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THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 1906.

A TRIBUTE.

Death has all seasons for its fearful purpose. But rarely does it bring honor so quickly in its train as it has done to the late Hon. Raymond Prefontaine. His death was peculiarly sad. In the full vigor of manhood, in the zenith of his political usefulness, in the zealous exercise of his talents and mature experience, he was suddenly called with that beckoning which no man can resist.

The wires flashed to his bereaved home, to his governmental colleagues and his many Canadian friends, the sad news of his immature and unexpected death. At all this no man can murmur, for Divine Providence has His care over all. No sooner was it known in Paris that a member of the Canadian Government, of French origin yet a British subject, had died (and it was naturally expected that he should be brought to his native land), when the French Government, with hastened courtesy offered to transfer the remains to Canada in a French warship which was placed at the disposal of the Attorney-General, who had been with Mr. Prefontaine during his short illness and at the time of his death.

The Imperial Government, however, while acknowledging the considerate and gracious act of the French Republic, placed H. M. S. Dominion on duty to bring the body to Canada.

On Monday last the warship arrived at Halifax with the funeral cortege. There it was met by the Archbishop of Halifax, clergy, relatives, colleagues of the deceased, bodyguards of marines and soldiers from the various detachments stationed thereon. A special train conveyed the remains and the friends to this city, where a civic and national funeral took place with all the pomp and ceremony of the Church under the care of the Dominion Government and the City of Montreal. His Grace Archbishop Bruchési sang the Mass.

Of all these details we will give a full account next week, as it is too late to give full honor to such a ceremony.

We cannot, however, allow the occasion to pass without a comment upon the national significance which in all its circumstances it seems to convey. No two nations have stood together at one period in such hatred on the one hand or in such close friendship on the other as England and France. So far as this continent is concerned we mean North America—they have been the great colonists and civilizing forces. It is right and proper, therefore, that when a man of French blood, yet of British loyalty, died away from home

he should receive the honor of the tri-color of his forefathers and the British flag of his own devoted obedience and service. Such gracious acts on the part of the home countries not only serve to unite more closely the two countries themselves which never ought again to be separated but they serve to unite two branches of the great British Dominion—Canada.

We have said little or nothing about the personal qualities of the deceased minister. No man was so ardent in the very task which his death seemed to fulfill as was Mr. Prefontaine. When many of the French-Canadians seemed aggressive and anxious to assert themselves, his tact, his prudence, his zeal for the advancement of all interests without the predominance of any particular creed or class prevailed. Like most of the French-Canadian ministers he was an earnest and hard worker in his department. He had at heart the full development of the Marine and Fisheries of Canada, whose value to the country he fully appreciated. But he was not long enough spared to us to exercise his talent or develop the policy he has marked out for the Marine and Fisheries, which he understood so well.

In his private life he was a devoted son of the Church, and he had the consolation at the last hour of receiving the sacred rights which are the greatest comfort to the poor soul and the greatest satisfaction to the mourning friends whom he leaves behind. Canada can ill spare such devoted, able sons as Raymond Prefontaine.

THE MAYORALTY.

But a few days remain to the supporters of Mr. Doran in which to endeavor to bring to a successful finish the campaign waged so earnestly in his interests. The manly stand Mr. Doran has always taken on the side of right warrants for him the support of all well thinking men, irrespective of race or creed. This is evidenced by the meeting held in the Y.M.C.A., called by the Dominion Alliance, at which delegates from churches and societies of all denominations were present and placed on record the following resolution:

"That this gathering heartily approves of the action of the Dominion Alliance in calling this meeting for the purpose of advancing public morality, through and in connection with the municipal campaign now in progress, and we promise to advance in every possible and legitimate manner the interests of Mr. W. E. Doran as mayor of Montreal for the ensuing term."

In Mr. Doran's programme is outlined reforms along important lines. For instance, he pronounces himself in favor of a campaign against unlicensed liquor selling places, gambling houses and houses of ill-fame, and says he will insist on law enforcement. Mr. Ekers, on the other hand, has remained silent on duties attaching to the mayoral office, leaving us to imagine that he is quite satisfied with the present state of affairs. A public declaration of a certain programme to be followed does not always warrant good results, still we like to know where a man is at; and if he fails to live up to what he promises, the remedy is in our own hands.

The element to be contended with in the fight for good government is generally strong and aggressive. We cannot, however, see why, if all the forces for good be banded together, all putting their shoulder to the wheel, they cannot carry the day. Nor do we for one moment think they are going to allow themselves to be defeated. The chance has come for the Irish Catholics to elect their man and we feel confident that on February 1 they, when put to the test, will do their duty.

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 Best quality—as cheap as the cheapest.
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POLITICAL SITUATION IN ENGLAND.

The polling throughout Great Britain within the past week has amazed even the most sanguine among the political prophets. The new register of Parliament will place the erstwhile all-powerful Unionist party, including Chamberlainites and Tories, in the minority equal at most only to the combined strength of the Irish and Labor vote. The question, in fact, that now arises is: Will Mr. Chamberlain go back to the House as the recognized leader of a recognized opposition? His position reminds us of that of our own Mr. R. L. Borden. Mr. Balfour is out and apparently none are anxious to see him come back. That whole-souled Imperialist and half-baked romancer, Sir Gilbert Parker, who owes his title to poor Mr. Balfour's easy recognition of mediocrity, has been asked and has refused to vacate his seat for his unfortunate benefactor. Sir Gilbert is the true type of the colonial Imperialist. But he is all right on the doctrine "What we have we'll hold." As a politician this is his motto; and instead of giving up he would prefer to ask for more. Sir Gilbert is ahead of the game with his title and his Parliamentary seat and has no thought of relinquishing either. Far different the case of our distinguished fellow-citizen, Mr. Donald MacMaster, who if he had only butted in some years ago might have done a little better than taking payment for his services in oscillatory currency.

The all-important question until the opening of the new Parliament must be: What course will the Liberals adopt now that they are assured of a majority independent of the Irish vote? Hon. John Morley was asked this very question on Jan. 12th, when he addressed the electors of Brechin under the Provost's chairmanship. He answered that he was prepared to wait and see how the situation may develop. Mr. Balfour, on the contrary, upon the same night declared that he could not understand how the Liberals could succeed in excluding Home Rule from their first Parliamentary programme. So it is with the new situation. We have the two parties endeavoring to adapt themselves to their changed circumstances. But as a general proposition it can be stated that Home Rule sympathizers have no cause to regret the wide sweep of victory achieved under the Liberal banner which Mr. Balfour from start to finish of the campaign persistently pointed to as the Home Rule color.

The Labor party, as becomes a young and lusty new arrival upon the scene, will insist upon making itself seen and heard; and one of its first tilts will be against the House of Lords. The Irish party here will be in complete accord with the new voice of British Democracy. Together they are likely to give direction and force to the revolution effected at the polls.

In the whole range of British history there has never arisen a situation where statesmanship was subjected to a more thorough test than that awaiting the first Campbell-Bannerman administration. The opportunity is unprecedented and the chances for good or evil enormous. Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, however, is a quiet old gentleman with a level head, an even temper and a saving grace of humor. Those who have followed his public career most closely are the least likely to estimate his dimensions as corresponding to those of the square man in the round hole.

ENGLISH LIBERALS AND CATHOLIC EDUCATION.

The speculation indulged in concerning the outlook for the Catholic minority in England under the Liberal Government is answered by the Tablet, which is authorized to state that as far as the English Catholic authorities are concerned there is no foundation whatever for an announcement in the London Morning Post that the Government were negotiating with them with a view of a compromise on the Education question to be embodied in the Act of next

session. The belief is entertained in well-informed circles that the Government are anxious to come to some arrangement of the kind indicated. The Liberals have always recognized that the Catholic schools occupy a different footing from those of the Church of England, and it is believed that if some plan could be devised by which the interests of Catholic teaching would be safeguarded, while at the same time satisfying the demands of the Nonconformists in regard to public control, the Government would be willing to avail of it. A suggestion to this effect put forward by the Tablet last week has attracted considerable notice. It is that the Legislature, while conceding to the local authority, a majority of the managers should require that from the list of qualified teachers Catholics should be selected for Catholic schools. The suggestion is put forward by the Tablet as the basis of a working compromise.

ST. JOSEPH'S HOME.

The following kind benefactors have sent contributions since the last account appeared in the True Witness: Mr. McNulty, Montreal, and Mrs. Flynn, Scranton, Pa., ten dollars each; Mr. C. Coughlin, Ald. Walsh, Mr. Michael Burke, Mrs. Bailey, Montreal; Mrs. Doyle, Herbert's Corners, Ont., and Miss Nellie Flynn, Scranton, Pa., five dollars each; Mrs. Cunningham, Mrs. Sweeney, Mr. F. Feron and Mr. James Young, Montreal, and Mrs. E. Wolfarth, New York, two dollars each. Mr. P. Cannon, Mrs. A. Woods, Miss Doonan, Montreal, Mrs. Keyes, St. Columban, Mrs. Kinsella, Ottawa, Miss Johanna Weiss, New Hamburg, Ont., and four friends of St. Joseph, one dollar each. The following gentlemen Knights of Columbus also contributed to the light fund: Messrs. J. M. Ward, Jas. Rogers, J. A. Rafter, W. H. Cox, G. McNally, W. E. Durack and Mr. G. Faillie, of the City Hall. Mrs. Bumbay sent parcels of fruit and candy. Mrs. Cunningham: two bags of potatoes; Mrs. Conant an overcoat; Mrs. Grant and others parcels of clothing. Father Holland desires to thank all most sincerely and to invite them to the euchre party which will be given in St. Ann's Hall, Ottawa street, on the sixth of February. Twenty prizes will be offered to the successful game winners. Of these the following are ready for exhibition in Mr. Gallery's window on Notre Dame street: A watch bracelet, by Mr. D. Bennett, a smoking set, by Mrs. Stannan, A bag of flour, Mr. John Gallery; a quilt from a friend, a box of cigars each from Mr. Jack Tucker and Mr. W. Ryan, a fountain pen, The N. K. Fairbanks Co.; a lady's hat trimmed to order by Mrs. Vallee, another by the Misses O'Neil, a handsome cushion, hand painted, by Miss McArthur, an umbrella from Ald. Gallery, a black thorn stick from Father Kelly, Waterford Ireland; a pair of pants to order from Ald. Walsh, a year's subscription to the Irish World or Freeman's Journal from Mr. Patrick Ford, a quarter of beef by Mr. Carlin, a box of silk handkerchiefs from Miss Anna Lynch, Hartford, Conn. Those of our good readers who wish to add a prize to the foregoing have only to signify their intention and their gifts will be highly appreciated. After the coffee a door prize will be drawn from a hat; the tally card which will bear the same number as that drawn will gain a gold piece. By the way the tickets are going a very large attendance is expected. During the evening Mr. Kelly, of St. Lawrence street, will entertain the players with selections from the newest and loudest graphophone in the city. The management takes this opportunity to thank him and all friends of the Home for their aid in making the young institution a success. It is a grand work and deserves to be better known and more appreciated. The sale is now put up in neat boxes and is doing wonders.

ST. PATRICK'S.

The grand old parish church was, on last Sunday, the scene of quite a gala celebration. The Rev. Dr. Luke Callaghan sang high Mass and gave every appearance of the recovery of a perfect state of health. The sermon of the day was preached by Rev. P. Heffernan. It was also learned that the Rev. M. Callaghan, Pastor of St. Patrick's, was to leave during the week for a short and well-earned rest. To both of those reverend gentlemen we extend our most hearty congratulations, and we most sincerely hope that they be spared to work together for many years to come among those in whose welfare they take such a pure and lively interest.

COLONIAL HOUSE, - Phillips Square.

Great Annual Discount Sale

Liberal Discounts in Every Department and 5 Per Cent. Extra for Cash.

SILK DEPARTMENT

SPECIAL IN BLACK SILKS
 Black Taffeta, 50c, 60c, 80c, 90c, \$1.10 and \$1.25 per yard, less 20 per cent.
 Black Messaline, \$1.15 per yard, less 20 per cent.
 Black Louisa, \$1.25 per yard, less 20 per cent.
 Black Paillette, \$1.25 per yard, less 20 per cent.
 Black Satin Duchesse, \$1.25 and \$1.50 per yard, less 33 1-3 per cent.
 Elegant Chiffon Taffeta Silk, in fancy colored stripes, \$1 per yard less 50 per cent.
 Colored Taffeta Silks, White Taffeta Silks, 75c per yard, less 25 per cent.
 Pin checks and larger checks in Black and White and Colored Chiffon Taffeta, 50c per yard, less 20 per cent., and 5 per cent. extra for cash.

BASKET DEPARTMENT

Special tables of Fancy Candy Baskets, Work Baskets, Music Stands, Lunch and Market Baskets, at 50 per cent.
 Go-Carts and Baby Carriages, 10 per cent. and 20 per cent.

SPORTING GOODS DEPT.

Toboggans (except Lignum Vitae), less 10 per cent.
 Canadian Skis, less 10 per cent.
 Norwegian Skis (Hagen make), are not.
 All summer goods, except Golf Balls, Tennis Balls, and Official League Canoes, Boats, Oars and Paddles are also excepted from above.

CARPET DEPARTMENT

SPECIAL FOR THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY.
 Balance of made-up Squares in Wilton, Axminster, Brussels and Tapestry, less 33 1-3.
 40 yards of China Matting for \$2 net.
 Balance of remnants of Stair Carpet, in Wilton, Axminster and Brussels, less 33 1-3 per cent.
 Small lots of Rugs and Mats, less 20 per cent.
 Balance of Embroideries, such as Table Covers, Doilies, Boleros, etc., less 50 per cent.
 1 only Table Cover, Persian embroidery, less 60 per cent.
 Special line of Brussels and Axminster Carpet, less 20 per cent.
 Special line of Oilcloth, less 20 per cent.
 25 pieces of Japanese Matting, less 33 1-3 per cent.
 Balance of Fibre Rugs and Carpets, less 20 per cent.

DRESS TRIMMING DEPT.

Black, White and Colored Chiffon Applique, 10 per cent.
 Black Silk Applique, 10 per cent.
 Black Sequin Gimp, 10 per cent.
 Black Sequin Fringe, 20 per cent.
 Colored Cloth Applique, 20 per cent.
 Colored Sequin Gimp, for evening wear, 20 per cent.
 White Pearl Gimp, for evening wear, 20 per cent.
 Colored Beaded Gimp, for evening wear, 33 1-3 per cent.
 Colored Cloth Insertion, 50 per cent.
 Black, White and Colored Satin folds, 50 per cent.
 Remnants in Black and Colored Gimp, 20 per cent.

PRINT DEPARTMENT

Fancy Striped Gingham, 25c, less 50 per cent.
 Fancy Satin for Dresses, 85c, less 50 per cent.
 White Cheviot, fancy stripes, 50c, less 50 per cent.
 White Cheviot, fancy stripes, 40c, less 50 per cent.
 White Basket Cloth, 17c, less 10 per cent.
 Check Gingham in all shades, 11c, less 10 per cent.
 Creponnes, white ground with colored spots, 50c, less 66 2-3 per cent.
 White Basket Cloth with blue stripes, 50c, less 66 2-3 per cent.

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Sample sent to any address when possible, and special attention given to Mail orders.

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SILK DEPARTMENT

A SPECIAL LINE.
 French Foulards in fashionable designs and colorings.
 Black and white, navy and white, Alice blue and white, rosea, green and white, light blue and white, etc.
 A large range to choose from, 80c per yard, less 50 per cent., and 5 per cent. extra for cash.

CURTAIN DEPARTMENT

Special range of Curtain Materials in Tapestries and Silks, suitable for Portieres, Dining Room and Library windows, at discounts ranging from 25, 33 1-3 to 50 per cent.
 Sample pairs of Lace Curtains and Madras Curtains, less 25 per cent. discount.
 Special lines of Lace Curtains in Irish Point and Nottingham Lace, less 20 per cent.
 Remnants of Fringes, Cords and Shade Laces, less 50 per cent. discount.

WALL PAPER DEPARTMENT

Special lines Japanese Leather Papers, less 75 per cent. discount.
 Special lines Wall Papers for Halls, Dining Rooms, Libraries and Bedrooms, less 50 per cent. discount.
 Special lines Wall Paper for Living Rooms, Dining Rooms, Libraries, and Bedrooms, less 33 1-3 per cent. discount.
 Special lines Applique Friezes, suitable for Ingrains or Tinted walls, at 50c per yard, less 75 per cent. discount.
 Job lots Wall Papers in bundles of from 6 to 12 single rolls, less 75 per cent. discount.
 300 Rolls odd Borders, 18 inches wide (no side wall to match), to be cleared at 5c single roll.

STATIONERY DEPARTMENT

CLEARANCE SALE OF FANCY POST CARDS.
 Several thousand Cards, among the assortment, regular 25c doz., special, 10c dozen.
 Burnt Leather Postal Cards, regular 3 for 25c, special 2 for 5c.
BLACK BORDERED NOTE PAPER—Several broken lines to clear. Boxes Note containing 120 sheets, Envelopes to match, for 25c the lot.
SATIN WOVE NOTE PAPER—Octavo size, smooth finish. Boxes Note, containing 120 sheets, reg. 60c, special 40c.
 Envelopes, boxes containing 100, reg. 60c, special 40c.
SELF SCORERS for Euchre Tables 1 to 20. Regular 15c. Special 5c.
33 1-3 PER CENT. DISCOUNT
POCKET DIARIES FOR 1906—Large variety of sizes, bindings. Prices 25c to \$1.50.

HARDWARE DEPARTMENT

Pastries and Baking Boards, with rims of selected wood, regular 75c for 49c.
 Carpet Brooms, best make, 4 strings regular 35c, for 25c.
 Table Mats (sets of 5), regular 35c, for 18c.
 20 per cent off guaranteed high grade Refrigerators.
 33 1-3 per cent. off a line of best white lined enameled Tea, Coffee, Stove and Stock Pots, Double Boilers, Fry Pans, Stove and Tea Kettles.
 33 1-3 off a few lines of best quality Fireproof Earthenware.
 50 per cent. off odd lines of best white lined enameled Kitchen utensils.
 33 1-3 off a line of solid brass Water Carriers and Hot Water Plates and Dishes.
 Solid brass Hall Hat and Coat Hooks, for 13c.
 Wall Clothes Dryers, folding, eight arms. Keep clothes up out of the way when drying; regular 75c, for 49c.
 Liquid Ammonia, full strength, with directions for laundry and bath, for 9 cents.
 15 per cent. off Washing Machines; lightest, easiest working and most durable in the line.

THE MAYOR

Mr. Doran

Mr.

Supporters of Mr. W. E. Doran are working hard in his interest. It is determined that he be elected as the people's representative. The general committee in the mayoralty campaign held a meeting on Monday at the corner of 134 St. Peter street. The meeting was presided over by Mr. M. Fitzgibbon, every member of the committee present. Reports of the various wards throughout the city were given, and a complete list of ward meetings arranged for, at which French-Canadian and English speakers will address the people.

The support being received by leading commercial bodies is most gratifying to the supporters of Mr. Doran. The President of the Board of Trade, the Chamber of Commerce and the Corn Exchange as well as the Builders' Exchange and the Architects' Association endorsed the candidature of Mr. Doran for the office of Mayor. The Irish Catholics are supported by the Protestants, as was very evident at the night's meeting at the corner of 134 St. Peter street, when delegates from church and temperance organizations and decided to advance in a stable and legitimate manner the interests of Mr. Doran as candidate for the mayoralty. A resolution of effect was adopted.

Mr. S. J. Carter, president of the Quebec Provincial Branch of the Dominion Alliance, was in the city. Mr. Thomas Cushing, who has been on a platform in favor of day liquor selling and prohibition for its sale on other days, Saturday evenings. By the hours of sale, much is being sold as well as much crime is being done away with.

Mr. A. P. Weary moved the resolution:

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY.
 The Rev. L. J. Lafontaine, priest of Boucherville, has celebrated the 31st anniversary of his ordination. The event was occasion of much rejoicing.

BISHOP McEVAY'S TRIP.
 Bishop McEvay, accompanied by Rev. Father Aylward, intended to visit the shrine of Lourdes, France, during this month. The reverend gentlemen will be accompanied by Rev. Father Aylward, who is returning within six weeks. The ship was received in private by His Holiness Pius X. on his return from the Holy Land.

\$225,000. CATHEDRAL FOR MONTREAL.
 A despatch from St. Boniface, Manitoba, of that date that Mr. Senecal, of that city, had been awarded the contract for the construction of the new Catholic Cathedral, which is to be erected under the architectural supervision of the architect.