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POSSIBLY A "HOLD UP"

Nothing that has taken place in the Legislature is more remarkable than the antics of Mr. Pettypiece, the member for East Lambton, on the subject of the taxation of railways, comments the Mail-Empire. Some years ago Mr. Pettypiece began to pose as the friend and champion of the farmer. He said he had found that the railway companies were not contributing with sufficient generosity to the municipal revenues, and that the private taxpayers were contributing too much. This injustice disturbed his peace of mind, and he undertook to remedy it. With that end in view he introduced a bill adding to the municipal levies upon the various steam roads.

After the bill had received consideration in the House—and was duly withdrawn—Mr. Pettypiece took to the platform and expatiated upon the enormity of light taxes for corporations and of heavy taxes for individuals. He declared himself an unrelenting Reformer. His heart beat warmly for the people, and his desire to get after the companies in their behalf new no limit. The earnestness with which Mr. Pettypiece pursued the companies was a subject of universal comment. He went after them in a style far more vigorous than that employed by him when he attacked Mr. Dryden and his Dakota ranch, and in language more severe than that used by him—and subsequently retracted—when he characterized Sir Wilfrid Laurier's Grand Trunk Pacific scheme as insane and fraudulent. Everybody was entitled to suppose that the member for East Lambton would stand by his reform to the bitter end. But far from doing so, he has been engineering to have the thing killed, and on Tuesday he actually voted against his own bill in order to make sure that it would not become law! The Weekly Sun has been pinning its faith to Mr. Pettypiece on this subject. It regarded him as a really sincere man. But its last issue indicates that it has lost confidence in him, and it gives the reasons why. First, he introduced his bill this session and then failed to press it as he should have done. Secondly, he voted against the motion last Wednesday to have the bill thrashed out on the floor of the House. Thirdly, he had the bill sent to a committee, failed to secure a quorum of the committee, and even absented himself from certain meetings. Fourthly, when he was present at a meeting he refused to support Mr. Clark's motion, demanding immediate action on the bill, and agreed to a proposition making for the defeat of the measure. This catalogue of eccentricities is, however, not complete. The crowning act is not given. That act was the recording of Mr. Pettypiece's vote against his own proposition, and the declaration in favor of a commission to repeat the enquiry which the Assessment Commission made months ago, and which the Legislature Committee was also authorized to undertake.

Why is it that this member of the Assembly campaigns fiercely during the recess in favor of his scheme and then devotes all his energies in the Legislature to defeating it, and even votes that it is wrong? Possibly, incurable insincerity, or a desire to humbug his constituents, is the explanation of the phenomenon, so far as he is concerned. Again it may be that he is sincere enough, but that the corrupt Government is using his proposition as a "hold-up" or club with which to beat campaign support out of railway companies. Whatever may be the fact, the petition of Mr. Pettypiece is unprecedented for its infidelity, and no doubt his constituents will so inform him.

Though Premier Ross made such a glowing picture of the prospects of the Soo industries, the fact remains that though the various properties are valued at over \$28,000,000 on paper, not a cent of money could be raised on them. Finding the government so easy on the wage grant, the interested parties got their heads together and determined to work Mr. Ross for a more substantial sum. This \$2,000,000 with \$1,500,000 which the shareholders are to put up is all that is in sight to finance the colossal moribund enterprise, and of this sum a substantial portion is to go into the completion of the road to connect with the C. P. R. Ninety miles of it already built cost over \$7,000,000 and 135 miles remain unfinished, so it is easy to estimate what avail the government grant will be, further than to throw good money after bad. The railway when finished will be of no particular value, as the country it traverses is impossible for settlers. The whole

scheme is an object lesson in the danger of weak governments. Bowman, Conmee and Smith, members for the Soo, simply control the situation and could just as well have made the amount \$4,000,000 as \$2,000,000 if the latter amount had not been sufficient for their particular purpose. Bowman and Conmee still decline to enter the legislature during "question hour" to reply to the enquiry which Mr. Hanna has had on the paper for weeks as to their connection with the deal.—Ottawa Citizen.

A FOUR-FLUSHER.

Pettypiece has swallowed himself and thus gained the warm approval of the Toronto Globe. Pet is a four-flusher.

DISCREDITABLE.

The severe sentences on the five "amateur" ballot box stuffers in Toronto, together with the contrasting laxity which allowed a Grit professional to jump his bail and escape, form one of the most discreditable incidents in connection with the enforcement of the criminal law in this province.

WONDERFULLY GOOD.

The Woodstock papers never asked for the names of the cockfighters. They were asked for and procured by a Toronto paper, and the people of Woodstock had the pleasure of reading, in an outside paper, the most important local news Woodstock has had for a year. The Woodstock papers are wonderfully good for the size of the city; but there's room for improvement.

IS WELL KNOWN IN BURK'S FALLS

There are Numerous Witnesses of Mrs. Adams' Sickness and Cure

She Surely Had Bright's Disease In Its Very Worst Stages. And Just As Surely Was Completely Cured by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Burk's Falls, Ont., April 14.—(Special).—Mrs. Thomas Adams, of Collingwood, whose almost miraculous recovery from Bright's Disease in its worst stages has caused a sensation in the medical world, is well known in Burk's Falls. She resided here for years before coming to Collingwood, and it was while living here that she was stricken with the terrible disease that sweeps so many into the grave.

Mrs. Adams has many friends still living in Burk's Falls, and they well remember the helpless, suffering invalid, who in March, 1900, looked as if her only relief lay in death itself. They can recall how when the dread words "Bright's Disease" fell from the doctor's lips, the report went around that Mrs. Adams' doom was sealed, that she would never rise from the bed of suffering on which she lay. They can recall how their sympathy went out to the little children who would soon be motherless.

WHAT CAUSED THE CURE. Then while they waited and watched for the end, a gradual improvement came over the sufferer. It was hardly noticeable at first, but she grew stronger and was at length able to leave her bed and give to her children a mother's care, they wonderingly asked the cause. And then the truth came out. Mrs. Adams had on the advice of a friend placed her trust in the old reliable Kidney remedy, Dodd's Kidney Pills. Slowly but surely Mrs. Adams' strength came back till she was going about as if Bright's Disease had never held her in its clutches. Still the skeptics refused to believe. "It is only one of the vagaries of old age," they said. "It will come back with the winter." But winter came and went. Another summer and another winter passed, and to-day Mrs. Adams is able to say, "I have had no return of the trouble since Dodd's Kidney Pills brought me back from the brink of the grave."

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DISTRICT DOINGS.

TILBURY

April 15.—Ed. Elliott and Mrs. Burns, of Tilbury, were married in Windsor on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Davis celebrated their silver wedding last Tuesday evening.

J. J. Miller, of McGregor, is moving back to Tilbury.

U. Lussier, of La Prairie, Quebec, returned home this week after a visit with A. Brouseau, of Tilbury West.

Miss Ida Marion, of Canard River, has returned home, accompanied by Miss Louise Dupuis, after a three months' visit with her grandfather, M. Dupuis.

Rev. S. L. Toll, Woodville, will occupy the pulpit in the Methodist Church next Sabbath. Mr. Wren takes educational anniversary services at South Woodville.

Presbytery meets in Comber on Tuesday next to consider the call extended by Tilbury to Rev. Mr. Nicol, of Toronto, and also a call to Rev. Mr. McGregor, of Comber, extended by Regina Presbytery.

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April 15.—Much excitement was caused yesterday about one o'clock when the town bell, instead of sounding one, rang for several minutes, and the fire whistle also assisted. It was found that John Corvix, who had been placed in the town hall through insanity, had succeeded in making a fire by the door of his cell by which he thought he could escape. John was placed in another cell, however, and the fire was soon extinguished. The man was taken to London as soon as papers are received. He is a respectable citizen when in his right state of mind, but is subject to these periods of insanity, which are caused from being kicked by a horse several years ago.

Mr. Herb. McDougall is on a business trip to New York.

Mrs. Claude McDougall left this week for Cleveland, where she will join Mr. McDougall.

Mrs. Graham, of Chatham, County President of the W. C. T. U., will conduct a "school of methods" here next Thursday.

The Steamer "Winona" will commence the regular trips to Detroit on April 25th.

The Presbyterian Young People will hold an evening with Penanysen next Monday evening, which promises to be an interesting one.

BLENHEIM

April 15.—At a well attended meeting of the lawn bowlers, held in Geo. Taylor's store, the following officers were elected for the season 1904:—
Honorary Secretaries—T. L. Pardo and J. Lee.
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Second Vice—A. Denholm.
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Lawn Com.—R. L. Gosnell, J. W. Shillington, W. H. Lugsden, H. M. Winter, S. Woodhouse.
Executive Com.—J. H. Ferguson, A. Denholm and G. J. Gibb.

A meeting of the Executive committee of the Lacrosse Club was held on Monday evening to arrange matters for the season. It was decided to make arrangements with other clubs and to enter the junior series of the C. L. A. The club's colors are to be black and white.

H. W. Hillard, of Toronto, was in town on business yesterday.

Les. Bacon has returned from the Hospital, and is still on the mend, being able to walk up town.

H. W. Edmunds has had a new awning put up at his store.

Ed. Witherford, of Wheatley, was a Blenheim visitor yesterday.

Messrs. J. W. Fleming & Son, hardware merchants, have secured the contracts for the tin work on the Methodist Church and for a metallic ceiling in D. McIntyre's barber shop.

Mrs. Marsh, of Lindsay, is visiting Mrs. Jamieson. Mrs. Marsh was formerly missionary at Bay River, Great Slave Lake, a thousand miles north of Edmonton.

Principal Anderson left last evening for Hamilton, where he will write on his final arts examination at the Queen's University.

Herb. Hoffman, who recently went west, has located at High River, near Calgary. He intends going in for mixed farming.

The following is the score of the Blenheim Gun Club for this week:—
F. Pilon 20
Z. Ramsden 11
A. Ramsden 9
Fleming 8
M. Samson 13
C. Wetherald 13
W. McCallum 16
B. Bandy 14
B. Burk 2
A. Vester 15
Moore 9

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Only a life of barren pain, Wet with sorrowful tears for rain; Warned sometimes by a wandering gleam Of joy that seemed but a happy dream.

A life as common and brown and bare As the box of earth in the window there; Yet it bore at last the precious bloom Of a perfect soul in a narrow room— Pure the snowy leaves that fold Over the flower's heart of gold.

—Henry Van Dyke.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Bulk and separate tenders, sealed, will be received at the offices of the undersigned architects up to 7 p. m. Saturday, April 16th, 1904, for the several trades required to build a residence on Grey street, Chatham, for Wm. Marshall, Esq. Each envelope marked "tender."

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