

THE NOR-WESTER

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WHAT IS WANTED.

It is quite evident to the experienced observer that what is most wanted here is a unity of effort. There should be no east side or no west side. Sectionalism like this savors of the village or to use a vulgarism of the "one horse town" and it should form no part of the question to which the people of Calgary must address themselves. If Calgary is to become anything at all it is to become a city and in the near future too. It is to remain forever a village there is little use in expecting anything from it except that for which villages are notable, but our promising little town has higher and juster aspirations than to be a cluster of houses around a town pump. Those who have invested money here in real estate and in building improvements expect to see the town rapidly enlarge into a metropolis and their expectations are not without good reason. Beyond all doubt our town will be selected as the capital of the province of Alberta when it is organized, and to be the capital of a flourishing province like this fine district is sure to become, means a good deal. The metropolis is where capital finds its way. The impetus given it by selecting it as the seat of government will be considerable. People of limited means will come here to locate, and large capitalists will find their way here seeking investment for their superfluous wealth. These things will naturally come as water finds its level. Our people here have a heritage which requires to be fostered in order that it may be made flourish. Local jealousies should be sunk in promoting the main chance for they are neither to the benefit of the commonwealth nor to that of the individual. Those who have a proprietary interest in the town should be the first to show their condemnation of sectionalism by discountenancing it on every occasion. There are always plenty of narrow minded persons in every community who are seldom heard saying a good word or a good thing about any body. They delight in torturing their neighbors with ill reports, and are never found soaring above the commonest gossip of the bar. By all means let the people abroad know that Calgary has already the nucleus of the right kind of a population here already, and that although we are only a handful of people on the frontier they know what their duty is toward the town and toward each other. If there are no other motives to ensure this regard for the commonwealth surely that of the community of interests ought to be sufficient to ensure for our town that mutual good will which outsiders will accept as the best argument in favor of the town and its inhabitants.

The McLeod GAZETTE of the 7th inst. is out with another of its characteristic articles blowing hot and cold in the style and manner following:

"The Government have also declared their intention of keeping faith with the leases. Then let the half-hearted wavering policy which has hitherto characterized their dealing with the question be dropped. Let them come out boldly and decisively, and proclaim that they have reserved a certain depth of country along the mountains for grazing purposes and nothing else, and that it is their determination that the men who have thus been encouraged to invest their capital shall not under any consideration be interfered with nor have their business hampered. It is rather cowardly to cast the whole burden and odium of protection upon the shoulders of the lessees, while the Government will not say publicly and decisively that they will uphold them in their rights.

"If the Government make this stand which they surely must do shortly, or else break faith with the lessees, they will at least gain the credit of having for once acted with decision and will be entitled to respect on that occasion."

That is lecture No. 1 and we should judge that it is from a different pen than the editorial article that follows in the same issue. Our eccentric contemporary in the latter is pleased to say:

"Through all the dissatisfaction which has cropped up in the Northwest we cannot but think that the intentions of the Government were good. The trouble is they have relied for information on men who are not reliable and who have been personally interested in misrepresenting matters. We are glad to make the remark from the fact that the mistakes and

acts of injustice have been so glaring that no Government would dare perpetrate them deliberately and with malice aforethought."

The Gazette is not particular about its logic or its consistency, it is trying to do two opposite things at once, and of course it makes a failure. What it really wants is hard for any one to guess it has't the remotest idea itself.

Mr. Reilly has a knack of using a great many words to express a single idea. The NOR-WESTER an issue or two ago casually remarked that the lease question was one over which the North-west Council had no authority and that Mr. Reilly knew this. He has since written us a very long letter which we published last week and he endeavors to prove that we are mistaken. Of course we may readily grant that the North-west Council being a peculiarly constituted body may discuss any question from the creation of man down to the incorporation of Regina, but the meaning we conveyed was that the lease question was one over which the North-west Council had no control, and therefore it was useless to make it an issue at a local election. As to the lease question itself the Nor-wester is not afraid to place its views on this live issue before the public. So far we have not spoken ambiguously or equivocatingly, and as we have not yet done with the question Mr. Reilly will in a short time be able to see we will not deal in generalities or mere assertions which have only a resonant effect but our aim will be to point out what is fair between both parties. This we believe is our honest duty as a public journalist in reference to this vexed question and we shall not shrink from its performance.

There can be no doubt whatever that as the Mining Regulations are looked into and studied they are more liberal than they at first appear. The aim of the Hon. Mr. Macpherson has been to make the regulations more liberal than those in the neighboring republic, and they are so in every respect except as to the royalty which it is the policy of the Government to collect. The Government have doubtless considered that it would hardly be right, at any rate for the present not to reserve that source of revenue for the future province. However the regulations like other legislation affecting the North-west are really only tentative, and no doubt whenever it can be reasonably shown that amendments will be beneficial there can scarcely be any doubt that the Hon. Mr. Macpherson and his successors will be ready to make the needed amendments.

It is suggestive to note how regardless of the eternal fitness of things some people really are. They are continually bothering you in the street about monopoly and the like decrying it and denouncing it, but on the very first opportunity that presents itself these are the same men who take an active part in endeavoring to force monopoly upon the town and sometimes even against the monopolists will. It is not with these persons a question as to what position their candidates might assume towards the interests of the town if elected. Personally he might do right, but some men's individuality are hopelessly sunk in a life long subserviency to a great corporation. If the people of Calgary are anxious to advance monopolies their agents and assigns then let it be known, but we are very much mistaken if they do. The designs of a pair ofeffless baristers and heaven save themark if it does not the baristers—are not those that the electors of Calgary should be asked to forward, rather let them see that too much power is not conferred upon those who have already more than sufficient, and who care nothing whatever for the common people except what trade they can get out of them.

The quadrennial agony in the Republic has begun by the nomination of Blaine and Logan for the presidency and vice presidency respectively. Blaine is a tower of strength and with the aid of such a man as J. A. Logan the Republican party ought to be able to carry the plum for another term.

Calgary Electoral Dist.

For this District for Representative to the North-west Council

VOTE FOR JAS. D. GEDDES

GENERAL NEWS.

Hon. Alex. Morris denies that he is aspiring to the position of Minister of the Interior.

During May, 25 steamers carried 9,114 cattle to the English markets.

Hon. Jos. Royal, M.P. will deliver an address at the St. Jean Baptiste Convention on the situation of French Canadians in the Northwest. He is expected to arrive in Montreal to-day.

Lieut. Gordon, of the Canadian Meteorological Service, will command the Dominion Government Mission's Bay Expedition.

Amerson appears to be as right as a privet. It had a celebration on the 24th ult. in which the entire Four Corners joined. It was on a grand scale of magnificence. Nothing like the procession has been seen since the days of Noah's pagan. The INTERMEDIARY says that the marginals of the day were mounted on fiery charges and armed with clanking swords. They must have been "truly royal."

Hon. Joseph Royal, M.P., is sending a box of cheese from the factory of Lake Manitoba to the Duke de Blacas, of Paris. It will be shipped by the first of the week.

Mr. Gideon Bourleau, Deputy Provincial Secretary, has been appointed to the position of Queen's Printer permanently. He has hitherto only acted pro. tem.

Mr. W. E. Belcher, of the C. P. R., has gone to Montana to endeavor to have the cattle dealers in that territory ship their stock to eastern markets over the Canadian Pacific Railway.

A cricket tournament will take place in Winnipeg, commencing about the first of July, and continuing over several days. It is expected that nearly every cricket club in the province will be represented.

Constable W. Moyer, of the N. W. M. P., who is stationed at the Coal Banks, brought in a Blood Indian prisoner, charged with horse-stealing.

A new mine is being opened by the C. & N. Co., at Woodpecker Island, some distance below Lehigh. The vein is four feet two inches thick, and the quality of the coal is said to be excellent, improving as they get deeper.

Parties on the round-up, who expected to find the country at the mouth of the Let-it-Flow a howling wilderness, were somewhat surprised to find quite a big place. It has been made the depot for receiving all the Fort MacLeod freight, which comes up the river. Tents have been put up, and there is a considerable quantity of freight there already.

Recruits are in demand just now for the Mounted Police, to fill the places of men whose term has just expired.

The mill erected between Rat Porage and Keovatin, known as Short's mill, has already a big box of logs at hand ready for the saw, which will shortly commence operation.

Mr. George Ross, Provincial License Inspector for Liquor, has resigned his position. Mr. Schneider, wife of policeman Schneider, of London, fell down the trap door of a cellar yesterday. She lies in a critical condition.

On Sunday last the round-up was at Rocky Coulee, about fifteen miles from Fort MacLeod. About fifteen boys were in town. In conversation with Doc Friele he remarked that it was a splendid round-up. Sixty-nine or seventy men are in the saddle. There are twelve wagons and over three hundred horses. The horses are an extra fine lot. The whole outfit looks like a small army on the move. The men are described as being about the best lot of riders experienced men have ever seen together.

On Tuesday last, a South Pisgan Indian named Shorty, of the Indian Police, arrived in Fort MacLeod in search of a horse-stealer by the North Peigans. He brought in the news that there had been a big fight below Joe Kipp's place on the Maria, between the cowboys and Cree Indians. It seems that the cowboys were on the round-up, when they came to a party of five Cree Indians butchering a cow. As soon as they saw the cowboys, four of them ran away, but one, bold as the rest, walked towards them. One of the cowboys went out from the rest to meet this Indian, and when he got near enough pulled his six-shooter and fired at him. The Indian was hit pretty badly and dropped. He then raised himself to a sitting posture and at the cowboy whom he hit in the breast. He was fatally wounded, but while dying, pumped four or five shots into the Cree, who was killed. The cowboy died soon after. The other cowboys, who had been watching the fight in the distance, now took after the other four Indians and a lively encounter took place. The Indians took refuge in a coulee and threw up breastworks. The cowboys tried to storm their position, but the Indians were too well protected and stood them off. They finally got away.

There were 148 failures in the United States during the last week of May. Capt. Anderson, the venerable pedestrian who started from Sampson, S. C., to walk to Boston, has arrived in Richmond, Va., in good condition. Henry C. Work, the noted song-writer and composer, died of heart disease, at Washington, Md., on the 10th inst. "Marching through Georgia," "Grandfather's clock," "Dear Father come home with me now," were written by him.

A tremendous sensation has been caused at Berlin by a public insult given to Prince Bismarck yesterday at Friedrictsharne. The Prince, with his family and suite, had started from his summer residence to take a train for Berlin to attend a dinner in honor of the Empress of Russia and had stopped at a hotel on the way. It got abroad that he was at the hotel and a crowd composed of workmen assembled in front of the building. Some one started the cry "down with Bismarck" and the crowd responded with jeers and insulting yells, which continued for some time. Bismarck was seated at a window where he could witness the hostile demonstration without being seen. He became livid with rage, and ordered his personal servants to summon the local police and assist them on their arrival in dispersing the mob. When the servants appeared in the street in the Bismarck livery the insult was renewed, but the authorities finally succeeded in quieting the crowd, and the journey of the distinguished party was resumed without further interference. Some hours after this he continued to bewail "the ingratitude of the people."

Mr. Labouchere reiterates in Truth his former prediction of the early resignation of Hon. Jas. Russell Lowell as United States minister to England. In connection with this statement he alludes to the pleasant relations maintained through Mr. Lowell's residence, notwithstanding certain incidents which might have imperilled the Anglo-American entente, and expresses the belief that his retirement will be sincerely regretted by the English people.

The Grand Lodge of Masons adopted a resolution introduced by the Earl of Carnarvon expressing regret at the recent Anti-Masonic encyclical letters of the Pope. The resolution affirms that "the law, practice and traditions of the Masonic order and the position of its rules prove that the Pope's charges are utterly unfounded."

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