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## THE BELL MEMORIAL

That the people of Brantford, when the above work is completed, will possess one of the most beautiful and striking triumphs of the sculptor's art on this continent does not admit of any question. The writer recently had the privilege of paying a visit to Mr. Allward's studio in Toronto, and if any man ever put all of his genius and all of his energy into the creation of his fancy, it is he. To the average eye the two main figures, each 26 feet in height, seem right now to be fully completed, but their creator still sees some minor improvements, which he will make within a short period.

The centre panel, in bas-relief, is of virile life and energy. It depicts the reclining figure of a man in the nude sending a message, and spirits of the air are shown in rapid flight, to the practical annihilation of all space. Throughout the phone is not commercially emphasized, but delightfully suggested. The whole production is an absolute triumph, and far—yes, very far—above even the highest average.

There has been some chagrin over the delay in the matter of completion. This should not exist in view of what Mr. Allward is producing, to the exclusion of many other tempting and more lucrative orders. When his model was first uncovered in connection with the designs competition, the leading New York sculptor, who had brought his own offering to the city, made the remark: "I might as well leave mine unpacked, for it is not possible for any other competitor to equal that."

When citizens see the memorial finally in position they will fully realize why he so expressed himself.

**THE EVANTURAL DISCLOSURE**  
Not since the disclosure made by Mr. Ganev, M.P.P., of the manner in which emissaries of the Ross regime paid money for his vote, has there been such a sensational disclosure in the Ontario House as the letter in which Mr. Evariantal, M.P.P., offered to work for the liquor interests in the Legislative Assembly.

This individual is the Liberal member for Prescott, and he held the seat in the last general contest by 284 of a majority.

It is quite likely that he resented the course of Mr. Rowell in making prohibition a plank in the party platform without sanction, or without discussion. That action was just as autocratic as the conduct of Sir Wilfrid Laurier in wrecking his administration over the subject of "Reciprocity" without so much as a "By your leave" to his followers. Had Mr. Evariantal, by voice and vote, opposed his leader in this matter, that would have been his own business; the communication which he wrote has become everybody's business. When a man writes to the Hotelkeepers' Association of Ontario, pledging himself to fight for the trade on the basis of \$10,000—\$3,000 to be paid down and the balance by installment—he shows his true character and demonstrates that he should be thrown out neck and crop from public life.

It has been frequently charged, without one scintilla of evidence, that the Whitney Government has been in league with the liquor trade. Here, with documentary proof, there is the indisputable fact that one of Rowell's followers not only offered an alliance, but also demanded a good fat sum for the same.

Under Whitney Provincial affairs have been kept so absolutely clean that the disclosure comes with all the greater shock. The people previously were so dulled with scandal after scandal, and with the fact that a Government preaching temperance made big levies on hotelkeepers, that it took a final cataclysm to awaken them to the sense of a plain duty.

Under the circumstances Mr. Rowell's duty is clear. He must demand and insist that Evariantal resign his seat.

## MR. BECK'S WORK.

The Toronto News pays the following and deserved tribute to the work of Hon. Adam Beck:

"There was vigor and purpose in the speech delivered by Hon. Adam Beck at the Board of Trade dinner. One was impressed by his enthusiasm for the Provincial Hydro Electric system, by his resolution of character and by the practical nature of his proposals. From time to time we are

urged to have "vision" and often there is a flavor of melodrama in the appeal. It is far otherwise with Mr. Beck. He is as forceful as he is practical and as practical as he is forceful.

It is no exaggeration to say that the Hydro Electric system as developed in Ontario, is the most striking and successful attempt at municipal co-operation in the world. Sixty nine municipalities are now embraced within the organization. The cost of Niagara energy has been enormously reduced and the whole project is self sustaining.

It is clear, however, that we are only on the threshold of its achievements. Mr. Beck sees in the future a great system of radial railways operated by power from Niagara and other sources under control of the Commission. He sees unification of two or three hundred telephone companies in a provincial system, and under public control. He sees in Northern Ontario provision of electrical energy which will develop smelting industries and confine within the country millions of dollars which are now spent elsewhere.

In fact we only begin to see the possibilities of the Hydro Electric system and in vision Mr. Beck far outruns us all. He has courage and practical capacity in equal degree. Those who love as those who do not love Adam Beck, those who are his political friends as those who are his political opponents, must recognize that he is a singularly interesting figure in Canadian affairs and a public servant of remarkable energy and efficiency.

## NOTES AND COMMENTS

Just as if Rowell's following wasn't small enough, one of them has done something which should make it even less.

By the way, it will be noticed that it isn't the "wicked Tories" who are responsible for recent scandals, either in Ontario or Quebec.

Lieut. Becker of New York is to get a new trial. Let's see, what was it that man did to get a sentence for the electric chair route?

Now it is an American citizen and a German citizen who have been do to death in Mexico. What Uncle Sam ought to do is to chuck his Monroe doctrine to the winds and ask John Bull and the other powers to join hands in restoring order and respect for order in the land of the sombrero.

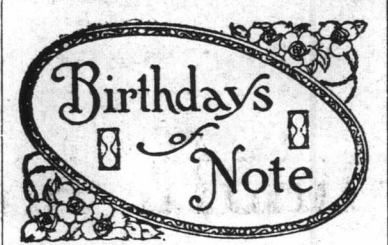
## Uncle Walt

The Poet Philosopher

## WILLING WORKERS

There are many Willing Workers down among the unemployed, and their lives are spent in trouble and in hardship, unalloyed. And they cry: "It's rank injustice that we men of willing hands, must be classed with bums and hoboes, with the non-productive bands. Here we stand and ask for labor, beg for work and beg in vain, and there's surely something rotten with the nation's heart or brain. We are little Willing Workers, and no laborers would we shirk, but you make us down and outers, for you will not give us work." I have hired some Willing Workers, able-bodied men and strong and they surely work like blazes—but they always did things wrong. Oh, no odds what job they tackled; they would do it wapperyjowed, whether they were herding chickens or just spading up the sod; whether they were fixing fences or repairing buggy-sheds, they were willing with their muscles, but they never used their heads. And I always had to follow, follow sadly in their track, doing all their labors over, with a green pain in my back. This is why the Willing Workers find this world so sad a joint; this is why the stern employers say to them "Skido! Aroint!"

WALT MASON.



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY TWENTY-SIXTH

Arthur Stringer, the well known Canadian poet and novelist, who is observing his fortieth birthday to-day, is one of the few people who have read their own death notices. The incident occurred a couple of years ago when he was summering at his farm on the shore of Lake Erie. A report was published in the papers that he had been killed by a lightning bolt. Of course it was utterly untrue and he hastened to deny it and relieve the anxiety of his friends. Mr. Stringer has been most successful in the literary field. He made his first start as an author when attending the University of Toronto and subsequently acted as a reporter on newspapers in London, Montreal and New York.

## SCANDAL IN ONTARIO

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to pose as a man supporting the policy of the Opposition.

"I would like to know this: Does he admit he has made a proposition and has negotiated with the liquor interests?"

Mr. Evariantal got up to protest against the line taken by the member for Grenville, but was checked in his effort to make a speech, and pressed for an answer as to whether he was in an alliance or had negotiated with the liquor interests. He shouted, "None whatever!"

"He says there was no alliance, and that he had no negotiations between himself and the liquor interests. He forced me to do what I am sorry to do, read this letter to the House. I ask him again. I give him another opportunity to deny, if he will, that he addressed a letter to the secretary of the Hotelkeepers' Association asking that they pay him a salary for advocating their cause and opposing the present time. I did not state my position as in favor or against the abolition of the bar. I did not discuss that point."

"I will explain your position if you will allow me," remarked Mr. Ferguson with meaning.

"It is not fair to attack me on that point at the present time," repeated Mr. Evariantal.

"I think in this letter the member makes his position pretty clear. It is not necessary for him to address the House," was the retort.

The Speaker ruled out the Prescott man's speech-making, and the reading of the letter proceeded.

When he came to the details of the proposition Mr. Ferguson indulged in pointed comments, and wound it up by pointing out that the letter was written upon legislative paper—to establish the writer's identity.

"Vain Attempt to Mislead.

"When it tries to mislead the country and the members of the House by making a statement that the Government and those who are administering the License Act are in an alliance with the liquor interests he ought to take care to be sure of his facts; he ought to be sure that his own hands are clean."

"The hon. member for Prescott has the courage and temerity to stand up in the House and say with a flourish and stage heroics that he will prove his charges or be prepared to resign. I would like him to deal seriously with this matter. I would like to know how he accounts for his inconsistency, posing before the people of the province as a supporter of his leader, and all the time attempting to ride two horses attempting to negotiate clandestinely with the liquor interests for their support. I would like him to explain to the province as well as to the people of his own county how he reconciles his conduct. I regret that I had to make this statement on the floor of the House. I was so amazed, so dumfounded, when he stood up on his feet to-day and attempted to deal with this question in the way he did, knowing that he had attempted to hide behind his leader's skirts, while all the time he was playing his own miserable, mean, selfish game of stabbing his leader and that policy in the back."

When Mr. Ferguson sat down with the Government benches resounded with a roar of derision directed at the Prescott member.

## THE LETTER.

Alfred, Ont., Sept. 4, 1913.

Dear Sir,—I have written a long letter to the secretary of the Hotelkeepers' Association for Ontario, Mr. Allen, 26 Wellington St., Toronto, asking him to submit my letter to the directors of the association at their first meeting. In that letter I pledged myself as a true friend of this association and prepared to fight in the House and vote against my leader or that question of abolishing the bars, etc. I have been in the past one of the speakers who has stood on the public platform in the County of Prescott against the Scott Act when it was tried some years ago in the province. During the past summer I have visited all my county and I have openly declared that I would not support my leader, Mr. Rowell, on his policy to abolish the bars and I have in my two previous sessions voted against him in that respect. I am, and I have always been, a true friend to the liquor interests, and I have been backed up by my constituents in doing so. I am a poor man, living on my small sessional allowance, and do expect that the association will see its way clear to help me along, and in my letter to the board I ask at least \$10,000, payable \$3,000 now, and the balance per instalments in order to support me. I am prepared for that salary to be the defender of the association and introduce before the Legislature any

amendments to the Government measures to restrict the liquor traffic, etc.

I am the only M.P.P. in the Ontario House who will place himself openly against the policy of Rowell and the restrictions to the trade brought from time to time by the government. I believe that it would be useful to your association to have an M.P.P. who would be there in the House to accept and present to the House all the suggestions coming from your important body. Will you kindly support my application which is before the board at its next meeting. I will sign any agreement which your board will require to be sure that I am the man who will fight for your cause in the House. The newspapers of Toronto have published already my interviews with reporters at the time I have refused to support my leader on the ground of prohibition, etc. I am the only M.P.P. who has taken that open step in the House and before the province. I would like to have the matter settled up as soon as possible, as I have to be financially supported at the present time. You have known my late father, Hon. A. Evariantal, M.P.P. for the County of Prescott, before me, and during his long and prosperous public life he has fought the battle of the hotelkeepers whenever he had the opportunity to defend your rights, etc. Confident of your

strong support before the next meeting, I am

Very truly yours,  
(Sgd.) GUSTAVE EVNTUREL,  
M.P.P. for Prescott County.

## With the City Police

Abraham Cohen promised to look after his wife and children, at the Police Court some time ago, but he has not kept his promise faithfully, with the result that he appeared before Magistrate Livingston this morning charged with non-support. As of old he proved glib of speech and promised all manner of good things for his spouse when he had some business. "If I had a \$20 deal to-day I would give her money," he declared. "I was quite willing to help her for the sake of the children, but his business had been bad. She said he drank. 'Well,' said the magistrate 'You are too much in the limelight.' He would be given a week's chance to prove his earnestness, and allowed to go."

## VIRIDEN LIBERALS.

WINNIPEG Feb. 26.—Doctor Geo Clingan, of Viriden, was nominated by Viriden Liberals as their candidate for legislature, St. George Liberals chose Skuli Sigfusson as their candidate.

## Injured at Guelph

Charles Brown, Formerly of This City, Met With Accident

What may prove to be a fatal accident occurred yesterday at Guelph when Assistant Chief Chas. Brown of the Guelph Fire Department was thrown under an upturned sleigh and injured internally. The department was answering a call and Brown was riding on the horse sleigh. While turning a corner the sleigh tipped over and Brown was thrown under and the sleigh drapped over him. The driver of the horse wagon was also hurt.

Assistant Chief Brown was a former member of the local fire department having gone to Guelph to take the position of assistant chief. He is at present lying in the Guelph General Hospital in a precarious condition.

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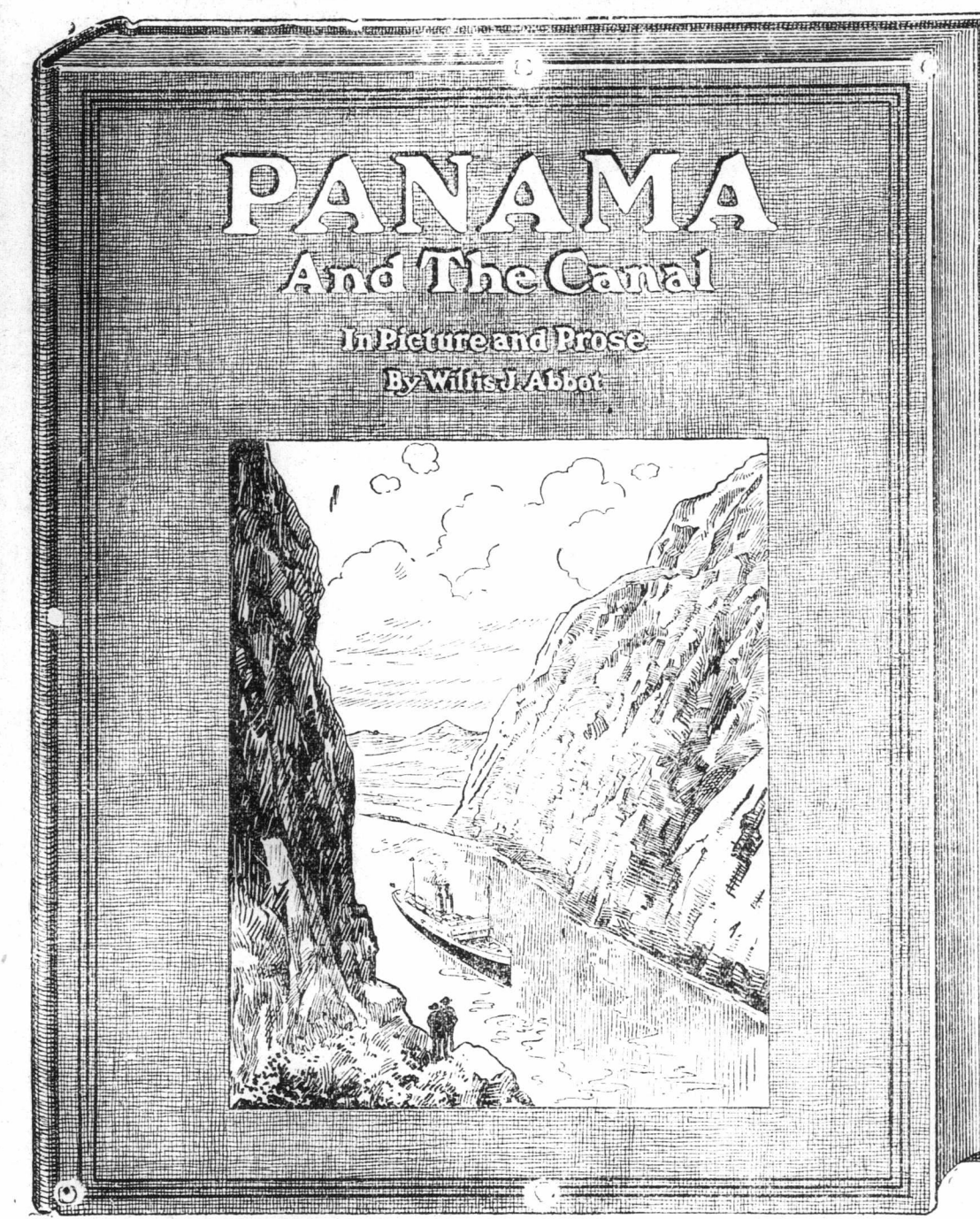
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## CITY LIFE

Boxing at Simcoe  
The O'Brien brothers an exhibition ten round to-night.

Railway Committee To  
The railway committee met last night in the City Hall to consider the submission of the railway bill.

A. O. F. vs. Maple L.  
To-night at Aired St. A. O. F. hockey team with the Maple Leafs promises to be a hot team as are going to be.

Gave a Warwhop.  
The only effect which had upon William, who administered yesterday, him to rent the warwhop. Beyond this stoical and gave no sign.

Spoke to Scouts.  
Last night Mr. T. H. gave a talk to the Scouts at the City Hall. His subject was "The Scout's Duty." He illustrated his specially prepared drawing.

Make Them Athletic.  
Members of the city police to take instructions in the Y.M.C.A. gymnasium on Thursdays at 3:15, displaying their ability in ring and weights at the

J. A. Ogilvie Won.  
The final of the T. H. curling was played yesterday noon between rinks sk J. A. Ogilvie and Jas. A. mer winning by the close to 7. The game was way through and the doubt until the last end.

Compressed Music and V.  
It might be interesting that the music and w drills, choruses, etc. for school entertainment to night in Brant. Avenue church have all been prepared by H. K. Jordan, the cho organist of the church.

Revival Service.  
Increased attendance a interest were marked last night's revival service at Methodist church. Rev. ling the pastor gave an "The marks of a true re on Ephesians both Ch Leeming's solo proved a the service. A parlor pr is being held this after parsonage and service evening at the church.

Swimming Committee.  
The art of swimming progress in the Y.M.C. latest development is a pointed to attend to all pertaining to the art of committee is formed as E. Rose, W. J. Feldcamely, W. V. Patterson a Roper. The first meeting takes place to-night achievements will be arrangements made for fa

D Co's Won 2-0  
A very interesting game took place last evening ories when D and H Co in the semi-finals of the ten minutes from the scored their first goal. Lead, and five minutes time, Vining put another scrimmage having ensue the goal. When D Co's had a substantial lead, the second half by act the defense. No scor during the second half, standing 2-0 in favor of The game through w and clean. Mr. Smith game very satisfactorily will play in the final nesday, March 11th at supporters are requested ent.

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