

Calendar for April, 1908.

MOON'S PHASES.
New Moon 11. 1. 2m. p. m.
First Quarter 8. 0. 32m. p. m.
Full Moon 16. 0. 55m. p. m.
Last Quarter 23. 3. 7m. p. m.
New Moon 30. 6. 11. 33m. p. m.

Table with columns: Day of Week, Sun, Moon, High Water, Low Water. Rows for days 1 through 30.

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This staff the Commissioners say is sufficient for an army of 100,000 men, whereas the permanent force is only 3,000, while the 40,000 militia are only trained in annual camps, and it is doubtful whether the city corps are so efficient as formerly.

ABOLISH POLITICAL PULL

The Commissioners also criticize the organization of the Public Works Department, and some of the expenditure, particularly on unnecessary structures. They recommend the entire abolition of patronage in the purchase of supplies, and the appointment of purchasing agents to buy at wholesale prices for all the departments. They adopt the Conservative platform of appointments to the civil service by a non-partisan commission, after competitive examination, and of promotion by merit absolutely without political influence. They agree that the cost of living has greatly increased, but suggest that efficient, responsible officers should be better paid, and that the accounts be balanced by discontinuing the appointment of needless persons and increase of salaries to those only capable of work in the lower grades.

MR. BRODEUR HAD HIT

The report of the Commission was handed in to the Government some days before it was presented to the House. It was sent back to the Minister of Finance to be changed in some way. How much stronger it was in the first place is not known. Day after day the Minister promised to bring it down immediately, but failed to do so. In the meantime Mr. Brodeur had apparently been making a study of it, for he came to the House on the day when the report was presented, with a bitter attack upon the Commissioners and their work, which, in violation of the rules and of good taste, he proceeded to make before any other member had seen the report which he attacked. Mr. Brodeur and his friends have been partially successful in heading off investigation into irregularities and graft in this department. The Minister usually meets criticism by complaining that he is attacked because he is a French Canadian. Now he finds himself discredited by two Commissioners from his own party, one of them of his own race and both appointed by himself.

WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN

What these Commissioners report has been constantly asserted and proved in Parliament by Conservative members. As Mr. Foster pointed out, Mr. Brodeur has reason to be thankful that the commissioners' inquiry did not go back to the Merwin contract, the Arctic expedition, the financing of the ice breaking fleet, the Strubbe deal, the Montreal outfit, and did not extend to Mr. Brodeur's own European expeditions. Mr. Brodeur has paid \$45,000, which the Commissioners call "an almost fabulous expense" for the mechanical improvement in his bookkeeping. But he has done nothing to abolish the graft or reduce his stealings, nothing to cause his staff to purchase supplies or procure services on honest business terms. The Minister has given many hysterical exhibitions, and has caused one 37-hour sitting of the House, but he is not able to convince a Commission of his own selection that the administration of his department is either capable or honest. SOME OTHERS NO BETTER.

So far as the investigation went into the management of the Interior, it was no better, and it is certain that a full investigation of the Public Works or the Interior would have revealed the same premium on graft that was discovered by the other investigation of the Department of Marine.

Itching Skin

Distress by day and night—That's the complaint of those who are so unfortunate as to be afflicted with Eczema or Salt Rheum—and outward applications do not cure. They can't.

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A CONDITION OF PANIC.

The day after the report was brought down something like a panic prevailed in the Government ranks. Following close on the condemnation of the New Brunswick Government for methods like those of the departments at Ottawa, this arrangement came as a shock. A Government caucus was held the next morning, where it was pretty clearly intimated that the party should not carry its present load. There were loud complaints against ministers who allowed their departments to get into disgraceful conditions, and equally strong protests against Mr. Pugsley's unhappy New Brunswick campaign. Not even success could justify that carnival of promises and public bribery. When followed by rank failure they made the perpetrator an impossible public man.

A few hours after the close of the caucus the Government organ at the Capital reported these reflections on Mr. Pugsley, explained that the members had demanded some vigorous action to regain public confidence, and foretold the early retirement of Mr. Brodeur from the ministry. Such is the condition of confusion and apprehension in which the Government and its parliamentary supporters are thrown by this partial removal of the curtain which has concealed the operation of the departments from the light of day.

Questions in Parliament.

On March 23rd, Mr. Alexander Martin, M. P. for Queen's, asked:

- 1. Has a deputation waited on the Minister of Public Works, respecting the construction of a tunnel between the City of Toronto and Toronto Island, as reported in a special despatch to the Globe newspaper on the 15th instant? If so, has the Minister promised a survey?
2. What is the object of the proposed tunnel, and what is the estimated length?
3. How many permanent residents live on Toronto Island?

On March 28th Mr. A. A. McLean, M. P. for Queen's, asked: How much mess pork, ham and bacon, giving the quantity and value of each, was imported into Canada from the United States during the months of November and December, 1907, and January and February, 1908?

Hon. William Patterson (Minister of Customs).—Pork barreled in brine, 2,059,448 pounds; value, \$166,100. Bacon, hams, shoulders and sides, 2,112,457 pounds; value, \$232,808.

- On the same day Mr. Sproule asked:
1. How much fresh pork has been imported for human consumption into Canada since December 1, 1907, up to March 1, 1908?
2. What amount of cured or salted pork was imported for same period?
3. What amount of all other kinds of fresh meat was imported during same period?

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1. How many days has the dog-fish reduction plant at Canoe, Nova Scotia, operated during the season of 1907?
2. Who is manager of the plant, what is his salary, what are the terms of his engagement, how much did he receive during year 1907 up

to December 31st last, and how long was he actually employed in the business of the plant during 1907?

3. How many men are employed at the plant besides the manager, what are their respective names and salaries, and how was each paid in 1907 up to 31st December, for their services.

Hon. L. P. Brodeur (Minister of Marine and Fisheries):

- 1. From 5th October to 9th November.
2. A. B. Cox, \$1,200. He is employed by the year, \$1,200. Twelve months.
3. D. S. Hensbee, \$700. E. A. Kelly, \$675. In addition to these, during the time the works are in active operation laborers are employed at the rate of \$1.50 per day as required.

The Patron of Lawyers.

It is a singular thing to find in the columns of the governmental Temps of Paris an article on the patron saint of the legal profession. In these, we do find it. In the issue of Feb. 10, Paris, it seems, is to have still another museum, a legal museum. Says the Temps: "We wish great success to the museum of the lawyers. Written documents, old charters, royal decrees, noble didactic treatises will not be lacking. There will be, in fact, an embarrassment of riches, if we merely consider the gathering together of manuscripts and printed works."

In one of these, written at the beginning of the 17th century, some learned Parliamentary lawyers, M. Stephen Pasquier, M. Francis Pitou, M. d'Hibouvier, M. Antony Loisel and his sons, are represented as conversing about the origin and the interests of their profession. M. Loisel recommends his guests not to forget the regeneration that is due to the patron of lawyers.

"Which one?" asks M. Pasquier. "M. Yves de Kermartin, who was so great and so holy that he has been canonized and is known as St. Yves."

"The question, 'which one,' asked by M. Pasquier, goes to prove that, in the reign of Henry IV in France, lawyers were not unanimous in invoking the patronage of St. Yves. In the Middle Ages, the confraternity of lawyers and attorneys were gathered together under the banner of St. Nicholas. This was not for the purpose of forming a corporation, but only to say prayers in common and to hear Mass with the thought of a spiritual union. When the bar became an 'order,' it could have for its patron only a professional man of legal lineage. St. Nicholas was not in that business. St. Yves, the most authentic of our legal brethren and the living soul of all the corporative virtues, the gentlest of the saints of Brittany... lawyer of the poor.

"We know his life fairly well, especially since M. Ch. de la Ronciere has given it to us in a charming little work, written after the fashion of pious erudition. To recall the pleasing statements is enough to make us understand that it would be impossible for the legal profession to choose another patron. Yves Helory, of Kermartin, was not only the priest of the Bretons, but he performed the city of Paris with his virtues. As a student there, he was chaste and pure, he abstained from gluttony and from wine; he often put aside his portion of meat for the poor. The testimony in his process of canonization attests that he took the law books for pillows at night. Having become a priest and a lawyer, Yves had recourse to gentle persuasion in order to restore harmony to those engaged in a lawsuit. One of his former fellow students had a lawsuit with his father-in-law. Yves begged the two adversaries to wait until he had finished celebrating Mass. Scarcely had he finished the sacrifice, then the parties were reconciled. This saintly lawyer not only did not care for what he might have won through the case, but he also despised the worldly joy of pleading a case. Here shines forth splendidly the miracle of his character, provided that he possessed all the gifts of an orator. Some years ago, Dr. Gaury monpeux examined his skull, and from physiological evidence it was demonstrated that Yves really had the rare merit of disdaining the glory of oratorical prowess as well as the emolument of his profession. When the legal museum is opened, the inaugural address of the keeper of the scrolls should comment upon the life of St. Yves.

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The Revision of the Vulgate.

On April 30, 1907, Cardinal Rampolla wrote a letter to Dom Hildebrand de Hemphine, Abbot-Primate of the Benedictines, entrusting the new revision of the Vulgate to them, and straightway appointing Abbot Gasquet as the head of the committee. The English Abbot admirably fulfills the requirements of so responsible a position. To vast, profound culture he adds the temperament of a great worker and a love for accuracy and detail. He has chosen as immediate collaborators Dom Lawrence Lusana, Rector of Saint Anselmo, Rome, Dom Ambrogio Amelli, Prior of Montecassino, and as Secretary Dom Donato de Burye, Doctor of Louvain University, but the collaboration of any one, ecclesiastic or layman, Catholic or non-Catholic, Christian or non-Christian, will be accepted, it being a question above all of learning. Abbot Gasquet is determined to dedicate the remainder of his life to his revision, and he has already set to work in his cell, in the Benedictine Monastery, here in Rome, on the crown of the Aventine. "Twenty years ago," said the learned Abbot to me, "Leo XIII. set me to historical research; now Pius X. orders me to revise the Vulgate, and I have willingly abandoned all for it—studies, work, friends, country."

As to the programme to be followed it is as yet difficult to speak. Abbot Gasquet thinks that in the first six months which he will pass in Italy, chiefly in Rome, he will already be a great achievement if he can begin to make use of the first material accumulated. To have an idea of how gigantic the work is, it will be sufficient to say that the Abbot believes that the early MSS. to be entirely collated, arranged, divided, etc., amount to perhaps twenty thousand. They may be more, as there are countries like Spain in which libraries and archives attached to the different cathedrals have MSS. which are quite unknown to scholars; it is, therefore, necessary to send Benedictines to each of these countries to carry the MSS. to Rome if possible, and, if not, to photograph them, or when even this is not allowed, to copy them. All will be centred in the Eternal City, the great hall of the Monastery of Saint Anselmo having been prepared to receive the accumulation of documents all over the world. Of course one of the obstacles is the difficulty in meeting the necessary expenses, as the financial condition of the Vatican does not allow the Pope to take it all upon himself, Abbot Gasquet, however, hopes there will be no lack of help, and his opinion has been strengthened by the fact that immediately after the announcement of the revision an Italian gentleman contributed sixty pounds. A treasurer will be appointed for the preparation and allotment of the funds, Salvatore Cortesi in Pall Mall Magazine.

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