

THE HAMILTON TIMES

THURSDAY, MAY 21, 1908.

A DISGRACED PREMIER.

Whitney endeavors to minimize the monstrous crime of his gerrymander by saying that he had no later data as to population than the census of 1900, and was, therefore, working in the dark.

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AMES TASTE FOR SLANDER.

In the discussion of the timber limits matter, to which the Tories have reverted, now that Rowlin and Rogers have again turned their backs on Ottawa, Mr. Ames cut a rather humiliating figure on Tuesday.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Remember, MacKay on Tuesday night!

If you have not got your name on the voters' list yet there is still another chance; but you must move quickly.

Purse-snatching becomes a really serious matter in the light of Judge Snider's severe sentence. Such punishment should tend to discourage crimes of that kind.

Stratford will give its ratepayers a chance to vote on the Hydro-Electric scheme, with what later knowledge has been gained concerning it, before saddling them with the large debt and liability which it involves.

Last year's council made a bad muddle of the question of the location of the Southern Home, and this year's council's dilatoriness has added difficulty to the situation. It is not unreasonable that the people of the neighborhood should be heard as to the site, but there is no excuse for the aldermanic delay which complicates the question.

Hon. Mr. Foster and his colleagues have apparently changed their minds as to forcing the Government to go to the country, for yesterday they allowed the estimates for the Northwest Mounted Police and part of those for civil government to pass the House. It is still somewhat a matter of conjecture as to the reason for the changed front, although the Toronto World reiterates its

statement that Sir Wilfrid has come to an agreement with the Opposition to withdraw some of the Election Bill clauses and substitute others agreeable to the Manitoba Tories. It may be taken for granted, however, that the Premier will not sacrifice the rights of his Liberal following in Manitoba.

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MCCLEMONT'S SPEECH.

The Times publishes elsewhere in this evening's issue a full report of the speech of Mr. McClemont delivered in East Hamilton last evening. It lays down in clear, concise terms the reasons he asks for the votes of the electors, and tells where he stands on the public Provincial questions of the day.

Now that Major Hodgins has been constrained to admit that under adjustment of the work on the section regarding which he made his charges, the cost of the work in mixed cuttings would, under the force account method of classification (that is, paying according to the actual cost of the work), which was the method that he himself suggested to the Commission, have cost more than under the classification against which he complained, the charges lose much of their importance.

THE REPTILE FUND.

Both Messrs. Wardrop and McClemont made up their minds from the first that, as far as they are concerned, this shall be a clean, honest election. They have both announced that they will not spend one cent illegitimately, that if they cannot be elected honestly they would not want to be elected at all. They have no money to use for the benefit of the doubtful voter, the loose fish or purchasable vote. Not only have they made their position clear on this point, but they have both stated their willingness to enter into a compact or bargain with their opponents to that effect. But so far no notice has been taken of their offer. All decent voters, of whatever party, cannot help but admire the stand on behalf of purity of elections taken by the Liberal candidates, and it is to be regretted that the Tory candidates are not so anxious to have a clean election. However, crooked work will be closely watched by the supporters of the Liberal candidates. The law against bribery is now very strict, and the men with the long green will have to be mighty sly if they escape detection. Men thus caught will have a good chance to make the acquaintance of the inside of the jail.

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The Toronto News, Mr. Whitney's chief personal auditor, declares that "the Conservatives contend that there should be uniform Federal lists prepared under the authority of judicial officers." That is exactly the proposal made by Sir Wilfrid Laurier to satisfy the Opposition with regard to the Aylesworth bill. Why did it not accept that? Why does the News not demand of its party that it accept judicially prepared lists?

Welland Liberals are out to redeem the constituency. In last election Mr. E. E. Fraser (Con.), had 201 majority. Thousands of old Liberals are now rallying to the support of Mr. George W. Sutherland, and many decent Conservatives, who have been deceived in Whitney, will be found with them on June 8. The moral sense of Welland has been deeply shocked by Whitney's violation of his trust, and his prostitution of every principle to the machine, and there will be some surprises when the ballots are counted.

The junior Tory organ is shedding the disguise of independence and appears to desire to be more Tory than the Whitney Government. It ridicules Mr. Beck's assertion that the Hydro scheme is not a political question, says it is idle to represent it as being non-political, and declares that it would like to see Hendrie and Studholme elected to support it. One excuse will do just as well as another for the Herald blossoming out as a Tory partisan when an election campaign comes around.

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There are not so many "smart" gibes at the city dock these days. The interested ones, who have, from time to time, ridiculed its purchase as a foolish one involving the city in loss, are silent now. The aldermen have already accepted the offer of Taylor Bros. for \$1,500 a year for use of part of the dock, they to keep a man in charge at no expense to the city. The city dock is a good investment, and, like the revenue mill, will prove to be an excellent thing for Hamilton. But we shall miss the sneers.

The senior Tory organ laments "the rapid toboggan slide fall of the Globe from its advocacy of high ideals." The high-minded Spectator is disgruntled because the Globe objects to the Premier's falsehood on the floor of the Legislature, his utter abandonment of his professions of principle, and his surrender to the evil elements of his party. The Spectator cannot forgive the Globe for objecting to the La Rose steal, the license inequities, and the gerrymander. Why can't the Globe still and be knifed, without making a fuss, it wonders.

The Mail and Empire is not going to lose any campaign effect that can be made out of Major Hodgins' testimony. It seeks to make much of it by resorting to the device of manufacturing the report of the evidence instead of giving it in the Major's own words. He had

stated that by over-classification the N. T. R. was being robbed of \$400,000 on the Lake Superior Junction section. According to the Mail's faked report, he reduced that to \$2,000,000. As a matter of fact, however, in his examination he swore that the over-classification would add only \$400 a mile, or \$70,000 for the entire section!

The Toronto World admits that Laurier's proposition to have the voters' lists where not compiled by the municipal authorities prepared by the judges, is a "desirable end," and it admits that it would be difficult "to secure either Dominion or Provincial officials who command the confidence of both political parties when entrusted with the responsibility of making up electoral rolls." But in the face of that and of the admission that the Manitoba lists are now in the hands of partisan agents, the World still severely condemns the Dominion Government for the situation precipitated by its attempt at reform!

The power monopoly organ, in its effort to induce the aldermen to refuse to effect a saving of 10 per cent. over the Hydro-Electric Commission's price, says, "If the only electric power to be used in Hamilton were the power for lighting the streets, pumping water, and other civic purposes \* \* \* the city would not be able to buy Cataract power for less than the cost of Government power." Naturally enough, because there would be no other power to offer, none being used, according to the organ's supposition. The fact remains, however, that more power is used—and it is cheaper than in competing cities—and the price offered for power for lighting and pumping is guaranteed to be cheaper by 10 per cent. than the Hydro Commission's figures. And no competition is promised by the Hydro scheme while the city is shut up to absolute monopoly for 30 years.

OUR EXCHANGES

Playgrounds. (Toronto News.) Supervised playgrounds make happy and healthy children.

Will Be the Last. (Toronto Globe.) Let the electors make "that last awful week" the last. They cannot afford a repetition.

Life on the Farm. (Buffalo Courier.) Everybody says that the cry, "Back to the farm" is a good thing—good for the other fellow.

What They Get. (Brantford Expositor.) The prison labor contractor has special privileges which are worth \$31,000 a year. In five years this bonus will amount to \$155,000.

Orators Not All Dead. (Ottawa Citizen, Tor.) Now there is Mr. Allan Studholme, M. P. of Hamilton, who spreads out ideas over five hours of oratory, and when he gets through, all the rest of the members of the legislature express their idea of his idea in five seconds.

George's Bar. (Kingston News.) George H. Gooderham is said to have spent \$25,000 or \$30,000 in the vain attempt to break into the city council as its mayor. Now he is a candidate for the legislature and the Whitney party is very proud. His subscription to the party fund will be very liberal.

A Dead Head. (Grimsby Independent.) Jim Livingston doesn't get along very well under local option, but he should be thankful that he is not yet on the Indian list.—Hamilton Times.

No danger of Jim ever getting on the Indian list, he never drinks at his own expense.

A Power Fake. (Stratford Beacon.) And the municipalities are now being asked to sign contracts with no price for power named other than that at Niagara Falls. They are being urged to take a plunge in the dark on the eve of an election for political effect, without even security that the line will be built.

has been a political game through and through, but the finish will come after the elections if Whitney is returned to power.

Whitney Don't Want It. (Woodstock Sentinel-Review.) Some of the Whitney papers are calling on the people to stand by the Niagara power. And not without reason. If the people do not stand by it, who will? The Whitney Government, there is excellent reason for believing, would be glad to be well rid of the whole perplexing problem.

Nobody Cares. (Woodstock Sentinel-Review.) Hon. Adam Beck threatens that the Conservatives, in retaliation on their political opponents, will make the power question a party issue. It will be interesting to see what becomes of the threat. There is a prevailing opinion that, apart from Mr. Beck himself, there is nobody connected with the Government sufficiently attached to the power proposal to boom it, even for campaign purposes.

Jim's Advice. (Grimsby Independent.) My advice to the men and boys of this town is "cut out the whiskey bottle habit." Local option or no local option, get away from the habit of carrying a whiskey bottle. It may appear to be lots of fun now, but the day will come when it will be a curse to you, so cut it out and cut it out right away. It benefits nobody but the man in Hamilton who sells the whiskey.

Nearing Its End. (Stratford Beacon.) At last night's meeting of the City Council the Finance Committee reported that as the Hydro-Electric contract which the city had been asked to sign did not contain any guarantee of the price of power delivered at Stratford, it was not in accordance with the by-law passed last January, and a new by-law omitting these conditions would have to be submitted to the ratepayers. This report was unanimously adopted by the council.

The meaning of this action is the killing of the Hydro-Electric power scheme so far as Stratford is concerned, for it is inconceivable that any body of ratepayers would vote for a by-law which would render the city liable for charges amounting annually to \$30,000 or \$35,000 without knowing what the cost of power would be or being able to make a single contract with a manufacturer. The people of this city are not in the habit of going it blind on municipal expenditures.

A Misleading Hand-bill. (Brantford Expositor.) A hand-bill is in circulation in Dundas, which states the following: "Your immediate attention should be given to signing the name of appeal on the back of the assessment notice, and delivering or mailing same to the town clerk not later than Thursday, May 14, 1908. Why? Because under the old act, passed by the Ross Government, you, if a single man, were exempt \$400, if a married man \$700. Now, through the action of Mr. Gooderham Wilson, the bill introduced by Mr. J. C. Preston, the Conservative Whip of the House, was passed this session, and is now law. If a single man you are now exempt \$600, and if a married man \$1,000.

There is no particular reason to believe that Mr. Wilson had anything to do with the change which has been made in the income tax as it affects towns, but it was unfair to charge the responsibility for the old act entirely upon the Ross Government. That act was the product of the special committee on assessment, and included in its membership such men as Hon. Messrs. Whitney, Foy and Hanna in addition to supporters of the government.

As to Prison Labor. (Brantford Expositor.) The Hamilton Spectator has been loaded up the wrong way relative to the proposed abolition of the contract system in connection with labor at the Central Prison. It says: "When the Whitney Government took office it found the Central Prison inmates working in various industries operated by commercial concerns. The labor of the prisoners was sold under contract to manufacturers, for five years each, after which it was sold throughout the province in competition with free labor. The truth is that when the Whitney Government took office there was really no Central Prison contract in existence. The woodenware department was being operated on the 'public account' system, namely, by the Province itself and the product was being disposed of in a manner to satisfy manufacturers outside the prison, while there was no direct competition with free labor. The truth is the Government made two new contracts, for five years each, after it got into office, and for the first year or two of power gloried in its work in connection therewith. Furthermore, it voted down a resolution condemning abolition of the earliest possible moment, the contract system, and calling for its abolition at the earliest possible moment.

3 Tins Tomatoes 25c

100 cases Tomatoes, absolutely choicest packed, and they go Friday and Saturday only at 3 tins for 25c; Blood Beets, large tin, 3 tins 25c; Blueberries, 3 tins 25c; Lombard Plums, 3 tins 25c; Red Raspberries, value 25c tin, special 15c; Strawberries, regular value 25c tin, special 15c; Pitted Red Cherries, regular value 25c, special 17c, 3 for 50c; Crawford Peaches, regular value 25c, special 17c, 3 tins 50c; Delhi Peas, value 15c tin, for 10c; Panskin, Vines brand, quality absolutely fine, but tins are not full, only ten dozen left, and they go, while they last, at 5c tin. Above prices positive, they are for Friday and Saturday only, but there are no restrictions as to quantities. You can buy as many as you like of anything except Pumpkin. Corn, 3 tins 25c; Refugee Beans, 3 tins 25c; Asylum Faultless Peas, 3 tins 25c; Quaker Sugar Peas, 2 tins 15c; Sliced Pineapple, 2 tins 25c.

Pineapples

Now is the time to buy your Preserving Pines. Our stores the places to buy them, because our qualities can not be beaten. Our values can not be matched, large size 15c each, \$1.55 per dozen; Jumbo size, the kind you don't get everywhere, 20c each, per dozen \$2.00.

Oranges and Lemons

Prices of Navel Oranges are getting up into the clouds, and still we offer you fair size Navels 20c per dozen; large Navels 35c per dozen; largest Navels 50c per dozen, 6 for 25c. They are all choice fruit and very sweet. Seedless California Lemons, per dozen 15c.

300 Baskets of Apples

Baldwins, and all of them sound and good, and going this week at 22c per basket. We can't have apples much longer, so use them while they are here.

Onions, Cucumbers, Tomatoes

Bermuda Onions, sound, firm and clean 7c pound, 4 pounds 25c. Green Cucumbers 5c each, 6 for 25c. Ripe Tomatoes, firm and fit, per pound 13c, 2 pounds for 25c.

Potatoes! Potatoes!! Potatoes!!!

A car load of Delaware taken into stock this week, and they are just so good that they make the others look cheap and un-fashionable; the price per bag is \$1.25, per bushel 90c, per peck 25c.

Pure Maple Syrup, perfect quality, special per quart 30c, gallon \$1.15. Eastern Township or Diamond Maple Syrup, regular 25c tin, for 20c. Hams, the choicest small, lean Hams, per pound whole 14c, 1/2 Hams, per pound 15c. Roll Shoulders, small selected rolls, per pound by the piece 12c.

- Chocolate Iceing, 3 pkgs. 25c; Maple Iceing, 3 pkgs. 25c; Featherstrip Cocomut, 25c; Unsweetened Chocolate, 10c; Raspberry Vinegar, 15c and 25c; Lipton's Jelly Powders, 3 for 25c; Allinson's Baking Powder, 10c; Alliance Flavoring Extracts, 10c; Canadian Sardines, tin 5c, 6 for 25c; Souvenir Sardines, per tin 10c; King Oscar Sardines, 2 tins 25c; Clams, per tin 10c; Finnan Haddie, Ice Castle, per tin 10c; Mackerel, per tin 10c; Morton's Fresh Herring, per tin 10c; Morton's Kipper Herring, 2 tins 25c; Herring in tomato sauce, 2 tins 25c; Cascade Salmon, per tin 10c; Arctic Salmon, per tin 10c; Coronation Tartan Salmon, tin 17c; Godfish, per tin 7c; Roast beef, 1 lb. tin 15c; 2 lb. tin 25c; 2 lb. tin of Jam 17c; Corned Beef, 1 lb. tin 15c; 2 lb. tin 25c; Potted Meat, Ham, Beef, Tongue, 10c; Kitchen Molasses, per tin 10c.

Butter, Eggs, Cheese, Etc.

1,500 lb. Choice, Fresh Dairy Butter to go Friday and Saturday at 26c per lb. 1,000 lb. Choice Fresh Creamery Butter at 25c per lb. Strictly fresh Eggs, per doz. 20c. Paragon Cream Cheese, 10c pot for 8c; 25c pot for 17c. Lard, best pure, per lb. 15c.

Biscuits--Special

Jelly Lunch Biscuits, fresh and fine regularly 15c lb., 10 boxes going at 10c lb. Maple Cream Biscuits, value 15c lb., 5 boxes going at 12c lb. Lemon Wafer, Vanilla Buns, Raisin Cake, Lemon Snaps, Campaign, 10c per lb. Lemon Crisp and Jumbles, 3 lbs. 25c. Ottawas, Leap Years, Cream Sandwich, Arrowroot, Dutch Cherry, Maple, Chocolate, Walnut, etc., per lb. 15c. Chocolate Biscuits 15c lb., worth 25c. Water Ice Waters 30c lb. Fresh, Crisp Sodas, 7c lb., 3 lb. box Mooney's or Perrin's Soda 25c. Ginger Snaps 7c lb., 4 lbs 25c.

Sugar

10 lbs. best Granulated for \$1.00, 3 1/2 lbs. 50c, 5 lbs. 25c. 100-lb. bags \$5.00, 20 lb. Bright Yellow Sugar \$1.00, 10 lbs. 50c, 5 lbs. 25c. Long Sugar 8c lb., 3 1/2 lbs. 25c. Cut Leaf sugar 8c lb., 3 1/2 lbs. 25c.

Flour

Gold Medal, per bag \$2.60; per half bag \$1.30; per quarter bag 65c; Lily White Flour, per bag \$2.40; half bag \$1.20; quarter bag 60c.

Pickles, Catsups, Etc.

Sweet Pickles, in bottles, regularly 20c bot. for 15c. Bulk Sweet Pickles 20c qt., worth 30c. Sour Pickles, mixed, per qt. 15c. Strout's Pickles 5c bot., were 10c. Keystone Pickles, mixed or chow, per bot. 10c. Holbrook's Pickles, per bot. 20c. Alliance Catsup, large bot. 15c. Catsup, small bot. 10c. 3 for 25c. Vernon Catsup, tin, 7c, 4 tins 25c. Patterson's Sauce, per bot. 10c.

CARROLL'S Five Stores. 115 John Street South. Cor. Emerald and Wilson, Cor. James and Macaulay, Cor. Queen and Hunter, Cor. York and Caroline.

The Purity Campaign.

(London Advertiser.) "If you want a technical school you should elect a member who is persona grata to the Government," said Hon. John Strathearn Hendrie to the electors of West Hamilton. "Can you expect the Government to give as large grants to the Liberal candidates who would criticize everything they do? Do you think the Government is going to be as liberal to a constituency that opposes it?" asked Thomas Herbert Lennox, Conservative candidate for North York, speaking at New Liskeard. "You will make the mistake of your lives if you send down a Liberal. Blood is thicker than water. It is not human that a Government should do as much for a man who is everlastingly kicking open the back door as it would be for a supporter," was the delicate appeal of Robert Roswell Games, Conservative candidate for Manitoulin, speaking from the same platform as Mr. Lennox. "We will bribe no constituency," declares the Hon. James Pecksniff Whitney. "Courtesy is an art with almost infinite possibilities. It may seem a little thing to say the right word, but it has helped many a man up the ladder of achievement and without it many a man of talent has gone down in defeat."

The Merry Widow Hat.

(Montreal Herald.) A Toronto clergyman has declared war upon the merry widow hat, his righteous anger being aroused by the complaint of a small boy that at a church service of more than ordinary solemnity, he had "sprained his neck" trying to get a view of the ceremonies, his line of vision being broken, whatever he might do, by one of these hats. At another recent function, which involved a universal wish to see a great personage, the front row of women's headgear rose like a curtain to shut off the view. It being a stand-up affair, and the great personage not being very tall, the great discovery of that hour hit upon the plan of taking a line over the shoulder of the lady in front of him, and so, under the merry widow hats, managed to catch an occasional rare and fleeting glance of him who was the object of interest. The fact is, of course, that the merry widow hat is designed to be looked at from in front, and a clergyman who thought little of being seen would be likely to feast his eyes upon the viking-like array planted before him, unless, in deed, his mind might be distracted by the obsession, common to the male side of humanity, of wanting to know for sure what sort of face went with so attractive a headgear—a quest not invariably satisfactory to the aesthetic soul. It may just be, therefore, that the "sprain" in the boy's neck had its counterpart in the minister's own, which, with an ever so slightly disordered liver, and a low average of physical charm under the hats, would be sufficient to account for his present denunciation. Nevertheless, it is not to be believed, that the doom of the hat is sealed, if the women believe it catches the eye and challenges a second look, its chances are good to run the brief life such fashions always live. It is with such passions a good deal as with the measles; when they break out everywhere they are soon over with altogether, whereas to drive them is to invite disaster.

Pure Olive Oil.

This oil cures constipation, aids the sluggish liver and often prevents appendicitis. J. W. Ferris, druggist, 32 James street north, has just received from Marseilles, France, an importation of the finest quality, expressed specially for internal use. It is almost tasteless, easily assimilated and very nutritious. Sold in bottles, sealed this or bulk. There are divers ways of getting in the swim.

Friday, May 22, 1908. SHEA'S The Corsets That Satisfy "Grempton's," "Royal Worcester," "D. & A." GOING OUT Of Dress Goods Business Sale Never has the Shee store sold so much Dress Goods in the same time as is being turned out now. Never have customers had such values offered them. Not a yard of goods that is not reduced—for every yard of piece goods has to be got rid of as soon as possible, for we wish to again state emphatically that this store will keep no more piece Dress Goods when the present stock is sold. Prices are cut as follows: \$1.75 Goods for \$1.19 \$1.50 Goods for \$1.00 \$1.25 Goods for 75c \$1.00 Goods for 50c 50c Goods for 25c A Sale of Dress Skirts Nearly one thousand of them bought from a leading manufacturer at a great reduction, and on sale very little more than half regular values. All kinds of cloths and an immense assortment of styles, all wanted colors and black and cream, Panamas, Voiles, Venetians, Mohairs, Worsteds, Tweeds and fancy weaves. All on sale now as follows: \$6.00 to \$7.50 Skirts for \$3.95 \$4.50 Skirts for \$2.50 \$3.50 and \$3.00 Skirts for \$1.50 A Startling Sale of Millinery Hundreds of elegant Trimmed and Ready-to-Wear Hats, hundreds of shapes, all bought in one great clearing out lot from a large importing millinery house. Prices are such as you would expect in August. Trimmed and Ready-to-wear Hats about half price. Untrimmed Shapes, \$2 to \$3 for \$1; \$1.25 to \$1.50 for 49c; 75c to \$1 for 25c.