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An Unfortunate Defalcator.

Gouldthrite the unfortunate absconding superintendent of the Government Printing Bureau at Ottawa has committed suicide. He was a fugitive from justice, and put an end to his life by jumping into the Detroit River from a steamer. His body was taken from the River Sunday afternoon. This is the intelligence brought by the wires. This is certainly a sad ending to a career of wrongdoing.

Since the first announcement of his defalcation, some light has been thrown on the methods pursued by Gouldthrite in his appropriation of public money. The total amount of the defalcations has not been ascertained, and it is doubtful whether or not it can be established with any degree of accuracy.

He was superintendent of stationery, and in that capacity controlled the purchasing of supplies, amounting to hundreds of thousands of dollars a year. By charging the Government high prices for the goods purchased and paying the sellers or their agents much lower prices, he secured the difference, known as "rake off." This he divided with his accomplices, so as to preserve silence.

The length to which this levying of toll was practiced has not been altogether unearthed; but it has been discovered that paper, scheduled as first quality, charged up to the Government at the rate of five and six dollars a ream, was found to be a very inferior article, purchased for one dollar a ream. This is one way in which the swindle was worked.

In all the departments supplies are found to be overstocked; in some lines the advance supplies are sufficient for ten years to come. Gouldthrite had been twenty years superintendent of the printing bureau, and it is not known how long he has been working the game of graft; but there is sufficient evidence that he has mulcted the Government of very large amounts.

It has been discovered that Mr. Gouldthrite, in addition to demanding direct toll from vendors of supplies, practiced a subsidiary scheme for scooping in the cash. He was the inventor of a device for keeping warm baby food, and in due time he had a company formed known as the "Baby Food Warmer Company," with his son, five years old, as managing director.

The principal office of the company was established in New York, and young man formerly of Ottawa and a friend of Gouldthrite, was placed in charge of this New York Office. New York and other American firms, selling supplies to the printing bureau, were asked to subscribe for stock in this company, as a condition of doing business with the Superintendent. In this way the swindling of the Government was covered up. The New York manager came to Ottawa, now and then, and the rake off was divided between the two grafters.

This discovery led to the unearthing of the defalcation in the bureau. Gouldthrite immediately cleared out and Government detectives started in search of him. At this stage news was received that he had jumped from a steamer on which he had taken passage from Buffalo to Detroit and drowned himself in the Detroit River. This intelligence was at first regarded with suspicion. It was thought

he might have caused his suicide to be rumored so as to put the officers of the law off their guard and give him an opportunity to get well out of the way. But the news that his dead body had been taken from the waters of the river confirmed the truth of the unfortunate man's self destruction.

This scandal with its gruesome denouement, is a damaging commentary on the Government's manner of conducting public departments. It also proves the correctness of the stand taken by the Opposition, after the report of the Cassel's commission regarding the Marine department. Mr. Doherty, on behalf of the Conservative Opposition, on that occasion moved the following resolution: "That in order to lift the cloud of suspicion that rests upon the administration of the various departments, to satisfy the demand of the country for honest and business like methods and to purge the public service of inefficiency, reckless waste and corrupt practices it is advisable and necessary in the public interest that a thorough and untrammelled investigation be made by a competent business commission into the workings of all the great spending departments of the government."

Instead of showing a desire to purify the public service and clean out the Augean stables, the Government used its majority to vote down this resolution. Sir Wilfrid's answer to Mr. Doherty's resolution was the typically cynical retort that "to the pure all things are pure."

Perhaps the Premier thinks what has been going on in the Printing Bureau comes under the "pure" heading. The lid is being lifted from the unwholesomeness of graft and rake off in the printing bureau, but what of the other departments? What of the departments of Interior, Militia and Defence and Railways and Canals. Even the department of Mr. Fisher might be none the worse for a little spade work being done there. And yet Sir Wilfrid Laurier has the barefaced audacity to get up in the house and say "there will be no general investigation unless a direct charge is made."

If there is nothing to hide what is Sir Wilfrid Laurier afraid of? That apostle of purity is sitting tight on the lid but even his weight cannot prevent some of the odors escaping from the Augean stables.

Borden's Ontario Tour.

The success and enthusiasm which marked the tour of Mr. R. L. Borden, the Conservative leader, through Ontario, demonstrated conclusively that the electors of that Province are determined at the next opportunity to sweep from power the Laurier administration, and put the affairs of the country into more capable and honest hands. Mr. Borden throughout the tour was welcomed as the man who could and would grapple with the dragon of graft, and no leader has been received with more striking evidences of good will and esteem. And it was no empty message which Mr. Borden and Judge Doherty brought to the electors of the banner province. The note of optimism rang throughout their addresses, and as the leader aptly put it, there was absolutely no reason for discouragement, and such a word did not exist in the dictionary of the party. Mr. Borden in his speeches took up in a masterly way typical examples of the blunderings of the government which have cost the country so dearly and which will continue so long as the reins of power remain in present hands. Overclassification on the National Trans-

continental, the scandal of the Quebec bridge, the gross extravagance and piling up of the debt, the waste of natural resources with the hand of every heeler in the public treasury, the alienation of lands to the detriment of the settler, and the fattening of the friendly speculator: all these came in for stringent criticism, and it can be safely said that never has a record of any government been more ruthlessly laid bare than by Mr. Borden on the tour which has just ended. It was shown that the Laurier administration by its bungling and utter disregard of the best interests of the country was playing fast and loose with Canada's credit was placing a heavy burden of debt on the shoulders of future generations, and was playing the role of spendthrifts and profligates. And the Conservative leader had ample facts and figures to prove his assertions. Even a cursory glance at the Laurier record will demonstrate that to day it is not government of and by the people, but a Czar-like rule of one man blinded with the dust of ambition and intoxicated by the insense of idolatry on the part of his followers who under him, have been permitted to indulge in a Saturnalia of graft, and to feast unhindered at the public troughs.

Perhaps the most important declaration made by Mr. Borden on the tour was at Finch when he took up Canada's position as it was affected by recent commercial treaties and arrangements. These latter have been somewhat numerous since Mr. Fielding got the treaty making habit, and contracted the desire to go running to Albany and Washington. In each case Canada has parted with some of her independence in the matter of control of the tariff and the taxation levied under the authority of the tariff. In some of these Fielding arrangements Canada is bound to give to other powers as favorable customs treatment as she may accord to any country with which she may make conventions and she may have to do this without receiving anything in return. When the understanding was reached with the United States last spring the situation in which the government found itself was such that it had to introduce into parliament a measure that gave to all countries the benefits that on the face of things only the United States had a right to expect. The position was a peculiar one for a government which prates about its regard for Canada's autonomy. As a matter of fact Canada's fiscal autonomy is a thing of the past. Messrs. Fielding and Brodeur who reckoned themselves commercial world shakers have bartered it away. They cannot recommend certain changes in certain duties without taking heed of how that action will be received in Washington, Tokio Paris or Berlin. British trade with Canada and Canadian trade between one part of the Dominion and another will be further affected if the conference between the members of the government at Ottawa and the commissioners of the United States next autumn, brings about an arrangement that will extend to the United States the full advantage of our intermediate tariff. The situation is one of grave possibilities, and for it the insane fondness of the Laurier government for foreign splurging is responsible. Small wonder is it that the people of Canada are crying out for a change from the blunderings of this administration to sane and healthy government.

The record of the Laurier government has been one of consistent blocking of investigation. The carnival of graft has gone merrily on since 1896 and Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his colleagues have used the money and resources of the people of Canada for personal aggrandisement and not for the development of the country. Millionaires have grown and flourished under the sunny smile of Laurierism. The voice of the grafter has been heard continually in the land. The Saskatchewan Valley Land deal, the Moncton land deal, the irrigation scandals in the west and the notorious timber limit manipulation, by which the whole of the timber of prairie country was permitted to fall into the hands of speculators and political friends. All these and many other scandalous transactions have stamped this administration as being rotten to the core. But when these things are brought home to Sir Wilfrid

Laurier and his ministers in the house they rub their hands smilingly and exclaim "Well what are you going to do about it? It is high time that the people of Canada took the house cleaning job into their own hands. Under this administration Canada is making headway only because of her sheer natural opportunities. The government with its horde of hangers-on is a drag on the wheels of progress. Canada is prospering in spite of the Laurier clique. But with good and honest government such as Mr. R. L. Borden has pledged himself to bring into being Canada will advance by leaps and bounds not only in material things but in the esteem and good will of the world. True the money markets of the old land might not have to be visited quite so frequently under a Conservative government as under Mr. Fielding's financial rule. There would however be a check on the wilful waste, and dishonest extravagance which has marked the closing years of the moribund Laurier administration. Canada wants a change. Common honesty and straight dealing she is entitled to and that she will and must have.

MARRIED.

McCURT-BYRNE-In St. Dunstan's Cathedral on the 4th, July inst., Fred McCurt, son of Mr. Peter McCurt of the Watchman, and Secretary to M. J. Butler, Sydney, and Miss Lily Byrne, daughter of the late James Byrne, of this city. Rev. Dr. McLellan officiated at the ceremony assisted by Rev. Joseph Gallant. The bridesmaids were Miss Evelyn Byrne and Miss Minnie McCurt, sisters of the bride and groom, respectively, and the groomsmen were Mr. Byrne McCurt, brother of the groom. Many numerous and valuable presents were received.

McCALLUM-NICHOLSON - At the home of the bride's parents, Prince Street, Charlottetown, on the 5th inst., Rev. T. F. Fullerton officiating, Lucretia Florence, daughter of Donald Nicholson, Esq. to James Oscar McCallum, manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Stony Plain, Alberta.

SANGSTER - McMILLAN - At St. David's Manse, Georgetown, on July 1st, by the Rev. Herbert W. Toombs, Captain David Alexander Sangster, to Mrs. Dell McMillan, both of Charlottetown.

HODGSON-DEWAR - At the Manse, Alberton, on June 22nd, by the Rev. George Millar, David B. Hodgson of Hill River to Elizabeth Liza Dewar of St. George New Brunswick.

McKENNERY - McDONALD - In St. James' Church, Georgetown, on June 29th, Rev. S. I. Phelan P. P., and Rev. J. C. McMillan, D. D. officiating, Josephine Alice Catherine, daughter of Archibald J. McDonald, M. P. to Henry O. McKennery, of St. John N. B. The bride was attended by her sister Miss Marion McDonald and the groom was supported by his brother G. Blake McKennery. The guests, the immediate relatives of the contracting parties, included the mother and sister of the groom. The presents were numerous and valuable.

DIED

ROBERTSON - At Hill River, Lot 42, in King's County on May 24th, Elizabeth McPhes, relict of the late Neil Robertson aged 91 years. Besides her husband, three of her eight daughters and two of her five sons predeceased her. She, therefore, leaves to mourn three sons and five daughters besides a large circle of friends. May her soul rest in peace.

REYNOLDS - In San Francisco, on May 1st, Oliver O. Reynolds, beloved husband of Henrietta M. Reynolds (nee Critchton of Murray Harbor South, P. E. I.) aged 45 years, leaving, besides his disconsolate widow, two sons to mourn.

McMILLAN - At Vernon River, on June 27, Hannah Gertrude, eldest daughter of George F. and Ada McMillan aged fourteen years.

GILL - At the residence of her son-in-law, Daniel T. Fraser, Kingston, on June 28th, Sarah E. relict of the late Abraham Gill, Little York, aged 89 years.

WYNE - At New Haven on June 26th, Laura Wyne, aged 18 years. May her soul rest in peace.

McINTOSH - At Springton, Lot 67, of heart failure, July 1st, Katie Maad, most dear and beloved daughter of Mary and Murdoch McIntosh, in the 22nd year of her age.

PETERS - At Bastion on June 25th, Emily Gertrude Peters, second daughter of Mr. Joseph Peters, aged 21 years. May her soul rest in peace.

MATHIESON - At Oyster Bed Bridge, on July 4th, June Hooper, beloved wife of David Mathieson.

NORTON - At her home, Belleville Cottage, Brudenell, on July 1st, 1910, Ann Boston Davis, widow of the late Frederick P. Norton, aged 75.

HICKEY - At Gowan Brae, on June 27th, Flora, relict of the late C. A. Hickey, aged 82 years. Interment took place at Indian River. Three sons and one daughter are left to mourn. May her soul rest in peace.

MOYNAGH - At Charlottetown on June 30th, May, daughter of James Moynagh, Souris. She was on her way home from Boston, whether she had gone last autumn for her health, when she was suddenly stricken down and was unable to proceed to her home. The remains were conveyed to Souris on July 1st, and the interment took place Sunday 3rd. R. I. P.

BEAMISH - In St. John, N. B., on the 3rd inst., John Beamish, leaving his wife, one son and one daughter to mourn.

Mortgage Sale.

There will be sold by public Auction at the Court House at Georgetown in King's County, on Friday, the 15th day of July, A. D. 1910, at the hour of twelve o'clock noon, all that tract, piece or parcel of land situate lying and being on Township number Fifty-three, in King's County, bounded and described as follows, that is to say: Commencing at the Division Line of Townships Number Fifty-two and Fifty-three, at the south boundary of sixty acres of land conveyed to James Ronsagan; thence east by the Commissioner of Public Lands to Mary Campbell; thence running south along said Division Line for the distance of six chains and eighty links to the north boundary of fifty acres of land conveyed to James Ronsagan; thence east by the magnet of the year 1784 eighty-eight chains or to the west boundary of the Selkirk Estate; thence north six chains and eighty links to the south boundary of Mary Campbell's land aforesaid; thence west along the same to the place of commencement, containing sixty acres of land a little more or less.

The above sale is made pursuant to and by virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain Indenture of Mortgage bearing date the fourth day of March, A. D. 1905, and made between Alexander Gilles, of Martinville, Township Number Fifty-three, in King's County, in Prince Edward Island, Farmer, and Catherine Gilles, his wife, of the first part, and John A. Mathieson, of Georgetown, in King's County, aforesaid, Barrister-at-Law, of the second part, which said Mortgage has by Assignment become vested in the undersigned default mortgagee. For further particulars apply at the office of Mathieson, McDonald & Stewart, Solicitors, Georgetown.

Dated the 6th day of June, A. D. 1910. (Sgd.) GEORGE A. PARKER, Assignee of Mortgage. June 15th, 1910-41

Mortgage Sale.

There will be sold by public Auction, at the Law Courts Building in Charlottetown, in Prince Edward Island on Friday the 15th day of July next 1910, at twelve o'clock noon, all that tract piece or parcel of land, situate lying and being on township number twenty-one in Queen's County, in said Island, bounded and described as follows, that is to say: On the south by and of Duncan Cairns, on the east by land in the possession of Robert McKay and on the northwest by the Grosvenor's Road, containing by estimation seven and one half acres of land a little more or less. Also all that other parcel of land situate on Township Twenty-one aforesaid, bounded as follows, that is to say: on the east by the Road leading from Clifton to the Bridge, on the south by land of Margaret McKenzie, on the north and west by lands of William Montgomery. The above sale is made under and by virtue of and pursuant to a power of sale contained in a certain Indenture of Mortgage, bearing date the 25th day of May, A. D. 1898, and made between John Gunn of Clifton in Queen's County, farmer, and saddle, and Anna Bell Gunn his wife of the one part, and Henry P. Strong of the other part, the said mortgage having been assigned to the undersigned by Indenture of Assignment dated 18th April, A. D. 1910, by the said Henry P. Strong, default having been made in payment of the principal money.

Dated at Kensington this 22nd day of June A. D. 1910. SAMUEL KENNEDY, Assignee of Mortgage. June 22, 1910-31.

Mortgage Sale.

To be sold by public Auction, on Tuesday, the twenty-sixth day of July, A. D. 1910, at the hour of twelve o'clock noon, in front of the Law Courts Building in Charlottetown, under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in an Indenture of Mortgage bearing date the first day of May, A. D. 1885, and made between Adolphus Bayfield, of Charlottetown, in Prince Edward Island, Cashier of the Bank of Montreal, of the one part, and Edward Bayfield, of Charlottetown, in Queen's County, in said Island, Barrister, of the other part.

All that tract, piece or parcel of land situate lying and being on Lot or Township Number Twenty-four, in Queen's County, in said Island, bounded and described as follows, that is to say: Commencing on the North Shore of Wheelley River and at the southeast angle of forty acres of land conveyed to Hermesegilde Dolron; thence north two degrees west to the shore of Westcoast Bay; thence following the various courses thereof southwesterly and the shore of the aforesaid river southwesterly to the place of commencement, containing forty acres of land, a little more or less.

Also all that tract of land situate on Lot Twenty-four aforesaid, bounded as follows, that is to say: Commencing at the southeast angle of land conveyed to Eusebe Galant on the North Shore of Wheelley River and running thence north two degrees west to the shore of Westcoast Bay; thence following the course thereof southwesterly to the west boundary of land in the possession of Hermesegilde Dolron, having a width at right angles of nine chains; thence south two degrees east to the shore of the aforesaid river and thence following the courses thereof to the place of commencement, containing forty acres of land, a little more or less.

For further particulars apply at the office of Mathieson, McDonald & Stewart, 165 Richmond Street, Charlottetown. EDWARD BAYFIELD, Mortgagee. June 22, 1910-41

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