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London Products Ahead.

The Hamilton Spectator has discovered that the Hamilton contractor for supplying the asylum for the insane at that city with flour bought his supplies from Hunt Bros. in this city, and that the tender accepted was the lowest. To most of us, the fact that the flour was obtained from one of London's reliable millers, and that the lowest tender was accepted, would be satisfactory. Not so to the Hamilton Spectator. It professes to have further discovered that the Hamilton contractor deals in hardware as well as flour, and that he is moreover a relation of Hunt Bros. and a distant relation of Hon. J. M. Gibson. Under those circumstances, it was most unseemly for Hon. Mr. Davis, the Provincial Secretary, to buy the flour from the lowest tenderer. In future, let it be known that no flour which is manufactured in London even by good Conservative millers, and supplied by the lowest tenderer, will be acceptable to this Opposition critic, unless affidavits are supplied that the parties to the contract are utterly unknown to each other. Why the Spectator does not also demand that the contractors must have hair of a certain color and clothes of a certain cut it does not explain.

When hard-up for matters to criticize, Opposition organs can be very amusing. Let it be understood, however, that London flour millers of flour and of oatmeal who are able to manufacture and to sell so low that they carry off contracts not only in Hamilton, but in every part of the Dominion and of Newfoundland. Not by favoritism, but by ability, do our millers and those who represent them hold their own.

During the year just ended 2,400 homesteads were taken up in Manitoba and the Territories, against 1,600 in 1896. Canada is making great strides forward under the new order of things.

Anglo-Saxon Superiority.

In La Fol et la Vie, an ably edited Paris journal, has been printed a remarkable article on the reception in France of M. Desmolin's book, "La Supériorité des Anglo-Saxons." It is the book of the hour. Hundreds of articles have been written about it, representing every phase of French opinion. The general verdict is that M. Desmolin's thesis as to Anglo-Saxon superiority is proved, and that France needs to enter upon a most searching investigation into its causes. Very striking are the utterances on the point of leading French writers. M. Desmolin himself holds that this relative superiority comes from education. "In England they form men. In France one forms functionaries, people who depend upon others," says M. Lemaitre. "This is an infinitely painful book, but it is one that must be read." "This book worries me," adds M. Francisque Sarcey. M. Bourget, in the Figaro, urges that "one must try to understand the political laws which the Anglo-Saxon has learned to observe in his development." M. Prevost tells his countrymen that "we must change our morals, but above all our institutions, especially our regime of succession, and our old administrative organization."

It is noteworthy that even from republican France comes the strongest testimony that Britain owes her prestige to freedom and education. Germany early saw this, and is now trying to get ahead of the Motherland by educational development. What a race Germany would give the Anglo-Saxons if she had the freedom possessed by Great Britain!

The Afridis do not appear to have been entirely covered by the recent British expedition. They have again appeared in force in the Khyber Pass, and it is evident that further expensive warfare, or extremely able diplomacy, will be required to bring about order on the northern borders of India. These Highlanders of the east promise to be as difficult of subjugation as those of the western world. The mountains have ever given forth sturdy, though oft-times misguided, defenders of freedom.

Street-Building.

The residents of McCaul street, Toronto, have petitioned the civic authorities not to put down brick pavement on their street, when the worn-out cedar blocks are removed, but to lay a light asphalt instead. In New York there are now 128 miles of asphalt pavement, as against 62 miles in 1895. There are three continuous routes of asphalt pavement from the Battery to Harlem. Every New York hospital has an ambulance route over smooth roadways to all parts of the city, and every bicyclist may ride from one end of the island to the other without bumping over granite blocks. The indications are that for some time to come the favorite material for ordinary city streets will be either asphalt or macadam. Where the people are willing to bear the cost, asphalt will be preferred; but a really good serviceable highway, if reasonable care is taken to keep it in repair, can be made of macadam. That will be the future residential street in this city. The cedar block has been tried and found wanting.

Pre-Election Boastings, Past and Present.

Opponents of the Ontario Government, on the stump and in private conversation, are boasting of the great things they are going to do when the general elections come off.

The Opposition boasters were heard from in previous contests. Our readers will well recollect how in each recurring campaign these men went up and down the Province asserting that Sir William Meredith and his associates would certainly wipe out the Government and its supporters at every point.

Election day came, the votes were counted, and the boasters sadly crawled into their shells. They have been heard little of since. But now, on the eve of the general election in which Mr. Whitney, of Morrisburg, faces the one held by Sir William Meredith, and from which Dr. Ryerson and Mr. Howland retire, apparently well understanding that the Opposition will not win, the boasters again emerge from their obscurity, and begin their boasting of the great things they will do when they set out to annihilate the Liberals of this banner Province of Ontario.

These Opposition boasters endeavor to make the general public believe that Mr. Whitney and the exaggerating Mr. St. John can accomplish what Sir William Meredith and his far abler lieutenants failed to bring about. They must know how much they draw on the credulity of the intelligent electors of Ontario. They are discredited in advance as false prophets on previous occasions, and all the indications of the present time belie their protestations. If the friends of good government are true to themselves and to their fair Province, the Opposition boasters will be even more confounded when the votes are counted on election night than on previous occasions.

A writer in the Scottish Geographical Magazine says that after the Japanese were forced to open their ports to European commerce a secret council of the nobility was convened, at which it was resolved to "fight the Europeans commercially." The writer goes on to say that the council "decided to send the ablest men in Japan to Europe and America to study everything, and, on their return, to teach their fellow-countrymen to turn out every commercial article that they are able to supply." He adds that it is Japan's greatest ambition to compete in foreign markets with the goods produced in foreign countries, but a correspondent who has recently returned from Japan announces that there is little danger of the Japs successfully competing with western nations, except in a few lines. In many articles of manufacture, Great Britain has recently increased her exports to Japan.

MOVEMENTS OF MINISTERS.

Hon. John Dryden attended his own nomination meeting at Oshawa on Saturday. He was the unanimous choice of the convention. Hon. E. J. Davis will speak at Thornhill today, and at Kingsville tomorrow. Hon. George W. Ross will speak at the annual meeting of the West York Liberal Association at Weston this afternoon, and at the evening banquet. Hon. Richard Harcourt will attend his nomination meeting at Wellandport this afternoon.

A HINT FROM ST. THOMAS.

[St. Thomas Journal.] The words of President Dandridge at the Liberal meeting Tuesday night are worth consideration. "The campaign will indeed be a virulent one, conducted by the opposition with all the virulence of despair."

WELL SUPPLIED.

[Cincinnati Enquirer.] Said the married man who likes to be sympathized for: "My wife is never happy unless she has a grievance." "How happy she must be!" said the pretty girl, and then the married man drew strangely silent.

THE FACTS THAT TELL.

[Brookville Recorder.] Notwithstanding all the talk of Col. Mathieson about a big deficit, the Ontario government's receipts during 1897 were \$72,000 in excess of its expenditure. The people of this province will not allow Mr. St. John's cry of pig! pig! to divert their attention from the fact that their business has been wisely and economically conducted by the Liberal government, and never more so than during the past year.

ABSENT MINDED.

[Washington Star.] "Have you concluded to keep up your membership in that association for scientific research?" "Yes," replied the thoughtful-looking little woman; "although I must confess I am almost sorry my husband ever joined it."

WHY IMPORT ORATORS?

[Woodstock Sentinel-Review.] The Sentinel-Review is not much interested in the Sunday street car question, for the reason that there is no immediate danger of the quiet of the Woodstock Sabbath being disturbed by Sunday cars; but the present discussion suggests one question that has often been suggested before. Why should Canadians require to import professional moralists from the other side? America has a good many things we would like to have in exchange, of course, for a good many things Canada has to sell—but we can look after our own morals. When the American reformers can find no work to do at home it will be time enough for them to come over here.

LORD ALFRED ROTHSCHILD sent a brace of pheasants to every one of the 3,000 drivers and conductors of the omnibus company in which he is interested, as a Christmas present.

WESTERN ONTARIO.

Main Street Church, Exeter, on Sunday contributed \$150 to the foreign mission fund.

East Elgin Farmers' Institute will meet in Aylmer on Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 19 and 20.

Mr. D. W. Campbell, of Morris, purchased the farm known as the Morton farm from Mr. John Bloomfield for \$1,800.

The Belgian horse Prussian, which a syndicate of Tilbury West farmers paid \$2,400 for on Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 19 and 20, died the other day of indigestion.

Galt is to have a new foundry, a provincial charter having been granted to the R. McDougall Company (limited). The capital of the company is \$30,000.

Mr. W. S. McDonald, of Brucefield, on account of poor health is leaving for Texas. Mrs. McDonald will reside in Carleton with her parents during his absence.

At Marshville recently, while having a tooth extracted, Mrs. Jos. Quinn died under the influence of chloroform. She leaves a husband and three small children.

A young horse valued at \$80, belonging to Mr. Charles Kay, of Nichol, dropped dead recently while hitched in a team and working. Clotting of blood at the heart was the cause.

The Huron Poultry and Pet Stock Association will hold a poultry show at Goderich on Jan. 27, at which a large amount of money is offered in prizes.

At Point Edward on Friday, the old Immigration shed, which has been used lately as a storehouse by the Sand Brick Company, and was about 200 feet long by 40 wide, was totally consumed by fire, with contents.

Mr. H. R. Patterson, of the fourth line of Garrafrus, delivered a lecture in Fergus, lately, 14 lambs which weighed 2,310 pounds, or an average of 165 pounds each. Mr. Patterson realized a good price for them.

A pleasant event took place on Wednesday at 12:30 o'clock at the residence of Mr. C. E. Ross, South Yarmouth, when his second daughter, Miss Ross May, was united in marriage to Mr. Ernest E. Mills, of Yarmouth Center.

Mr. and Mrs. John McParlane, of Sunbury, have the deep sympathy of the whole town in a very sudden bereavement that has befallen their little daughter Zeta, about 5 years old, from diphtheria.

A meeting of the South Huron Farmers' Institute will be held in Exeter on Jan. 20, and at Brucefield on Jan. 21, at 10 o'clock in the evening. A splendid programme has been prepared, and a profitable time may be expected by those who go.

The Tilbury Oil and Gas Well Company have \$1 on hand, with liabilities of \$400, but that the cashing on hand will sell for sufficient to show a clear sheet without making another call on shareholders. In case it is decided to abandon further attempts for oil or gas.

The Ram's Horn some time ago offered a substantial prize for the best definition of a woman. In the list of those who received honorable mention appears the name of Y. M. C. A. Secretary McLean, of Galt, recently of Bridgeport, whose reply was: "A woman is the acme of God's creative excellence."

The Woodstock board of trade has appointed a committee to receive inquiries and to report to the board at its next meeting on the subject of the Woodstock city. The government's decision to locate the provincial reformatory for boys in Oxford county was also made the subject of a commendatory resolution.

The Essex Bar Society has cut down its membership fee from \$25 to \$10. The following officers were elected: President, R. F. Sutherland; vice-president, J. L. Murphy; treasurer, J. F. F. Secretary and Librarian, A. P. Parent; auditors, J. E. O'Connor and J. Sales; trustees, S. Francis Coleman, Sol A. St. George, John Martin, A. E. Wismer, A. H. Clarke, A. R. Bartlett, M. K. Cowan and J. P. Hare.

The residence of Mr. and Mrs. McBurney, of Kinloss, was the scene of a triple celebration on New Year's Day, being the 25th anniversary of their marriage, and the 60th anniversary of the marriage of Mrs. McBurney's father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Reid, of Kinloss. Mr. and Mrs. Reid, of Kinloss, were present, and as they too, were married on the first day of the year, the celebration was a triple one.

At the annual meeting of the Stephen and Osborne Agricultural Society, the different reports presented would indicate the society to be in a healthy financial condition. The following officers were elected: President, W. D. Sanders; first vice-president, W. G. Bisset; second vice-president, James Ballantyne; directors, E. Christie, R. Coates, John Debride, Silas Stanlake, D. McInnis, J. McNeven, Kippen, P. Madge, P. McTaggart, H. Jones; auditors, W. J. Carling, P. Coates.

Judgment on appeal was rendered at Osgoode Hall on Jan. 11 in Stephens vs. township of Moore. Judgment on appeal by plaintiff by report dated Jan. 21, 1896, of Mr. Britton, as referee under the drainage acts, upon a reference of this action to him, dismissing it without costs. The action was brought to compel the repair and maintenance of a drain constructed under a bylaw of defendants, passed in 1872, and to recover damages for injuries done to plaintiff's lands, lots 5 and 6 in the third concession of the township. The court agreed with the referee that there was no pecuniary damage, but held that a sufficient demand was made, and that it was not necessary that there should be pecuniary damage to sustain a mandamus. No costs. A reasonable time to elapse before issue of mandamus to enable defendants to repair. Matthew Wilson, Q.C., for appellant; Lister, Q.C., and Aylsworth, Q.C., for defendants.

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