

THE HAMILTON TIMES

FRIDAY, FEB. 19, 1909.

WHY THE HOUSE LAUGHED.

A good deal has been heard from the Opposition press and speakers about the subjects of treaty consideration between the United States and Great Britain as they affect Canada, and there have been not a few of the organs, notably the Toronto Telegram, that have assumed that the Canadian Parliament was being kept in the dark to enable the Government to sacrifice Canadian interests.

Yesterday, in the House, the matter was brought up, and an attack along this line was made on the Government by the Opposition. Hon. Mr. Foster, in seeking to score against the Government, complained bitterly about the secrecy maintained. "I think it is about time," he said, "that we on this side of the House had some of the information which is in the hands of the Government."

THE OPTION EXISTS.

The Herald now concedes that there is a clause in the Cataract power contract (clause 19) that gives the city the option of installing a meter and taking power by measurement, paying for what it uses at half cent per horse-power hour, guaranteeing that the minimum payment will equal 75 cents per month of the capacity of the transformers installed for its use.

BOSTON GAS EXPERIENCE.

Notwithstanding the great advances made in electrical science, gas continues to hold its own in Boston. There is \$55,270,806 invested in gas there, and it yields the investors 5 1/2 per cent. Electric light investments aggregate \$38,896,000, and yield to the stockholders 4.23 per cent.

CHAMBERLAINISM.

The influence of Chamberlainism has been vastly for evil in Great Britain. It has tended to awaken feelings of envy, hostility and distrust, arousing in a large body of the ignorant unwarranted enmity toward other nations.

LIBELLING DARWIN.

Much injustice was done during his lifetime to that noble scientist and benefactor of his race, Charles Darwin, the centenary of whose birth was celebrated on Friday, by men who, while meaning well, were quite incapable of comprehending the man or the work in which he was engaged, but who had ignorantly conceived the notion that he was "undermining the foundations of the Christian religion."

But ignorance lingers long in the shadows, and prejudice is slowly dispelled, and even in these enlightened days one occasionally meets with a man who speaks with bated breath of Charles Darwin as some sort of a monster who devised a theory of evolution to overthrow the Christian religion.

One of the statements to which we refer was that "Darwin entirely ignored the influence of the moral faculties, and treated his evolutionary man as a mere plant." Of course the critic who wrote that did not know his "Descent of Man."

We may therefore conclude that primeval man, at a very remote period, was influenced by the praise and blame of his fellows. It is obvious that the members of the same tribe would approve of conduct which appeared to them to be for the general good, and would reprobate that which appeared evil.

Darwin argues with great force that this moral influence was doubtless a powerful one in the success of the tribes developing it, and may perhaps account for the persistence of one tribe while others disappeared.

He knows that he is acting for the good of his patient; but if he were intentionally to neglect the weak and helpless, it could only be for a contingent benefit, with an overwhelming present evil.

The man who wrote that held no such unworthy ideas as those attributed to him. He dealt with the great facts of nature; he did not make the laws to which we as products of the natural world must conform.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Secret meetings of the aldermen yet! What is there to hide from the people?

The School Board takes \$219,850 this year; the Board of Works hopes to get \$72,300.

Those British suffragettes seem to enjoy unpleasant notoriety. Cheap martyrdom is to their taste.

There appears to be nearly as much "politics" about the election of a bishop as there is about the election of a premier—not, of course, politics in the ordinary sense of the word, but something akin to its tactics.

Attorney-General Foy has introduced a bill permitting appeals from arbitration to the Divisional Court. Then he promises that his law reform bill will go to the Divisional Court.

No electrical concern that has tried winding motors for very high voltage after it has paid the price of its first experience. Mr. Sothman's advice, or suggestion, that the motors could be wound so as to avoid stepping down is one that should not be followed.

The report of the Royal Commission which has been studying the poor of the English cities, speaks discouragingly of the effects of city life on the submerged element. It is said that there will be forty volumes of the evidence taken.

The California State Board of Health contemplates sending out a car for traveling lecturers to instruct the people of the State in hygiene and the prevention of disease.

There is a very great difference between the people owning and operating this, that and the other utility and the people controlling and regulating in the interest of justice all monopolistic or public services.

The Tory organs are straining themselves to make it appear that Canada is in a bad fix because there has been a considerable falling off in revenue in a year when we are investing a large sum in the Transcontinental Railway and other great public works.

From Toronto comes shocking news. The story goes that D. J. McDougall, M. P. P.-elect for Ottawa, took his place in the Legislature yesterday and actually had something to say in the discussion without having first taken the oath of office.

Women, especially mothers, find Cuticura Soap, Ointment, and Pills the purest, sweetest, and most effective remedy for preserving, purifying, and beautifying the skin, scalp, hair, and nails, as well as for restoring to health, strength, and beauty pale, weak, nervous, prematurely faded, run-down women.

OUR EXCHANGES

Because He Earned It. (Toronto News). Why is McAvity allowed to keep the money? Old Mr. Atkinson. (Toronto Star). Man, aged 104, was arrested in Hamilton, charged with having no friends.

Mustn't Cork Up Allan. (Toronto Globe). Mathematical experts working on an arrangement for the debate on the address in the Legislature have suggested that one Liberal succeed each four Conservatives, and that Mr. Studholme make a speech after each rotation.

Encore Fiend. (Guelph Mercury). There are many recognized species of public nuisances, who make their presence felt at plays and concerts. There is the talker, who conveys explanations in an audible whisper; there is the exuberant enthusiast, who poisons the more quiet enjoyment of all in his vicinity.

The Policeman's Chance. (Toronto Telegram). A Toronto policeman, Chief Grassett explains, has every chance to go to church on Sunday. For instance, Chief Grassett sees no reason why the policeman who comes off duty at 4 a. m. could not turn his shining morning face willingly to church at 11 a. m.

The Hydro Monopoly. (Kingston Whig). The people are to have another chance to vote upon the question, and it is fortunate that it should have been made clear now that the Hydro-Electric Commission will not brook competition, from any source, that will give it a monopoly for three years.

DOCTOR ADVISED USE OF CUTICURA After Other Treatment Failed—Eczema in Raw Spot on Baby Boy's Face Lasted for Months—Cried with Pain when Washed.

ECZEMA WAS CURED AND HAS NEVER REAPPEARED "Our baby boy broke out with eczema on his face when one month old. One place on the side of his face the size of a nickel was raw like bees' stings for three months, and he would cry out when I bathed the parts that were sore and broken out. I gave him three months' treatment from a good doctor, but at the end of that time the child was no better. Then my doctor recommended Cuticura. After using a cake of Cuticura Soap, a third of a box of Cuticura Ointment, and half a bottle of Cuticura Resolvent he was well and his face was as smooth as any baby's. He is now two years and a half old and no eczema has reappeared. I am still using the Cuticura Soap; I think it is the finest toilet soap I ever used. I keep my little girl's hair and face cleaned with it too. I am so thankful for Cuticura that I have written Mrs. M. L. Harris, R. F. D. 1, Alton, Kan., May 14 and June 12, '07."

THE INTERCOLONIAL Report That It Will Be Put in Control of Commission. (Toronto Mail and Empire.) Ottawa, Feb. 18.—Your correspondent is in a position to state positively that the Government has decided to place the Intercolonial Railway under the control of a commission. The commission will consist of three members to be appointed by the Governor-in-Council.

It Insults Canadians. (Toronto Saturday Night). Some of the statements being made in the English press were enough to make any Canadian hot. One would suppose that we were a lot of Hindus being kept within the Empire by the patient humoring of a few officials and other persons, but that ordinary expedients had almost entirely worn out, and the splendid efforts of those who had kept us in line until now, would be wasted, unless the United Kingdom forthwith adopted tariff reform, and granted our products a preference. While most Canadians may favor tariff reform, I venture to say that few of us want to see the cause promoted in England by means of arguments so disparaging to us as a people.

THE SCHOOL BOOK MIDDLE. (Clinton News Etc.). The Ontario Government Education Department must surely have wheels in its head. Their rural school policy was so obnoxious to the farmers that it had to be withdrawn and their school book policy is now very unsatisfactory to all. They scared the publishers of the old readers so that they were glad to dispose of their stock at bargain day prices, and now that they are sold out the publishers refuse to print any more at the reduced prices. The series of copy books they are putting on the

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SATURDAY, FEB. 20, 1909 SHEA'S Skirts Made to Measure of Sale \$1.25

A Sensational Sale

Mantles, Skirts, Suits, Furs, Underwear, Blouses, Blankets, Table Linens, Shirting, Dress Goods, Etc. A SENSATIONAL SALE of wanted and reasonable goods at Slaughter Prices. These goods are the best values that money and experience can offer you at regular prices. At these sweeping cut prices the savings you make are easily figured.

Table listing various clothing items and their sale prices. Columns include item description, original price, and sale price. Items include Women's Coats, Suits, Skirts, Dresses, Blouses, Waists, and more.

market are a delusion, as dealers are not allowed margin enough to pay for boxing and freight, to say nothing about a fair profit, and they are not likely to be stocked by the retail trade. NEW WITTICISMS. (From the February "Smart Set.") When pleasure becomes a habit, it ceases to be a pleasure. Experience is the only school that has no correspondence course. Fools rush in where angels fear to tread. "Morality" is your way of living my life. It is impossible to tell where an orderly woman will put things. The man behind the gun is the man who wins life's battles. A mint julep isn't really so cool, but it looks shady. The modern heaven is not reached in a single bound, but by a moving staircase. The other place by chute. Given the duke, any girl will furnish the kind of heart that is more than coronets. Don't do it to-day. It may be the wrong thing to do at any time. All the old cats were kittens once. Doctors wouldn't make so much money if mothers didn't get scared so easily.