

A DISCREDITABLE RECORD THE SITUATION IN QUEBEC

The Serious Scandal Which Has Given Laurier Government So Much to Think About The Liberal Government Resort in the Past Has Been to Buy Off the Offenders and They Will Likely Continue the Expedient.

(Montreal Gazette.)
The Quebec constituencies continue to give the Laurier Government cause for worry. They have been doing this almost from the first. They gave the country the scandal about the lieutenant-governorship, with the Langelier kick and subsequent acceptance of a judgeship. Then there was the Plains of Abraham business, in which the Government bought a lot of what many hold to be non-hereditary land, presented the use of it to the city, and incidentally created a profitable market for some property a supporter was anxious to sell. The Quebec Bridge Company business is notorious throughout the country. A company was formed to construct a bridge from the Quebec to the Lewis side. There were many Quebec politicians in it. They could not, or did not, persuade the business men of their city to invest their money in it. They did persuade the city of Quebec, the Government of the province, and the Government at Ottawa to vote subsidies to their project. On the strength of these a beginning was made on the work. When the resources available were exhausted further demands were made on the Dominion, and, at the instance of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, there was made the extraordinary arrangement by which on the shareholders of the company agreeing to subscribe \$100,000 of stock, the Government of Canada guaranteed the bond capital of the company to the extent of \$6,866,882. Next there was the trouble of the Government in the province. A faction of the Liberal party objected to Mr. Parent, who besides being president of the Bridge Company, had been dealt with, was premier of the province. Charges were made

that he was unfit to hold any public position. If they were true, he should have maintained his place as head of the administration of the province. He retired before them, gave up the premiership and became chairman of the Transcontinental Railway Commission, a body which in the next ten years is expected to supervise the expenditure of over a hundred million dollars of the money of Canada. These are great matters, that have been the cause, some of criticism, some of scandal, some of both. Beside them there have been numbers of minor affairs, objectionable in their nature, including deals in which a judge came off the bench to manage the business of a not very creditable election campaign, arrangements about contracts, and less important affairs. Now the situation is seemingly ripe for another transaction of the old kind. By unhappy appeals and resort to methods that the election courts have made notorious, the Conservative party has been rendered helpless in the district. The result has not been happy for the men who accomplished the result. Those who want things have learned that if they kick hard enough and tar and feather the self-egard of Sir Wilfrid Laurier they will get something. So there are four men in Quebec county fighting for a place which only one of them can obtain. Something will have to be done unless the Government is to be humiliated, and precedent shows what will be done will be at the expense of the Dominion, and will be paid for by the people. They should be becoming first of a process, a place, and a premier, through which they are brought at the same time humiliation and expense.

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GERALD WHITE SURE TO WIN

Party Organization in North Renfrew in Excellent Shape—Mr. R. L. Borden to Speak Next Week.
Ottawa, Sept. 29.—Reports from the constituency of North Renfrew indicate that Mr. Gerald White will not encounter much difficulty in retaining his allegiance to the Conservative cause. A Pembroke gentleman at Ottawa yesterday asserted that the party organization is in excellent shape and that counts is being thoroughly covered in the personal canvass, as well as with public meetings. A grand rally is promised for Friday night of next week, when Mr. Borden will speak on behalf of Mr. White at Pembroke.
Dr. McKay, the independent, as he styles himself, the "Laurier" Liberal, is still in the field, although efforts to pull him off in favor of Thomas Murray are being exerted. The probability is that he will remain. However that may be fixed up, Mr. White's friends are sanguine of success and assert that it is only a question of majority. The organization and work is, nevertheless, being attended to.

BETTER TERMS CONFERENCE ROOM

Ottawa, Sept. 28.—The better terms conference, which is to take place in Ottawa during the week of October 3, will be held in the Railway Committee room in the Senate building. The federal representatives, about thirty will take part in the conference, a number which the committee room will accommodate comfortably. This particular room in the Senate, whose east window looks out upon the estate of Sir John Macdonald, has been the scene of many famous gatherings of political importance. Perhaps the most interesting of them, having regard to the prime object of the approaching gathering, was the famous enquiry of 1891, into the fate of the Chateaux Railway scandal, an investigation which threw a flood of light upon the methods by which were piled up those enormous additions to Quebec's public debt, which are largely responsible for the present demand for an increased provincial subsidy.
GEORGE WASHINGTON IN BRONZE
New York, Sept. 29.—This afternoon occurred the unveiling of a colossal bronze equestrian statue of George Washington on the Brooklyn Plaza of the Williamsburg Bridge. The memorial is a gift to the city from ex-Congressman James R. Howe, being paid for from fees which he collected while registrar of Kings County and which he announced before his election would be devoted to beautifying the city.
The statue is the work of M. H. Shrady. It shows General Washington on horseback during the trying days at Valley Forge. Horse and rider stand seventeen feet from the ground. The entire statue weighs 7,000 pounds, or some 2,000 more than any other bronze statue in the city.

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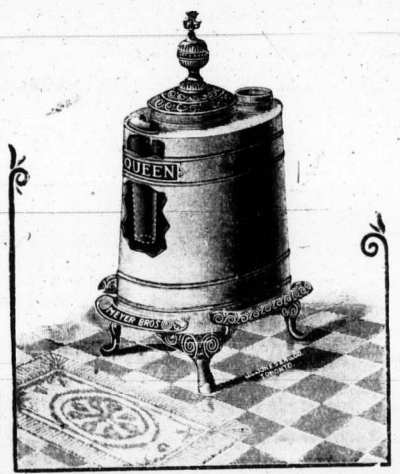
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