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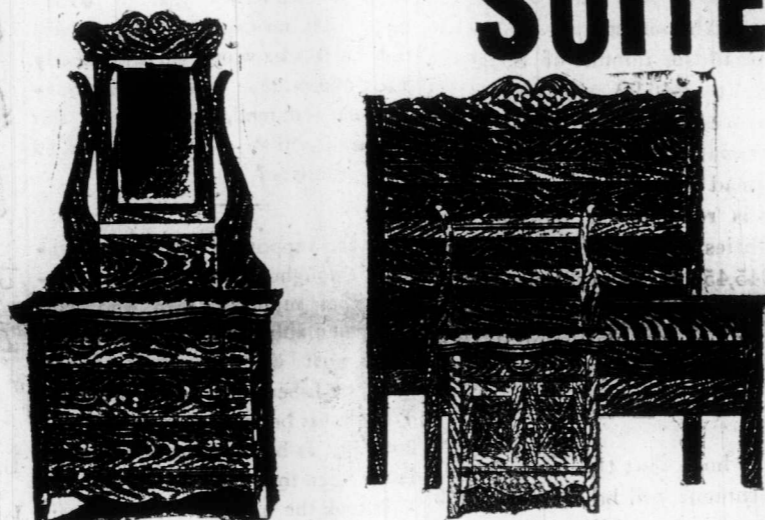
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When you want your

SPRING SUIT,

Hat, Cap, Shirt, Vest, come to the only exclusive

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In the city. I can easily save you a dollar on your next suit, because I do a strictly cash business.

H. H. BROWN,

The Young Men's Man.

158 Queen Street.

A TIME OF PANIC!

Government Appoints Another Commissioner to Review the Work of Civil Service Commission, in Respect to One Charge Against One Department; No Action Yet on the General Charges of Incompetence, Waste, Graft and Spoils System.

Mr. Borden Demands a Wider Inquiry.

THE \$50,000 ACCOUNTANTS

Say Their Work is only Half Done; Work Will Be Largely Lost if Not Finished; Their Ghastly Story of Official Waste, Carelessness and Incompetence.

Merwin Has a New Contract, Which Nets Him 90 Percent. in 4 Months on Capital.

Endorsing The Spoils System.

MR. FOSTER'S MOTION THAT SUPPLIES BE BOUGHT ON BUSINESS PRINCIPLES IS VOTED DOWN.

Ottawa, April 4, 1908. Colonel Gourdeau, Deputy Minister of Marine and Fisheries, resigned.

J. F. Fraser, Superintendent of Lights, suspended. A. W. Owen, Accountant Marine Department suspended. J. U. Gregory, Agent of the Marine Department at Quebec, suspended. Walter Cassels, Judge of the Exchequer Court, appointed Commissioner "to investigate and report upon the statements contained in the report of the Civil Service Commission reflecting upon the integrity of the officials of the Department of Marine."

But the Minister of Marine is still clinging to his office and contradicting the report of the Government organs that he intends to resign. No action has been taken on the severe reflections made by the Commission on the Militia Department. Nothing has been done about the sweeping statements of the Commission as to the corruption, waste and demoralization through all the departments of the patronage system in the purchase of goods. No announcement has been made as to what the Government proposes to do about the report of the Commission concerning the gross graft and loss from the spoils system in the public service. Nothing is done concerning the incompetence, want of direction and general mismanagement reported by the Commission. Judge Cassels is merely asked to find out whether and how far the Commissioners were justified in the statement that "lack of conscience" prevails in the Marine Department, that the only principle prevailing there is how to spend the most money possible, and that officials are serving two masters, namely, the Government and the person with whom the Government trades. In case the judge finds the charges true it remains to be seen whether someone else will be appointed to see if he is right, and so on until the Government arrives at a whitewashing report.

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partment, since these first swindles were exposed, no sign of repentance, nor reform has been given by the minister. His organization has got worse. His department has been the hunting ground for the most daring grafters and most unscrupulous middlemen. Mr. Broder himself has been as irregular in his accounting, and as prodigal in his expenditure as his subordinates. The men below him have had encouragement from his example of recklessness in expenditure, carelessness in method, from his obstruction of investigation, and his defence of rascals.

But it is now a time of panic and the minister must at least pretend to do something. We shall see how far the reformation will go. But the country will know that if there had been a real desire to reform some action would have been taken long ago.

OTHER TESTIMONY.

The condition of the Marine Department was further disclosed in the Public Accounts Committee on Wednesday by the evidence of W. P. Richards, of the New York firm engaged by the Government to put the marine books into shape. This man, who was paid \$75 per day, and whose firm has received \$43,000, with \$6,700 yet unpaid, swore that his work had been stopped when it was only half done, so that the whole business of setting the department right would cost \$100,000. He testified that the work done would be largely lost if it were not completed, and gave a ghastly account of the conditions which he found. There was no bookkeeping to show how the department stood at any particular time, nothing to show the cost of material or finished work at the Sorel and Prescott establishments, no safeguard of the stores in stock, while it was certain that the Government paid for articles never received, and obtained goods of a lower quality than those paid for. The Parry Sound agency had no records, and the official was carrying the cash in his own name. In the Prescott shops there was a lack of energy and business methods. At Sorel there was no timekeeper, no foreman in charge, and pay sheets open to manipulation. At Quebec, with an expenditure of \$800,000 per annum, he found no proper record of stores, cash account and ledger neglected, methods of disbursing and receiving very crude. At St. John and Halifax, no proper stores system, new goods bought while there was plenty of stock on hand, and so on over the whole field of operations.

WAR VERSUS AGRICULTURE.

In the last full fiscal year reported the Government of Canada expended, for the benefit of agriculture, \$518,976.

In the same year the expenditure charged to Militia and Defence was \$5,534,000.

It is a time of peace, and should be a time of agricultural development.

Yet the Government of Canada is spending eleven dollars on the military for every dollar that is spent for the encouragement of farming.

Such is the criticism made in the budget debate on Tuesday by Andrew Broder, the member for Duncans.

The Civil Service Commission partly explains the enormous militia expenditure, which amounted to \$4,377,309 in the nine months ending March 31, 1907 (Auditor-General's Report Q, p. 2). The Commissioners report that there are more high paid officials on the militia staff than in any other three or four departments together. They say that the headquarters' staff is sufficient for a standing army of 100,000 men, whereas the permanent force numbers only 3,000, and the militia drills only a week in the year. Notice this list of high paid officers:

WAR OFFICE SALARIES.	
1 Minister (plus 2,500 indemnity)	\$7,000
1 Deputy Minister	4,000
1 Accountant	2,800
1 Director of Contracts	2,800
1 Secretary	2,800
1 Chief of Staff	6,000
1 Inspector General	6,000
1 Master General of Ordnance	4,000
1 Quartermaster	4,000
1 Adjutant General	4,000
1 Director of General Medical Services	3,400
1 Director of Clothing	3,400
1 Assistant Adjutant General	3,200
1 Director of Transport	3,800
1 Director of Artillery	3,200
1 Director of Engineer's Services	3,200
1 Director of Operations	3,200
1 Deputy Adjutant General	3,200
4 D. O. C's at	4,000
5 D. O. C's at	3,000
1 Chief Staff Officer	3,000
1 Commander at Halifax	3,100
1 Commander at Kingston	3,200
3 Professors at	2,600
5 Professors at (plus allowances)	2,500
1 Arsenal Superintendent	3,200

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WEAK TIRED WOMEN

How many women there are that get no refreshment from sleep. They wake in the morning and feel tired when they went to bed.

They have a dizzy sensation in the head, the heart palpitates; they are irritable and nervous, weak and worn out, and the lightest household duties during the day seem to be a drag and a burden.

MILBURN'S HEART AND NERVE PILLS

are the very remedy that weak, nervous, tired out, sickly women need to restore them the blessings of good health.

They give sound, restful sleep, tone up the nerves, strengthen the heart, and make rich blood. Mrs. C. McDonald, Fortage, in Prairie, Man., writes: "I was troubled with shortness of breath, palpitation of the heart and weak spells. I got four boxes of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, and after taking them I was completely cured."

Price 50 cents per box or three boxes for \$1.25, all dealers or The T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

MISCELLANEOUS.

There is considerable difference between the size of the hands and feet and, curiously enough, on opposite sides. Thus, while the right hand is generally larger, it is the left foot which is the bigger and stronger of the two. This is probably due to the fact that we stand habitually on the left foot.

I consider MINARD'S LINIMENT the BEST liniment in use.

I got my foot badly jammed lately. I bathed it well with MINARD'S LINIMENT, and it was as well as ever next day.

Yours very truly,
T. G. McMULLEN.

Professor of Polite Literature and High Art—Now, young gentlemen, can any of you give me a good definition of genius? Beloved Disciple—Genius, sir, is an unlimited capacity for taking—what belongs to others.—(Syring (N.S.W.) Bulletin.

Milburn's Sterling Headache Powder gives women prompt relief from monthly pains and leave no bad after effects whatever. Be sure you get Milburn's. Price 20 and 25 cents. All dealers.

She called her little doggie Birch. Where'er she called him in. You see, she called him Birch because his bark was very thin. Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Minard's Liniment cures Dandruff.

"I don't see," remarked Miss Gaddie, "why she should go and marry that old man for his money."

"Why," asked Miss Gidday, "how else could she get it?"—Philadelphia Press.

Mrs. Fred. Laine, St. George, Ont., writes:—"My little girl would cough so at night that neither she nor I could get any rest. I gave her Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup and am thankful to say it cured her cough quickly."

Brandy was first used medicinally, and miraculous cures were ascribed to its employment.

There is nothing harsh about Lax-Liver Pills. They cure Constipation, Dyspepsia, Sick Headache, and Bilious Spells without griping, purging or sickening. Price 25c.

Whenever I find a great deal of gratitude in a poor man I take it for granted there would be as much generosity if he were a rich man.—Pope.

Minard's Liniment Cures colds, etc.

DYSPEPSIA AND STOMACH DISORDERS

MAY BE QUICKLY AND PERMANENTLY CURED BY

BURDOCK BLOOD BITTERS.

Mr. F. A. Laballe, Mansfield, Ont., writes as follows: "I desire to thank you for your wonderful cure, Burdock Blood Bitters. Three years ago I had a very severe attack of Dyspepsia. I tried five of the best doctors I could find but they could do me no good. I was advised by a friend to try Burdock Blood Bitters and to my great surprise, after taking two bottles, I was so perfectly cured that I have not had a sign of Dyspepsia since. I cannot praise it too highly to all sufferers. In my experience it is the best I ever used. Nothing for me like B.B.B." Don't accept a substitute for Burdock Blood Bitters. There is nothing "just as good."