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The Rival Grit Claimants.

The appointment of Sir Louis Davies to the bench of the Supreme Court of Canada creates a vacancy, not only in the Cabinet, but also in the representation of West Queen's in the House of Commons, and if current reports in the newspapers can be relied upon, the filling of these vacancies may create some little trouble and heart burnings among our friends, the Grits. It is said that Mr. Blair gave Mr. Emmerson his personal pledge that when Sir Louis should retire, Mr. Emmerson should have a portfolio, thus reconsecrating Mr. Emmerson to the loss of a seat on the bench of the Supreme Court of New Brunswick, the promise of which persuaded him to resign the Premiership of his Province and contest Westmoreland for the House of Commons. He saw Mr. Blair's first promise broken by the appointment of another man in Judge Vanwart's place, and now he is confronted with the possibility that Hon. James Sutherland or some western man will succeed Sir Louis Davies or get a portfolio by a shuffle in the office consequent upon Sir Louis' resignation. These contingencies, according to all accounts, render the situation very much strained, and the filling of the vacancy created by Sir Louis' resignation may bring the Premier face to face with a grave difficulty. Well, if our Grit friends have created this difficulty for themselves, they will only have to get out of it as best they can. But the candidacy for the representation of West Queen's, in succession to Sir Louis is quite another question and being right at home is, we feel sure, of no small interest to our readers. It will be remembered that some time ago, when the prospective vacancy was first spoken of, the name of Mr. Horace Haszard was mentioned in connection therewith. Subsequently Premier Farquharson was announced as a probable candidate. The Guardian, the morning Grit organ, espoused the candidature of Mr. Haszard and dilated upon what it considered his suitable qualifications for the position. But the Patriot, the evening Government daily, pronounced strongly in favor of Mr. Farquharson. A halt was then called for a time; but now the race seems to have terminated and these two Grit organs are at it again. The Guardian was the first to re-enter the lists in this somewhat delicate discussion. It essayed to outclass its belligerent contemporary by forestalling it in adulation of Mr. Farquharson. It feigned to believe that "the well-being of the Province requires that the Premier shall retain his present position." It gave expression to the fear that a very serious dislocation of our Provincial affairs might and probably would result should he at the present juncture retire from the local leadership. "Who would succeed to the Premiership?" "What would be the effect of the change upon the policy of the administration, notably in regard to the new legislation now on its trial?" At these questions, fraught with possible grave complications rose up before the troubled vision of the Guardian writer. After furnishing a very full and complete answer upon the grave responsibility the Premier would assume in withdrawing from the leadership at the present time and thus jeopardizing the possible results of his eminent statesmanship, the morning organ directs attention to the fact that the leadership of the Province is not in any way a less honorable position than that of private representative in the Commons.

If our Grit morning contemporary thought to catch the Premier off his guard; to captivate him by its fulsome flattery, it was very much mistaken. He is too old a bird to be caught with chaff or to be lulled to sleep by the song of the siren. The evening Grit organ comes to the rescue, both in its correspondent column and editorially. Our evening contemporary points out that West Queen's should have in the running the man "who is the best available candidate." It repeats that the candidate should be "a man of cabinet qualification,"

A Liberal tried and true." It asseverates that in selecting their candidate the Liberals of West Queen's should "remember those who have stood by them and those by whom they have stood," in defeat and triumph. They should remember it says, those who "upheld the banner of liberalism in the political battles of the past." This appeal for the selection of a "Liberal tried and true," for one who "upheld the banner of liberalism in the political battles of the past," is evidently intended to convey the impression that some who now masquerade as ardent Liberals, were not so ready to do their part in the Liberal cause at some critical juncture in the past. Are we to understand this as an insinuation that Mr. Haszard's Liberalism was not always genuine; that he did not manifest a disposition to throw himself into the breach when the Grit prospects were not of the brightest? There was a time when Mr. Haszard announced himself quite willing to become the founder of a new political school, not necessarily Grit. Mr. Haszard did not found such a school, it is true, for the very good reason that no disciples presented themselves. When Mr. Haszard manifested his willingness to place his ability and talents at the disposal of his country, as the founder and leader of an independent political party, he evidently did not anticipate that he would one day be aspiring to the candidature of West Queen's, as a clear Grit. Ah, Mr. Haszard, then seems to be a lurking suspicion somewhere that you are not the Simon pure! The evening Grit organ further sets forth that "Mr. Farquharson's years of experience in public life well qualify him for Federal honors and his claims on any convention are doubtless of the strongest type." In contradistinction to all these qualifications of the Premier his organ points out that "Mr. Haszard has not yet contested a political constituency or appeared for political preferment in either federal or local politics." All this is pretty hard on Mr. Haszard and may have been thought sufficient by the evening organ to crush him. But the morning organ feebly comes to the rescue. It repeats to the Patriot's favorite

expressions "a man of cabinet qualifications; cabinet timber," etc, and then gravely asks: "what department of even a Provincial Government Mr. Farquharson has yet administered?" This implied slight on the Premier's statesmanship is somewhat inconsistent with former assertions. Referring to the Patriot's remark that it "does not want an independent candidate, the Guardian says, "the Patriot is not free to advocate the claims of any other than Mr. Farquharson, unless with his consent." From what we have here said, our readers will readily understand that our Grit friends in their attempt to compose the differences of the rival aspirants to the candidacy of West Queen's, have on hand a somewhat mixed kettle of political fish. We, on the Conservative side are interested and amused observers of this Grit family quarrel. THE list of honors conferred on distinguished Canadians consequent upon the visit of the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York include three Commanders of the Bath, one Knight Commander and seven commanders of St. Michael and St. George and one Knight Bachelor. The commanders of the Bath are Col. C. W. Drury, Col. W. D. O'Connell, Col. F. L. Lessard, Lieut. Governor Jette of Quebec received the Star of Knight Commander of St. Michael and St. George. The commanders of St. Michael and St. George are Joseph Pope, under Secretary of State; Dr. Peterson, Principal of McGill University; Rev. Dr. Mathieu, Rector of Leval University, Mayor Howland of Toronto, Major Maude, Military Secretary to the Governor General, Col. Buchanan and Major Denison. Thomas Shanaghnessy, President of the Canadian Pacific Railway was created a Sir Knight. These orders were all conferred on the recipients by his Royal Highness, the Duke of York at Rideau Hall on Saturday last. Principal Grant of Kingston is also among those honored but, owing to illness he was not present to receive his decoration from the Duke in person. At a cabinet meeting held at Ottawa on Saturday evening, Sir Louis Davies was appointed to the Supreme Court Bench of Canada, in the place of the late Judge King of New Brunswick. It was also decided to appoint Mr. Britton ex-M. P., of Kingston, to the vacancy on the high Court Bench of Ontario.

The Duke and Duchess

Montreal's welcome to the Duke and Duchess of York last Wednesday left nothing to be desired. Three hundred thousand people lined the streets through which the royal procession passed, and gave the royal couple a continuous ovation. The city has never seen anything like it. The royal train arrived at 3 o'clock amid the booming of cannon and the ringing of church bells. As their royal highnesses stepped from the train, followed by a brilliant suite, they were met by his excellency the governor-general, his Worship Mayor Provencher, and the chairman of the reception committee. After a short conference they proceeded through the station and appeared at the entrance, fronting on Gray street. This was the signal of one of the wildest and most enthusiastic welcomes that was ever given any visitor to the city. The immense crowd simply outdid itself in a display of loyal enthusiasm. The weather was all the most favorable could desire. Bright, cool and clear, it could not have been more suitable for the gathering of the enormous crowds which surrounded the Place Viger station and lined the route of the procession, though there was a considerable shower before the procession reached its destination. The progress of the royal visitors on Friday and Saturday was a triumphal march through the city, and the enthusiasm of the populace knew no bounds. Conducted by the mayor, the royal couple and suite ascended the steps of the date amid loud cheers. The royal couple stepped across the platform to the handsome chairs provided for their occupancy, while the mayor took up his station behind the small table supporting the large, handsomely illuminated address. After a little delay, during which his Royal Highness and the Duchess of York took the opportunity to gaze upon the vast crowd about them, the mayor began his address. The Duke, in replying, spoke in a clear loud voice, which was distinctly heard at considerable distance from the platform. His Royal Highness said: "Kind, affectionate, and in one instance the sacred words of your address, have indeed touched our hearts, and the Duchess joins with me in offering to you and the people of Montreal our sincere gratitude for the warmth and loyalty of your greeting. "I feel that I do not come amongst you today entirely as a stranger, for I have the pleasant recollection of two previous visits to your city, and it is an additional pleasure that on this occasion the Duchess is with me. "I deeply appreciate your expressions of loyal devotion to the throne and to the person of my dear father, the King. Your kindly reference to his visit here in 1893 recalls to my mind the significant words spoken by my grandfather, which seem especially interesting at this time, as they allude to the visits to this country and to the shores of South Africa, which I have just left. "Speaking in 1890 of the almost simultaneous presence of the Prince of Wales in Canada, where he was about to open your celebrated Victoria Bridge, and of Prince Albert at Cape Town, to lay the foundation stone of the breakwater in Table Bay, the Prince Consort said: 'What considerations are brought to our minds in this simple fact. What present greatness. What past history. What future hopes. And how important and beneficent is the part given to the royal family of England to act in the development of those distant and rising countries who recognize in the British crown and their allegiance to it the supreme bond of union with the mother country and with each other.' "It is gratifying to hear that in this commercial metropolis of Canada two great races from one happy and united community, and that you joyously accept the obligations of your presence and membership of the British Empire. Notable proof of the spirit of patriotism is to be found both in your past history and in the gallant deeds and noble sacrifices which have given Canada so honorable a place in the roll of fame which is contained in the record of the British army in South Africa. "Your sympathetic attention to our late beloved Queen are in harmony with the sound of genuine mourning which we have heard in the course of our journey throughout the Empire. Her heart was always closely drawn towards Canada, which was associated with the lives of several of her family and with her father's memory. "One of the addresses, I note with pleasure, emanates from a body in whose custody is the historic building where more than 100 years ago the Duke of Kent received from the citizens of Montreal similar assurances of loyalty to the crown of Great Britain to those which you have given me today. "We regret that time does not permit of further extended stay in your city. We shall leave it with the earnest trust that under divine Providence, peace, prosperity and concord may be the lasting heritage of the dominion and its people." When the Duke had finished his reply, the presentation of South African war medals to members of the 2nd Battalion Royal Canadian Regiment of Infantry, Canadian Mounted Rifles, Royal Canadian Dragoons, Royal Canadian Artillery, Strathcona and Horse and Canadian Scouts took place. The streets were lined with troops, behind which the people were massed. From start to finish there was continual cheering. The Duke and Duchess smiled and bowed as the populace vociferated its welcome. The second day of their Highnesses' visit to Montreal was set apart as a day of mourning for the late President McKinley. In consequence they made no public appearance, and several important features were left out of the programme. Shortly after ten the Duke and Duchess left Lord Strathcona's residence and proceeded by guards of honor went to the Royal Victoria College where the honorary degrees of L. L. D. was conferred on their Royal Highnesses by Lord Strathcona. The Chancellor read an address of welcome. The Duke replying expressed his pleasure at being present, thanked the professor for his kind wishes, and was glad of the opportunity of testifying his deep appreciation of the manifestations of loyalty and good will which had been

Addressed and Barqueted.

Mr. D. A. Lawson, who for the past eighteen years, had been a station agent on the P. E. I. Railway, at St. Peter's, has recently been transferred to Hagar River. The people of St. Peter's, regretting his removal, took advantage of the occasion to testify their regard and esteem for him and Mrs. Lawson. Consequently, on the eve of his departure he and Mrs. Lawson were entertained and made recipients of thoughtful and useful gifts. The Presbyterian congregation presented Mr. Lawson with an elegant and costly silver water pitcher, basin and tray, accompanied by the following address: DEAR SIR.—It is with very much regret we hear of your intention to leave the place. We had hoped that the worst would not come, but it has, and now we can only try to bear our loss as with becoming grace. Eighteen years of life rarely covers ground enough to test what a man is made. You stood the test well. You have shown few or none of the abrasions that disfigure ordinary humanity—time does not tarnish an article that is genuine. Blood tells. The sterling qualities of Lawson is still standing. The self-control, affability of manner, enthusiasm, good cheer, that make you a popular public official secured for you a like esteem in private life. We cannot without feeling refer to the service you have done to the congregation in these years of difficulty. You have seen us to the end of them with a usefulness that we always admired and it is disappointing that you are now called away just as we have reached a stage in prosperity that we all rejoice in and which you have helped so much to bring about. As Secretary, Treasurer, Manager, S. S. Teacher, member of the choir, you have shown yourself altogether efficient, and in fidelity you have always been an inspiration to the best of us. We beg you to accept these simple gifts as tokens of our esteem. Of course it could hardly be expected that a man could show such an array of conspicuous virtues without the aid of a superior wife. We beg to assure Mrs. Lawson also that she shares with you in very large measure the good will of our people. "Farewell" when the work of life is past, may we all meet again to bear the "well done" of good and faithful servants. In behalf of congregation, OLIVE ANDERSON, Chairman of Trustees. M. McKNAY, Secretary. Mr. Lawson thanked them for their very flattering expressions of kindness both to himself and Mrs. Lawson, also for the valuable gifts which shall ever be held in remembrance of the pleasant association of St. Peter's Bay Congregation. On the evening of the 19th inst., Mr. and Mrs. Lawson were entertained by the ladies and gentlemen of St. Peter's. The ladies took Mrs. Lawson by surprise at her residence and provided her not only with a most agreeable evening's entertainment, but also with a tangible proof of their unalloyed good will in the shape of a valuable tea service. Meanwhile, the gentlemen were entertaining Mr. Lawson to a banquet at the Bayville Hotel. Upwards of thirty gentlemen sat down to a sumptuous banquet that did the highest credit to Mr. and Mrs. Donald McFarlane, the genial host and hostess of the Bayville. After ample justice had been done to the choice viands, the chairman rapped for order and after pronouncing a fitting eulogy on a guest of the evening read the following address: TO D. A. LAWSON, Esq., Station Agent, P. E. I. R., St. Peter's. DEAR SIR.—Having learned of your departure from our midst and the severance of the business and social relations that have existed between us during the eighteen years of your residence, we cannot allow the occasion to pass without bearing testimony to our appreciation of your conduct as an official and citizen. As agent of the P. E. I. Railway you have found your most competent courteous and obliging officer performing your official duties in such a way as to win the good will and esteem of all who have business relations with the road. As a citizen you have heartily identified yourself with every movement that has had for its object the material improvement of this place and the general advancement of our citizens, while in the social circle you and Mrs. Lawson have always taken a lively and pleasing interest. While deeply regretting your departure we are glad to know that you change is a promotion in your chosen avocation and thus a proof from your superior officers of your efficiency in the Railway service. In conclusion we beg to assure you that we shall always cherish the most pleasant recollection of your residence at St. Peter's, and that you and Mrs. Lawson, carry with you our best wishes for your prosperity and happiness wherever your lot may be cast. Signed on behalf of the citizens of St. Peter's, by the following committee: B. J. McDONALD, M. D., Chairman. L. ANDERSON, L. P. DOTY, M. McKNAY, J. G. McLENNAN. Head St. Peter's Bay, Sept. 19th, 1901. The programme as below, interspersed with music was well carried out, all the speakers bearing testimony of their appreciation of the guest of the evening. The guests of the evening included Messrs. James McIsaac of the Charlottetown Herald, J. A. Matheson, Inspector of Fisheries and G. B. McEwen of St. Peter's. Mr. Lawson replied to the address in a most feeling manner. He thanked the people most heartily for the great kindness and consideration to himself and Mrs. Lawson. To have discharged his duty in such a manner as to win the esteem and good will of the people generally was a source of extreme pleasure. Following is the programme: Address by Chairman.—Dr. McDonald. The King.—National Anthem. The Lieutenant Governor.—Respondents, Robt. Lewis, Charles W. McIsaac. This Canada of Ours.—James McIsaac. Guests of the Evening.—D. A. Lawson, Agriculture.—Olive Anderson, James D. McIsaac.

Professions.—Dr. McLaughlin.

Trades and Commerce.—C. E. Pratt, L. Anderson, Donald Draxton, son of Our Invited Guest.—J. A. Matheson, G. B. McEwen. Host and Hostess.—D. McIsaac. After singing Auld Lang Syne and God Save the King, the party dispersed in pleased with the evening's entertainment. DIED Coleman, on the 4th inst., Peter Charles Murphy, age 10 years, son of Thomas Murphy. In this city on the 20th. Miami E. Kent, aged 16, daughter of the late Joseph Kent, R. I. P. On Sunday, the 23rd inst., Mary Ann wife of John Fontaine, in the 84th year of her age. R. I. P. At St. Mark's, Lot 7, on the 10th inst., of heart disease, Mrs. Thomas Griffin, nee Collington, aged 64 years. At the Charlottetown Hospital, on the 23rd inst., after a painful illness Clementina Sobieski, widow of the late Richard Draxton, son of William Draxton, in the 18th year of his age, leaving father, mother, three brothers, three sisters, and many friends and acquaintances to mourn his demise. The deceased had been employed in this city from April last until he became ill in August last, and during his residence here, as well as during his whole lifetime, won the esteem of all who knew him for his industry, honesty, sobriety and good moral character. May he rest in peace. In South Africa. A despatch from Lord Kitchener, dated Pretoria, Sept. 18, announces that the Boers on Sept. 17 ambushed three companies of mounted infantry with three guns, commanded by Major Gough, in the vicinity of Scheepers Nek. After severe fighting the British were overpowered and lost their guns, the rights and breach locks of which were first destroyed. Two officers and fourteen men were killed and five officers and 25 men were wounded. Five officers and 150 men were made prisoners. Major Gough, who escaped during the night reports that the Boers numbered a thousand men and that they were commanded by General Botha. Gen. French reports that Com mandant Smuts, in order to break through a cordon, rushed on a squadron of the 17th Lancers at Blands River Point, killing three officers and 20 men and wounding one officer and 30 men. The Boers who were dressed in khaki and were mistaken for British troops, lost heavily. The war office has received the following despatch from Lord Kitchener, dated Pretoria, September 22:—"Kritzerger, while endeavoring to force a passage of the Orange River near Herchel, at one o'clock

The Herald's Scoop-Net.

CONDUCTED BY TOM A. HAWKE. The catch race at the Great Central fair has been protested on the ground that it was won by a Jew. The latest of lawyers, They said he was, and still he always was quite orthodox in his work. Be working with a will. "You must think I'm made of money, complained Steady to his tailor. "Well, I certainly realized that you're not made of dust," replied the tailor. "No?" "No; dust always settles. "So many of these city hunters mistake us for deer," said the Maine woodsman, "that I am going to wear a cowbell." "But people will make game of you," interposed his wife. "Well, if they'll make game of me if I don't wear it." The Cox of Russia is trying to enjoy a few holidays in France. So far the efforts have been successful in killing him. This may sound strange, but may be accounted for by the fact that the Cox travels in an armored carriage, with a double row of soldiers on each side of him. Major Maude, the Governor General's Secretary, is making the people of Canada sick. Ever since it was known that the Duke would visit this country he has been acting in a very idiotic way. He has tried all he could to curb the people's enthusiasm. His latest display was to write to the Mayor of Ottawa, hoping that the Mayor would conduct himself in a fitting manner during the royal visit. "Wouldn't that jar your mother's preserves?" as the small boy remarked. We announced in this column last week that the last picnic of the season would come off to-day. We thought we were right, but it seems someone thinks they have got the drop on us. There is another yet. This one is the "Michaelmas Picnic," to be held at St. George's on Monday, the 30th inst., and promises to be just as successful as its predecessors. This picnic is ahead of the others in one respect only; the Duke and Duchess were invited to the picnic, but owing to engagements elsewhere couldn't come. Let their own kind, they're missed a cool feed. As we said the last picnic would be the last, we cannot go back on our word, so this picnic will be the last. We'll see a third and fourth last before the fall's over. Why is it that good men sometimes learn to swear? Different reasons. I've generally caused by little things like this: A Scotch woman on retiring to rest one night about 10 o'clock in January last, when the thermometer was scorching away down about 20 deg. below zero, ordered her servant to put out the cat and lock the front door, but to leave the back door open for John, who would be home till eleven. The lady of the house then retired, leaving the servant to follow her instructions, and she did the latter. The cat was slung out into the cold, the key was turned in the front door, and the back door was opened wide and a box placed against it so that it wouldn't shut. Mary then retired to her room with a satisfied feeling at heart of having accomplished her duty well. The husband arrived home at the usual late hour. Of course the key had only followed instructions to the letter, but no one appeared to give her any credit for doing so. I've from little things like this that good men sometimes learn to swear. Richards' Head-ache Cure. 12 doses, 10 cts.

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