

THE ACADIAN.

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It will take some days yet for the Halifax papers to get through with the publication of the proceedings of the legislature, although the house was prorogued over two weeks ago. This method of supplying the public with information concerning the doings of the government is not only very unsatisfactory but costs the province a considerable sum every year. Nova Scotia, we believe, is the only province of the Dominion that still follows this antiquated and ridiculous policy. In the other provinces the papers furnish a daily and readable resume of the doings of the government. As a matter of fact there is no possible reason why a verbatim report of the doings of the legislature should be required outside the official record of the house. The daily papers, of course, find the existing method highly satisfactory, as they are well paid for the service. The public, however, who pay the bills, will, we feel sure, agree with us that it is time for a change.

Gas From Waste.
The following article, from the Electrical Review, of New York, will be of interest to Kings county people. Mr. L. G. Harris, the inventor of the Harris gas process, is a son of Mr. Whitney Harris, of this town. Although yet quite a young man he has had remarkably successful career. His many friends in this county will join us in congratulations.

A very interesting demonstration of the Harris gas process of utilizing garbage, street sweepings, peat, sawdust and other waste products, converting all such refuse into a high illuminating and power gas, is being carried out at a demonstrating plant at 157 Vanderpool street, Newark, N. J. This system, the invention of L. G. Harris, of Orange, N. J., bids fair to practically revolutionize the present-day methods of disposing of the waste products of large and small cities.

Street sweepings, garbage, peat, sawdust or other waste products are spread upon shallow metal troughs and sprinkled with a chemical solution composed mainly of alkalies. The receptacle is placed in the ordinary D-shaped retort and brought to a heat of about 1,200 degrees Fahrenheit. The gases evolved by the decomposition of the waste material are passed through superheaters which form a part of the bench proper, and then through condensers, scrubbers and purifiers into a gasometer of large proportions. The gas evolved in its purified state has apparently a high illuminating power, estimated to be about double the candle-power of ordinary coal or water gas, and contains for power purposes about 800 units.

The Harris process produces 15,000 cubic feet of gas per ton of refuse, and the gas is made much more rapidly than from coal. Ten gallons of the chemical mixture are added to a ton of garbage, and the cost of this chemical does not exceed fifty cents to treat each ton. The time required to produce a large volume of gas is less than half that required to produce the same volume from coal, and by means of the chemicals and through the agency of the process employed the final distillation is held back so that, contrary to the experience observed with coal gas, the final run produces a better gas than the initial heating.

After all of the gas has been generated from the garbage the residue or ash, which amounts to about ten per cent of its original weight, may be used as a valuable fertilizing material, containing cyanides of potash and other constituents found in high-grade fertilizers. The tar and ammonia saved are also valuable by-products.

As far as the fuel cost is concerned, it has been determined that a Fleming gas bench of six retorts will use in twenty-four hours 1,500 pounds of coke for fuel and carbonate 10,800 pounds of coal, producing 48,400 cubic feet of gas. Six retorts it is stated using the same quantity of coke in twenty-four hours carbonate 31,200 pounds of garbage, peat and other refuse, and produce approximately 250,000 cubic feet of gas. With six or ten retorts, however, working at their full efficiency, it would be unnecessary to use coke for heating, as sufficient heat could be produced from one-third of the gas evolved to furnish all the heating necessary for the carbonating of the material.

The death of Mr. M. D. Pride, of Anse-au-Loup, is a very serious loss to our educational institutions. He had long taken a deep interest in this phase of our denominational work, and when at the last Convention he was elected a member of our Board of Governors, all realized that he would be a most valuable addition to our working forces. He at once took an active interest in all the affairs of the College, attended all the meetings of the Board, became a member of the important committee on investments, and when his last illness came to him he was on his way to Halifax to attend a meeting of this committee, being obliged to turn back on his journey. He left by his will a generous bequest of \$5,000 to the college. He was greatly missed from our councils.—*Maritime Baptist.*

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Restitution.

If a thief broke into your house, and robbed you of your valuables; if a partner swindled you of your profits in the business; if a trusted employee proved recreant to his trust and stole his employer's money, or goods that rightly belonged to his employer; if any of these things happened, you would, very properly, insist that restitution should be made, and the offender punished.

That would be looking at things from a very near and personal viewpoint. Just add to your personal interests until it takes in the whole family of Canadians,—broaden your business relations until it covers the whole country in its partnership interests,—view the government as your trusted employee in transacting the country-wide business of your house of Canada.

Is not this larger, broader viewpoint the correct one? And should not the individual interest be as near and personal in this sense as in the smaller one first referred to?

Why should not restitution be made to the people of Canada of the vast tracts of public lands,—coal, mineral and timber lands, really stolen and now held by corporations and by individuals?

Others stole over \$10,000,000 of the assistance of your trusted employees, certain members of the Canadian government and parliament, robbed you of 5,500,000 acres of Rocky Mountain coal lands. Other partners have taken from us millions of acres of the best agricultural land in the west, in which they have already made profits of over \$10,000,000, and in which the rest of the family of Canada did not share.

One man, assisted by those employed by us to do our business, got away with nearly 1,200 square miles, not acres, but miles, of the finest timber lands in the west. This steal, it laid out in one strip of land would cover a piece, half a mile wide, reaching from Halifax to Vancouver. Another brigand, assisted by these same trusted employees, secured exclusive fishing rights in a chain of lakes—as large as Lake Erie, for \$10—worth \$10,000,000 per year.

Others stole over \$10,000,000 of money, with the connivance of these same trusted ones, at Halifax, in a land deal. A similar steal took place at Truro, and another at Moncton; and a similar but much greater robbery was attempted at Kentville, when drill ground lands were secured, this, covering every foot of land, and every stage of the game, from top to bottom, could hardly be imagined, and but that the then minister of Justice, Sir Charles Fitzpatrick, penetrated the conspiracy through and through, and forced the whole transaction into the Exchequer Court, the people of Canada would have been compelled to pay for that barren waste \$20,000,000 more than, thanks to one faithful employee at Ottawa, we eventually did pay.

The people of Canada, the family of all Canada, have employed at a good annual salary, some dozen men, to do their business at Ottawa, to act for them, their employed partners, if you like. But with the information revealed before the Public Accounts Committee at Ottawa, and by the Civil Service Commission, it would look as though, if retained much longer, we would be obliged to employ 50,000 detectives, the best that Scotland Yard and Pinkerton could provide, to watch these trusted employees, and to see that they did not run away and take the whole public domain, the treasury safe, and everything of value in sight and to be got at, with them.

The people of the west, the farmers and lumbermen, in convention, have passed resolutions demanding that this wholesale robbery, this systematic stealing shall stop, and that restitution must be made. What shall be said in the east? What do we declare for?

If the paid press, the organs of the grafters, the receivers of their part of the stolen goods, could be of influence, could be followed, these same trusted ones would remain for all time, and if meaningless abuse, and uncalled for invective could be classed as good truth, then the honest citizen, the anti-grafter, the reform element in Canada, that seeks for honest government, would be buried out of sight, and the present exploiters, whosoever found, should reign triumphant for ever and ever.

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By order,

A. E. Coldwell,
TOWN CLERK.

Wolfville, April 27th, 1908.

The Seedless Apple.

The end of the Michigan branch of the Spencer Seedless Apple Company came two weeks ago," says Rural New Yorker, when 295,000 apple seedlings and 3,000 seedless grapevines were sold at auction. Some 75,000 of the trees had been budded with seedless apples. This was the end of three years' work in attempting to boom the seedless apple with too large a story. If the promoters had come out with a fair statement, and simply claimed that the apple was a long-keeping novelty of fair quality, they might have done a good business.

The Rev. Edwin Smith will (D. V.) deliver an address next Sunday afternoon in College Hall, at 3:30 o'clock. He will also speak in mass meeting to be held in the Baptist church at the close of the regular evening services of the town at 8:30 o'clock. Mr. Smith is laboring in the interests of the Kings County Temperance Alliance. It is expected that the well-known reputation of the speaker will assure large audiences for these occasions. Collections will be taken at these services in behalf of the Alliance.

The May Festival Programme, which will be issued on Saturday, May 2, will be a work of art. The cover will present a photo engraving of Haydn and a part of the score. "The Heavens are Telling," together with several excerpts from Haydn's letters. The programmes will give in full all numbers by chorus and artists, the plates of all the artists, and the text of all the works presented.

This Souvenir will be given to everyone who buys a ticket for any concert in the series. To those out of town copies will be sent upon receipt of five cents to cover postage.

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