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THE ELECTIONS

The federal elections will be held on Oct. 26th. This gives five clear weeks for the campaign, at a season of the year which is favorable for going about the country to hold public meetings, and a season also when the people can give considerable time to the work of organization and political discussion. The campaign will be short and sharp. It has, indeed, already been in progress for some time, so that nobody is taken by surprise. The leaders of both parties have been addressing great public meetings, and the party press has assumed a very decided political complexion. There will be ample time in these five weeks for every citizen who desires it to acquaint himself with the strong and the weak points of each party and policy, and to form an intelligent opinion as to his own duty as an elector. The issues involved are of so great importance that no citizen can justify himself if he remains indifferent. A mere ascent to a party platform because it is the party platform is not the attitude of mind which should characterize an intelligent citizen; but each should satisfy himself that the platform is sound, and that the standard-bearer of the party is worthy of support. A government has been in power for twelve years. It seeks a renewal of public confidence and support. Are its claims just? Another party seeks to attain power. Are its charges true and its professions to be relied on? What does the record show? Upon the answer to these questions depends the result. Every elector should answer them for himself, according to his light, and should register his vote in accordance with his personal convictions, undisturbed by party clamor or sectional appeal.

PRESERVE FOR BIRDS

The suggestion made in a letter to the Times yesterday, that the destruction of feathered game on the marshy tract between Westfield Bridge and the covered bridge on the Nerepis, is one that should be taken up seriously by the provincial authorities. Every naturalist knows that this beautiful water park, which in early spring is almost covered with water, becomes later the breeding ground of many species of birds. It is unfortunately so easy of access in the shooting season that many youths are tempted out with canoe and gun, and the birds that are not killed are frightened away. The Times is informed that wild duck frequent the place in much smaller numbers than a few years ago, and the like is doubtless true of other birds. When young sportsmen fail to find one species they shoot anything that comes within range, even the song birds. It would be a good thing to form a preserve at this place. For those who desire to enjoy shooting there is a lake over behind the hills. This Nerepis breeding ground should be kept free for breeding purposes, and undisturbed by the sound of guns.

IN SOUTH AFRICA

The following very interesting review of political conditions and pending changes in South Africa is from the Toronto World:

"Next month will be important and may be historic in the history of South Africa. In accordance with arrangements sanctioned by the governments of Cape Colony, Natal, the Orange River State and the Transvaal, a convention will be held for the purpose of ascertaining whether an agreement can be reached for the federation of these self-governing communities. As matters stand the convention will be preponderantly Dutch, since administrations of that complexion are now in power in all the states excepting Natal. Into the racial question, concerning which a considerable dispute has been in progress in Great Britain, the World does not propose to enter, and, indeed, to Can-

adians it is one which is most likely to be satisfactorily answered by the free action of South Africans themselves. Certainly our Dutch fellow-citizens seem to have accepted the gift of free self-government under the British flag in the spirit with which it was made, and that this is the feature which holds out most hope for the future of South Africa.

"In anticipation of the conference the Hon. R. H. Brand of Johannesburg was commissioned to procure information regarding the working of federal institutions within and without the British Empire. Among other authorities to whom he applied was Mr. E. W. Thomson, the well-known writer on the African affairs in 'The Boston Transcript,' and a recent issue of that journal contains a summary of the reply made. It is valuable and important and all the more so because it contains an opinion by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, based on his experience of the practical development of the Canadian constitution. As might naturally be expected, the Dominion premier expresses a strong preference for a federative union, and that largely on the ground of the duality of race which also prevails in South Africa. But he adds that even were there homogeneity of race, he should favor the federative system.

"The problem that confronts South Africa is highly interesting. It has the choice of four, more or less, desired methods of accomplishing the desired object. In the United Kingdom, as presently constituted, it has the precedent of unification—one legislative body for all the constituent parts. In the United States it has a nation where the individual states that voluntarily formed it retained their sovereign rights—only parting with the control of such affairs as were common to all. In Canada, again, as Mr. Thomson points out, federation sprang more from the desire of the Ontario and Quebec to get their truly local or provincial affairs separated than from the general tendency to union of the British provinces in America. Thus, legislative union was preserved in matters of common interest, and of everything indeed save what was specifically assigned to the provincial legislatures. In Australia, where the states were established and highly organized, the United States precedent was more closely followed, and already serious constitutional difficulties are confronting the commonwealth.

"Mr. Thomson's contribution to imperial politics takes the form of a vindication of the principle underlying the British North America Act. But he does not omit to point out that whatever similarities may be found between the constitution of Canada and the United States, there is one fundamental distinction in the shape of ministerial responsibility—government by ministers responsible to the representatives and responsible for everything put through or allowed to pass. For lack of this invaluable system—in other words, parliamentary government—the republic and the states individually, have, as he truly says, just the other thing, viz., irresponsible government. The experience of Canada unquestionably shows that there is nothing inconsistent between a federal government and a parliamentary system. But it is a matter of argument whether in the special circumstances of South Africa, federation is to be preferred to legislative unification. The latter is favored by Cape Colony and the Transvaal, and is supported by influential sections of public opinion in Great Britain. If the conference decides on federation, there will be little difference of opinion that the principle of the Canadian federal system, under proper safeguards for the protection of provincial rights, has the weight of advantage."

The delightful weather continues, and the exhibition continues to attract immense crowds. At times yesterday it was really difficult to move about the buildings except in the direction and at the pace set by the strolling throngs. The general verdict appears to be that the fair is well worthy of the patronage it receives.

If the Temperance Federation is to present to the provincial government petitions in favor of a prohibitory law it should get as many signatures as possible. A little money and effort expended to that end would produce better results than a mere dependence on voluntary work.

Supt. Bridges points out that the number of pupils in attendance at St. John schools has increased by nearly a thousand in ten years. The school accommodation has not been proportionately increased, and the authorities must face the situation in a practical way.

A TELEGRAM FROM MR. HAYES. A despatch to T. McAvity & Sons yesterday signed by James P. Hayes was to the effect that the lumber mill of the Temiscouata Lumber Company, Ltd., at Notre Dame du Lac (P.Q.), had burned yesterday morning. The despatch requested that W. B. Hayes who was in St. John be apprised of the fact. Mr. Hayes could not be located.

The trespassing case against the city employee was continued in the police court yesterday afternoon and adjourned until Wednesday and in the meantime the magistrate advised the interested parties to effect a settlement.

Passengers who came to this city last evening on the Gibson branch of the U. P. R. train report having seen a beautiful and large bull moose in the vicinity of Milville station.—Fredericton Gleaner.

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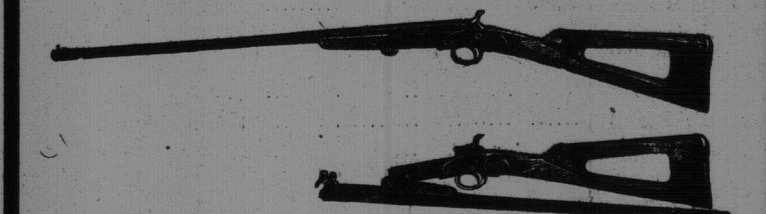
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IN LIGHTER VEIN

EAGER FOR SCHOOL. "I wish it was time for school to open, mamma." "I'm very glad to hear you say so, Willie. It shows you are beginning to appreciate what an education means." "Now, isn't that Tommy? You won't get home till school opens, but I'm waiting to crack his slats for bustin' my red wagon." —Cleveland Faindeluder.

UP OR DOWN.

(Springfield Republican.) Two ambitious but inexperienced golfers were out on the links when a new member of the club arrived. All went fairly well, although bogey remained practically intact, until they reached a use overlooking the pond. Jack drove furiously into the murky depths of the pool. Standing nearby was a little girl, not over bright, but serious. After several more balls plunged and rose no more, she queried Shanks but sincerely of one of the golfers: "A sissy, mister, where does the fun in this game come in?"

QUITE NECESSARY. A gentleman met his medical adviser on the street the other day and passed a friendly greeting. "Well, and how are you?" asked the doctor. "Quite passable, thanks," said the other. "But notice that when I bend my body forward, stretch out my arms horizontally and attempt to then a circumlocution, I always feel such a pain in my left shoulder."

"But what need is there for you to perform such ridiculous antics?" enquired the physician. "Do you know any other way, doctor, of getting on your top-coat?" replied his patient.

A SPLENDID CELEBRATION.

(Glasgow Herald.) In the Aberdeen district a minister was out taking an evening walk, when he came upon one of his parishioners lying in a ditch. "Where have you been the night?" "Andrew!" I didn't win," answered the prostrate sinner. "Whether it was a wedding or a funeral, but whatever it was, it has been a most extraordinary success."

POPULAR EDUCATION.

(Newbook.) Many children are so crammed with everything that they really have no time to think. In proof of this read these veritable specimens of dullness, written by public school children: "Reading is taking care of a table." "A mosquito is the child of black and white parents." "Monsters is the place for monsters." "Toxin is something to do with getting drunk." "Expectation is to have the smallest." "Cannibal is two brothers who kill each other in the Bible." "Anatomy is the human body which consists of three parts: the head, the chest and the stomach. The head contains the eyes and brain, if any. The chest contains the lungs and piece of the liver. The stomach is devoted to the bowels, of which there are five, a, e, i, o, u, and sometimes w and y."

VISIT FROM HIS MAJESTY

Editor Evening Times: Sir—A great politician said:—"Tell the truth when you can't tell a lie." I have made up my mind to reform. I've told as many lies as any man ought to tell. I would have kept on, but it is this way:—I had a dream last night. The house is so lonely since Hannah and the children went away.

Well! In the middle of the night, I heard someone tramping through the empty halls and rooms. I sat up in bed, and, suddenly, a man entered my room. He had no light with him, but from his person there emanated a light brighter than the sun. He was prepossessing in appearance. Up to date in attire. His face was suffused with smiles and he rubbed his hands in contentment. He seemed to win my heart at once. I said he seemed to be a politician—a candidate, I presume. You want my vote I suppose? He answered—"They used to call me the devil—but this is a swell age—I'm known as Emperor De-Vil Of course I'm a politician—I belong to both parties. I'm largely interested in churches, society, and national problems. I'm making a success of my empire. The air was loaded with bromine—I gasped for breath. He took hold of me with a giant grip—pulled me out of bed. He said, I want you to fill the vacancy left by Tom Pepper, the champion liar. I begged to decline the honor. He said, "You're elected." I said, "I've made up my mind to be honest. He let me go. He said, "I was fooled once—I took a lawyer down to my cabinet, I thought he'd fill the bill. He was honest and a careful lawyer disrupted my empire before I could get rid of him. I awoke. All was darkness—I opened the window to let out the smoke of bromine. I'd had a great fright. How rich we are to be destitute of many things. You may depend I'll hand out the truth henceforth. No seat in the cabinet for me.

Yours, BUCKWHEAT.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

It's worth while to take the precaution and send your colored garments to Ungar's for unfading work. Main 58.

Avoid the rush at the box office when you go to the exhibition. Come to Pidgen's, corner Main and Bridge streets, make a purchase of \$3, and you can avoid the rush and save the price of entrance. For \$2 you can also admit one of your children free.—9-17-11.

F. A. Dykeman & Co. are showing their new German coats for fall. They arrived only yesterday and are marvels of the designer's art. Every lady who will require a new coat this fall will do well to see these garments before they are picked over.

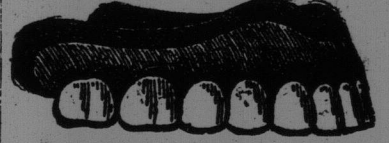
Attractions at F. W. Daniel & Company's, Charlotte street—Sale of Ladies' and Misses' golf coats and fine sweaters at makers' prices; a special purchase of high class dress skirts, manufacturers' samples, many beautiful skirts in the lot, all latest styles; also specials in ladies' fall costumes in mantle department—See advertisement on page 5.

Everybody Getting Bargains at the Big Clothing Sale. Yesterday was a record day at the big sale of brand new fall and winter clothing and furnishing now going on at J. N. Harvey's store in the Open House block. New lines have been added for today and Friday's selling, making the attractions greater than ever. Don't miss this chance to buy a cold weather outfit while the prices are almost cut in two. 9-17-11.

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