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A TRULY GOOD MAN.

The Telegraph informs us that "Mr. Bentley is more over a deeply religious man and one to whom honor and truth are of far greater value than mere political advancement." It is now some weeks since Mr. Bentley was taken to the "honesty role" in the Parliamentary position drama that is now staged at the Parliament building. When the Opposition made or any misrepresentation so raw that it would disturb the digestion of a trained and hardened politician for a week, it is handed to this gentleman to place before the House. No member of the House has been on his feet so often during the present session as Mr. Bentley. There is no question too deep for him and none that he has not mastered sufficiently to be able to advise the House. Mr. Bentley is not an old member of the House. He has not sufficient legislative experience to enable him to guide the Speaker in his rulings and all other members in legislative procedure. He has advised the Premier to amend every Government measure introduced during the session and no doubt would advise the Lieutenant Governor on how his duties should be performed if the Governor did not still it is well to have in the Legislature "a deeply religious man and one to whom honor and truth are of far greater value than mere political advantage." It is furthermore fitting and proper that such a man should be in the ranks of the Opposition where his services are certainly much needed just now.

There are good reasons why the Opposition should desire to exhibit Mr. Bentley with spry wings. Such an angelic person is much needed in their business. Ever since the session opened they have been preparing and selecting campaign material. It has been a difficult task to get anything worth while. The Government has done nothing to furnish any arguments why the present business-like methods of today should be set aside for the grafting methods of the good old days when Mr. Copp was getting all his relatives appointed to office and levying toll under the heads Administration of Justice, Central Railway and Public Works, while Mr. LaBille was sending telegrams to his secretary who kept the public funds in his private bank account to pay all manner of bills without voucher and adding at the end "Please accept small draft." A godly man is certainly a necessity in such a company. He also has other uses. With a reputation for truth, he may say things that would not be believed if told by an ordinary mortal and most of the things the Opposition want to tell the voters now belong in this category. This is where Mr. Bentley comes in and where the Opposition hope to make him of service to their cause. He has already been responsible for statements which are of the most questionable character—misrepresentations coming from any other than "a deeply religious man" would be considered malicious and made with an attempt to gain "mere political advantage." The public will watch with interest the use such sinners as Copp, Sweeney, LaBille, et al, will make of the saintly Bentley during the recess.

OPENING UP THE PROVINCE.

If every thing that is said regarding the proposition of the New Brunswick Shales Co. is true it will be one of the most important factors in developing Albert County—which is already experiencing development through the efforts of the Maritime Oil Fields Limited in the production of natural gas and oil. Sir William McKenzie who has already been remarkably successful in exploiting the natural resources of many sections of Canada as well as one of the greatest railroad builders of the country, is at the head of the enterprise and prepared to make an immediate start as soon as the necessary legislation has been procured. This bill introduced has passed and it is presumed that at the earliest possible date work will be commenced.

The enterprise is one of the most extensive that has ever been attempted in this Province. The buildings and other plant will cover an area of fifty acres and there will be subsidiary plants besides. The plant alone when ready for operation will cost over \$2,000,000 and its operation will give employment to about 2,000 men. In addition to the production of oil the shales yield as many as 200 bye products for which a good demand always exists. There have been many efforts to utilize the shales of Albert but until the present time none with sufficient capital to develop them has come to the front. The increased demand for oil as fuel for locomotives, and steamships and the success which has attended the opening up of the shale deposits of Scotland which are inferior to those of Albert County has directed attention to the magnificent deposits of this Province and caused deeper investigation into their value than was previously made. With an increased coal output and a large development of the iron mines of Gloucester the actual operation of the oil and gas wells of Albert and the construction of the plant for shale distillation, New Brunswick has made rapid progress in developing its mineral resources the past three years.

MR. COPP AND THE CENTRAL RAILWAY.

The following extract from the Report of the Commission appointed by the Government to examine into the affairs of the Central Railway may furnish a clue to the anxiety of Mr. Copp, leader of the Opposition, to do something to avert the Commission. In any event it makes interesting reading in the light of recent events, and the Commissioners thought it of sufficient importance to place over it the heading "Payment to A. B. Copp, \$1,425."

"Of this amount Mr. Copp was paid \$1,050 from July 7th to October 20th, 1905. On March 26th, 1908, he was paid the balance, \$375. No vouchers or accounts were filed giving the items making up the above amounts. Mr. Copp stated in evidence that he visited Ottawa once pressing for a settlement of the extra subsidy on the fifteen mile section and once interviewing Mr. Cameron in reference to the purchase from the I. C. R. of some old steel rails. That he had also settled some outstanding accounts among others, that of Rhodes, Curry and Co., and James Barnes.

"Perhaps the services of a lawyer might fairly be employed in the first named Ottawa visit re double subsidy, but we think the fee paid was excessive. So far as the other services of Mr. Copp were concerned it is not

clear to us why a paid officer of the company could not have effected these settlements as successfully and much more cheaply than a lawyer could have done. As a matter of fact Mr. McAvity stated in his evidence that Auditor Sharpe had adjusted the Barnes claim.

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When the committee on public accounts was listening to Mr. Powell telling the story of the difficulties the Commission had in getting information concerning the Central Railway frauds perpetrated on the Province, Mr. Copp asserted that the object of the Opposition in asking for an investigation into the expenditures of the Commission was to ascertain why no prosecution had followed the report. It was stated, he said, that a large sum of money had been switched out of its legitimate channel and Mr. Copp, in a very earnest way, almost with tears in his eyes, was anxious that this money should be restored to the public treasury. No one listening to Mr. Copp or reading the report of his statement would for an instant imagine that this was the same Mr. Copp of whom a judge of the Supreme Court wrote "Mr. Copp's evidence shows clearly that he had not prepared himself to do work of any value and we believe his achievements were according to his preparation."

Accepting this hint and in his changed condition of mind Mr. Copp could not do better than to make good his utterances before the Accounts Committee and restore the \$1,425 he got out of the Central Railway business. There would be greater confidence in his political honesty if he took such a course than to content himself with expression of regret that some of his political friends were not in jail for their alleged misdeeds.

LEANING ON A BROKEN REED.

That Liberalism in Canada, if it depends entirely upon Sir Wilfrid Laurier to lead it to victory, will be leaning upon a broken reed is the conclusion to which the Montreal Herald (Liberal) comes after a survey of political conditions in Canada today.

There is, says the Herald, a fact of which there has not been sufficient recognition in the Liberal ranks, namely, that Conservative principles and beliefs have been obtaining an increasing domination in Canada for some years past, while Liberalism has in equal proportion declined. The Herald continues:

"The average Liberal politician, faced with this proposition, would be disposed to affirm, of hand, that Sir Wilfrid Laurier is still first in the administration of his countrymen, that he is stronger than ever in the reaction after defeat, and that the chances are at least equal of his winning the next election. All that may be very true; and yet Laurier is less strong as a party leader than he would be if there were the same manifestations of fighting spirit in the party behind him that there were, say, prior to 1896. When he took office in that year, it is not too much to say, the Liberal way of looking at things dominated the whole field of controversy. In recent years it is too well known, the topics of the political conversation have been dictated from outside the Liberal sphere, and one consequence has been that in parts of the country men that were formerly the advance guard of the Liberal armies have stayed in their tents when fighting was forward."

Commenting on this candid admission the London Free Press justly points out that the Herald has laid its finger upon what has long been patent to most Canadians, that the Liberal party by a slow process, but none the less sure, has lost touch with the feeling of the Canadian people. As the Montreal paper says: "The topics of the political conversation have been dictated from outside the Liberal sphere." This lack of touch with public opinion was never more evident than in the attempt to foist upon the country the Reciprocity Agreement with the United States. That proved the death blow to Federal Liberalism. But not less has the Liberal party in provincial administration shown itself out of touch with public opinion and been dictated to from behind the scenes. The disease that afflicts the party trunk afflicts the branches. Vigorous pruning and long and strenuous treatment will be necessary before the once great party will again lift its head triumphant.

A SEAWATER DISPENSARY.

One of the current crazes in England, according to a writer in the Boston Transcript, is for seawater, which is now regarded as an infallible panacea for many human ills. The Seawater Dispensary in Poland street, Soho, proved of great value in the treatment of infantile cholera last August that plans are being made for extending the facilities this summer for the treatment not only in London, but also in the provinces. M. Quinton, the discoverer of the system, will demonstrate some of his cures with lantern slides.

The treatment consists of injecting under the skin a series of doses of sterile, modified seawater. One of the objects of the coming meeting will be to obtain funds to allow the opening of two new affiliated seawater dispensaries, one in Windsor and one in Lunenburg. Princess Christian recently spent several hours at M. Quinton's chief dispensary in Paris, and it is due to her interest that a seawater dispensary is to be opened in Windsor. It is hoped that this, as well as the proposed Limehouse dispensary, will be in full working order before the hot weather.

A seawater dispensary was opened some months ago in Edinburgh by Dr. Alice Hutchinson, but there, too, the work has been hampered by lack of funds. At Leicester, on the advice of the medical officer of health, a seawater dispensary is to be set up this summer. Health authorities in other provincial towns are considering the adoption of the treatment.

At the Ideal Home Exhibition three stalls are to be devoted to demonstrations of the treatment. Arrangements are being made to have a trained staff to explain the treatment and the diseases to be treated. During last summer the efforts of the staff at the Poland street dispensary were confined to treating cases of summer cholera in infants. During the winter, however, a steadily increasing number of cases of such widely different characteristics as chronic gastritis, neurasthenia, anemia, eczema, psoriasis and chronic bone and gland tuberculosis have been treated, usually with most gratifying results.

"I desire to be perfectly fair," has become a stock phrase with Mr. Copp when about to make some outrageous misrepresentation of some action of the Government. Mr. Copp's idea of fairness is to set up a condition of fact which never existed and then to base an argument on them. This is ingenious but old and the majority of politicians who have worked along such lines are either dead or out of business. Mr. Copp should study that saying of the old showman, "It is possible to fool part of the public part of the time; but you can't fool all the public all the time."

Current Comment

(Kingston Standard.)
It is amusing to read the American newspapers on the question of a cooling station for Japan on the Pacific coast of Mexico. No such thing can be permitted according to their theory; and yet the United States took possession of the Philippine Islands without asking the leave of any of the Asiatic powers. What is sauce for the goose does not seem to be sauce for the gander.

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INTERESTING LECTURE IN THE SCHOOL COURSE

The second lecture in the course inaugurated recently by the Women's Canadian Club, for the advance pupils of the city schools was held last evening in the exhibition hall of Centennial school, when Rev. H. A. Goly delivered his lecture on the "Yukon." The attendance at the lecture was large, many of the parents of the pupils availing themselves of the invitation of the club to be present. The audience were received by Mrs. J. H. Frink and other members of the committee. The song, "My Old Canadian Home," was sung en masse, after which Rev. Mr. Goly delivered his lecture. Speaking on a subject with which he familiarized himself by years of intimate association with the people of the north, the lecturer gave an entertaining word description of the Yukon.

The members of the Women's Canadian Club are much gratified with the success with which their efforts are being met. The success of the course is to bring pupils into intimate knowledge of the greatness of the Empire, and of the Dominion, and that such interest is being manifested by pupils and adults alike is most encouraging.

PROVINCIAL APPOINTMENTS.

Kent—George N. Clark, Richibucto, to be Inspector of liquor licenses, in the place of Edward McInerney, resigned, to take effect May 1st, 1912; Edward Smith to be a sub-inspector of liquor licenses for the parishes of Saint Marys, Dundas and Saint Paul, without drawing salary; Nelson G. Guin, Joseph P. Blanchard, John McLeod, Marcel Abrieux, Joseph P. Dalgis and Dolphina A. Goggin, to be justices of the peace.

Gloucester—John J. Harrington, barrister, to be judge of probate, pro hac vice, in reference to the estate of Robert H. Lee Young; William P. Foley, J. Brian Mullins, William G. White, Richard T. Knowles and Theodore Rodgers to be justices of the peace.

Madawaska—J. Pat Smith and Ed. Poirier to be justices of the peace; Epiphane Nadeau, to be a commissioner for taking affidavits to be read in the Supreme Court; Gloucester—Eugene Ferguson, to be a justice of the peace.

Saint John—Horace A. Porter and Frank Leslie to be justices of the peace; Frederick C. Macneil, to be a commissioner for taking affidavits to be read in the Supreme Court; Sunbury—Henry Mowatt, to be a justice of the peace.

York—John Joseph Hewitson, and Theodore C. D. Lindsay, to be justices of the peace; Frederick C. Macneil, to be a commissioner for taking affidavits to be read in the Supreme Court; Sunbury—Henry Mowatt, to be a justice of the peace.

Carleton Place—H. White, Brighton, to be provincial constable.

Most Anything

My Friend,
I have a friend, a faithful friend, Who all my merits sees,
Who seems to read my inmost thoughts,
And whom I seem to please:
Who's always ready to approve
The good things that I do,
And, when they are not recognized,
Tells others of them too.

Without this friend, this faithful friend,
Life would not be the same.
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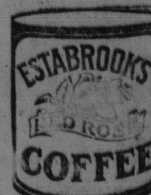
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