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THE LEGISLATURE DISSOLVED.

The dissolution of the Ontario Legislature is to-day announced. Nominations are fixed for Thursday, May 23, and polling day is June 5.

TEXT BOOK GRIEVANCE.

There is no other grievance against the mal administration of the Mowat Government which is felt more generally than the textbook grievance, because it touches the pockets of every parent whose children attend the public schools.

(1) The high price of text books in Ontario as compared with the price of the text books used in the American schools.

(2) The very inferior paper and binding of the Ontario school books, and (3) the frequent changes of text books.

It was pointed out by Mr. Creighton in the recent debate on the subject, that a text book containing a much better selection of literature printed on better paper, and bound more substantially than the Ontario school book was issued by the Educational department of the State of California, for one-third what a similar book cost in Ontario, notwithstanding that the cost of printing and binding was nearly a third higher in San Francisco than in Toronto.

The high price of Ontario school books is partly due to the fact that the Mowat Government have granted the monopoly of school book publication to a favorite firm, and partly to the fact that frequent changes in text books prevented the publishers from lowering the price as much as they otherwise might.

But the frequent change of text books press upon parents in another way. Suppose a man has half a dozen children, one set of books might be expected to pass them all through the schools from the lowest to highest form. But as it is, even before a pupil is able to pass to a higher grade, the book he has been using is declared worthless and another must be purchased.

So that, far from one set of books being sufficient to pass several pupils through all grades, each child must have a set of its own, so frequent are the changes.

Now, it is estimated that the books required by a pupil from the A B C's to the fifth form cost about \$21.90, and as each child requires a new set, it may be judged what a tax it is on parents to supply their children with the text books required.

The question is one which will not go down, despite the sneer of Minister Ross that the grievance is "an old one."

The Conservative party, should they succeed in attaining office as the result of the forthcoming elections—and the prospect is a highly satisfactory one—will redress this grievance by providing against frequent changes in text books.

IN ENGLAND AND GERMANY.

The Montreal Gazette asserts that nothing could bring out more clearly the difference between the political system of Great Britain and that of Germany, than the controversy and agitation to which the retirement of Prince Bismarck has given rise. Once he had lost the confidence of the young monarch, on whom he had depended to make his position more autocratic than ever, the once powerful Chancellor is reduced to the role of an ordinary subject of the Crown, with nothing but the prestige of his name as the background of his helplessness.

Hope of recovering his lost estate he has none. His talk—or the talk of those who claim to represent him—is as idle as it is inconsistent. In opposition he has no moral support—as a defeated British premier would have—from a great party, only less powerful than that which is triumphant—and sure, after a few years have rolled by, to be again the dominant influence. Neither has he the Englishman's privilege of grumbling—at least, with anything like consistency—for the system is of his own making.

Whatever possibilities of being liberalized it might have developed under a less autocratic administration, Prince Bismarck did his best to nullify. It was he who accentuated the Emperor's right to speak and act proprio motu, and made the monarch's initiative, on the old principle of divine-right, long obsolete in England, and but took the ex-Chancellor's untimely revival of it, gradually becoming dormant in Germany, an article of his party's creed. That he will still exercise, if he choose, some moral influence, is likely enough. The press will always be anxious to know his opinion, and will find means to ascertain it. Indeed, in the state of mind which some of the German papers attribute to him at present, the task will not be very difficult.

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There is a great demand for railroad laborers in Manitoba and the North-west.

BISMARCK ON LABOR THEMES.

The Old Chancellor Talks to an Interviewer.

LONDON, April 25.—The Herald to-day publishes an interesting account of an interview with Prince Bismarck. The Prince said that if in power he would not interfere with workmen on May-day. Neither would he display anxiety which would only increase the aggressiveness of the agitators.

He dwelt upon the need of combating socialism, the victory of which would mean the annihilation of the least intelligent. He predicted that socialism would give a deal of trouble yet. He said that a man who would yield to the present manifestation was a coward, and that it was sometimes true benevolence to shed the blood of a riotous minority in defence of a law-abiding majority.

"The first requisite in a Government is energy—no to be a time-server nor sacrifice the future to a temporary or present convenience. The firmness, indeed the fierceness of the ruling power is a guarantee of peace at home and abroad. A Government which yields to the majority and retaining its authority by concessions, thus paving the way for further concessions, is in a sore strait."

He declared that May-day was not a dangerous enemy. The naming of the day for an assault need not be dreaded. It would be merely a sham fight like that of the Salvation Army.

FIRE.

Total Destruction of the Tug McArthur at Collin's Bay.

KINGSTON, April 25.—The tug McArthur, belonging to the Kingston Bay Rafting Company, was completely destroyed by fire this morning at Collin's Bay. The fire started in the captain's house on the wharf, by which the McArthur was lying, and spread rapidly, the wharf being speedily demolished. There was a crew of eight and a woman cook on board the McArthur. They had to swim to save their lives. The McArthur drifted from the shore to the mouth of the bay. The tugs Traveller and Chieflain went up from Kingston, but were too late to do anything except to tow the McArthur into shoal water. She had on board valuable wrecking material brought from the Armstrong at Brockville. The cook of the vessel had a narrow escape. Total loss about \$30,000, partially covered by insurance.

In the captain's house there was all the necessary rafting machinery, and its destruction will seriously impede the company's work. Steps are being taken for immediate repairs. The McArthur is a total loss, machinery and all having been destroyed.

Serious Charge Against Emin.

CAIRO, April 25.—A Coptic clerk, who was an employee of Emin Pasha, while Emin was in Wadelai, has made a sworn deposition before Mason Bay to the effect that the revolt of Emin's forces was solely due to the discovery of Emin's plans to surrender his province to the Mahdi. Emin, according to the clerk's statement, sent three messengers to the Mahdi offering to surrender, but they were seized and stopped by Emin's officers. Mason Bay considers the statement credible.

in the Usual Way.

LEADVILLE, Col., April 25.—While a laborer employed in the Rio Grande Railway construction gang near here was thawing out sticks of giant powder today, an explosion occurred which threw a number of the men some distance. One man was killed, another cannot live and several were slightly hurt.

A Socialist Sentenced.

BERLIN, April 25.—Herr Schippel, a Socialist member of the Reichstag, has been convicted on a charge of slandering the authorities and sentenced to nine months' imprisonment.

The Belleville Fatality.

BELLEVILLE, April 25.—The remains of Jane Arthur, the victim of Wednesday night's fire, were buried this afternoon. Her husband is still in a very critical condition.

Short \$20,000.

NEWARK, N. J., April 25.—Deputy Sheriff Davis has been missing since Tuesday. It is rumored there is a defalcation of \$20,000 in the sheriff's office.

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If I had known of the CUTICURA Remedies twenty-eight years ago it would have saved me several hundred dollars and as many months of suffering. My disease (psoriasis) commenced on my head in a spot not larger than a cent. It spread rapidly over my body and got under my nails. The scales would drop off of me all the time, my suffering was endless and without relief. The thousand dollars would not tempt me to have this disease over again. I am a poor man, but feel rich to be relieved of what some doctors would have been too slow to cure. I went to two or three doctors, and no cure. I cannot praise the CUTICURA Remedies too much. They have made my skin as clear and free from scales as a baby's. All I used of them were three boxes of CUTICURA, and two bottles of CUTICURA SOAP. I have been here and see the picture in your book of psoriasis (picture number two). How to Cure Skin Diseases, but now I am as clear as any person ever was. Through force and trial I rub my hands over my arms twice to scratch once in a while, but to no purpose. Am all well. I scratched twenty-eight years, and it got to be a kind of second nature to me. I thank you thousands of times.

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"I have taken a great deal of medicine, but nothing has done me so much good as Ayer's Sarsaparilla. I felt its beneficial effects, and can truly testify that it is the best blood-purifier I know of."—L. W. Ward, Sr., Woodville, Texas.

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