

Ottawa Correspondence.

OTTAWA, June 5. Although reciprocity bids fair to be the chief issue at the elections which appear to be inevitable this autumn the record of the Laurier administration must not be overlooked by those who desire a return to clean and honest government. Reciprocity cuts across the path of the nationhood of Canada, and by itself should cause the defeat of the party which has adopted that plank in its platform. But there are many other aids of maladministration for which the government is to be condemned. There is their wanton disregard of the old policy of "the land for the settler and not the speculator." This disregard was clearly shown in the S. Peter's Indian reserve deal whereby the particular wards of the country were each out of some 5,000 acres of land by means which were proved to be dishonest and in which whiskey and money played a prominent part; the lands so obtained being sold to friends of the government for an average of \$5 an acre instead of their real value of \$25 or \$30 an acre. That is just one example of the way the public domain is administered by those who now sit on the treasury benches. These instances could be multiplied. There is the famous "Sawdust Wharf" transaction at Kibibucto where a rotten wharf was purchased by a prominent Liberal worker for \$700 just before the last election and sold shortly afterwards to the Department of Public Works for \$5,000. Can that be regarded as in the public interest, a phrase which Hon. William Pugsley has made famous in the life of the present parliament. Is it to be accounted creditable to the standard of public life in his country that Adelard Lanctot should have his house painted at Sorel by the employees of the Department of Marine and Fisheries during the time he was member for that constituency, without the knowledge of the superintendent of the shop in question who testified under oath that if he had known what was going on he would not have permitted it? Yet this transaction was solemnly declared to be one of good faith and in the public interest by the Liberal majority in the House of Commons and was given the hall mark of respectability by Sir Allan Aylesworth and Hon. L. P. Brodeur, ministers of the crown. These are some of the things for which the Laurier government deserves to be turned out of office, and signs are appearing all through the Dominion that once the electors have an opportunity of expressing their views at the polls the carnival of graft and greed will be brought to a sudden end.

Mr. Fielding loves to be the man of mystery. Suddenly cancelling his visit to Nova Scotia where he was billed as a headliner at several meetings in the provincial campaign the Finance Minister took the first boat for England. There seems to be no question that Mr. Fielding was summoned by Sir Wilfrid Laurier. That gentleman has not found everything smooth sailing in the old land at this time. The English public have apparently seen the bigger in his reciprocity woodpile and refuse to believe that it is the harmless scheme for the exchange of natural products that the premier and his chief lieutenant Mr. Fielding would have them believe. In England to day Laurier is a discredited man. Even his colleagues from the other overseas dominions have told him to his face at the Imperial Conference that while he is so fond of declaring that the British constitution has rubbed along very well so far without material changes, he himself had not hesitated to inaugurate important innovations. The truth is the British people have weighed Sir Wilfrid Laurier in the balance and found him easily wanting in those attributes which go to make a statesman. His glittering eloquence no longer astounds those who believe in acts of loyalty and more than lip professions. Is it any wonder therefore that Mr. Fielding has been summoned in hot haste to London to explain the reciprocity arrangement and try and plug the hole through which the reputation of Sir Wilfrid is leaking? There never was a more apparent case of being found out. Having made a score bargain with President Taft with regard to the interests of the rest of the Empire Sir Wilfrid Laurier is now paying the bill in the heavy toll of public suspicion which he has encountered in the mother land. And for this he has only himself to blame.

Among the Stokers.

The following is an excerpt from the letter of a priest who attended the Emperor of Ireland to the Banniaric Congress at Montreal: The voyage went on with nothing of note happening till towards the end, when the stokers, with whom I had several chats, asked me if I could not manage to get them a Mass in their quarters. The result of a lot of negotiation was, that Father Bernard Vaughan would say a Mass down below at 7, and myself

Itching Skin

Distress by day and night—That's the complaint of those who are so unfortunate as to be afflicted with Eczema or Salt Rheum—and outward applications do not cure. The cause of the trouble is in the blood—make that pure and this scaling, burning, itching skin disease will disappear. "I was taken with an itching on my arms which proved very disagreeable. I concluded it was salt rheum and bought a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla. In two days after I began taking it I felt better and it was not long before I was cured. I have never had any skin disease since." Mrs. Ida E. Ward, Cove Point, Md.

Hood's Sarsaparilla

cures the blood of all impurities and cures all eruptions. At 8.30, Thursday, I began confessions in one of the banks at 9 p. m., and went on till 11, the poor fellows rushing up from their work in all sorts of undress and blackness. I was busy nearly all the night preparing altar, etc., in one of the rooms in which thirty men slept. I wish you could have seen that chapel. It was almost as mean as Bethlehem. Yes, one man told me when he woke and saw an altar there, he almost cried. At 7 Father Bernard began; the place was packed with men who might have been niggers. I said Reary. B gave a short morning talk, and all went off well. At 8.30 the room was again filled. B. was here when I began Mass; he said five decades, made them sing up "Hail, Queen of Heaven," "O Salutaris," "Tantum Ergo," "Faith of Our Fathers." You should have heard that singing from throats coated with coal dust after four hours' stoking. I gave Holy Communion to about forty. B. gave them another talk, and in thanking me after having "run him in" for the business, he said he never had a happier morning. He said, to see those poor fellows wiping their tears away with bits of greasy waste, gave him a lump in his throat. You can imagine what the gratitude of the men was—for something which probably never happened on the sea before.—Exchange.

A Call for Missionaries.

The Epiphany Apostolic College and St. Joseph's Seminary of Baltimore, Md., conducted by the Josephite Fathers, are the nurseries of priests for the Negro Missions. There are fully eleven millions of the colored race in this country, less than two hundred thousand of whom are members of the true church, more than half do not profess any kind of Christianity. From every part of the South the loud call for missionaries to the Negro is heard. The bishops of the Southern States are asking for missionaries to open churches and schools in their dioceses. Therefore, young men who are anxious to do something for humanity are invited to consider the missionary vocation for the conversion of the Negro race in America. Those who feel the Grace of God working in their hearts and desire to leave all to follow Christ will be welcomed to become candidates for the priesthood in St. Joseph's Society. For further information regarding admission to Epiphany Apostolic College, and about the work, address: Rev. J. L. McNAMARA, Rector, Epiphany Apostolic College, Walbrook, Balto., Md.

To Dechristianize Portugal

The premier place in the "Oxford and Cambridge Review" for the summer is occupied by an article from the pen of "Sivla Duris," who, possessing a full and careful knowledge of the facts, reviews the relations between "Church and State in Portugal" since the establishment of the new regime. "The great aim of the Government," says the writer, "is not to de-Christianize the people, but to de-Christianize them. If I were a Portuguese Republican I should regard this as a grave mistake of tactics, for even foreign Protestants, who might not be shocked by the expulsion of monks and nuns cannot but be shocked at the attacks on Christianity itself. By their intolerance and want of balance the Portuguese Republicans have signed the death warrant of the new regime. How the sentence will be carried out is, however, uncertain." "Spain may be compelled to intervene on account of an outbreak of seceding in Portugal. It is more probable, however, that Lisbon will see several Republican administrations, each worse than its predecessor, until finally the country falls under the iron rule of a military dictator. I do not think that there will be more than one such dictator. There may be more, but, if so, one

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of them is almost certain to be a Martines Campo, a Captain General Primo de Rivera, a General Monk."

How Much Fresh Air?

Fresh air, and especially fresh air in the bedroom at night, has by dint of incessant warning and preaching at last become the goal of all thinking people. Hygiene is so powerful a goddess today that even custom must bow down to her, in theory if not in practice. There is danger here, for when people begin to credit themselves with virtues they do not possess, or to mistake decent theories for proper practice, they cease to advance in wisdom or health. Some people take to the fresh air only as a timid bather takes to the water. They have heard that it is good for them, and they think that they think it is; but to really they detest it and regard it as full of threat and peril. In a cross-examination of any dozen people, as to what each regarded as a ventilated bedroom, the results would vary from a room too cold for a self-respecting St. Bernard dog to sleep in, down to the one to which air leaked in from an open crack in some adjacent bath-room or corridor. Sometimes inquirers show by their questions that they really desire to do right, hygienically, if only they knew how to begin. For these there is a motto for their banner—"Be bold, be bold, and evermore be bold!" What constitutes bad air in a bedroom? The answer to this is, any air that has been re-breathed. To what extent should the window be kept open in cold weather or in ordinary health? The answer to this is, to the same extent that it should be kept open in all weather, and in all states of health—wide! Furthermore, when it can possibly be managed, window should be opened with an "a." Fortunate is the sleeper who has one on at least two sides of his room. Let such a person fear no drafts, for these are the friends of mankind. Bad air and drafts do not live together. Neither do colds and drafts, hard as many people find to believe this.—Exchange.

Mother Seaton.

Rev. Joseph A. Cunnane, pastor of St. Andrew's Catholic Church, Baltimore, accompanied by Joseph Carroll, a parishioner of St. Andrew's, left last Friday evening for New York, where he will sail for Rome. Rev. Father Cunnane is one of the priests appointed by Cardinal Gibbons to examine the documents and records relating to the life of the Venerable Mother Seaton, founder of the order of Sisters of Charity. The work was started in October, 1907, and has just been completed. With Father Cunnane are 300 pounds of manuscript relating to the subject, which he will carry in person to Rome and present to Pope Pius X. This data the Pope will turn over to a congregation of Cardinals who will examine the matter and decide upon the eligibility of the candidate for canonization. Mother Seaton was a aunt of Archbishop Bailey, a predecessor of Cardinal Gibbons, and her remains are buried beside those of the Archbishop in the Mortuary Chapel in Emmitsburg. Father Cunnane is expected to return to this country during the latter part of September.

Was Terribly Afflicted With Lame Back.

Could Not Sweep the Floor. It is hard to house work with a weak and aching back. Backache comes from sick kidneys, and what a lot of trouble sick kidneys cause. But they can't help it. If more work is put on them than they can stand it is not to be wondered that they get out of order. Doan's Kidney Pills are a specific for lame, weak or aching backs and for all kidney troubles. Mrs. Napoleon Larmour Smith's Falls, Ont., writes:—"I take pleasure in writing you stating the benefit I have received by using Doan's Kidney Pills. About a year ago I was terribly afflicted with lame back, and was so bad I could not even sweep my own floor. I was advised to try Doan's Kidney Pills, which I did, and with the greatest benefit. I only used three boxes and I am as well as ever. I highly recommend these pills to any sufferer from lame back and kidney trouble. Doan's Kidney Pills are 50 cents per box or 3 for \$1.25, at all dealers or mailed direct on receipt of price by The T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont. When ordering direct specify "Doan's."

Homeseekers' Excursions.

The Grand Trunk Railway has issued a circular authorizing all Agents in Canada to sell Homeseekers' Excursion Tickets to points in Western Canada. This is interesting information for those desiring to take advantage of these excursions on certain dates from April to December 1910. The Grand Trunk route is the most interesting, taking a passenger through the populated centres of Canada, through Chicago, and thence via Duluth, or through Chicago and the twin cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul. Ask Grand Trunk Agents for further particulars.

An actor was bragging about his summer home by the seaside. "What did it cost you?" asked a friend. "Around \$50,000," said the actor, modestly. "Say, Bill!" "Well!" "I wouldn't be so reckless as that if I were you, even with stage money."

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