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THE OTHER INSURGENTS.

Across the line the insurgents are setting the pace for the Republican party, and it would seem that they are going to make the rear guard fall into line. A few days ago the insurgents won a great victory in the United States House of representatives and removed some of the absolute powers of the czar in control of that body. The leaven of insurgency has spread over the entire country and the success in the house is only one incident in many that are to follow.

The insurgents across the line have revolted against the conservatism, or worse, in control of that party. Realizing that the trusts dominate affairs through their influence upon the dominant party they have started out in opposition. Popular government is of greater importance than a party organization or party leaders.

The Republicans of Indiana, at a meeting yesterday, decided to ignore the Payne-Aldrich Act, and passed resolutions favoring a more popular form of tariff. This was another triumph for insurgency.

Insurgency is a prime essential in every progressive party. The path finders meet with little support from the camp followers, but their work is the hardest and most important. Dissensions in a party may be disastrous to the party leaders, but usually they save the party and are of the greatest importance to the country.

WHAT ABOUT RAILWAY PLANS?

The mayor and the members of the city council have apparently lost sight of the fact that the G.T.P. sent a copy of its amended location to the Calgary city council a few days ago, and the members of the council have not come to any definite conclusion of what that plan means, or what the city is expected to do with it.

The plan is sent here for Calgary to express its approval or disapproval of the line and approach of the road to the city. The time is past when a railway can run its lines pell mell any place it wishes to go without caring for interest of the people. There is a railway commission at the present time, and they insist upon the people having some rights.

The G.T.P. sent plans to the city, which reached here ten days ago. The plans were sent to the city in order to give the city an opportunity to present its objections to the plan, if it had any, before the commissioners on April 19. One year ago the city was prepared to send a representative to Ottawa to see that Calgary got justice. But now, when the time comes to act, the city clerk and the mayor do not think the matter of sufficient interest to bring before the council and the aldermen have nothing to say when the plans do come to the council.

The mayor and Mr. Gillis say that the plans give no idea of the location of the road, and they are about right. Why does the city not protest then, and ask for more definite information? Has the city no interest how this road runs into Calgary? If the city makes no objection to the mysterious route mapped out in these unintelligent plans, the railway commission will come to the belief that the city is quite satisfied and will give its approval, and then the road can do as it pleases. Is the city not interested in the question of a union station?

The city has authorized Mr. McCarthy to represent the city, but it has given him no instructions and no information. The city should authorize Mr. McCarthy to oppose the entire location until something more definite in the way of plans has been furnished to the city.

AT THE CITY HALL.

Unless the mayor insists upon a judicial investigation and declines to be happy until he gets it, there should be no special investigation into the conduct of the mayor. If any member of the council, or any citizen, has any information involving the myaor in some irregular transaction, and there has been but little suggestion of that, and certainly no positive information, it would be rather foolish to set going the entire works.

The case of the city clerk was quite different from that of the mayor. In the first place it was the city clerk who made the mistake, in the second place it was the city clerk who gave out the information and in the third place it was the city clerk who, though refusing the press the information, as he argued he had a right to do, allowed real estate men to get it. The mayor saw the map, believed that it was not up to much as a source of information, and says that he forgot it.

Though there has been any amount of rumors about this person and that person securing options upon the strength of the information thus secured, no one has been able to connect the mayor in any way with any such transactions, or the mayor's household, or his associates, or his personal friends. It is reasonable to suppose that if any of these people had been connected with the transfer of land, they would have been located by this time.

Until there is something to justify a well founded suspicion, it would be as well to forget the investigation.

As far as investigating the bond issue, no person has ever suggested that any money was made, or that anything was done that was dishonorable. Some person blundered, but if royal commissions were set going every time municipal blunders were made, an army of judges would be busy all the time.

The council was quite content to pass judgment in the case of the city clerk, and it did pass judgment. The council is quite content to pass judgment on the mayor and it has found nothing to justify the sensational humors that have been spread about the city, and the mayor doubtless knows that there were some rumors which were circulated, which the newspapers, with all their cheap blatherskiting, did not publish.

Under the circumstances it would be better for both the mayor and the council board to forget about the commission until such time as some person comes along with real information.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

And speaking of Macleod, the candidate crop seems to be coming along very well.

And Hon. George E. Foster has come back and now the trouble in the Conservative party begins again.

These are the days when the late visitor covets the accommodation of his neighbor's prize winning horse.

If you have any doubt about the future of any district, just look up the real estate advertising and you will find convincing information.

And it has occurred to some that the person who boasts of his loyalty to the body of a government and his disloyalty to the head of it, is somewhat of a political contortionist.

Whatever criticism may be offered of T. Roosevelt, it must be acknowledged that he and James Jeffries are the two most talked of Americans of the present hour—that is, the most talked about white Americans.

The opposition member of parliament who objected to goats flesh being sold in Canada evidently argued that as many of the species were sent to parliament that the overt act was a disgraceful form of cannibalism.

And it seems that the wee Methodist church around the corner, under the shade of the Vatican, is getting about as much free advertising out of these incidents, as anything else, and of the kind that counts in the collection plate.

And perhaps, after all, when Mr. Jamieson becomes minister of public works he will find that his controversy with newspapers when a mayor of Calgary wasn't such a belligerent affair after all. It is all in the viewpoint.

When a man starts off with the announcement that he will be candidate for member if he is made a cabinet minister, he is either too big to be an ordinary or garden variety of candidate, or too little to be a member of parliamet.

(The few government newspapers supporting the government in the north of the province are convinced that the closed season for investigation means the open season for misrepresentation of the facts brought out at the investigation, and thus it goes.

And now that Mr. Gillis has gone and left us, what are we going to do about gaudy addresses for the illustrious visitors? As a Marathon address writer, Mr. Gillis was in a class by himself, and no human being ever had the nerve to claim to be anything like equal to him.

The first number of the Bassano News, published by W. B. Cameron, has been received. It is a bright, well printed sheet, giving a great deal of information in regard to Bassano and its varied resources, and is well patronized in the way of advertising by local business men.

And the Edmonton man will look all over the fancy prancing four-footed steeds and scornfully tell you that he saw the Alberta legislature in session at its stormiest session and that no horse show or bull fight or anything like that will ever have very much interest for him any more.

And you never can tell by appearances. The prize winning steed, with the well-groomed hide and the fancy ribbon in his hair is attracting much attention just now, but the fat gentleman with a lowly habitation and conversational grunt, in the swine department is worth some money these days.

T. Roosevelt, having slain all the lions in sight in Central Africa, has secured the thigh bone of the largest of the destroying brutes and with such a weapon in the right hand, and the big stick of ancient days in the left hand, he is enjoying himself in touring about the more civilized countries.

The minister of agriculture is taking a keen interest in the horse show. The last we heard of him before he was standing upon the storm tossed deck and announcing his determination of going dow with the ship. It is pleasing to nnow that the minister of agriculture to know that the minister of agriculture is interested in the horse guards as well as in the marines.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

One Untidy Spot

Editor Albertan—With reference to the strong agitation of late from the city officials the press, and pulpit, calling for a cleaner Calgary, a more beautiful Calgary, permit me to call attention for a moment to the condition of 6th street, between 14th and 15th avenue, south of Senator Lougheed's residence, where civic employes and others, have been dumping manure, ashes, old cans, rubish and filth of all kinds for the past two years.

Were a private citizen to permit such a condition of chaos filth and dirt to exist on his premises, he would be fined or made an example of in the police court, yet this condition of affairs exists right under the nose of our "easy going" city engineer, who cannot fail to see it every time he looks out of his window, still it continues unabated.

If the city expects its citizens to keep their premises clean and attractive, the city officials should at least keep the streets in a condition better than this eye sore has been kept in for the past two years or more.

A RATEPAYER.

Speaks of Blatherskiting

Calgary, April 4.

Editor Albertan—I would like a few words in your next issue about this map of the Grand Trunk Railway about which so much has been said the last few days. Judging from what you say in your paper about the matter, your reporters have been doing some detective work of late. If what you say is true, you have discovered some serious irregularities in the conduct of city affairs. You state that a very important map has arrived in the city clerk's office, showing the Grnd Trunk route of entry into the city, and that the information it contains is of great importance to the public, and especially to those interested in real estate. You say this map has been wrongfully kept back from the council, and dishonestly and privately shown to some real estate friends of the mayor and the city clerk.

If all these statements are true, they reveal a serious condition of matters at the city hall. But are they true? All the talk so far has been based on a mere supposition that the map is all that it is claimed to be. You have printed a lot of opinions and judgments of leading citizens on the subject, most of them condemning in no measured terms both mayor and city clerk.

But these opinions are all vitiated by one serious fault. They are based on hearsay evidence, which gives only one side and that evidence perhaps not correct and true. These persons all know that it is a manly and just thing to hear both sides of a question before giving an opinion on it. If our judges acted as foolishly there would be an outcry at once. But so far as I can see, no one says a word for these harassed and unfairly treated city officials, and in all fairness you will allow me to say a word on their side. It is very childish to judge before knowing, and I am afraid some of those whose words were printed on April 1 first will yet look and feel "April fools" for their rash words.

The Optimist in its last week's issue published a photo of a part of the map in question. What a pity you did not do the same. But perhaps you did not go the right way to obtain it. The mayor says he regarded the map as of little importance. One glance at the map will convince reasonable persons he is right. For one, as a man interested in real estate matters, I would not give five cents for all the information the map gives. Who buys on that takes gambling risks and deserves a fall. Had the city clerk thrown the map at once into the waste paper basket, it would have mattered little. It is possible to magnify a mole hill into a mountain. It seems to me this map is not worth all the printer's ink wasted on its discussion. Surely city officials are not all fools or dishonest ment. I hold no brief for mayor or city clerk, but I do consider they have been treated with a great deal of unfairness in this matter—unfairness which seems bordering on animus. The map is not worth all this bother over it, and the thing is not worth wasting your precious time over.

The mayor says in your issue of this morning that the criticism is "al' blatherskiting." I cannot find out what the words means. Evidently it is a slang word and very expressive. Any way, I can guess what it means in the mayor's mind, and I think he hits the nail on the head as he usually does. The mayor and the city clerk have both said they did not consider the map of any value, and that it slipped their memory when the council met last week. Both are quite reasonable explanations. The map is of no value in the way you suggest. Perhaps it would have been better that it had been brought at once to the council's notice. If it had, Calgary would have missed a bit of sensationalism this last week. Meanwhile with many others, I think there has been a lot of unjust and unfair criticism of these two officials. Such does a lot of injury to the city in the opinion of outsiders, and makes citizens think our papers are sometimes unfair, unreliable and actuated by animus towards two special individuals among the city staff. Our Calgary papers should be above reproach in the matter of truth and fairness, serving the city in an official of many, doing their level best for the capacity, and at least in the opinion city's good.

W. T. BROAD.

British Band is Coming

London, April 5.—The band of the Grenadier Guards is to tour Canada in August and September.

JAMESON MAY BE LEADER OF THE PROGRESSIVE PARTY

Common Platform in South Africa For Reorganized Party

Johannesburg, S.A., April 5.—Sir Geo. Herbert Farrar, leader of the opposition in the Transvaal legislature, expresses hope that Dr. L. S. Jameson, former premier of Cape Colony, will be selected leader of the Commons Progressive party in new parliament. The coalition chapter is now closed, he says, and the progressives must bring forward a common platform for a re-organized party.

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Foster Will Keep in Public Life

Ottawa, April 5.—Hon. Mr. Foster has given out a statement that he has been suffering from muscular affection of the face and neck but is getting better. He has been advised to keep quiet, and that he proposes to do so for some months, but has not the least intention of giving up political life.

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Soap, pure oatmeal, oval 6 for 25c
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Men's best Dongola Boots, the well known Marsh shoes, retails all over at $5.00. Opening day.....$4.00

Ladies' Dongola Balmorals, Marsh's regular $4.50. Our opening price will be $3.50

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