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THE SITUATION AT OTTAWA.

There is a situation at Ottawa that may end in a political crisis.

It turns for the moment on the preparation of the voters' lists to be used in Manitoba and British Columbia in the coming federal election.

Mr. Aylesworth, as minister of justice, has now before the house an election bill which, among other things, provides for the preparation of voters' lists for these two provinces by officers to be appointed by the Ottawa (Liberal) Government. The method proposed is quite drastic, and the proposal itself is warmly insisted on by the Liberal P.P.'s now in the house from Manitoba. The lists, such as hitherto have been made in Manitoba, are just now being completed under the law and by the officers of the Manitoba (Conservative) Government.

The Liberals at Ottawa want to make the lists to be used in Manitoba; the Conservatives of Manitoba say they will not run a candidate in that province if they have to go up against lists made by the Liberals at Ottawa.

The Conservatives of Manitoba have made the existing lists and the Liberals at Ottawa declare they are most unfair—that their candidates will have no show under these lists.

In other words, the fight is as to which party is to make the lists—each party declaring it distrusts the other.

There seems to be some force in the contentions of both sides; each fears the other and the other's lists. Is there no honorable way out of the situation? Is it not possible to have lists made by a non-partisan board that will be satisfactory to both sides and fair to both sides.

The proposition has only to be stated to find the solution.

ELECT INDEPENDENTS.

Independent men with convictions and the courage of their convictions are needed in parliament and the legislatures at this time. Not necessary that they should have no party prejudices or affiliations, but that they should be strong enough and brave enough to sacrifice these when the public interest demands it. There are politicians and newspapers to-day—plenty of them unfortunately—who know no other aim and object than to keep a certain set of ministers in office, irrespective of what their policy and the character of their administration may be.

Just at present the Liberal party hacks are up against a difficult and disturbing proposition. When the federal and the Ontario governments were of the same political complexion it was easy to maintain the appearance of consistency—it is impossible now that they differ in political color. So the extraordinary and ludicrous spectacle is offered the people of Ontario day after day of the provincial government being bitterly abused because it is alleged to have done things which have been the common practice of the federal administration. What possible respect can intelligent electors have for criticisms so flagrantly dishonest?

An independent and conscientious public man has principles and when he becomes a representative of the people either at Ottawa or at Toronto he governs himself by his principles. If he is a believer in the policy of public ownership of public franchises and of their operation in the straight interest of the people and if he has pledged himself to support that policy he will not be coerced or seduced into betraying it for any partisan consideration. He will not hesitate to speak and to vote against any and every proposal that prejudicially affects public ownership or that is designed to subject public services and utilities to exploitation for private profit.

Independent men of this stamp are offering themselves for election to the Legislature of Ontario and they should receive the whole-hearted support of the electors who are in agreement with their platform. A substantial leaven of representatives who will stand solidly for the rights of the people and for the interests of the people, who are really in earnest about the conservation of the provincial resources and franchises and about administrative efficiency can accomplish much for this province. So long as political parties are controlled by the machines and so long as these machines discourage the candidature of men who think for themselves, so long will they be a menace to good government and to electoral purity. But the people must save themselves and they can do it by selecting representatives whose principles and character command their confidence.

CHEAP POWER IS POPULAR.

Among the public questions now before the electors of Ontario, none approaches in popular interest and importance that which requires the conservation and protection of the provincial resources and franchises from exploitation for private profit. Nothing

Premier Whitney has done during his

tenure of office has more strongly appealed to the citizens or received more general marks of approval than the policy adopted by the government in connection with Niagara electric power. The excellent work done by Mr. Beck and his colleagues on the hydro-electric commission, and the way their reports have stood the test of examination by both friendly and hostile critics has evidently been widely appreciated throughout the district which is affected by the distribution scheme. Indeed, Premier Whitney's government has no better asset in this electoral campaign than his Niagara power policy, and he should be encouraged by the manifestations of popular favor everywhere observable to prosecute and still further develop the principle of public ownership and operation of all service and utility monopolies.

Speaking at Guelph on Friday last, Mr. Beck explained that the government preferred not to make cheap Niagara power a political issue, and agreeably surprised his hearers by announcing that the hydro-electric commission expected to get Niagara white coal at \$3.40 per horsepower, and in volume at \$3, or \$4 less than was possible had the Electrical Development Company's plant been taken over. What the government had promised was to give the people power at cost, and that meant at the lowest possible cost, said Mr. Beck. This is good news for the municipalities that have adhered to the commission's plan, and they will be confirmed in their resolution to stand together and enable it to be carried out in its entirety. Preston has the honor of succeeding Toronto in executing the formal contract for the supply of Niagara electricity, and will get 600 horsepower at the cost of \$23 per horsepower per annum.

THE VOICE OF THE FOREST.

Inscribed to Gifford Pinchot, U. S. Forester. Conference of the Governors, May 15, 1888.
My voice cries out of grey antiquity—
And brands you slayers of earth's priceless things—
Ye Deviators of the Forest Kings
That held their sceptres by this Western Sea—
Ere ye were born—base ingrates that ye
Ye brazen Spoilers! lo, the future brings
God's gathered wrath, for still the
slaughtered rings
With piteous death-throes of the
O shameless Vandals of a mammoth age
Hear ye my words: "Where fruitful
fields now bloom
Deserts shall stretch, whose lords are
Drought and Sand
And on those wastes Famine and Death
shall rage.
While Slaves, Peoples, blighted by
that doom,
Shall curse you for the desolated Land."
—Lloyd Milfill.

RIVETERS AT WORK

Anyone who has watched the riveters at work on the new building of the Robert Simpson Co. must have wondered where these men get the nerve to do the work they accomplish.

The some of the beams and girders are "assembled" in the workshop where the parts are constructed, a great deal of riveting must be done on the Simpson structure itself. And to do this it is necessary for the riveters to place themselves in the most hazardous positions.

For example, the men have often to be perched right on the top of a column, 120 feet from the ground. There they have to remain for some length of time while the 90-ton derrick hoists and swings the beams to the columns. The very thought of it sends shivers down one's back.

But worse than this, in many cases the riveters have to leave the columns and straddle the swinging beams, in order to make the connection between beams and columns before beginning the actual riveting.

Yet up to date there has not been a single accident or death on the Simpson structure among the riveters. The one death was that of a man who was killed shortly ago by falling from one of the floors. But he was not an employee and had no business on the Simpson building certainly are fearless men, if not heroes.

\$9000 TO PROBE MYSTERY.

LA PORTE, Ind., May 17.—The La Porte County Council has appropriated \$9000 for the use of officers concerned in the solving of the mystery surrounding the murders committed on the farm of Mrs. Belle Guinness.

Fire at Burt's Livery, Simcoe, suffocated two horses.

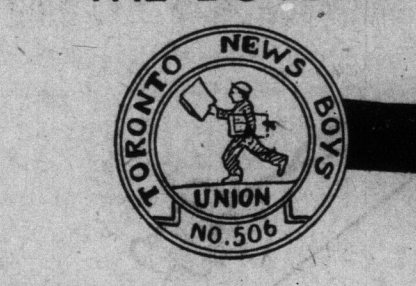
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THE WORLD AND THE BOYS



The Toronto World is the only newspaper in Toronto that recognizes the Newsboys' Union. The Toronto World is the only union newspaper in Toronto. Never in the history of The World was there a bigger hustling of Sunday Worlds by the newsboys than on Saturday night. The World and The Boys have got together, and everybody is happy. Further, The World proposes, in the near future, to submit a few facts to the public, and to suggest a line of co-operation that will make for better conditions of life for the bright, hard-working newsboy, who is The Man In The Street in the making. Give the glad hand to the newsies.

FOOD AND LODGING

FOR 9 CENTS A DAY

Meals Wholesome and Abundant

and Bathing Privileges

Are Thrown In.

Are After Those Taken Up by the

Imperial Authorities From Bot-

tom of Halifax Harbor.

HALIFAX, May 16.—(Special.)—When the British Government gave the control of the fortifications at Halifax to the Canadian Government, an agreement was reached in regard to the taking over of certain of the stores. These stores which were not purchased by the Canadian Government were sold, and the public has a lively remembrance of the great bargains which were obtained at these sales. Perhaps the Mount Temple sales are the only ones in recent times to compare with the admiralty sales in the matter of bargains.

At this time the little steamers which used to do the work of laying and attending to the mooring of the mines at the entrance to the harbor were disposed of. The mines were taken up, and incredible to it may seem, were allowed to be disposed of at very low prices without any bid on the part of the Canadian Militia Department to secure them. Immense lengths of chain, which were used for mooring the mines were also disposed of, and the junk dealers reaped a harvest in securing this material at rock-bottom prices.

The mines have always been an important part of the defences of Halifax. Their locations were carefully charted, and men were trained in raising and lowering them. The torpedoes were all charged, and all that was needed to send a vessel to the bottom was the pressure of a finger on the electric instrument.

Since the defences were taken over there have been no mines in the harbor. Now it appears that the authorities are after the junk dealers with a view to getting rid of these mines. The original cost of them was \$75 each, but the low price at which the junkmen bought them will enable them to give the government a price which will doubtless be less than the cost of new ones.

Imperial government for the articles had been bought at private sale. They are practically as good as new, and will doubtless soon be taken over by the authorities.

"Hiawatha."

The Daily and Sunday World is now being delivered at this popular summer resort. By telephoning your order to Main 322 or leaving a message at 83 Yonge-street you will receive The World before breakfast.

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Brewed of finest hops and malt—filtered twice—then pasteurized.

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"The Beer With a Reputation"

"The Light Beer in the Light Bottle"

SMALL CHEESE OUTPUT.

Peterboro Dairymen Experiencing a Poor Season.

PETERBORO, May 17.—(Special.)—The reports for the present month show a very small output compared with other years. A prominent dairymen said this morning that the May make of this season is the smallest he has seen in many years. There are several reasons, he said, for this state of affairs. In the first place the farmers have decreased the number of their stock. This was occasioned by the small supply of feed with which they began the winter. The result is now being felt in a shortage of the milk supply.

Other circumstances have united to make the prospects for the opening of the Peterboro cheese board below the ordinary and an unusually small board is generally expected. With the first month dropping off materially the year's output will be lessened proportionately unless the weather improves and remains very favorable throughout the season.

MYSTERIOUS DISEASE

WIPING OUT THE CATTLE

LINDSAY, May 17.—The farmers of this vicinity and even as far north as Beaverton, are afraid of losing their cattle. During the past few days there has been a mysterious falling off in the herds. Veterinary surgeons are all guessing, as many of the farmers have lost from five to twenty head. One farmer stated that the cattle first followed by a ravenous appetite. They then quit eating and gradually die. This plague began about the middle of last winter and is certainly a disastrous one for the farmers.

AT OSGOOD HALL

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TO-DAY.

Master's Chambers

Cartwright, master, at 11 a.m.

Single Court.

The Hon. Mr. Justice Clute at 11 a.m.

Cases set down for hearing:

1. Martin v. Fish.

2. Verner v. St. James.

3. Barr v. Hamilton.

4. Tait v. Equity.

5. Business Systems v. Copeland.

6. Re McLachlan and Hornell.

7. Cooke v. Parks.

8. McKinley v. Black.

Toronto Non-Jury Sittings.

Peremptory list for 11 a.m.:

1. Fitzpatrick v. New Liskeard.

2. Batts v. Chary.

3. Grip v. Thompson.

4. Keys and Bull v. Smithbone.

5. Boswell v. Scott.

6. Rockingham v. Cartwright.

Divisional Court.

Peremptory list for 11 a.m.:

1. Re Dancy and A.O.U.W.

2. Re Marshall and A.O.U.W.

3. VanDusen and Robertson.

4. Burd v. Empire Loan Co.

5. McGraw v. Toronto Railway Co.

6. Re Tremblay and Ferguson.

Court of Appeal.

Peremptory list for 11 a.m.:

1. Berlin & Waterloo St. Railway Co. v. Town of Berlin.

2. T. & N.O. Railway commission v. Alpha Mining Company.

3. Re Blewett Bartlett v. Blewett.

4. Gimby v. Hamilton and Hawthorne.

5. Warren v. Macdonnell.

Echo of Auto Accident.

Herman Nerlich is being sued by Charles Baker and Harry Baker for damages resulting from the alleged negligence of Nerlich in driving over Harry Baker, an infant, with an automobile on the Kingston-road in the Town of East Toronto. The damages are stated at \$5000.

Ferdinand Sturgeon has begun an action against James Davidson of Toronto to recover damages for alleged fraudulent misrepresentation on entering into a partnership agreement.

Promissory notes amounting to \$1300.80 are the basis of an action brought by Heron & Co. against Arthur Aird & Co. of Toronto.

J. M. Downer, carrying on business as the Downer Pattern Works, has begun proceedings against James A. Doigo to recover \$412.22 alleged to be due for goods sold, money lent and for rent.

QUEBEC'S HUGE GRAND STAND

Fifteen Thousand Persons Can Be Seated at Pageant Program.

QUEBEC, May 17.—A force of 100 men is now busily at work on the Plains of Abraham rushing the construction of the grand stand which is to allow Quebec and her visitors to view the pageants. The site indicates the exact spot where the various historic views are to be presented. The stand is being erected some 300 yards to the west of Wolfe's monument and about 100 yards from the edge of the cliff facing the river. It is shaped like three consecutive sides of an octagonal figure.

Directly in front of this, on the grassy sward, the pageants will take place daily at 5 o'clock in the afternoon. Fifteen thousand persons will find seats around it. It will be built 900 feet in length, 120 in depth, and the height at the back will be 35 feet.

Over the central entry will be built the royal box for the accommodation of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, his excellency the governor-general, and other distinguished visitors. It will be in the form of a kiosque, and will be surrounded by two small towers.

Construction work has also been started on a triumphal arch to be erected at the crossing of St. Joseph-street and Boulevard Languevier, where the grand parade of the final pageant will pass. It is planned to depict several scenes of Canadian history on its structure.

An Evangelist's Plea.

Evangelist Hurrell of the Gospel Mission of Andrew and Philip, 289 East King-street, writes: "My time, my talent, my life, and I shall leave the Saviour say, 'Well done; enter thou into the joy of thy lord.' I have been in debt, having given so much to feed those coming to my house hungry. Will those who are interested in salvation send what they can to help me to get out of debt?"

"I have tried to make plain to the people the name of my mission hall, my work and its purpose to preach the Gospel, to help the fallen, to give clothes or food to those in need. Jesus sent Peter to the fish to study of the world. I have a collector; he has a book; he is an honest man, a veteran of the South African war. When he calls on you, Jesus sends him, and when I am not doing the Master's work at the hospital, or visiting a prisoner, consoling and helping those in distress at their homes, I am collecting. If there were no fakes or frauds, or if there would be no need of a Saviour, for He came to seek and save the lost. To carry on our mission here in Toronto we need money and anything we can get to help the poor. We give to the poor, we give to the poor, we give to the poor. We do not let men sleep in our mission on the floor or benches; we do all we can to elevate man to a better condition, and nothing to degrade him to a worse condition."

York Pioneers Report.

One can congratulate the York Pioneer and Historical Society on the excellent report that they have just issued. It is neat in appearance and full of information. It contains the address of the president, Mr. William Rennie, and the reports of the secretary and treasurer. The treasurer, Mr. John Harvie, after paying all expenses, has a balance in the bank of \$123.86. Addresses were given during the year on "Toronto's Early Days," "Pioneers' Uplift Work," "The Waterfront Problem," and "The Old Fort." There are likewise (some fourteen) of the members who have died during the year, and short biographical sketches of and graves and burials. During the past year the society has more than doubled its membership, and the secretary informs us that since the list of members was prepared upwards of one hundred and three were received, making the membership nearly seven hundred. On the death of a member the York Pioneers flag flies at half-mast over the St. Lawrence Hall. A copy of the report is sent to each member. The society is in a highly flourishing condition, and its prospects were never brighter than at the present time.

VICTORIA DAY C.N.O. RATES.

Return tickets over the Canadian Northern Ontario Railway from Toronto to Muskoka and Parry Sound (and intervening stations) will be sold on Saturday and Monday, May 23 and 25, for one single fare. Valid returning until Tuesday, May 26.

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and dongola kid, patent coltskin and tan, down to \$2.00.

900 Men's Negligee Shirts, sizes 14 to 17, going at, each, 33c.

Men's and Boys' Linen Collars, 12 to 17 1/2, each, 5c.

Men's Wash Vests, duck, new colors, down to, each, 95c.

Men's Cravenette Raincoats, full length, down to, each, \$9.95.

Boys' Single-breasted 2-piece Norfolk Suits, Ties, each, \$2.68.

Plain English Unbleached Sheet, 80 inches wide, a yard, 18c.

Another High-class Lace Curtain chance, Cluny, Brussels and Swiss, a pair, \$4.45.

And another Rattan Chair chance, limited quantity, each, \$2.75.

Women's Nainsook Gowns, 56 to 60 inches, to clear at, each, 69c.

Smyrna Hearth Rugs, size 30 x 60 inches, clearing at, each, 69c.

Silk and Wool Covered Umbrellas, less than half price, each, \$2.29.

Clearing Wide Fancy Ribbons at half price, a yard, 15c.

Plain Taffeta and Moire Ribbons, clearing, too, at, a yard 12 1/2c.

Summer Hosiery, men's and women's, high-class line, all at, a pair, 29c.

Women's Corset Covers, nainsook, 32 to 42 inches, clearing at, each, 43c.

Women's Spring Coats, all the new styles, clearing at, from \$4.50 to \$12.50.

Silks, clearing, tamolines and peau de cygne, see windows, a yard, 29c.

95-piece Semi-porcelain Dinner Set, down to \$4.95.

2000 yards Scotch Zephyrs and Chambrays, clearing at, a yard, 9 1/2c.

Eolienne, Wool Voiles, Crepe de Chenes, clear-out price, a yard, 39c.

Women's Mercerized Satene Petticoats, out at, each, 55c.

Women's Black Satene Waists, all sizes in the lot, each, 59c.

Children's Straw Hats, a low price for Tuesday, each, 35c.

Boys' and Girls' Ribbed Cashmere and Cotton Stockings, 6 to 10, a pair, 18c.

Hand-embroidered and Drawn Tray Cloths, 17 x 27 inches, down to, each, 12 1/2c.

Combination Chandelier, four lights (two each), to clear at, each, \$5.00.

Solid Leather Suit Cases, 24 inches, to go at, each, \$3.45.

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ROAST FOR GAS INSPECTORS

Mayor Says Public Have No Confidence in Them.

In a letter to W. J. Gerald, deputy minister of inland revenue, with regard to inspection of gas meters, Mayor Oliver writes:

"It appears to me that when such gross carelessness takes place in an office of your department, there is only one possible way to ally the public mind, and this is to have an independent man inspect 20 or 25 gas meters, with a view of ascertaining whether the same method of inspection has not been adopted in the case of the meters complained of, or whether Mr. King's

was an exceptional case. The public at the present time have absolutely no confidence in the inspectors in Toronto."

Mr. Gerald had stated that the matter of the inspection of meters had been placed in the hands of the chief gas inspector, and that the city would be pleased to have present at such investigation an engineer to represent the city.

Donalds Maple Syrup, only eighty odd bottles left, at Fifty Cents a bottle, to close out. At Michie's.

The World on Toronto Island.

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