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THE DOMINION SITUATION.

There is much speculation as to whether the Dominion government will call another session of the present parliament or make an immediate appeal to the electorate. Many arguments can be cited in support of either view. It is quite certain that a session now would be full of discomfort for the ministers, who would find themselves compelled to admit a failure of their policy in what they have held to be its strongest features. It has not kept the country in prosperity; it has brought about a deficit for the past and current years, and these men have busily taught the people that a deficit is a most hideous thing. It may be that they will prefer to appeal to the electors now, to save themselves an awkward explanation to parliament, and in the fear that matters may grow worse if the election is delayed. On the other hand they have on hand six million dollars of borrowed money, for the employment of which as an election weapon another session would be necessary. To the country's shame be it said, there would be only too great advantage on the industrial side in having a large sum to distribute where it "would do most good." As to the readiness of the ministers to use public funds in this way ample testimony comes from among themselves. Sir Hibbert Tupper not long ago told a Nova Scotia audience in almost so many words that if they wanted money expended amongst them they must vote for the Conservative government. At a later date Mr. Olmsted, minister of public works, put the government's position before another gathering in this way: "We cannot do everything at once; but as regards the principle on which these appropriations are made, I would answer that the government follows the same rule that determines the actions of individuals." If any of you had a legacy left you to divide amongst the people you would most naturally begin with your friends. When ministers avow their corrupt intentions in this cold-blooded way, it may well be supposed that they will attach great importance to the proper disposition of this "legacy" of six millions. Liberals should not forget, however, that there are strong chances of the elections being brought on prematurely and that they should be ready for the fray. They can go into the fight with every confidence, for their opponents find themselves so weakened on every hand that not even "boodle" will save them from defeat this time. After a close and careful survey of the situation throughout the country Mr. Laurier has confidently concluded that success is bound to wait upon the Liberal party, and none of his followers need be a whit less hopeful.

MOWAT DOES NOT GO YET.

A few weeks ago the Ontario Conservative papers were demanding the retirement of the Mowat government, on the ground that it did not command a majority of the legislative assembly. At that time the government supporters numbered 47, or exactly half of the house, and it was contended that after the election of a speaker Sir Oliver would be left in a minority, or at least would be able to remain in power only by favor of the Patron members. Then came the London election, which placed the government in a majority of two over the other parties combined. Since that time the tide has run constantly in Sir Oliver's favor. All the petitions against Liberal members have been abandoned or dismissed, while no less than three against Conservatives and Patrons have succeeded. Mr. Savage, who defeated Mr. Connec in Algoma by seven votes, was unseated, then followed Dr. Smyth, who had a majority of one over Minister Hart in Kingston, and finally Mr. Senn, Patron, who conquered ex-Speaker Baxter in Haldimand. The latter was unseated because he was an issuer of marriage licenses at the time of his election and was therefore disqualified. It is by no means certain that the government will carry all three of the vacant seats, but Algoma and Kingston at least are likely to go Liberal. In that event the government supporters in the new house will number 50, and the other parties combined will be able to muster no more than 44. But the Patrons are not as a body hostile to the government; their aim has frequently been set forth as being to secure certain

reforms, not to make or unmake governments. A majority of the Patron members are Liberals in sympathy, and would much prefer to see the desired reforms carried out under Sir Oliver Mowat's regime if at all possible. The Mowat government is therefore tolerably sure of a working majority in the new house and an indefinite extension of its lease of power.

OKANAGAN HOP-GROWING.

At a recent meeting of the agricultural association of the Vernon district some very interesting figures were submitted by Mr. Dell in regard to the hop-growing industry. From these it will be at once inferred that the industry should have a bright future in the Okanagan country, and possibly in other portions of the province where the conditions seem equally favorable. From his own experience Mr. Dell made out the following statement of expenses and returns for one acre of hops:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes Permanent Investment, Labor and Expenses, Receipts, and Expenses Second Year, 1894.

This statement can safely be taken as covering all details of expense, and the net profit appears relatively large. Of course one condition must always be kept in mind, namely, that increased production of hops is likely to lower the price, but there would seem to be a comfortable margin of allowance. Hops from British Columbia are known to be favorably looked upon in the English market, and if proper care is exercised in the growing, packing and marketing of the product the industry should prosper in this province.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

One step taken by the new czar, says a contemporary, proves his determination to come up to date. He has ordered the abandonment of the old-style calendar, which is nearly a fortnight behind the present Gregorian, and so places Russia on a level with the rest of the world. If he will now abolish the third section, the knout, Siberia, as a place of residence, the whole gang of nobles who infest his court and empire, bribery in the public service and brutality among the aristocracy, and reduce the number of "princes" to less than one million, he may yet be a gentleman before the century expires.

It is rather odd to find our American consuls ready to borrow any idea from poor little Canada, but this concession a good many of them are inclined to make in respect of our banking laws. We find the following paragraph in an American exchange: "William C. Cornwell, the great authority on currency and the banking laws of Canada, is about to issue a work on the subject, which will be published by the famous house of G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York, in itself a guarantee of the merit of the work. Mr. Cornwell's address on Canadian bank currency three years ago at New Orleans seems now about to accomplish a practical result. It caused American bankers to examine the Canadian currency system, and so favorably have they been impressed with it that at their convention at Baltimore last September they drew up a scheme of currency reform which is attracting much attention. It is called the Baltimore plan, but is actually a transcript of the Canadian banking laws."

"Why do you make some of your dumplings small and others large, Fran Huber?" "Because my husband has been complaining lately of having too little change in his diet."

DR. EVANS' OPEN LETTER

CAREFULLY INVESTIGATED BY THE CANADA FARMERS' SUN.

Miss Koester and Her Parents Endorse the Statements Contained in the Open Letter—the Doctor's Action in Making the Facts Public Fully Justified.

From the Farmers' Sun. In an open letter published in the Canada Farmers' Sun of September 19 over the signature of Dr. Evans, of Elmwood, attention was drawn to the remarkable case of Miss Christina Koester, of North Brant, who was attended by the doctor in March, 1892, when suffering from inflammation of the left lung, which subsequently developed all the signs of consumption. In June of the same year she wasted to a skeleton, and was suffering from an intense cough with profuse expectation of putrid matter, accompanied by hectic fever. Her recovery was despaired of until Dr. Evans, at a stage when other remedies had proved valueless, administered Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Within a week the symptoms had abated, and a month after the change of medicine Miss Koester was able to drive to Elmwood, a distance of six miles, and was in good health, except for the weakness occasioned by so long an illness.

The publication of the doctor's statement, of which the above is a condensation, created considerable interest, especially when it was rumored that Dr. Evans was likely to be disciplined by the Medical Council for his action in certifying to the efficacy of an advertised remedy. A representative of the Canada Farmers' Sun was commissioned to carefully investigate the matter and ascertain how far the doctor's statements were corroborated by the patient's family. An interview with Christina Koester, her father and mother, was held at the homestead in the township of North Brant. Miss Koester is a well-developed, healthy looking girl of 18 years of age. She stated that she was now in the enjoyment of perfect health and able to do her part in the labors of the farm, and had not since her cure had any recurrence of her former trouble. Tado Koester, father of Christina, said that the statement published in Dr. Evans' open letter as to his daughter's recovery was correct. She was first taken sick about the 15th of March, 1892, of inflammation of the left lung, and after treatment by Dr. Evans seemed to recover after about two weeks, but again relapsed with the apparently hopeless conditions described in the letter. She was terribly wasted. Every night she coughed up a large bowlful of fetid matter. The family had repeatedly given up all hopes of her recovery, and for two nights sat up with her expecting that she would die. After beginning the Pink Pills a change for the better was speedily noticeable. The cough began to diminish and in one month had entirely ceased, when, as stated in the doctor's letter, she was sufficiently recovered to drive to Elmwood. She continued taking the Pills until October. Christina has been quite well since and has had been picking shaves and helping in the harvest field.

Mrs. Koester concurred with her husband's statements throughout, and was emphatic in testifying to Christina's recovery and the efficacy of the doctor's treatment of the disease and the completeness of her recovery.

In view of the corroboration by Miss Koester and her parents of the statement made in Dr. Evans' letter, all doubts in the matter must be set at rest and the doctor's action in giving the facts of this remarkable case to the public is fully justified.

TIMES XMAS FUND.

Subscription List Closed—An Excellent Work Done.

The Times Xmas fund aggregates \$223.50. The committee, having in charge the distribution of necessities to all poor people who applied was kept busy for several days, and discharged the delicate task with due discrimination and unwearied courtesy. The Times has the satisfaction of knowing that the efforts to stir our philanthropic citizens into action has met with a fair degree of success and that much good has been done. The recipients of the relief, without exception, were sincerely thankful for the slight assistance received in each case. The fund at the present time—when the immediate object having been accomplished it is deemed advisable to declare it closed—stands as follows: Previously acknowledged, \$221; A. H. Scaife, \$2.50; total, \$223.50.

The few subscribers whose contributions are unpaid will please send them in to the Times office at once, so that the amount may be paid over to the committee. The obligations incurred by the committee will exceed the above amount, but the deficiency will be made good either by the B. C. Benevolent Society or by the city council.

To Attend the Funeral.

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—Premier Bowell and Senator Smith left for Halifax today to attend the funeral of the late premier.

Briggs—Well, did that dose I told you to take scatter your cold? Briggs it did, beautifully! When I saw you the cold was only in my throat, and now it is scattered all over me.

How to Get a "Sunlight" Picture. Send 25 "Sunlight" Soap wrappers (wrap-bearing the words "Why Does a Woman Look Old Sooner than a Man") to Lever Bros., Ltd., 48-Scott St., Toronto, and you will receive by post a pretty picture, free from advertising, and well worth framing. This is an easy way to decorate your home. The soap is the best in the market and it will cost in postage to send in the wrappers, if you leave the ends open. Write your address carefully.

TELEGRAPH TELEPHONE TIGER PARLOR. Pin Your Faith to E. B. EDDY'S MATCHES.

DEALING WITH THE HEADS

Inspector Williams, the Notorious Corruptist Before the Lexow Committee.

Unconcerned About the Charges Against Him—More Corruption Unearthed.

New York, Dec. 28.—Inspector Williams was again the attraction before the Lexow committee to-day. Goff plied him vigorously with questions about his alleged corruptness as on the previous days of his examination. He admitted receiving \$4000 from President Fliess of the Hollywood Whiskey company. He could not explain why Fliess gave him this. To his mind there was nothing indecent in accepting this money. Next to Superintendent Byrnes, Inspector Williams is looked up to by the residents of this city as a man who knows every detail in connection with the police department of New York. Yesterday when it was made known that he would be called as a witness before the Lexow committee there were numerous applications for admission to the court room. Lawyers, doctors, bankers, brokers and men about town scrambled for seats to hear the famous "knight of the club" and Inspector Goff cross foils in a woful fencing match. During the proceedings former Wardman Shalvey, who was Policeman Hussey's partner in the twelfth precinct, was examined, and he told about his collections of bribe money from saloon keepers, proprietors of houses of ill fame and policy shops. He accused Captain Webb (retired), Doherty, Eakins and Schultze of receiving the bribes. During Schultze's regime, he said, the price on policy shops was raised 10 per cent, and in nine months he paid over to Schultze about \$4500.

Yesterday Williams swore positively that he was never directly or indirectly connected with the sale of Hollywood whiskey. The inspector had frequently been accused of having an interest in the company which handled this brand of liquor, and it was stated that by displaying the company's sign in a prominent place the proprietors of saloons were protected from arrest or annoyance for violation of the excise law. Williams denounced Schmittbecker as a liar, and said he was prompted to lie by a promise of immunity given him by the committee. He met Mr. Goff's attacks stubbornly and frequently attacked him by his answers to several questions. After seventy minutes of fencing Mr. Goff asked for an adjournment, and the majority of the spectators said Williams was the "toughest" witness the investigator had yet met.

ANOTHER SHIP IN DISTRESS.

Last Seen of the Missing Collier Ke-weenaw.

San Francisco, Dec. 27.—The bark Cortney Ford, lumber laden from Port Blakeley for Fiji, put into this port this afternoon in distress. She encountered the recent terrific storm off the northern coast. On the 7th instant, when 40 miles southwest of Cape Plattery, she ran into a hurricane which hung on for three days and carried away her foretopgallant masts, with all attached, and her jibboom and sails. Her deck load also shifted.

The Courtenay Ford reports that yesterday, when off the Farrallones, she sighted the schooner John F. Miller with her sails apparently blown away. It is believed that within the coming week the real damage done at sea by the recent gale will be known.

The Courtenay Ford left Port Blakeley on December 4 for the Fiji Islands, but she was forced by the storm to put into Chatham Bay for safety. The brig left Chatham bay December 7, and sailed to sea.

Captain Miller reports that as he passed Cape Plattery about dusk of the evening of the 7th, the missing steamer Ke-weenaw, bound for San Francisco, crossed his bow. The wind was then bad, and the big storm was brewing, and he noticed that the Ke-weenaw slowed down quickly and headed out to sea. It was Captain Miller's belief then, and it has been greatly strengthened since his arrival in port, that some of the Ke-

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CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL.

Children of the Catholic Cathedral Have Their Holiday Treat.

The Sunday school children of St. Andrew's Roman Catholic cathedral had their Christmas treat last night at Institute hall. To the number of two hundred they enjoyed tea at 5 o'clock, and later had a very pleasant time playing about until 8 o'clock, when the concert took place. The programme was as follows: Song, F. Lang; recitation, comic, Mrs. Wilkes; vocal duet, Misses McNeil and Stewart; trio, mandolins and piano, Misses E. and D. Sehl and Mr. Sehl; song, Mr. Leroy; vocal duet, Mrs. E. Wilson and Mrs. Wilkes; recitation, Mr. Patten; vocal duet, Master Noel Lang and Miss C. Lang; song, Miss Lily Lyons; song, Miss E. Wilson; recitation, Miss Mabel Lyons. Then came the illumination of the Christmas tree and the presentation of the presents by Santa Claus. The youngsters were in high glee all evening, and some were so tired before it was time to go home that they fell asleep. A very pleasant feature of the evening was the presentation to Rev. Father Nicolays of a fine meerschaum pipe and also a cigar holder by the children of the school. Those who had charge of the tree worked hard and deserve the greatest credit.

Broken in Health That Tired Feeling, Constipation and Pain in the Back Appetite and Health Restored by Hood's Sarsaparilla.



Mr. Charles Steele, St. Catherine's, Ont. "For a number of years I have been troubled with a general tired feeling, shortness of breath, pain in the back, and constipation. I could get only little rest at night on account of the pain and had no appetite whatever. I was that tired in my limbs that I gave out before half the day was gone. I tried a great number of medicines but did not get any permanent relief from any source until, upon recommendation of a friend, I purchased a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla, which made me feel better at once. I have continued its use, having taken three bottles, and I feel like a new man. I have a good appetite, feel as strong as ever I did, and enjoy perfect rest at night. I have much pleasure in recommending Hood's Sarsaparilla." CHARLES STEELE, with Eric Preserving Co., St. Catherine's, Ontario. Hood's Pills are prompt and efficient, yet easy in action. Sold by all druggists, 25c.

The Milling Firm of Howard and Co. Toronto Pa.

Temperance People P. a C. P. R. Employ Dismissed

Toronto, Dec. 28.—The sailing of Sir W. Os. is now in course of will be soon wound up, done only a small business past, owing largely to great age and consequent William went early to president of the Ontario retired in favor of G. M. P. He is still a liberal loan and financial his once great fortune he He shows a surplus of \$100,000.

Montreal, Dec. 28.—dismissal from the C. P. R. the subject before a meeting of the representatives of the various organizations to-day, in the Dominion Alliance, Royal Templars and W. C. T. C. cations from lodges from Halifax were read support The secretary was instructed to Mr. Tate, the assistant of the C. P. R., in a delegation of five had by the meeting and it would have a conference thing will be done un heard from. Temperance that Smith was dismissed activity in temperance in Ottawa, Dec. 28.—Blake, in reply to the judicial committee of the to the death of Sir John "Perhaps your orship as a resident of Canada grateful I am that you thought fit to say a word tragic event which has assure you that I believe of the Dominion will be of party, receive with a precession of sympathy who they feel in common."

Toronto, Dec. 28.—who is drawing only fairly Grand Opera house, was stage quit ill at the performance on Tuesday playing Juliet she was very heavily, and when down she was again in stage. She did not be until two hours after play. In spite of the was at Jacob & Sparrow, occupying a box the show highly. Last again ill and the Grand Rev. Wm. Inglis, assist the parliament buildings looking at an unprotected apparatus in the slipped and fell in. shock that she was which he is to-day with her prospects of a Charlotteville, P.E.I. L. Clappelle, one of the residents of this city, Carmody restaurant has fallen on the sidewalk, place and complained shortly afterwards ex publisher of the Chappie

Montreal, Dec. 28.—Miss Thompson had arrived here to-day, and the Windsor. To-night company with Lord and in the private car of the of the Intercontinental far.

Lindsay, Ont., Dec. 28.—guttered Patterson's dry damaged the stock of the east, owned by Kerr-house was also damaged water.

GOLD AT KE Fortune Hunters Flock kota. Custer City, S. D., D. Keystone seems to be camp of the west. People from all directions untown and all the stable filled. The fabulous of the richness of the not been exaggerated, now running four stam yielding more than \$600 veins vary in width from about 20 per cent. free in the concentrates. are arsenical pyrites contain from \$30 to million in gold.

GABLE DISP.

Lord Randolph Church Night—Othe

London, Dec. 28.—The coffin containing the Astor was removed from the Cliveden, and placed in a train for Liverpool, transferred to the steamer Astor will accompany York. A Calcutta dispatch legislative council has passed the act of 1894 for yams and fabrics to ed articles dutiable at levying five per cent, manufactured in India. A dispatch from Kohas completed the text encyclical.

The officers of the returned to Naples last to their departure they the Italian minister expressed regret that the visit prevented them