

The Old Liberal Standard.

If the searchlight of truth be turned upon the writer of the political effusions in the Daily News, he will be regarded as the author of a great deal of artful sophistry, and, when some near of remote personal interests are in sight, of fulsome and unmeaning flattery. The "prospect" has a great deal to do in the way of deciding as to whether or not the author shall censure or commend.

In the first article, published on Saturday last, on "Retrospect and Prospect," he steers wide from the truth and coins axioms that would afford merriment for the most stupid schoolboy. "Publicity," says he, "is the basis of democracy." Can anybody interpret what this means—this high-sounding, empty logic—?

Does he mean to claim the democratic element for the Government, on the ground that they have scouted the Vox Populi, ignored the people's petitions, defied their most reasonable demands, squandered their revenues, clung with leech-like tenacity to the public chest, violated their most sacred pledges, wasted the people's money in useless pincning and many other violations of public confidence—all of which being matters of public notoriety. If such be the writer's thought and idea, I would say—

May Heaven Deliver this Country from Such a Party!

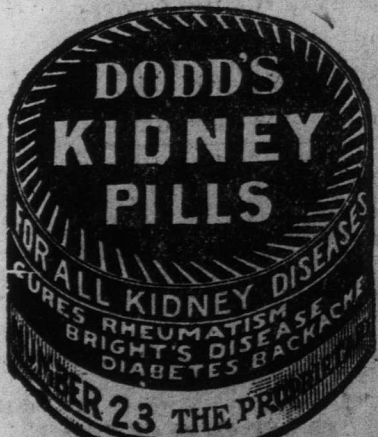
I would rather have said, The basis for democracy is truth—truth, holding up with one hand the flag of a common brotherhood and with the other the flag of equal rights for every class, and creed occupying the circumscribed territory of this old Colony of the Crown.

I am aware that the writer does not want this. I suppose he would like to have in office always a few pliable politicians that he could encourage with hope, or move with fear whenever his own exigencies prompted him.

Then, with regard to the Government, the mountain labors again and brings forth a veritable mouse. This is what he says—"the ship is man-made, the haven God-given, but the honors of navigation rightly belongs to the captain." Well, supposing we take this to be true, but it really is not, then the dishonor and disgrace of getting the ship out of her proper course, having to jettison the valuable cargo, and in the confusion and disorder running the ship on the rocks—then every ruinous mishap which occurs "rightly belongs to the captain."

But then he says, in effect, God only gives the haven—"the haven is God-given"—God has nothing to do with the construction or running of the ship. In effect this is like saying there is no God in practical politics. "The haven is God-given," says he. Then, according to this form of reasoning, the political destiny which affects the future safety and well-being of the Colony must be God-given. But everybody knows this is a sinister kind of logic. The men who form the Government (the ship of state) and the captain are equally bound to look after her best interests to see that she does not eat herself up in costs—to keep her clear of dangerous reefs and quicksands and conduct her safely to a haven which shall be commodious and fair, and prosperous, and suitable to the conveniences and necessities of the great body politic that built the ship and manned her for her four years voyage.

And then he jumps his full weight on the good old Liberal Standard, the flag our sires defended with their very blood—the flag that braved many a hard-fought contest and won many a brilliant victory, and will win another in a few months' time—and shouts: "Now the Liberal Party is no more; its flag is trailed in the dust." This is a direct insult to the old Liberal Standard-bearers and their numerous followers in Newfoundland, to-day, who fought many a hard conflict against Toryism and oppression in their native land, and their sires with some of themselves yet living, will come to the rescue again and lift aloft gallantly the old Liberal Standard with Sir R. Bond in the lead and defy all the forces of Toryism to keep it "in the dust," where the writer says, gloatingly and offensively, it now is.



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BELGRADE, Feb. 3. Scutari is already on the point of falling. It is reported that the Turkish commander sent two representatives to the Serbian commander to propose capitulation.

LONDON, Feb. 3. Sir Edward Grey had a long interview with the King to-day, after which he attended a meeting of the Ambassadorial Conference, but nothing important developed.

LONDON, Feb. 3. King Menelik, of Abyssina, is dead, according to a special despatch received here. His successor and grandson, Lidj Jeassu, entered the capital on Sunday amid great pomp.

LONDON, Feb. 3. War has been resumed. The bombardment of Adrianople began at 7 p.m., and a small skirmish occurred at Tchatalja lines. Unless Turkey yields, the Allies will now endeavor to drive her out of Europe.

LONDON, Feb. 3. Colonel James Martin McAlmont, M.P., for the Eastern division of Antrim, died on Sunday. He was Deputy Grand Master of the Orangemen of Ireland, and sat for Antrim East since 1885. He was Aide-de-Camp to Earl Cowper an dthe Duke of Marlborough when viceroys of Ireland. Colonel McAlmont was 66 years of age.

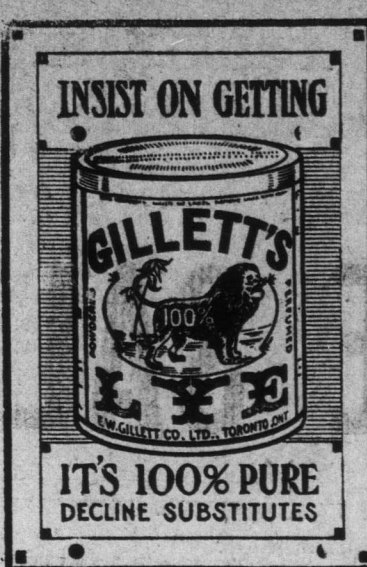
LONDON, Feb. 3. Osman Nizami Pasha leaves London to-morrow to resume his ambassadorial duties at Berlin. He said that from information received from military sources he believed the Allies underestimate the condition of the Turkish Army, and would find themselves confronted with a redoubtable enemy including the best Mussulman veterans who fought under Isset Bey, and the tried soldiers and good marksmen, lately engaged in Tripoli under Enver Bey and Fethy Bey. He added that the Ambassador was right who predicted that, if driven to despair, the Turks would fight like wild animals.

GENEVA, Feb. 3. The Swiss Federal authorities evidently regard the situation with great apprehension. During the last two months they have been witnessing on the French and German frontiers large masses of troops gradually collecting, and to-day the frontier garrisons are virtually on a war footing. Many officers, both French and German, were recently withdrawn from Switzerland where they had been working or residing. Ever since January, the federal authorities have been taking precautionary measures. Official notices have been published in the newspapers to the effect that in the event of war all Swiss citizens in certain countries must return immediately, while in a second zone of countries, including America, those who are liable for military duty must be in readiness. There is to be no mobilization in Switzerland, but 100,000 soldiers can be at their posts in 24 hours, 250,000 in 48 hours and 500,000 within a week, as officers and men have rifles, ammunition, uniforms and all other paraphernalia at their homes. Cereals of all kinds have been ordered from the States and Canada, the usual Russian supply having failed owing to the Balkan war, but it is now beginning to arrive, and is replenishing the Government's almost empty storehouse. Farmers have been warned to have their horses in good condition; chief surgeons and doctors have received official letters from Berne.

Nickel's Big Attraction.

The Nickel Theatre was crowded again last night and the large audiences were charmed with the pictures. The Pathe weekly showing principal happenings the world over was of unusual attractiveness. From Russia, where the Princess is being married, the spectator is taken to Philadelphia to witness the launching of a warship. Then is seen the Mormon Colony, at Salt Lake City, Utah and the elders and buildings of the Mormons. "Two old Pals" is a comedy illustrating the troubles of a circus manager and the devotion of a trained elephant. "The heart of a Boss" is the combination of an American political life story and a touching love drama which was closely followed by all. "Life on an Oxo farm" is an educational picture. Thousands of cattle are seen, including a number of thoroughbred bulls valued at \$5,000 each. The pictures are true to life and the audience imagine themselves on a huge farm with the live stock round them. The counting of cattle, roping and branding of calves are all perfectly seen. Mr. Thomas sang a catchy comedy "I'm twenty-one to-day," the chorus of which was taken up and heartily rendered. The programme will be repeated this evening.

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Hr. Grace Notes.

On Thursday, January 23rd, a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Butt.

Mr. Graham Duff, son of Mr. R. M. Duff, left by Friday's train for Parrsboro, N.S., where he will enter the branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, there. Graham is a general favorite and all his friends will wish him abundant success in his chosen business.

Dr. Cron and his bride came to town on Thursday night and for the present will reside at the home of Mrs. Quinton, Cochrane Street. The doctor and his bride are very popular and all wish them a long and prosperous wedded life. Lots of joy and no sorrow at all is your correspondent's wish to the newly-wedded pair.

The poor family referred to in my notes a few days ago as being in very poor circumstances and living on Pipe Track Road, were increased a few days ago by the arrival of a baby boy. The family is without a stove, or have only a portion of one, and if there is any person in this town with a second or even a third hand one willing to give it to this poor family, they have only to ask us and we will give them the name.

The old hulk, 'Flying Cloud,' was taken out to the outer harbor where the schooner 'Lucky Change' went ashore some time ago, and was placed near as a breakwater for the latter schooner. It is hoped in this way to be able to save the 'Lucky Change' from breaking up, and to get her off in the Spring.

The Knights of Columbus and their friends had a very enjoyable dance in the Academy Hall on Friday night.

This week promises to be another busy one in court circles here, as several more cases for breaches of the Temperance Act are to come up for hearing. Harbor Grace is evidently soon to be a dry city, and justly so. Head Constable Sheppard is doing good work, and report says he is giving his commission in these cases to charitable purposes. If this is so the 'Head' is deserving of a double share of congratulation.

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Hr. Grace, Feb. 3, 1913.

At Cochrane St Church

The annual Thanksgiving services were held in Cochrane Street Methodist Church on Sunday. The congregation had the pleasure of hearing, for the first time, the new Pastor-elect of the Congregational Church, the Rev. Mr. Henry Thomas. The text chosen was, "For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ." The subject was treated under four heads and the challenge of the Gospel, the contents, the conquering power, and the conditions. The Rev. gentleman's a forceful speaker and we bid him welcome to the city pulpits. At the session of the Sunday School in the afternoon, Mr. Young, Superintendent of the Jubilee Sunday School, at Sydney, Cape Breton, addressed the School. The scholars' Thankoffering laid on the plates, amounted to sixty-five dollars.

The evening service was conducted by the Pastor, the Rev. C. A. White-mars, M.A., B.D., who preached a most thoughtful and earnest sermon from the words, "And I, if I be lifted up will draw all men unto Me," one of the greatest thanksgiving themes of the ages.

The choir rendered the anthem "O Lord how manifold are thy works," and a chorus from the Cantata "Seed time and Harvest." At the evening service, Miss Herder favored the congregation by singing that beautiful solo, "O rest in the Lord." A most fitting close to the day's services was the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, administered by the Pastor.

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