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REPEATING SCANDAL

Rev. S. Bacon Hillocks is repeating a scandalous, iniquitous lie, which by this time he should know to be a lie. It is aimed at Premier Sifton. He says that Premier Sifton, when interested in certain coal mines in Alberta, secured legislation from the legislature guaranteeing the bonds of a certain railway, the coming of which would enhance the value of that property.

THE UNITED STATES TARIFF

It must be remembered that during the last Dominion election campaign that the Conservatives insisted that a reciprocity agreement would mean that Canada would become a political adjunct of the republic, because all our produce would move southward. That would become our market.

THE CREDIT OF ALBERTA

The Financial News, published in London, is one of the leading financial papers of the empire. Any one who desires to get some information regarding the credit of the province would do well to consult its columns. It is not interested in any way in the election contest and is quite unprejudiced. The Albertan gives the following from the empire stock quotations on March 23, 1913:

DIRECT LEGISLATION

The province of Alberta has led the procession in the matter of direct legislation in the British empire. It has a more advanced direct legislation enactment than any other province, state, dependency or dominion in any place under the British flag.

Editorial Notes

R. B. Bennett in Edmonton dug up an ancient slander against A. G. McKay which was exploded years ago. It referred to a case that was brought against Mr. McKay to prejudice his election, and never came to trial. However, Mr. Bennett, being immaculate as to morals, believed it was up to him to shew the first rock, whether there was excuse for it or not.

prevent submitting the question of the naval policy of the government to the people. The premier of Manitoba, who is some factor in the party, denounced direct legislation as anarchistic and un-British. Under the circumstances the supporters of the initiative and referendum are not likely to make any mistake about the government or party that is in favor of that legislation.

SUCCESSFUL TELEPHONE SYSTEM

The Calgary Herald in its "lobster column" refers to The Albertan's figures 'proving' the success of the telephone system of the provincial government. It does not question any of the figures which The Albertan produces and does not deny that the comparison between the telephone administration of Alberta and Manitoba is correct.

The administration of the telephone system in the province of Manitoba should be less expensive than the administration of the system in Alberta. Manitoba is much more thickly settled than Alberta. The rural lines, which are non-productive, are one-third of the total in Manitoba and more than half in Alberta. The cost of the telephone supplies is much higher in Alberta than in Manitoba. Despite that fact, here is what we find:

Table with 2 columns: Alberta, Manitoba. Rows: Cost of construction per telephone (\$257.00 vs \$278.00), Cost to subscriber per telephone (31.20 vs 35.80), Cost of operation, per telephone (19.20 vs 25.30)

The Herald believes that the telephones should yield greater revenue. They would yield a greater revenue if the telephone charges were higher. The government reduced the price as soon as it took over the system. It has been reducing the price ever since. At present the revenue covers all operating expenses, the interest upon investment, and the cost of maintenance. By maintenance is meant the keeping up of the line to a certain standard. As the province keeps the line up to that standard there is no need of charging depreciation or sinking fund, and no telephone system, in any place, makes any such charges. The Herald denies this. Let it mention a single case.

A telephone system for the most part consists of wire, telephone instruments and switchboards. The wires and new telephones are paid out of maintenance and the switchboards are kept up to the standard in the same manner.

The province of Manitoba does not pay interest, sinking fund, depreciation or anything else but actual operating expenses.

Though the tariff in Manitoba is very much higher than in Alberta, the operating expenses are 85 per cent. of the revenue. The operating expenses of the Alberta system are 61 per cent. of the revenue. The Alberta system is generally admitted to be very much superior to the Manitoba system.

THE CREDIT OF ALBERTA

The reports that the south yesterday report that the south country is overrun by organizers who have been brought in from the outside. On the evening train going south night before last, it was stated, there was a crowd of them and one got off at every station. Apparently the organizers were very indolent, as they talked openly among themselves of the work they were commencing in the south. They were liberally supplied with money and many of them made no bones about selling that money to the workers.

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The bonds of Alberta are maturing in 1938 and those of Manitoba and Ontario in 1947. The money lenders are loaning money on our bonds at the rate of 4.24 per cent. at par. The money lenders are lending money on B. C. bonds at the rate of 4.41 per cent., if at par. The money lenders are advancing money on the Manitoba 5 per cent. at the rate of 4.7, if at par. That shows very well how the credit of the province stands in the money markets of the world. The credit of the province of Alberta is as high as that of any other province in Canada, and higher than British Columbia, where Sir Richard McBride dwells.

The Calgary Herald, in its news columns last Saturday, said that Calgary had, during 1912, issued treasury notes last year at six per cent. In its Lobster column last night it said that to say that Calgary had paid six per cent on its treasury notes is absurd. Now which is telling the truth, the news editor or the Lobster editor?

The one issue in this campaign is R. B. Bennett, the elevator monopolist, who has come west to do his utmost to defeat the government that is securing freedom for the farmers from that very elevator monopoly.

Dr. Blow announces publicly on the platform that a public man should not fulfill a sacred promise if it in any way is likely to benefit a political opponent. That is surely a new standard of honor.

of the snowfall when it gets through with him on April 17.

We pause for reply. We have asked time after time for some wise person to come along and show us one bit of constructive legislation that Leader Michener or any of the seven brought in at the recent session of the legislature.

Leader Michener and the editor of the Lobster column in the Calgary Herald did not create the A. & G. W., but they were on hand when it was created, looked it over, and said it was the very best that could be, and the editor of the Lobster column said that it was the Herald's own policy and that the Rutherford government had stolen it.

Dr. Blow is wrong when he says that the province of British Columbia has no debt. It has a debt of \$13,000,000, owns none of its own utilities, and has control of its own natural resources. Dr. Blow should get his information right.

The Herald says that the government has stolen the platform of the opposition, which is not true. It said in 1909 that the Rutherford government had stolen the Herald's A. & G. W. policy, which may have been true.

CONSERVATIVES ADOPT METHODS THAT ARE QUESTIONABLE

Authentic Information Received in Calgary to Effect That Province Is Being Overrun by Organizers Who Are Supplied With Large Sums of Money

ALLEGED INSPECTORS THREATEN HOMESTEADERS

Albertan Has Names of Two Thus Intimidated; Dr. Blow Tells Meeting Borden Will Not Turn Over Natural Resources to Sifton Gov't.

EVIDENCES are accumulating that the Conservative party intends to leave no stone unturned to carry the election. It is not to be wondered at that the means employed. Authentic reports have received in Calgary to the effect that the province is being flooded with workers supplied with large sums of money. Persons representing themselves to be homestead inspectors are threatening homesteaders that they will have to be on the right side to get their patents. Lessors of public land are told that if they are right they will have their leases extended indefinitely.

The Alberta has paid no attention to these reports hitherto, although they have been heard for days, but yesterday this evidence came in a way that could not be questioned, that methods of the character described are being used. Persons coming in from the south yesterday report that the south country is overrun by organizers who have been brought in from the outside. On the evening train going south night before last, it was stated, there was a crowd of them and one got off at every station.

The same report came from Cochran and came so straight that there can be no question as to its authenticity. The Albertan is in possession of the names of two such homesteaders who were approached in the Cochran constituency and told cold-bloodedly that their patents would not come through unless they were on the right side in this election.

From Olds came the report yesterday that four of these men are working there; from Little Bow the report came that the number is five; from Cardston, two; Nanton, two, and Pincher Creek, two. These are the only places from which definite and authentic information has come out. In the aggregate the number amounts to a small army.

The reports that one very eminent man brought \$50,000 to the province to be used in the election. How true there is in this report, there is, of course, no means of knowing, but it is certain that workers are supplied with money as they never have been before in a provincial campaign.

Dr. Blow Shows Borden's Hand. Dr. T. H. Blow, Conservative candidate in the South Calgary constituency, told his auditors at a meeting last evening that he did not believe R. L. Borden will ever turn the natural resources of Alberta over to the Sifton government.

The statement was made in the course of an address delivered to a small gathering in the candidate's committee rooms at Twelfth Avenue and Second Street East. Dr. Blow was dealing with the natural resources question and said the Liberal government has squandered the patrimony of the province in accepting a subsidy in lieu of the natural resources. He said that since that time such a government as that of Sir Oliver Mowat, Mr. Borden would very probably turn over the natural resources but he did not think he would ever turn them over to the Sifton government.

Dealing with the financial status of the province, Dr. Blow painted a graphic picture of the very bad financial situation in which the province finds itself, that of a young province on the brink of bankruptcy. He then said he had been asked what better the Conservative party would do. For reply he said that he would be bound to point to what had been done by Sir Edward Morris since the Conservative party came into power in 1905. He said, "I was in debt to the extent of eleven and a half million dollars. Since that time the McBride government had paid off \$9,000,000 in cash in the bank. He said, "I was in debt to the extent of eleven and a half million dollars. Since that time the McBride government had paid off \$9,000,000 in cash in the bank. He said, "I was in debt to the extent of eleven and a half million dollars. Since that time the McBride government had paid off \$9,000,000 in cash in the bank."

A Most Timely Reminder! New Gloves for Horse Show Week!

Precise dressers know the importance of scrupulous care in their gloving for all occasions where the whims and fancies of fashion are most particularly observed. The exactions of "dress" etiquette for the Horse Show render the finish and elegance of immaculate gloves an imperative "touch" to brilliant feminine costumes and formal male attire. Exclusive Gloves are here in styles aplenty, but we mention two items which are calculated to especially interest you at this time:

Men's Suede Gloves

Among the neatest and best wearing Gloves for spring wear we might mention a line of handsome suedes, of which we have a wide range, in colors of pearl, steel gray, fawn and several shades of brown; made where the best Glove is made; of carefully selected skins, they are of perfect fit and finish. A Glove with which you'll be pleased for its tasty appearance for most any wear; all sizes in any color mentioned.

We would suggest that you make it a special point to slip in here early and have us fit you with a pair of these. It's certain they represent values and qualities which you can't afford to overlook in your quest for new "togs" at correct prices. Per pair \$1.75 and \$3.00



Ladies' Long Gloves

Calgary ladies who pride themselves that they are to a greater or less extent connoisseurs on the question of proper Gloves, will not fail to laud the pattern and beauty of these 16 button length styles of which we make particular mention, as suggestions of the appropriate vogue in Gloves for Horse Show wear. They are fashioned with a grace which lends a charm to milady's dainty hand, are at once attractive and most decidedly becoming, appealing to women of pronounced taste. Made of smooth selected French kid, with dome fasteners and plain points. They may be had in colors of tan, gray, black, white and navy and in all sizes. You should procure a pair \$2.50 or two today, per pair \$2.50

Opening Display of Lovely Marabout and Ostrich Stoles, Capes and Muffs

Most opportune with the opening of the Horse Show comes our news of the freshly arrived feather wraps. Here Tuesday you will see an exhibition of beautiful ostrich and marabout creations which embody the newest ideas of description here. You can't learn about the many chic styles by a personal visit.

A TERSE MENTION OF SEVERAL EXQUISITE PARIS WRAPS

We've specialized in Parisian Ostrich and Marabout Neckties. Here are some smart ones, with pretty satin bow at the side, in colors of black, white, grey and white, natural and white, black and white, royal and black, green and black, sky, pink, etc., which you will admire, and the price is low. Each only \$2.95



Another group of lovely sets, also matched up in colors, with large gold-trimmed hand bags of marabout, fitted with shoulder cord, are brimming value \$10.00

The fascinating beauty of design and color in this great display of feather novelties beggars description. We've never had quite so proud an array before to aid your selection. Among the color combinations, of which there is variety sufficient to match almost any gown, we might suggest champagne, silver grey, natural, prunelle, beaver, smoked grey, iron, royal, purple, cerise, etc. A range in price from each \$5.00 to \$50.00

A Live Bulletin of Tuesday Whitewear Specials

Ladies' Blouses

About 180 in all—a lot we bought for special selling—here's the particulars about them which you want to know.

Made of the finest quality linen, rich embroidered fronts, finished with val lace and neat little tucks and lace.

High necks, trimmed with tucking and lace, three-quarter sleeves, back and sleeves also finished in tucks and lace. Several pretty designs from which to choose. Sizes 34 to 44. Reg. \$1.75 to \$2.50. Today special \$1.10. They'll flutter away quickly, so be down early.



Ladies' Princess Slips

Of fine nainsooks; dainty, snowy garments—our leaders in fact—trimmed, some with lace, ribbon and beading; some with beautiful embroidery; each splendidly made. Sizes 34 to 44. Tuesday \$1.00

LADIES' NIGHT DRESSES

Of fine even cambric, slip-over style, cleverly trimmed with Embroidery of Lace, Ribbons and Beading; three-quarter sleeves. Lengths 56, 58 and 60. Mighty laving value at \$1.25. But Today special \$1.75c

Fancy Footwear for the Fashion Fanfare

Every gentlewoman who looks forward to the show week recognizes the fact that her every "dress" appointment must be in perfect keeping. Tasty shoes are not the least important item on milady's dress schedule. Her footwear must befit the occasion as peculiarly as does her gown or wrap, hence our suggestions here of some of the most comely shoes in our bright, big Shoe Section.

Ask us to show you any of these styles which interest you. Make an appointment with yourself, for "The Bay's" Shoe Shop for today.

Enticing Millinery at Prices That Beckon You

So widely varying are our hat prices that it is rather difficult to specify them in print. Charming Ribbon and Flower trimmed models may be purchased at from \$6.50 to \$15.00

Wash Goods Briefs

No room here for much talk, but it's unnecessary anyway, with prices like these given below, which speak for themselves. A trip to the Wash Goods Section Today will repay you.

1000 Yards Genuine Japanese Crepe—Best Oriental designs, fresh goods of guaranteed fast color. Reg. 35c yard. Today, Rush price, per yard \$1.00



More Silk News

Newly arrived additions to our stock of the most reasonable weaves of Silks call for your early visit to this section. "The Bay's" values are always the highest—and on these delightful materials the price is no exception to the rule.

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lowers to organize very carefully in order that they might know how every man was going to vote, "as," he said, "on election day we don't want to bring men to the polls in our automobiles who are going to vote the other way as good as ours."

Mr. Bennett's case, which preceded Dr. Blow, devoted the greater part of his attention to the lamentable fact that has been made of the demonstration farms of the province and to showing how badly Calgary has been treated with respect to the Calgary University.

Liberal Meeting Tonight Liberal meetings will be held this evening in the interest of Liberal candidates in the North and South constituencies of the city.

The meeting in the interests of Mr. Ross will be held in the Buttes school house at 8 o'clock. The speakers will be Mr. Ross and J. W. Dingle.

The meeting in the interests of Mr. Jones in the South will be held at Mount Royal school house at 8 o'clock. The speakers will be Mr. Jones and W. East Power.

Bennett a Windmill. An amusing incident is reported concerning the meeting held by R. B. Bennett at Weaverville. Mr. Bennett was referring to the elevator question, in which he is finding himself very much on the defensive, when he exclaimed, passionately: "Do I look like an elevator?" "No," came from the audience, "you look like a windmill."

Signor Nasi, World's Premier Politician. Rome, April 7.—The committee of the chamber has annulled the seventh re-election of Signor Nasi, and declared that he is now ineligible for election for all time.

Signor Nasi, however, will not accept the ruling of the committee and is seeking election in some other district. Signor Nasi is one of the most remarkable statesmen ever known. He is always being elected, and the Italian chamber just as regularly annuls his victories. Nasi is not the man to be put off with a simple declaration from any authority that he is ineligible, and Signor, which has no enthusiasm for parliamentary conventions, is very likely to find him a constituency as fast as he wants one.