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A BROKEN OPPOSITION.

The most notable feature of the Dominion session thus far, has been the lack of fighting vim on the Opposition side of the House.

Mr. Pugsley, who led in the obstruction tactics of last year, is absent through illness, and it is said may not take his place in the House for at least a month.

Mr. Laurier in his opening speech did his best to make a rallying address, but manifestly without much success.

What he did say was speedily discounted in the speeches of Premier Borden and Hon. Mr. White who had an easy task in showing up the ardent inconsistencies of the "Planned Knight."

The truth of the matter is that the Ex-Premier lacks followers of debating ability and statesmanlike ability. Cartwright, Mulock, Fielding, Sifton and others of ability are no longer at his back and the new men do not measure up to a very high standard.

Perhaps the best of the bunch is Dr. Clark of Red Deer, a former member of the British House and he can see, or talk of nothing else save Free Trade. That Laurier called upon him to follow Premier Borden in the opening days of debate is pretty good evidence that the Ex-Premier regards that gentleman as his head lieutenant among a poor lot.

There is in reality small cause for surprise that there should be such an under current of half-heartedness in the Liberal ranks. The chief himself has within a couple of years ago made a series of very bad blunders, both from a party and statesmanlike standpoint.

- 1. Reciprocity.
2. Opposition to the Naval Bill.
3. The Free Food cry.
4. The knifing by the Senate of such excellent measures as the Highways bill, the blocking of long overdue action on the part of Canada with reference to assistance to the British Navy and so on.

On either one of those issues the Conservatives could carry the country; with them all combined the sweep is certain at any time issue is joined. No wonder the ranks of the members of the Opposition are in such a mournful and apprehensive state.

A FINE OLD MAN

Sir Mackenzie Bowell, now over ninety years of age, has already jumped into the Senate debates this session with the alacrity of a young man.

At a recent sitting, during the course of a rattling speech, he pitched into Hon. Geo. Ross, Liberal leader of the Upper Chamber, in a manner which made that gentleman wince, and call out, "Order, order."

hundred miles north. It is three townships wide. They took the town of Belleville and the township running north of it for one hundred miles, and they took two townships on the side of it, which gave it the appearance of two bay windows. Why did they take in those two townships? The reason was that in one hundred and fifty and in the other a Conservative majority of one hundred and fifty and that would give any Conservatives who got the nomination two or three thousand of a majority, and by taking those two townships out of the riding to which they properly belonged, it would give the Liberals in that riding a fighting chance.

WOODSTOCK AND HYDRO-ELECTRIC.

The people of Woodstock have enjoyed the privilege of Hydro-Electric for quite a while and the benefits which have accrued therefrom are abundantly demonstrated by the recent action of the commission there in announcing a still further reduction.

The service charge will be four cents per 100 square feet, with a consumption charge of three cents per Kilowatt hour, and a discount of 20 per cent. off for prompt payment.

In the commercial lighting department, six cents per Kilowatt hour for the first thirty hours use of installed capacity will be charged, and three cents per Kilowatt hour for all additional consumption, with a twenty per cent. discount for prompt payment.

The minimum monthly bill will be fifty cents. In the power department there will be a service charge of one dollar per horse-power per month, with a consumption charge of 2c, 1.5 and .2 and with a ten per cent discount. This also means a reduction to power users.

The street lighting will be charged to the city at \$25.00 per 250 W. lamp and \$10 per 100 or 60 W. lamp. The latter are the ordinary street lamps. The city is at present paying the commission \$60 per month for 610 lamps. The charge will remain the same, although the number of lamps in use by the city is much larger this year than last and is constantly increasing.

The commission anticipate further reductions in the schedule throughout the present year, one of the indications being the drop in house and

church wiring in the city since the introduction of natural gas. On the principle of the more electricity used the cheaper the commodity, there should be another reduction during the year, and the commission say it will come as soon as the consumption will stand it.

It should be remembered that Brantford is a good deal nearer to the distributing point at the Falls than Woodstock. This means a greater mileage outlay for that place. When the system gets in full swing in this city the charges will no doubt be among the lowest with reference to the entire service.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

A dollar goes an especially long way in Brantford to-morrow.

Congratulations to William Milne, Warden-elect. The Wardenship doesn't always go by acclamation.

Just like the Brantford Street Railway itself, the litigation in connection therewith isn't breaking any records for speed.

The Expositor continues to harp on politics in Brantford Township affairs when as a matter of fact this year out of six appointments, the Liberal friends got three. The organ couldn't be fair if it tried.

A Six Nations Indian in Hamilton must look like an Indian before he can be prevented from securing liquor. Why not have an order requiring the tribes to go back to war paint and feathers?

The Brantford Gas Company is on corporation which has not succeeded in entirely putting it over the city. The purified article which it is now supplying was worth every ounce of pressure supplied by the civic authorities to make the company right matters.

The fact that the sum of \$65,000 is further needed to supplement Hydro-Electric expenditure should occasion no worry. Brantford's best public utility the waterworks plant represents an investment of \$540,000 and the plan; pays interest, principal and profit on every cent of it. Hydro has a long way to go yet to accumulate a capital expenditure equal to \$500,000.

The Globe has an editorial to-day on "The Cancer of Corruption," referring to charges made against members of the Quebec legislature. Let's see, did not The Globe say something a few years ago in the days of the Ross regime about the "removal of the barnacles" that was in the days of the Minnie M., and it may be, history is repeating itself, only in Quebec this time.

It is scarcely likely that the residents of any particular district in the township would fail to object to the establishment of a smallpox hospital in its midst, but the fact remains that a hospital must be secured, otherwise a serious situation might arise and the absence of any suitable place for isolation might render things much more acute.

The exaggeration of trade depression and the exploitation of that as a political issue by the Liberals is not called to improve matters. The cry of blue ruin always tends to aggravate matters and make every investor drive his dollar down tighter. However, like other opportunistic tactics of Laurier, this latest ruse is bound to fail, as there is every indication of a general loosening up in the industrial world. It might be pointed out that conditions in the United States have been many times worse than in Canada.

FIXING IT

Compelled to remain in a small town overnight the commercial traveller sought what appeared to be the best hotel in the place and was assigned to a room on the second floor.

In the beginning everything seemed to be all right, but just as the salesman was about to retire a life sized rat galloped across the bedroom floor, followed by another rat and then more rats. Downstairs went the salesman with some speed.

"Look here," he cried to the proprietor in a voice of mingled indignation and reproach. "I can't sleep in that room!" "What's the matter?" was the wondering response of the proprietor, "ain't ye sleepy?"

"It's rats," answered the salesman. "The room seems to be full of them." "Oh, that's easily fixed," cheerfully said the proprietor, turning to an employee. "Sam, take a cat up to No. 12."

Uncle Walt The Poet Philosopher

HOME, SWEET HOME.

Oh, Home! It is a sacred place—or was, in olden days, before the people learned to chase to moving picture plays; to tango dances and such things, to skating on a floor; and now the youthful laughter rings within the home no more. You homes of long ago, and you'll recall the fire-side games the children used to know. The neighbors' kids would come along with your own kids to play, and merry as a bridal song the evening passed away. An evening spent away from home in olden days was rare—the children hadn't learned to roam for pleasure everywhere. But now your house is but a shell where children sleep and eat; it serves that purpose very well—their home is on the street. Their home is where the lights are bright, where rag time music flows; their noon's the middle of the night, their friends are—Lord, who knows. The windows of yours home are dark, and silence broods o'er all; you call it Home—God save the mark! 'Tis but a sty or stall!

WALT MASON.

ACCOMPLISHED

Some time ago a small youngster was sent by the boss to deliver a letter to a charming young woman, but returned an hour later with the missive still in his possession.

"I couldn't deliver it, sir," he explained to the boss. "The lady was out and the next-door neighbor said they didn't know when she would be back."

"Go back immediately," said the boss, a little impatiently, "and if the lady is still out put the note in the letter box or under the door. Get it into the house somehow and don't come back until you do it."

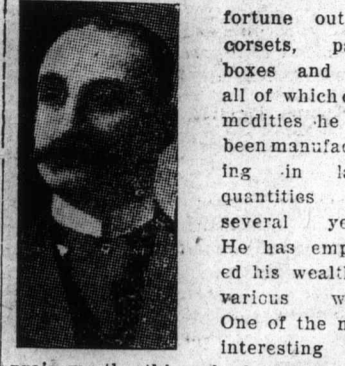
Time passed, in fact most of the afternoon, but eventually the kid returned. "There was no letter box, sir," he said, in response to the boss' look of inquiry, "and I couldn't get it under the door." "You couldn't," exclaimed the boss. "What did you do?" "I got it in the house all right," proudly answered the boy. "I tore it up into little bits and shoved it through the keyhole."

Emperor William, of Germany, yesterday celebrated his 56th birthday. Berlin was gayly decorated and the day was fittingly marked in the churches, universities and schools.

CANADIAN BIRTHDAYS

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY TWENTY EIGHTH

George E. Amyot of Quebec, who celebrates his fifty-eighth birthday to-day, has made a fortune out of coorsets, paper boxes and ale, all of which commodities he has been manufacturing in large quantities for several years.



He has employed his wealth in various ways. One of the most interesting and praiseworthy things he has done, was to erect a very fine statue of the historian Garneau, which now stands near the St. Louis Gate in Quebec and is one of the numerous objects of interest in the Ancient Capital. Mr. Amyot ran for Parliament once but was beaten by a youth of twenty-three after a memorable contest. He has been a vice-president of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association.

CONDEMNED

One evening a certain artist with an extensive local reputation was dining at a friend's house and the dinner was a very lively affair. During the evening the artist remembered he wanted to write a telegram or something, so was shown to a room above. Shortly afterwards a sound as of something falling downstairs was heard. Everyone rushed out to see what it was, and found the painter man picking himself up and looking very perturbed.

"Are you hurt?" they all exclaimed. "Who was the architect of this house?" was the extraordinary reply they got.

Some name was given. "The blighted teetotaler," the man of arts ejaculated with a hiccup.

AN UNFORTUNATE HYMN.

A deacon once formed his Sunday school into a line, and marched them along the aisles—himself in front—singing "Hold the Fort." The congregation which seized all parties at the second stanza— "See the mighty host advancing, Satan leading on— can be better imagined than des-

CANADA LIFE HAS RECORD YEAR

Another Splendid Statement Submitted.

The Canada Life Assurance Company had a splendid year in 1913, and in a number of important departments established new records. The new policies actually paid for totalled \$15,349,000, which brings the business in force up to \$150,121,364.

The income for the year reached the enormous total of \$8,094,886, an increase of about \$700,000 over that of the previous year. The assets were increased in the year by over \$3,860,000 and now stand at \$25,161,795.

It was estimated at the beginning of the present five-year period that at its end the surplus would reach \$6,000,000. Only four years have passed, and it has already exceeded that amount, being now \$6,182,275. The surplus earnings of 1913 surpassed those of any previous year.

An important announcement made by the President, Mr. E. S. Cox was that all bonds and debentures will in future be valued on the Amortization system. Market values, with their fluctuations, will be disregarded, and the actual value of the security, on the assumption that it will be held till maturity, will in future be used by the Canada Life in its accounts.

This step is in accordance with the strong recommendation of the Life Presidents' Association, and makes the Company's Statement a much more accurate presentation than would otherwise be possible.

The Canada Life has always been fortunate in its official heads, and while the recent death of Senator Cox must be deplored by all connected with it, yet he has left behind him such an organization that the work of the Company will undoubtedly go on to greater success than it has yet known. Mr. E. W. Cox, the President, and his associates are devoted to the welfare of the policyholders may rest assured that their interests will be conserved to the very best advantage.

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Instantly suggests the remedy, HOOD'S SARSAPARILLA. A word to the wise is sufficient. Buy a bottle this very day. Be sure to get Hood's Sarsaparilla, the true blood purifier, prepared only by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

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Silk Bargains
1000 yards of 19-inch Silks, including French Foulards, Chiffon Taffetas, Louisines, Corded Silk, Striped Wash Silk and Striped Lining Silks, embroidered Habitu Silks. This lot consists of Silks not less than 50c a yard, and some as high as \$1.25.
4 YARDS FOR \$1.00 Or 25c a yard

Pillow Cotton
150 yards of 44 and 46-inch fine bleached circular Pillow Cotton. The regular value of this is 30c a yard. DOLLAR DAY 5 yards for \$1.00
This is a great big bargain.
Nainsook Muslin
An extra fine 36-inch fine even thread imported Nainsook Cotton, especially suitable for underwear, etc. Never again at this price. Regular 15c. DOLLAR DAY 10 yds. for \$1.00
Fine Linen Lawn
45-inch fine white Linen Lawn. This is one of the best bargains that Dollar Day will produce. The regular value of this is 25c a yard. DOLLAR DAY 8 yards for \$1.00
There is only a limited quantity to be sold at this price.

Men's Department
Men's all pure wool imported Robin Hood brand Shirts and Drawers. Regular \$1.25 and \$1.50. For \$1.00
Men's Heavy Sox in heather mixed and ribbed cashmere, black and colors. Regular 35c to 50c. 4 for \$1.00
Men's Ties in silk and knitted styles. Regular 25c and 35c. 3 for 1/2 \$
Men's \$1.25 and \$1.50 Night Gowns in heavy striped and plain white Flannellette. DOLLAR DAY... \$1.00
Black Satin
1 piece 36-inch Black Satin Duchess, all pure silk. Regular \$1.75. DOLLAR DAY ONLY... \$1.00

Glove Bargains
Ladies' fine French Kid and Suede Gloves, two domes, black only. We only have about 7 dozen pairs that we will offer at this price.
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Single Pairs 25c
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54-inch fine all wool French Serge, navy, tan, black, red, cream. Regular value \$1.25. DOLLAR DAY 69c
15 pieces of Tweeds and Habit Cloths, all colors. Reg. 40c to 75c. 4 yards for \$1.00
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