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LOOKED LIKE A PLOT. The first impulse of the Conservatives who were thus instructed in the frailities of the ex-minister of the interior was to use the information for all k was worth in the areas Then they began to do a little dinking. Why, they asked themselves, should Edward Farrer, the paid agent of the Laurier government, supply information which, if borne out by en-quiry, would turn the government out of office? They finally concluded that some person or persons in the cabinet were attempting to under-mine Hon. Clifford Sifton, and that perhaps Mr. Sifton could more pro-fitably be used against the government than could the information given them he used against Mr. Sifton. In other words, they would rather have the government's scalp than Mr. Sifton's. They approached a promi-nent friend of Mr. Sifton and tell him all about it."

nent friend of Mr. Sifton, who said : "Go to Mr. Sifton and tell him all about it." WENT TO MR SIFTON. A well-known Conservative member following this advice went to Mr. Sifton and related the substance of what he had been told by Ed-ward Farrer. He added that in his opinion Sir Wilfrid Laurier had charged Mr. Farrer with the duty of putting into Conservative hands in-formation that might be used to force Mr. Sifton out of the cabinet. Mr. Sifton listened to the story and admitted that influential mem-bers of the cabinet were plotting against him. "But it is not Sir Wilfrid Laurier who is doing this," said Mr. Sifton: "it is Mr. Fitznatrick."

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SET A TRAP FOR HIM. The object of his colleagues in conspiring against him was, however, clear to Mr. Sifton. He knew that the scheme was to get him out of the government and to appoint as a successor to him a westerner who would pledge himself to support a coercive measure. He was not as wise as he might have been, or he would have been on the alert for the next act of the conspirators. Mr. Sifton's enemies did not cease their operations when baffled by the Conservatives' refusal to pull Mr. Fitz-patrick's chestnuts out of the fire. They laid another trap, one of a very delicate nature, and Mr. Sifton appears to have been an easy victim. Mr. Sifton became involved in a scandal. The incident was canvassed all over Ottawa. It spread westward, where it was cultivated by the censpirators and embarrassed Mr. Sifton considerably in the Brandon election. A SETTLEMENT ARRANGED.

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A SETTLEMENT ARRANGED. When the scandal became general public property at Ottawa. Mr. Sifton's colleagues interested themselves in it. They said a settlement of some kind must be arranged. Mr. Sifton was forced to make him. self a party to a formal settlement. Sir Wilfrid Laurier was a party to it, so was a prominent representative of the Roman Catholic hier-archy. The money consideration was a very large one. It was arranged at the time of the settlement that immediately after the elections Mr. Sifton should retire from the cabinet on the plea of ill-health. But Mr. Sifton did not retire. He went south for his health, and while the was away the autonomy bill was introduced in parliament.

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Mr. Sifton saw a more plausible excuse for getting out of politics, an excuse which was right in line with his convictions. He hastened Mr. Sitch saw a more phasma with his convictions. He hastened an excuse which was right in line with his convictions. He hastened northward, and after a brief conference with Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in which the latter treated him very cavalierly, he handed in his resigna-tion. At once the plotters and their agents got to work. In The Eye-Opener of Calgary appeared an article under a sensational heading. giving the whole story of the scandal, the names, the dates, the terms of settlement and everything else related to it. Many "Eye-Openers" were circulated in Ottawa. The article was reproduced word for word by The New York Telegraph. Mr. Sifton was given to understand that the publicity which his indiscretions was receiving had only begun. The devices of the blackmailer were used to force them to consent to a compromise on the school question. Mr. Sifton saw that the choice was between surrender and a blackened reputation. He surrendered. FORCED TO SWALLOW COMPROMISE. This is the true story of Mr. Sifton's resignation, and the inglorious

FORCED TO SWALLOW COMPROMISE. This is the true story of Mr. Sifton's resignation, and the inglorious back-down which followed. The World gives it in obedience to what it believes to be its duty to the public in the present political crisis. The public should know that the so-called compromise on the school ques-tion does not represent Mr. Sifton's conception of what is fair and just. It embodies his conception of what is expedient under the whip of the blackmailer. The compromise, as a matter of fact, is worse than the It embodies his conception of what is expedient under the whip of the blackmailer. The compromise, as a matter of fact, is worse than the bill in its original form. When Mr. Sifton says it is not he speaks not as a public man, but as a husband and father terrorized by unscrupu-lous conspirators who have his reputation at their mercy. The affair is one which The World does not like to exploit. But there are occasions, when questions of delicacy and the feelings of individuals subordinate themselves to a question of vital public interest. And this is one of them.

THE SPRING SHOWER.

New York, April 20.-The Herald will say The glorious warm rain that began to fall about 1 o'clock this Good Friday morn- to-morrow: Gage E. Tarbell is to be ing has long been looked for, and means everything for the grain of the field, the vegetable of the garden and the flower of forest. There has not been a spring a member of the society's executive e for many a year that was so long in hav-ing come to it the regenerating and re-freshing shower. But it came this morning and in all probability it will turn every-thing into warmth, into greenness and into growth.

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BLENHEIM GIVEN THREE LICENSES

New Commissioners Break Loos From Past Dendlock.

Chatham, April 20.-(Special.)-The new East Kent license commissioners have granted three hotel licenses for Blenheim on trial, subject to improvements in accommodation. Nearly a year ago Blenheim carried local option, but the council refused to pass the bylaw. Since then, however, the licenses have been withheld.

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EMINENT ENGINEER DYING.

day morning, when the Napanee light-ing bill was up for investigation. Na-panee has a grievance against the two lighting companies, which have been doing business in the town, and which the is suffering from a complication of dis-ness and his demise was stated has uight by his attending physician to be but a mat

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"I KNOW IT WAS ALEX." SHE SAID LATER MRS. COVELL DENIES IT Surviving Victim of Rodney As-sault Gives Conflicting Storles as to Wills-Said She Recognized thim as far as Ridgetown, where the stranger disappeared among the cas-tile pens at the station. Mrs. Covell was much improved to day and will soon be to her usual

dred, yellow-backed, that are good to look at. Critistian W. Tusch is a native of Syracuse, and is agent for the Union News Company in that city, once not-ed for its salt wells. On April 7, less than a week from "All Fools' Day," Mr. Tusch was approached by a well-dressed man, who presented a letter of introduction. The letter was signed. "Arthur Edmunds." Tusch did not know Edmunds from a bale of hay, and said so to George Wright, the bearer of the letter. Mr. Wright ex-plained matters by telling Tusch he was known as a shrewd fellow, who was always willing to take the cork

