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ROTTEN WORK.

THE Ontario representation act says that the riding of East Middlesex shall consist of the townships of Westminster, Nissouri, Dorchester and London.

The registry act says that the annexed district shall be included in East Middlesex.

The Liberals claim that the next election between John Laidlaw and John McFarlan should be decided by the farmers of East Middlesex and not by the citizens of London.

The Conservatives, staring defeat in the face if the die is cast by the farmers, are trying to have the annexed districts vote in East Middlesex. Morally the thing is rotten. Politically, it is just the kind of a move that might be expected from the machine gang that runs the Conservative party for Bill Hanna.

If John McFarlan is elected by the votes of the annexed districts he is elected by crooked methods.

If John McFarlan cannot win by any other means he should tear off the mask he wears to make the farmers think he represents East Middlesex at Toronto, and admit that he is in the Legislature, not by the will of the farmers, but by the will of a trainload of voters dumped in from outside.

ALARMING.

IF a great plague had swept through this province and robbed it of thousands of the flower of its people, it would be regarded with horror and lamentation, and every remedial agency would be brought into action.

There is a great deathless scourge which has robbed this province of thousands of the flower of its people, yet there is no remedial agency at work to stay its inroads so far as the Ontario Government is concerned.

Economically, the Province of Ontario might annually be visited with some dread monster of disease, which would slay its thousands, and feel the effect no more than it feels the effect of the present great movement away from the farms of Ontario.

For more than two years The Advertiser has been preaching a doctrine, the text of which has been "Stay in Ontario." The future must show whether it has been a voice crying in the wilderness, or whether there is some grave underlying state of affairs which the superficial treatment of publicity cannot reach. At last the movement has made men think. No one can say that the outpouring of farmers has not been made known yet.

There has been a tendency since the last census was over to say that the disease had been checked. With depression in the west, it was hard to believe that the farmers would continue to leave Ontario. It was not thought likely that they would leave their snug farms for the cities in these times of financial slackness. Yet the figures for the period since 1911 show that the exodus is still alarming. In fact, it is almost as great as during the ten years before. Startling as the information may be, the reports of the bureau of industry of the Ontario Government show that up to 1913 the following decreases in the assessed population occurred in the following counties:

Bruce	1,374
Grey	2,310
Huron	1,729
Kent	678
Lennox	571
Middlesex	1,364
Ontario	899
Oxford	634
Peel	356
Perth	896
Peterborough	248
Wellington	959

The decrease in Middlesex does not include the incorporation of about three thousand five hundred people in the city of London who were in 1911 assessed in London Township.

Unless there is some broad and intelligent movement for the correction of these conditions where does the future of Ontario lie?

The Liberal Opposition has moved in the Legislature for the appointment of a commission to inquire into the condition of agricultural and rural life in the province, to investigate the rural depopulation, scarcity of farm labor, decrease in the production of food stuffs, the decline in the strength and vitality of the rural school and rural church.

But what did the Seven Sleepers care? A fig for progress! Who cares about depopulation? Fill up the cities! Let the farmers go hang! In short, this has been the attitude of the Government toward this stupendous problem.

THE REVERSION TO LIBERALISM.

THE closing days of the session of Parliament have some features gratifying to the Liberals. And not least is the reversion by the Government to the policy of the preceding administration in two or three important particulars, thereby tacitly acknowledging that the Liberal

policy was right, and that the virulent criticisms of the Conservatives were wrong.

In the first place, Col. Hughes, in finally passing the military estimates through the House, frankly admitted that the methods of his predecessors in the letting of contracts could not be improved. He confessed to an endeavor to utilize the patronage of his department for party purposes by letting contracts to political friends. But he found so much trouble in trying to carry out this method of doing business that he gave it up, and returned to the conditions existing under a Liberal Minister of Militia. There is one thing to be said for the Colonel. With all his military vagaries and recklessness he has a frankness of speech at times that is as refreshing as it is disconcerting.

We can all remember the virulent abuse poured on the Laurier Naval Act, which we were assured would be repealed as soon as the Conservatives came into power. We all remember the ridicule poured on what was termed the Liberal "tin-pot navy." After three years meditation Mr. Borden still has his opponents' naval act in force, though he tried to minimize its effectiveness by almost dismantling the training ships, Rainbow and Niobe, discharging most of the men and allowing the others to desert. Now the Government asks for a million dollars to provide a naval volunteer force under the terms of the Laurier Naval Act, and will utilize the two "tin-pot" ships in training the recruits who are to be assigned for service in a Canadian navy, "as soon as we have one," the minister said.

We can remember how, with a change of Government, a new system of construction was adopted for the National Transcontinental Railway, and grades increased in the interest of "economy" so-called. And the report of the biased commissioners on the work of the Liberal Government endorsed this degrading of the road by showing how much money had been needlessly expended by the Liberals in the effort to secure a high-class road. Now the Government comes to the House and asks for a million dollars for the purpose of correcting some of its own construction, and getting rid of a lot of "rag" grades authorized by its own official, Mr. Leonard. The Acting Minister of Railways, in response to questioning by the Liberals, admitted that it was the intention of the Government to revert to the policy of construction adopted by its predecessor and condemned by its own commissioner. He further admitted that there would be time and money lost in correcting the blunders it had made.

When the Tories were in opposition they condemned everything the Liberals had done. When they came into power, in order to be consistent, they had to reverse all the Liberal plans and methods. But after a few years' experience they are compelled, by force of circumstances, to acknowledge they were wrong, and are reverting to the despised policies of their predecessors. They have taken quite a few steps in the Liberal direction. But there is one step we do not expect them to take. They will do nothing to enlarge the facilities for trade, to increase our markets, and to help the common people to live. They do not mind the humiliation involved in reversing their course, and tacitly admitting they were wrong, if it will be to the advantage of the party. But rebellion against the master interests that helped to place them in power and to keep them there is something not permissible, for it might be fatal.

However, let us be thankful for what they have been compelled to do in a Liberal line, and try to submit as best we may to the evils whose rectification they are forbidden to undertake.

INSULTING ONTARIO.

Indorse Rowell's "bar or bottle" policy and what prolific herds of "blind pigs" would spring up all over this fair province—Hamilton Spectator.

THE brewery press has a poor opinion of the average Ontario citizen. The above statement makes it plain that the Spectator believes that a majority of the men who now go into bar-rooms would consort in "blind pigs" and dives, and break the law of the land to secure liquor. The Advertiser does not believe that ten men in a thousand who now frequent bars would enter a "blind pig" or break the law to secure liquor after the bars were closed. The average man who drinks may be an enemy to himself, and a fool to drink, but it is hard to believe, as the Conservative press charges, that he would cause the country to blossom with iniquitous dens, and that the Government would be unable to enforce the law.

This is about the only argument the Conservative press has to offer in the present campaign—and Mr. Hanna's prison farm, which is one of the clearing houses for the product of the saloons.

By the way, where is Mr. Snider?

Soak the saloon; it soaks your sons.

Ontario is naturally Canada's premier province for farms—not of the prison variety.

Those "skimp chickens" in the Ontario Legislature seem to have a few feathers at present.

Hon. W. J. Hanna has a fight on in his own constituency. Will Hon. Adam Beck go to his rescue?

The Conservative party is out to defeat Allan Studholme, the Labor candidate, in East Hamilton.

The size of it seems to be that the Borden Government "double-crossed" the Farmers' Bank depositors.

Keep the bars going and support prison farms. Abolish the bars and the farms of Western Ontario will benefit.

If Hon. Mr. Hanna is re-elected per-

---and the Worst Is Yet to Come



EMPEROR WILLIAM'S GREAT APPEAL FOR TEMPERANCE

An address of the German Emperor William II. to the naval cadets. Translated from "Die Enthalsamkeit," a German Monthly, published in Hamburg, Germany.

"One more short admonition I will give you before you go, a question with regard to my people, which lies very close to my heart. It is the question of alcohol, and of drinking."

"I know very well that drinking for pleasure is an old inheritance of the Germans. We must, however, in this respect, by continual self-discipline, free ourselves from this evil. 'I can assure you that during my reign of twenty-two years, I have had the experience that nine-tenths of the crimes which have been brought before me for sentence can be traced to alcohol. In former times it was considered a mark of ability, and even genius, if a young man could drink large quantities of liquor without any visible evil effects. I, as a young officer, have had the opportunity to see examples of that, without taking part in the experiment myself. Those are the views of former times, which are suitable for the period of the Thirty Years' War, but they are no longer adapted to the present age."

"Quite apart from the results, which I need not describe to you further, I would like to draw your attention to a point of the first importance, for your future calling in life. As you, yourself, will observe during the course of your service on board, the service in my navy exacts a discipline, the severity of which cannot be surpassed anywhere."

"The question for you is to be able to endure this severe discipline in times of peace without exhaustion, in order to be in first class condition in times of necessity. The next war and the next naval battle demand of

you sound nerves. They will decide the victory now; the health of the nervous system is jeopardized in youth, and in later years ruined, by the consumption of alcohol. You will have the opportunity later to see the training ships and the working of modern artillery on ships, and from that you will be able to form an idea of the conditions in a naval battle. You, while on them, will see many scenes of terrible slaughter. The decisive test will be firm nerves and cool heads. That nation which consumes the least alcohol; that nation wins! And, gentlemen, you are to be that nation! You are to be an example to the military and naval forces. With humanity example is more effective than precept. Consequently, without curtailing your camaraderie, I expect of you, while attending the naval-school or while on board the training ship, to note that the consumption of alcohol does not belong to your privileges, and to take steps among yourselves to enforce this regulation. There is being organized in my navy, or already organized, the Good Templar Lodges and The Blue Cross Society. Several officers and several hundred men have joined. I hope you will do all in your power to induce the men in the naval service to join. I need only point to the excellent example of the English navy, of which 20,000 men and officers have already joined. It is a question of the future of our navy and of our people. If you educate men in service to refrain from alcohol I will have healthy and intelligent subjects."

"This is the great question of the future. If you, however, stand for the principles of temperance, my people will be morally preserved. That is a work in which I entrust you to share."

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And now we are informed that British royalty, nobility and famous personages have been forced to contribute to the militants' fund. Wonder how much they got from Harry Laurier!

In the House of Commons Tuesday night the Liberal members rose in a body and cheered when the Minister of Marine made his announcement that the Laurier naval service act was to be enforced. It was worth a cheer.

Sir James Whitney treated Mr. Rowell with contempt when the latter took over the leadership of the Opposition. Now he fears him, so that he brings on an election a year earlier than necessary, hoping for a snap victory.

The Hanna candidates who declare for the Rowell platform may turn out all right, but it is safer for electors to mark for a Rowell man. The Hanna men who walk like prohibitionists may turn out to be more like the wolf Red Riding Hood found in her grandmother's clothes and cap.

Dr. Ochs, of Preston, told his colleagues in the South Waterloo Conservative con-

ference that Sir James Whitney's work and policy on the temperance question were far short of requirements. Z. A. Hall, of Hespeler, said he did not believe in abolishing the bar by legislation. Both were candidates for the nomination, and Mr. Hall got it.

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BUSY LITTLE CUPID.

[Montreal Mail.] The June bride season has started well. No matter what reports come in about the high cost of living, which is also, as has been pointed out, the high cost of loving dispatches from the firing line every year at this period show that Cupid is plugging away with as true an aim as ever.

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From a well-known underwear manufacturer we secured this lot of mill seconds and mill ends of all kinds of summer underwear. The purchase goes on sale tomorrow (Friday) morning and offers an unusual opportunity to supply hot weather needs.

Vests

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50c

WOMEN'S SUMMER VESTS, in lisle and macco cotton, with taped neck and arms or lace yokes, also ribbed cotton drawers, usual 25c and 28c values. Very slightly soiled. "Seconds," price 19c per garment.

19c

CHILDREN'S BLACK DRAWERS, 19c pair.

12 dozen WOMEN'S RIBBED LISLE AND COTTON VESTS, in regular and over sizes. Lace-trimmed, Ribbed Cotton Drawers and Ribbed Cotton Combinations. Regular 35c and 38c values. Slight imperfections. "Seconds," price 25c per garment.

25c

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CAMPAIGN COMMENT

A PERTINENT QUESTION.

[Brantford Expositor.] The Whitney Government claims credit for passing an eight-hour day for miners, but this measure was not thought of or made law until Mr. Rowell had introduced a bill on the subject. By the way, why did the Conservative members leave the chamber and break up a quorum when Mr. Studholme was advocating his eight-hour day for all toilers?

WHITNEY LAGS BEHIND.

[Toronto Star.] Mr. Rowell's address to the electors of Ontario contains a wealth of fruitful new ideas for the good of the province and its people. His message is in strong contrast with the Government's attitude towards all progressive proposals, which is one of: "Go away, and don't disturb us!"

DOMESTIC SQUABBLES.

[Brantford Expositor.] Resaume, McNaught, Peck, Galsal. No less than four Conservative members of the recent legislature have failed to carry their party conventions, and will probably not be members of the next house. The Whitney family does not appear to be a very happy one just now.

MR. STUDHOLME NOMINATED.

[Hamilton Times.] The Independent Labor party of the city of Hamilton nominated Mr. Allan Studholme as its candidate for legislative honors in East Hamilton, and the nomination was accepted by that gentleman. Mr. Studholme, at the last election, was elected for four years, but the Tories, by bringing on the elections just now has cut his term down to two and a half years. The Labor men will have no opposition from the Liberals. The great majority of them will vote for him if the Tories should happen to contest his election. The Spectator is talking a lot of childish rot about the nomination of Dr. Davey in the west forling the Tories to oppose Studholme

in the east, and it tries to befuddle the Labor men with the notion that it will be their duty to vote against Dr. Davey should the Tories oppose Mr. Studholme. As a matter of fact, the only thing that keeps the Tories from opposing Studholme is the circumstance that they cannot get a man to oppose him.

WHERE REFORM IS NEEDED.

[Ottawa Free Press.] One of the many telling points in Mr. Rowell's opening campaign address at Toronto was his reference to agriculture, which under the Whitney Government has been shamefully neglected. It would almost appear that Sir James regards the farmers and their interests with contempt.

This is a matter with regard to which jokes are strangely out of place and yet the minister and deputy minister of agriculture are little better than jokes. Mr. Duff regards the continued depopulation of the country side with complacency, while his deputy lacks the personal experience which alone can render work in the department efficient.

How the farmers must regret the days of the Hon. John Dryden when agriculture in Ontario occupied the position it ought to fill and when Ontario set an example that other provinces were only too glad to follow.

If Mr. Rowell has his way, those palmy days will return. He realizes, as every thoughtful man must realize, the overwhelming importance of agriculture in Ontario, not only in the rural districts but in the cities, and if returned to power pledges himself to take immediate steps to place the department on the footing it ought to occupy, and which it never ought to have lost. Mr. Rowell's pledge is plain and distinct and if the electors wish to see it carried out they know what to do to make it effective.

From Western Ontario Press

WOULD SAVE EXCUSES.

[St. Thomas Journal.] Up in Saskatchewan, baseball is played till 10 o'clock at night. If these hours prevailed in St. Thomas they would have

many a strain on the office boy's supply of excuses.

DID YOU NOTICE IT? [Guelph Mercury.] Did you notice that about half the members of the Commons were not too tired, after that all-night session last week, to "take in" a divorce case before the senate committee the same morning?

TOO BAD. [Woodstock Sentinel-Review.] Well, it's only too bad that Hon. Sam Hughes is not coming to reckon with the people of Ontario on June 29 as well as the Ontario administration.

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