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—[PRINCE BISMARCK.]

London, Saturday, November 2.

THEY CAME NOT.

Though Premier Bowell, Sir Chas. E. Tupper, Mr. Oulmet, Mr. J. F. Wood, Mr. Clarke Wallace, Sir Frank Smith and Sir A. P. Caron, members of the Dominion Cabinet, were announced as speakers at the London meeting yesterday, no explanations were given as to their absence. But a quarrel is reported to have developed on the question of whether or not it would be more advisable to hold an extra session of Parliament or to rush to the country at an early day. Mr. Oulmet was in Western Ontario on Friday, but returned to Quebec.

The reason why the more important members of the Dominion Government were not present yesterday, according to promise, was doubtless the fact that they have not yet fully decided what they had better say.

A POSTMASTER TO THE RESCUE.

Postmaster Thomas Cowan, of Galt, was one of the speakers brought to London yesterday to reply on behalf of "the manufacturers," and to claim that the high tax policy had been a benefit to them.

Mr. Cowan's pilgrimage was a bad "break." He was so successful in the manufacturing line, under the beneficent high tax policy which he praises, that he was glad to accept an office in the pay of the Canadian people. The office he now holds, while he journeys about attacking one-half of his employers.

If Mr. Cowan were a Liberal, he would not be in office for twenty-four hours. But what is sauce for the Conservative goose, under the present regime, is not sauce for the Liberal gander. It is nevertheless significant that a man in the position of Mr. Cowan should be put forward as a representative manufacturer of Western Ontario at this time.

There were many significant absences.

RIDICULE THAT IS HARMLESS.

At the London Conservative banquet last night several of the speakers went out of their way to ridicule the members of the Young Liberal Fleet and Young Liberal Drum Corps. It pleased the talkers, and it certainly will not hurt the hundreds of the flower of London's youth who belong to these organizations.

Is it exactly in good taste for the person in command at the Barracks to impugn, even by inference, at a party banquet, the loyalty of any section of the whole Canadian people, to whom he owes his daily bread and butter?

REMINISCENCES OF THE "DEAL."

Mr. Montague has had some fame as the man with the gaseous style of oratory, but no doubt a good many of those who assembled in the old Mechanics' Institute to listen to the speeches last night were chiefly anxious to see the man whose entry into the Dominion Cabinet was effected by the extraordinary intrigue which resulted in driving Sir John Carling out of the Government at Ottawa. Most people who have seen both gentlemen doubtless fail to see wherein the Ottawa Administration has been strengthened by the change. Last night, Mr. Montague attempted to belittle the man thus treated by those whom he had served so well, but Sir John doubtless had lively recollection, if he did not hum to himself, the old couplet:

"It's all very well to dissemble your love."

But why did you kick me downstairs? Mr. Montague, accidentally, no doubt, let out the spirit in which he and his associates have viewed the deputation of Sir John Carling, when he said that the gathering of last night was intended to speed the parting politician (Sir John Carling), and to welcome the coming one (Mr. Beattie).

DECLINED TO TRY THE CHARGE.

The Toronto World of today says: "Chief Justice Meredith sitting at the Kingston assizes has refused to hear the case against Provincial Librarian W. T. R. Preston, which he has adjourned indefinitely. The Chief Justice, when leader of the Opposition in the Provincial Parliament, frequently came in contact with Mr. Preston as an opponent, and being under the impression that bias may be imputed on that account, declined to hear the case, although the defendant, through his lawyer, Mr. M. E. Saunders, expressed his entire confidence in the judicial integrity of the judge. The plaintiff was given leave to apply at Osgoode Hall at an early date to have another judge appointed to hear the case."

The Chief Justice has acted in accordance with the suggestion of the "Advertiser," and has followed the British precedent. In this he has exercised good judgment, and is to be complimented on his resolution in the matter.

STILL TALKING AMBIGUOUSLY.

Several of the speakers at last night's meeting referred to the Manitoba school question. They now assert that what they would like to see is that Manitoba should relieve the Government at Ottawa of all responsibility in the matter, and that all they wish to do is to obey the constitution. But a few months ago these same men issued a peremptory order on Manitoba to do so to disobey the constitution. But for—to do more than the opinion of the Privy Council held to be desirable. That remedial order, the Montreal Gazette, the Hamilton Spectator and other Conservative journals have denounced as a blunder. Mr. Oulmet, one of the Quebec Conservative leaders, called his Maker to witness that that coercive order would be put in force at last session of Parliament. The declaration was called forth because Mr. Oulmet desired to carry Vercheres for the Conservatives, whereas Mr. Montague, in Haldimand, also with the object of carrying an election, explained that the blundering order meant nothing, and that it would not be enforced by Parliament. These attitudes represent "the constitutional position" of the Government up to date. They have one story in Quebec, and another in Ontario, and when asked to state just what they mean to do when they undertake the further coercion of Manitoba, they take refuge under the empty phrase, "We obey the constitution." The question might have been settled long before now if the men in power had gone the right way about it.

If Dr. Montague is not sagacious, he is at least gaseous.

ANOTHER BAD BREAK.

Another bad break which the Cumberland tour made at last night's meeting was the assumption that the Liberals are enemies of the manufacturing industries of Canada.

These politicians insulted the intelligence of the citizens of London who listened to them.

Everybody in London knows that at least one-half the manufacturers of the city and throughout the West are supporters of the Liberal party.

Everybody in London knows that the candidate of the Liberal party is a manufacturer himself.

And even men who have hitherto believed in the policy of high taxation are beginning to see that a tariff for revenue only, with free raw materials, with untaxed coal and iron, or low taxed iron and steel, would be of enormous advantage to the manufacturers of London, as well as to their customers.

London was a prosperous manufacturing city long before the high tax policy, with its tendency to centralize manufacturing in Toronto and Montreal, was thought of as a means to help a political party to power.

The population of the city increased at a greater ratio under a revenue tariff than under the policy of trade restriction and favoritism. The city will have increased prosperity when every unnecessary shackles to commerce is taken away. And, despite the slanders of the professional politicians, the Liberals will have their full share, in conjunction with their fellow-citizens, in promoting its manufacturing, commercial and other industries.

First Conservative—In these expensive Club rooms we've got a big thing.
Second Conservative—Yes, an elephant.

LADIES TO THE RESCUE.

Dr. Montague, the 60-miles-an-hour talker, yesterday developed a great scheme from the depth of his voluminous inner consciousness, to wit, namely, viz.: Start an imitation Primrose League in Canada, with a full assortment of Dames, and lady personages of lower degree, in humble imitation of the women's political organization connected with the Tory party in Great Britain.

We rather fancy the gaseous doctor will find that social conditions in Great Britain and in Canada are not exactly similar, and that the masses of our people would hardly consent to be patronized by Primrose Dames of the imitation variety.

If the gaseous doctor's great scheme were not one which sensible Conservatives would themselves soon laugh out of court, one might comment on the bad taste, to use no stronger phrase, of the proposal to adopt the maple leaf, the emblem of all classes of Canadians, as the badge of a party.

But no one need lie awake at night in perturbation over the gaseous doctor's great scheme. The people of Canada know a wooden nutmeg when they see one.

The country needs a change.

A THOUSAND DOLLARS AN HOUR.

The public debt of Canada, and the burden which the payment of the interest lays on the people, were flipperantly referred to by the Cumberland tour at last night's meeting in this city.

Canada has now a debt of \$252,000,000.

This debt was added to last year by over \$6,000,000.

The debt has increased by \$100,000,000 since the high tax Government attained power.

Over \$10,000,000 a year is taken out of the people in taxes to pay for the interest on this debt.

The people pay \$30,000 a day for interest on the debt.

This is at the rate of \$1,000 an hour.

The excuse for the enormous increase to the public debt is that we have public works to show for it.

Have we?

No man can honestly contend that we have public works to show for the millions of dollars squandered or stolen from the public treasury, with

the connivance of those now in power at Ottawa.

It was shown in Parliament, during last session, that at least seven millions of public money had been stolen from the public purse in connection with the construction of public works. What a boom there would be in Canada today if this money and other large sums similarly filched from the public treasury, could be returned to the people, from whom they were taken.

No one, either honest Liberal or Conservative, can object to public works carried out for the benefit of the public at large, but we believe that the country is ready to decree that the reign of the mismanagers at Ottawa must cease.

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Some time ago it was proposed to found a ladies' P. P. A. in support of the Dominion Conservative party, and it is understood that the proposed Ladies' League outlined yesterday by the gaseous Montague is the carrying out of the idea under another name. Whether the gaseous Montague or his sagacious idea will burst first remains to be seen.

HOW THE TAXPAYERS ARE ROBBED.

Some of the speakers at last night's meeting lauded Minister Haggart as a man of wonderful ability and carefulness. The fact is that under his regime some of the worst rascalities have been tolerated which ever disgraced a body of men. We have but to give the facts with regard to the Curran bridge scandal to prove our statement. This is how the public money was squandered for the benefit of election fund contributors:

March 8—The Montreal Star called attention to the lavish way in which public money was being wasted on the undertaking. This led to inquiries by the Department of Railways, falsehoods by the officials on the work, an investigation by one of the engineers in the department, an order by Mr. Schreiber to dismiss 400 men, and continued stuffing of pay lists and waste of material in contempt of this order.

March 13—Mr. St. Louis, who had charge of the work, accompanied by Mr. Emard, went to Ottawa to ask that he be allowed to make a contract for unskilled, as well as skilled labor. Mr. St. Louis is Mr. Oulmet's cousin; Mr. Emard is Mr. Oulmet's law partner; Mr. Oulmet is Minister of Public Works; Mr. Haggart is Minister of Railways; Mr. Haggart grants the request of Mr. Oulmet's cousin, backed by that of Mr. Oulmet's law partner. More plundering of the treasury under the increased facilities.

April 24—A check of \$74,777 issued to Mr. St. Louis, with Mr. Haggart's approval, though the latter knew that an officer of his department had gone to investigate alleged scandals.

April 25—The report of the investigation submitted to Mr. Haggart by Mr. Schreiber, showing that the cost of bridge building had increased by \$172,000 more than they were estimated to cost. Mr. Schreiber intimated to Mr. Haggart his suspicion that grave irregularities existed.

April 28—The check for \$74,777 paid by the department.

May 8—A check for \$8,393 issued to Mr. St. Louis by Mr. Haggart's authority.

May 10—Mr. Schreiber recommends an investigation by a commission, as he was convinced that great frauds had been perpetrated.

May 11—The check for \$8,393 paid by the department.

May 27—A check for \$7,000 issued to Mr. St. Louis by authority of Mr. Haggart.

June 6—A check for \$39,000 issued by authority of Mr. Haggart.

Mr. Haggart, it may be explained, disclaimed all responsibility for this wrongdoing, and blames his wicked subordinate. But in view of the facts here recited, will anyone, no matter what his political predilections, believe that he was not responsible? No one has been punished for these crimes against the commonwealth. Mr. Haggart knows why; Mr. Oulmet knows why; Sir A. P. Caron knows why. So, now, do the public.

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BUSINESS OUTLOOK

In the Canadian Provinces and the United States.

No New Features in the Canadian Situation—Business Quicker Across the Border—"A Time of Waiting."

New York, Nov. 2.—Bradstreet's weekly review says: Bank clearings at Montreal, Toronto, Hamilton, Halifax and Winnipeg show a total of \$90,750,000 for the month of October, a gain of 1 per cent as compared with the like total in 1894, and of 11 per cent as contrasted with 1893. When compared with the October total for 1892 the Canadian cities named show a decrease of 5 per cent. This week's bank clearings total at the same cities is \$21,037,000, compared with \$22,475,000 last week and with \$18,455,000 on the last week of October last year.

General trade at Toronto on staple lines presents no new features, prices remaining strong for drygoods and hardware.

A similar situation is reported from Montreal. The demand for hardware and paints is relatively the most active; that for drygoods during the past month has been fully equal to the record one year ago, while jobbers of groceries and teas report a satisfactory business.

At Quebec city there is rather less than a reasonable volume of trade, and no change from the preceding week.

Halifax reports a fair business in staple lines, with collections moderate, active.

St. John advises say a large number of logs will be hung up for want of water, and that business there is not active.

The total number of mercantile failures reported from the Dominion of Canada this week is 48. Last week the total was 36, and in the week one year ago it was 46.

ACROSS THE LINE.

The volume of general business has been smaller this week, due in part to drought, although the widespread rains during the latter portion of the week have gone far to break the dry spell. West and northwest the commercial demand has been mainly for staples, but with a falling off in volume. Larger eastern business centers feel the effect of the falling off in the demand at the west, notably Boston, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh. The situation at Buffalo, as at other lake ports, is better, owing to the active season

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on the lakes. Coal shippers have been refusing western orders because of lack of cars, and lake transportation generally is inadequate to meet the demand. The close of navigation, Bank clearings in the United States this week amount to \$1,632,000,000, which is a falling off of nearly six per cent as compared with last week. Exports of wheat, flour included as wheat, from both coasts of the United States and from Montreal, aggregate 2,743,000 bushels this week, against 2,658,000 bushels last week, 2,984,000 bushels in the week one year ago, 2,860,000 bushels two years ago, and 3,714,000 bushels in the like week three years ago.

Business failures throughout the United States number 399 this week, and show a considerable increase over last week, as well as the like week a year ago, when the totals were respectively 259 and 233, this week's gains being generally distributed.

Dun & Co.'s Review says: The rapid recovery in cotton and the rise in sterling exchange to a point at which the last exports of gold were made, have not increased confidence. There is a little better demand for most manufactured products. Retail distribution is fairly encouraging and the closing of many works is less significant at this season than it might be at others. It is a time of waiting, and uncertainty may naturally continue for some weeks.

Very large estimates of the corn crop have depressed prices, although exports have been in five weeks 12,212,321 bushels, against 4,323,648 bushels last year, a fact which has its weight in the wheat market also.

Pork and lard are not much changed, though hog receipts and packing are heavy.

The large demand for manufactured products has held prices of cotton goods, and even advanced some prints, in spite of last week's decline in cotton.

Many shoe factories have closed, and the shipments for four weeks have been 24 per cent less than last year.

The closing of additional woolen mills is also noted. A larger demand is expected when the next season opens, but the heavy sales of wool—23,151,250 pounds in four weeks—at the three chief markets, against 26,538,503 in 1892, indicates speculation rather than present consumption. The worsted mills have good trade and expect better prices.

HONORS FOR THE DUKE.

London, Nov. 2.—The Duke of Cambridge upon his retirement from the post of commander-in-chief of the forces, has been gazetted chief personal aid-de-camp to the Queen and honorary colonel-in-chief to the forces. The War Office has issued a special army order in the Duke's behalf thanking all those who co-operated with him to maintain the efficiency of the army, reviewing the changes made during his command and bidding them an affectionate farewell. The Duke expresses assurance that he would hand to his successor a force of which the Queen and empire may be justly proud.

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HOSE—Ladies' All-Wool Ribbed Cashmere Hose, spliced feet, worth 50c,	Tonight 38c	COMFORTERS—Satin Comforters, large and well filled, worth \$2,	Tonight \$1 50
GLOVES—Ladies' Colored Kid Gloves, fancy stitching, worth \$1,	Tonight 50c	OIL CLOTH—Marble Oil Cloth, 4 yard wide, worth 20c,	Tonight 15c
GLOVES—Ladies' Musquetaire Kid Gloves, worth 65c,	Tonight 32c	SHIRTING—Fine Oxford Shirting, dark colors, worth 15c,	Tonight 12 1/2c
YARN—Factory Yarn, gray and black, worth 35c,	Tonight 25c	MUSLINS—Fine Swiss Check Muslins, worth 20c,	Tonight 10c
COLLARS—Beure Guipure Lace Collars, worth 50c,	Tonight 35c	DAMASE—Bleached Table Damask, fine quality, worth 60c,	Tonight for 50c
HANDKERCHIEFS—Plain Linen-Finished Handkerchiefs, regular price 10c,	Tonight 4 for 25c	LAWN—Victoria Lawn, very wide, worth 18c,	Tonight 10c
COLLARS—Ladies' Fur Collars, Nutria fur, satin lining, long length, worth \$6 50,	Tonight \$4 50	FLANNELS—All-wool Shirting Flannels, fancy patterns, worth 85c,	Tonight 25c
MUFFS—Nutria Fur Muffs, satin lined, worth \$8,	Tonight \$3	SHIRTS—Men's Heavy Ribbed All-Wool Undershirts, worth 50c,	Tonight 35c
CAPESES—Ladies' Black Coney Fur Capes, worth \$4,	Tonight \$2 50	SHIRTS—Men's Fine Striped Undershirts, worth \$1,	Tonight 62 1/2c
NIGHT DRESSES—Children's Flannelette Night Dresses, worth 65c,	Tonight 50c	SOCKS—Men's Heavy Seamless Cashmere Socks, worth 35c,	Tonight 25c
DRAWERS—Ladies' Flannelette Drawers, silk embroidery trimmed, worth 50c,	Tonight 40c	KID GLOVES—Men's Heavy Meece Lined Kid Gloves, worth 80c,	Tonight 65c
ULSTERS—Men's Fine Brown Frieze Ulsters, worth \$6 50,	Tonight \$4 75	SHIRTS—Men's Fine Gray Flannel Shirts, worth 90c,	Tonight 65c
ULSTERS—Men's Storm King Frieze Ulsters, worth \$8,	Tonight \$6 50	SOCKS—Men's Heavy Ribbed Wool Socks, worth 25c,	Tonight 20c
ULSTERS—Men's Very Heavy Storm King Frieze Ulsters, worth \$12,	Tonight \$8	SUSPENDERS—Men's Silk Elastic Suspenders, worth 25c,	Tonight 15c
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