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THURSDAY, JULY 10.

IF THE KING HAD DIED.

Henry Clews, the famous American banker and world known authority on financial conditions and affairs, discussed in his last trade review the possibilities and probabilities in case of the King's death. Now that the King's recovery is almost positively assured, it is interesting to read this authority, written as it was when the gloom and shadow of death overspread the British Empire. He says:

"King Edward's death, should it occur, can have no lasting injurious effect upon the business world. Profoundly as England's sorrow would be shared by other nations, and especially by the United States, the event would cause but a ripple in financial circles. His death would involve no change in national or international policies. In actual political effect the sad event would be of less importance than a change in the British Cabinet or a Parliamentary election. It would be of far less consequence in such respects than the sudden death of President McKinley, who had a much greater influence and responsibility in policy than the ruler of the British Empire. Great Britain is practically as much of a republic as the United States; and, exalted as the position of the King may be, a change does not effect the commercial or financial stability of a nation governed so completely by the will of a sovereign people. The death of Queen Victoria, in spite of her long reign and great influence, had no real effect upon business affairs; and the death of King Edward, said, a disappointment as it would be to the whole Empire, would have still less effect. British credit has been through so many trials lately that its general soundness is well demonstrated, and it would recover as readily from this blow as it has from its predecessors."

CURSED BY CUSTOM.

Says the Toronto Star:—Custom is sometimes a blessing, but more frequently it is a burden and a curse. It is a blessing to the man who but for it would yield to some evil temptation either to give up the good or to accept the bad. But even that saving exemption from the influence of custom is to make a mechanical and conventional, taking from it all moral quality whatsoever.

In individual life, when habit becomes law, custom ceases to have any moral worth. There is no free, intelligent, positive choice on the part of the will, and that absence of choice destroys the moral quality of an action. But even more harmful is the influence of custom in deceiving a man as to the quality of his own conduct. He thinks more highly of himself than he is due, and he despises others because he observes a custom or convention which they disregard. There is always need for self-examination lest the leaven of pharisaism work to the hurt of one's whole moral nature.

Social life is for very many people little more than a bundle of external rules and observances out of which all morality has gone. To violate one of the conventions of society, to offend in outward behavior against some arbitrary regulation, is in the eyes of many persons more utterly unpardonable than the breaking of all the commandments of God. And custom lays its hand even on the observance of divine laws, and makes the law of God of none effect by its traditions. The man who is honest, not because his choices are right, but because in the social order under which he lives, honesty is the best policy, escapes the police court, it may be, but in the interior of his own soul and before the bar of conscience he is a thief.

The same processes are going on in business life and in politics and in the Church. In business circles transac-

tions are allowed by custom which are essentially immoral while others are condemned which only violate external and arbitrary rules. The conventions of business are now binding on some more than the ten commandments. In politics things are winked at by custom which are condemned by law. In the Church observances are kept up long after they have served any good purpose. And in religion custom is more hurtful than in any other sphere, for vitality, spontaneity and the personal element are of the essence of true religion. Custom is a clog on the spread of truth, and bars the way to useful service. More conformity to use and wont has been the cause of innumerable failures in the ministry of the church as in all other spheres. Indeed, such is the nature of the case that religion is more likely to suffer at the hands of mere conventionalism than is any other human interest. Where life should be freest, most original, most dependent, there as almost nowhere else, custom has laid its hand upon us, and deep almost as life."

THE ELECTION JUDGMENTS.

The Farmers' Weekly Sun (Independent) says:

In our last issue we expressed the opinion that the result of the appeals from the recounts in Lennox and North Bay would be the seating of Mr. Carscallen and Mr. McKay. The decision of Judge MacLennan announced last week has confirmed our prediction. While, however, Judge MacLennan confirms the general result of the recount of the North Grey ballots before the County Judge, there is a conflict of opinion between himself and Judge Morrison in regard to the four ballots cast at No. 9 St. Vincent, which were clearly marked for Mr. Boyd, but upon each of which there was a small and somewhat indistinct cross in the space containing Mr. McKay's name. Judge Morrison found that these ballots had been properly marked for Mr. Boyd, but had been subsequently tampered with by Judge MacLennan, on the other hand, expresses the opinion that the crosses in McKay's compartment were made prior to the close of the poll, and were overlooked by the deputy returning officers and the scrutineers at the count. He does not question Judge Morrison's conclusion that the ballots were tampered with, being silent on that point. Having found, however, that the crosses in the McKay compartment were on the ballots when the polls closed, Judge MacLennan declined to count these ballots for Mr. Boyd, and they were therefore all disallowed. Two ballots counted by Judge Morrison for McKay were, however, disallowed by Judge MacLennan, and one that had been rejected was counted for Mr. Boyd, with the result that Mr. McKay's majority was reduced to two. Had the four ballots above referred to been counted for Mr. Boyd, he would have been elected by a majority of two.

The numbers of these four ballots were 6418, 6421, 6427, and 6429, and they were apparently cast in the order indicated. As we have already said, it is inconceivable that four voters should mark their ballots clearly and distinctly for Mr. Boyd, and then deliberately proceed, all in the same way, to cancel their votes. The fact that they were all spotted in the same way is in itself strong evidence that the work was done by one person. In our opinion, it is clear that the ballots were tampered with, and, although the evidence on this point is not conclusive, the probability is very strong that the tampering was done after the close of the poll. The jurisdiction of a judge conducting a recount is limited; he has no power to summon witnesses, but must base his judgment on the ballots as they come before him. Had the judge been empowered to call as witnesses the officials in charge of the poll, the scrutineers, and the voters who cast the ballots the question as to whether the additional crosses were or were not on the ballots when the poll closed might have been settled beyond a doubt. But it appears to us that in the absence of this evidence Judge Morrison had quite sufficient ground upon which to base his finding, and we believe that the general opinion will be that the crosses in McKay's compartment were made after the close of the poll. Indistinct as some of the crosses were, it is not at all likely that they would all have escaped the vigilance of the election officials, of the scrutineers, and of the four voters themselves.

The net result of the decisions in the Lennox and North Grey cases is to reduce the Government majority by two. Of the members-elect at the present time forty-nine are supporters of the Government, while forty-eight belong to the Opposition. If, however, the ballots at No. 9 St. Vincent that were marked for Mr. Boyd had been counted for him, the Opposition members-elect would to-day number 49 and the supporters of the Government 48; or, if the member to



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be elected for North Renfrew were counted for the Government, both parties would be equal, and the Government, after electing a Speaker, would be in a minority on the floor of the House. The fact that the present majority of one rests upon the tampering with the four Boyd ballots at No. 9 St. Vincent is the most serious feature of the situation. Under the circumstances, it becomes more than ever the duty of the Government to act with vigor in discovering and prosecuting the guilty party or parties. They should put skilled detectives at work to run down the individual who before or after the close of the poll tampered with the St. Vincent ballots. It is clear that both from a public and a party standpoint this is the right course for the Government to take.

Yes, Mr. Whitney is in the hole, but Mr. Rose's position is still more precarious. It appears as though he was standing on quicksand and the well was about to cave in on him.—London News, Ind.

Not one passenger was killed in train accidents in Great Britain last year. Eleven trainmen were killed and 137 persons injured in that period, while for the last three months of 1901 on American railroads 274 people were killed and 1,383 injured. Commenting on these figures the New York World says: "We surpass the Britons on every form of railway equipment, and simply overwhelm them in the work of smashing, killing and maiming on the rail."

The fact that British generals were just as harshly criticised in the old days is proved by this comment in the London Daily News of 1815:—

"Although the official reports announce a great victory for the allied forces at Waterloo, it is plain to everybody who knows how to read between the lines that the action was indecisive and costly. As we have often had occasion to remark during the Peninsular war, the Duke of Wellington once more proved himself a poor strategist and, if it had not been for the heroic bravery of the Belgians, the English army would have been annihilated by the French."

The man who wrote that is like a good many other people who can sit in an armchair and successfully conduct the walloping of thousands of men in another country.

BOTH THIS YEAR.

Toronto Telegram.

It takes a bye-election or a big crop of strawberries to make money circulate in Glorious Old Halton.

A LESSON FOR JOE.

Hamilton Spectator.

Mr. Chamberlain, having come to grief under the Canadian arch, will beware how he monkeys with this great and glorious country.

THE SUSPICIOUS SPEC.

Hamilton Spectator.

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Witness—Ward Stanworth. 6dlw

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