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God's in His heaven,
All's right with the world.
—Browning.

London, Tuesday, July 7.

As a result of the recent recounts, the popular majority for the Liberals in the five Middlesexes has been increased to 600. With the gerrymander removed, and the outside townships and villages foisted into Middlesex in order that a popular verdict might be prevented, this fine old county and its capital city would be Liberal by an overwhelming majority. The era of fair play must soon arrive.

It looks as if the good soaking rain which the country requires so much will not come till the high tax Government gets out of Ottawa.

They had queer doings in Hamilton, too. One deputy returning officer refused to initial the ballots, as provided for by law, and as the Liberal candidates had a good majority in the division, the Conservative counsel at the recount argued that all the ballots should be thrown out. Are we to be governed by partisan deputy returning officers? What might have happened if the Tupper Administration had been sustained!

Great Britain's trade continues to boom, according to the revenue returns. Last quarter, compared with the same period of 1895, the receipts increased by \$3,408,000. While the revenue increases, the condition of the people improves. In recent years, the ratio of paupers in England has fallen from 41 per 1,000 to 22 per 1,000. And this is the country which Canadian high tax advocates like Sir C. H. Tupper have been telling us is going to the dogs.

The Monetary Times, a commercial journal, tenders this seasonable advice to ardent partisans who have undertaken to bulldoze their men and coerce the coming Government:

"On the eve of the elections the hint was thrown out that if the result appeared to be adverse to protection, the cotton mills of Quebec would be closed down. Without any such contingency, the cotton mills of Massachusetts are likely to take a month's vacation. When the Wilson tariff was under consideration, many manufacturers were accused of stopping their works, or threatening to stop them, with the object of producing an effect on legislation. The policy of using such a weapon may well be doubted. A resort to it has a tendency to produce antagonism in the place of a common agreement. It is well to remember the adage which tells us that more flies can be caught with sugar than with vinegar."

A Very Small Majority.

The Liberals of London did well to demand a recount of the ballots counted for the candidates in the city election. Mr. Franklin Wright, the returning officer, declared that Mr. Beattie was elected by a majority of 118. The recount before Judge Edward Elliott has resulted in a reduction of this majority to 41. Thus a change of 22 votes from the Conservative side to the Liberal column would have put Mr. Hyman in the majority, or an addition of less than two votes in each sub-division to the Liberal total would have secured a like result.

It is now known how the Liberals were placed in the minority in the recent contest, and there is no reason to doubt that when the seat is again declared vacant—as it soon will be—Mr. Hyman will take his rightful place as member for the city and supporter of the new Liberal Administration. In due course, doubtless, the means whereby Mr. Beattie achieved a temporary success will be laid bare. Then it will be proved, under the new condition of affairs, with a purified list of voters, fair returning officers, and bulldozing and corrupting of electors prevented, that London is determined to cast its lot with the Administration of the day, the principles espoused by which the majority of the legitimate electors of London stand ready to endorse by their votes. That is the stand taken by the large majority of the cities of Canada, and it is not likely that London will lag.

Bengough's Political Shadows.

The recent excellent political cartooning in the Toronto Globe recalls the two bound volumes of Mr. J. W. Bengough's cartoons, prefaced by Principal Grant. Confederation is 30 years old, and Mr. Bengough has been cartooning more or less during a major portion of that period. It is a considerable time, but Mr. Bengough was caught young.

"What shadows we are, what shadows we pursue!" exclaimed Burke. One cannot but be reminded of the exclamation in looking through these volumes.

About 1870, we observe, the main figures were George Brown and John A. Macdonald. The latter had a splendid nose for purposes of caricature, and George Brown also made "good copy." George Brown then meant the Globe; and the Globe then meant George Brown. If the party won an election, it was said the Globe did it; it had also to bear the blame in case of defeat. George Brown is dead, and like Sir John Macdonald, not so much spoken of today as one would a few years ago have thought probable.

In the cartoons of the period we find the following politicians—now all dead: L. H. Holton, L. S. Huntington, John Beverley Robinson, Sandfield Macdonald, Joseph Howe, Sir Leonard Tilley, Sir John Rose, Sir George E. Cartier, Sir Alex. Galt, Hon. T. N. Gibbs, Sir F. Hincks, Sir N. F. Bel- leau, Hon. A. McKellar, Dr. Ryerson, Hon. T. W. Anglin, Hon. C. F. Fraser, Hon. Joseph Cauchon, Senator Boyd, Hon. Alex. Morris, Sir Alex. Campbell, Gordon Brown—it is like walking through a thickly settled cemetery!

Farther on we find cartoons of others who mixed in the political fray, but have joined the majority. Genial Tom White, who probably might some day have become Premier; Dr. Burr Plumb, Matthew Crooks, Cameron, Hon. E. B. Wood, Sir A. A. Dorion, Adam Crooks, W. H. Howland, for a while leader of the Canada First party; and there is the face of the genial egotist, R. W. Phipps, who claimed to be the father of the N. P.

Quite prominent for a time, naturally, was the cartoon of Hon. Alex. Mackenzie, as honest a man as ever lived.

In turning over the pages of Bengough, we see the faces of many prominent men, who are still with us: Sir Oliver Mowat, one of the artist's favorite profiles; Sir Richard Cartwright, Hon. David Mills, Geo. W. Ross, William Macdougall.

Senator Macpherson, who was quite a cypherer against Mackenzie, figures for a while; and there is Sir Charles Tupper, depicted as "The Great Stretcher." Edward Blake appears frequently, but the artist never succeeded very well with the face of the now member of the Imperial Parliament. Mr. W. R. (now Chief Justice) Meredith made sketch-copy for a good while as leader of the Opposition in the Ontario Legislature. Mackenzie Bowell's face was seldom successfully given; but Sir Hector Langevin's was just the face for cartooning.

There is another face, apart from either political side, which frequently appears—that of one of the most upright, accomplished and influential men in Canada, Goldwin Smith.

Altogether, it gives one curious and mingled feelings to turn over these volumes of Bengough, and to recall the names and features of those who played their passing part on the political stage of Canada since Confederation.

The Clog on the Wheel.

There are scores of reforms to be worked out by the Incoming Liberal Government; and while many of them depend upon the administration of honest men, and can be made effective at once, there are others which can only be introduced after legislation. The reform of the tariff is one of the latter, and the correction of several successive gerrymanders is another. If such work was dependent on the House of Commons it might be completed speedily; but there is another chamber to be reckoned with, and it may prove to be an obdurate one. The Senate itself needs to be reformed, and its case may become urgent. Mr. Mackenzie in his time was weighted down by this incubus, and he made the mistake of showing it a too great leniency. If we are to have a second chamber at all, it must be brought under the spell of public opinion, and the Laurier-Mowat Government may be depended on to move early for a reform of the Senate. Mend it or end it—it does not greatly matter which.

They met per wheel—the usual way,
And, as spokes together flew,
They spoke of love. They ride today
"A bicycle built for two."

Like a Scare from Dickens

Trial in Which a Cat, a Pigeon and a Mother of Seven Were Involved.

From the London Standard.

At the Bow County Court yesterday, before Judge French, Q.C., William Willis, 23 years old, of Herbert street, Plaistow, claimed 10 shillings, the value of four pigeons alleged to have been destroyed by a cat belonging to Mrs. Quick, of 19 Herbert street.

Plaintiff said defendant's cat was a vicious brute, and he caught it in his pigeon house with the pigeons lying dead.

Judge French (to defendant)—Did your cat do this?

Defendant—I have only his bare word for it. It may have come from one else's. I can't control my cat any more than other people.

The Judge—This is a novel point. Is it necessary to prove that the cat is of a vicious disposition, the same as in a case of a dog bite?

Mr. Haynes—I am not appearing in the case, your honor; but I should think that, as a cat is a domestic animal, it would be entitled to its first pigeon, the same as a dog to its first bite. Some evidence of a "scienter" would be necessary.

The Judge—Has the cat killed any pigeons before?

Plaintiff—Yes, your honor; this is the third time, I have told her of it.

Defendant—Yes, I have seven children to look after. Do you think I can run about all day looking after the tricks of a cat?

The Judge—Why do you keep such an animal?

Defendant—It is only a dear little kitten. Besides, it is my house the very day my youngest child was born.

Plaintiff—And your boy is 4 years old. So your honor can see what kind of kitten it is. (Laughter.) It is a big cat. I trapped it one day after it had been in my yard.

Defendant—Yes, and he said it had killed a bird that day. My husband said: "Let me see it." He did not show it. At night he showed me a dead one, but it had been dead some days. It was high. (Loud laughter.)

The Judge—You were to pay, Madam. You should not keep such a cat.

Defendant—I am going to give it away, now this.

The Judge—Don't send it where there are any pigeons. (Laughter.) Judgment for plaintiff, with costs.

Defendant—I can't pay. I have got to feed my seven boys.

The Judge—Pay 2s. monthly.

Plaintiff—Two shillings monthly! What is the good of that to me? Will your Lordship please put the money in the hospital box as it comes in? (Laughter.)

Defendant—Just listen to him! See his impudence. That's only said to be cheeky to the court. He once called my husband an "undigested lar."

(Laughter.)

Among the holiday books printed in cheap form is Thomas Hardy's "The Return of the Native," a story dealing with English life. It has an interesting plot, replete with love and adventure.

"The Renegade" is a Scottish smuggling story by James Chalmers. Lovers of the sensational will find it to their taste.

Another seasonable novel bears the title "A Sweet Disorder." It is by Norma Lorimer, and is a love story.

These works are published in Macmillan & Co.'s colonial library, and are published in Canada by the Copp Clark Publishing Company, Toronto.

"His Honor and a Lady," Mrs. Eversard Cotes' charming new story, has been printed by G. M. Rose & Sons, Toronto, in their cheap paper-bound series (price 60 cents). Mrs. Cotes is best known to Canadian readers as Sara Jeannet Duncan. She is a most entertaining writer, and in this her second work dealing with scenes and incidents in her life in India she sustains her reputation. The book will be much sought after for holiday reading.

Table Talk for July is full of useful and helpful suggestions for the home. Its seasonable recipes and menus are of great value to the housekeeper, while many topics of interest to the home-maker are touched upon. "The Whirling of Fashion's Wheel," by The May Forney, as the title implies, tells of what to wear and how to wear it. The publishers offer a sample copy to any of our readers who will send their address to Table Talk Publishing Company, Philadelphia.

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