ugly proposition until their home government undertook recently to prevent the Japs from emigrating. Having taken so prominent a position among the nations of the world the Island could ill afford to suffer anything that might be considered an insult to their people. The San Francisco school trouble is the first issue between the Americans and the Japs and the Orientals have won.

MARLBOROS DEFEATED

Toronto, Feb. 20.—At the senior hockey game here tonight the Pierbroughs defeated the Marlboros 13 to 6.

A TRIUMPH FOR THE RADICALS

St. Petersburg, Feb. 19.—Available returns of today's tallying in the final elections of members of parliament picture a decisive victory of the opposition over the government forces, coupled with a significant overmastering of the constitutional democrats by the more radical parties such as the group of left, the social democrats and the social revolutionists. The re-election of Russia would be more irrefragably opposed to bureaucracy than the first is thus being fulfilled.

VICTORIA'S CANADIAN CLUB

Victoria, B.C., Feb. 18.—The first annual meeting of the Canadian Club of this city was held recently in the city hall. While the meeting was a brief one considerable business was transacted.

Officers were elected as follows: Honorary president, Lieut.-Governor Dunsmuir; president, A. W. McCurdy; first vice-president, Judge Lampman; second vice-president, F. Napier Denison; secretary, F. L. Clark; treasurer, J. S. Gibb; literary correspondent, J. H. McGregor.

The executive committee is: A. S. Barton, W. J. Dowler, H. B. McKenzie, Christopher Spencer, John Nelson, J. J. Braes, and C. H. Lugin.

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WANTED—A MALE TEACHER FOR Granger R. C. P. S., District No. 42; must be a Catholic and able to teach French as well as English. Applications will be answered by Paul E. Constantin, Secretary, Riviere Qui Barrie P. O.

STRAYED TO MY PREMISES, ONE red heifer, three years old, no brand. Owner can have same by proving property and paying expenses. Old Cust Farm, St. Albert, Alta.

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LOST—NEAR ST. ALBERT A BLACK buffalo robe with grey lining. Finder will please leave at Dawson's store, St. Albert and be rewarded.

TEACHER WANTED—MALE OR FEMALE, holding first or second class certificate. Duties to commence about March 4th. Apply with references to Arthur McQuilliam, Vegreville, Alta.

LOST—BAY HORSE, FOUR WHITE feet, star on forehead, light mane and tail, small ears, very long and leggy. Weighing about 1300 pounds. Lost about a year ago. Ten dollars reward for any information of same. Finlay McDonald, St. Albert.

ESTRAY—CAME TO THE PREMISES of undersigned, light bay cayuse, star on face, heart on right hip. Owner can have same by paying expenses and proving property. P. L. Frovance, 5 miles north-west of St. Albert.

WANTED—1,000 TAMARACK FENCE posts, 14 feet long, not smaller than 5 inches at top. Apply D. R. Fraser & Co., Limited, town office, Edmonton.

STRAYED—TO MY PREMISES, TOWNSHIP 53, Range 27, Section 18, three miles north of Stony Plain, a red cow, one horn missing. Owner can have same by paying expenses. Conrad Becker.

CAME TO THE PREMISES OF MICHAEL STEAK, Stony Plain, about first of year, six year old mare, dark brown, both right feet and nose white, no visible brand, shod and bated on when found.

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TELEGRAPH

SUSPICION POINTS TO

Toronto, Feb. 20.—Starr, who is investigating the licenses surrounding the Cosgrove Brewing Co., was intended for Dr. Be registral for Western T sion, and was intended for his influence in sec tise for the Clarendon

BRITISH STEAMER

ALL ON BOARD. Rot. r. and Ho. and astrous stamship, wesc with great loss of life, and, when the G. W. has company's steamer, "Te from Harwich, to the Hoo was lost. All on board, of whom 51 were passe drowned. The wreck occu cied this morning during south westerly gale. It struck the North Jetty wh where the new waterway of Ho land, was broke in and sink while the pass crew gathered aft and vain to use the life boats. One saved and twenty-five bofe was hid ashore. The Ter th steam 207 544 long ton. The ship was co Captain Ablett and was b

BOXING TOURNAMENT

FINISH. Montreal, Feb. 20.—Follow ing bout 71th tournament by the students of McGill, ter, a second year medical in an unconscious conditio Royal Victoria hospital, who after the contest, the T. H. reached the waterweight, another student, namee Has was of much lighter build, one of the first round, knoeked down and was gro call of time. Early in the received a blow in the left staggered against the ropes, test was then stoped. Pos to unconsciousness and fo to the hospital.

A BIG PLANT FOR CA

Consolidation of the Large ing Works.

New York, Feb. 19.—The today says: Negotiations progress it was learned yester ing to the consolidation of Lakes engineering works and the Toledo Shipbuilding Toledo. The Great Lakes w shupyard, at Detroit, St. C Ecorse, Michigan, the T. H. building company, the plant is at Toledo, is controlled by C Smith, the typewriter ma e of Syracuse. In addition e plants of the present io, the new company intend struct shipyards and dry d Duluth and a point in Cana its to Detroit. Some of the m tified with the United Stat corporation it is learned are e in the new shipbuilding dock company.

FRENCH CRUISER ASHO

Paris, Feb. 20.—The French Jean Bart, is ashore off Galle on the western coast of Moro will be a total loss. Her c ashore safely.

THE WEATHER.

Cold Wave More Pronounced. berta Gets Only Moderate T. Winnipeg, Feb. 20.—The col has become more pronounced throughout the western port Canada and especially in Ma Eight local snowfalls have ce in Alberta while elsewhere the ther has been fair.

FAINTED WHEN ARRESTED

Vernon, B.C., Feb. 18 E. M who claims to be a land agcu been arrested at Penitenti charge of being connected with murder of Zimmerman, jeweler of place two weeks ago.

McLain fainted when he was ed under arrest. He and a b have been living in the distri several months. The man r has been under surveillance fo eal days.

E. O. Conklin, a detective ass to W. H. Walsh, of Vancouver, cured the epidemic which led to the arrest.

DIVISIONAL CHANGES.

McLeod Calgary Branch Will Tacked Onto Crow Division. Lethbridge, Feb. 20.—It is les that the C. P. R. branch line tween MacLeod and Calgary is taken out of the division pres over by J. Niblock, of Calgary added to the Crow's Nest divi is which is under the authority of S E. Dickson, of Cranbrook. It is that the service between Lethb and MacLeod will not be rest but that a service between Lethb and Calgary will be substituted.

YET ANOTHER INDUSTRY

Lethbridge Company Formed to Manufacture Cement Blocks. Lethbridge, Feb. 21.—Wm. O is forming a company of local