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LET LAURIER FINISH HIS WORK.

This appears to be the catch-phrase which the Liberal party have adopted as their slogan for the forthcoming campaign. It would be just as well to consider what work it is that is desired Sir Wilfrid Laurier should finish, before acceding to the request.

Amongst other things he undertook to lighten the burden of taxation which he declared to be "grievous." When he came into office in 1896 the rate of taxation was \$5.46 per head, or \$27.08 per family; to-day, after twelve years of Laurier's work, it is \$11.70 per head, or \$58.88 per family, notwithstanding the big increase in population.

He undertook to reduce the expenditure of the country, which he said was "monstrous." The annual expenditure in 1896 was \$41,000,000; this year it is \$110,000,000, or an increase from \$8.14 per head to \$18.

He undertook to diminish the public debt, which he "viewed with alarm." In 1896 the public debt amounted to \$258,000,000. On the 31st March last it was nearly \$276,000,000, with the prospect of \$32,500,000 more being added this year.

He undertook to lop off the over-expenditure in the civil government. At no time in the history of the world or under the most corrupt and rotten government that ever existed in any country of it, have the expenses of civil government ever approached such a scale as has been the case during the last twelve years in this country.

He has not been too fortunate in many of his colleagues, and must have needed an infinite patience in order to deal with many an ugly situation which has developed in the history of his administration.

There is no doubt that he has exercised all his persuasions in order to induce Sir Richard Cartwright to accept the governorship of Ontario, and that he has greatly desired the resignation of Mr. Scott. Neither has responded. Both are still in the ministry.

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Moreover, with all Sir Wilfrid Laurier's vengeful exercise of the sword, the men who have remained have done nothing to check waste and robbery, or to improve the general methods of his administration.

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necessary could have been equally well done by Canadians. The foregoing are only a few instances of the manner in which Sir Wilfrid Laurier has carried out the work he promised to do. Shall he be allowed to "finish his work?" God help Canada if he is.

THE TAINTED ORGAN AGAIN.

The St. John Sun's endeavor to connect the misfortunes of Mr. W. B. Dickson, M. P. for Albert county, with the Provincial government and the era of reform which has been inaugurated since the 3rd of March, is closely connected with the ideas of all grafters, that honesty in governments is not to be looked for, and that the aim and end of a politician's existence is the accumulation of ill-gotten gains. It is true that the tainted graft organ's connection with the party which was swept into oblivion in March last, with men whose hands were ever thrust into the public treasury, whose pilferings have become notorious all over the Dominion, and whose misdeeds may yet recoil and land them behind prison bars, was not such as to tend to improve its degenerate views. Then, as now, the organ's sole ambition was to spread its fulsome flattery on the men who held the reins of power and from whom only financial rewards could be reaped. The real interests of the country were of no account in its eyes, as long as unearned dollars rolled into the pockets of its patrons. The decadence of the Sun is not a thing of days or weeks, but is the result of years of wallowing in the mire and dirt of its surroundings, and the effect is not to be wondered at. Men who had no regard for the principles of honest dealing, and whose administration of the affairs of the province reek with the grossest fraud, were and are its perceivers, and little wonder that it cannot rise above its surroundings.

The graft organ's insinuation that some of the provincial moneys may have been lost through the difficulties of Mr. Dickson, is hardly worthy of contravention. Such a travesty on good government was possible under the management of the set of grafters who composed the late administration, but the men who now control the affairs of the province are not in the habit of throwing the money of the people around promiscuously, and to-day it has to be shown conclusively that a dollar has been expended, and expended rightly, before it is paid out of the treasury. This may be a revelation to the graft organ and its friends, but will be no more than was to be expected from a government which enjoys the confidence of the people and wisely wishes to retain that confidence.

No, the province will not lose anything through Mr. Dickson's difficulties, but it may gain much through the restitution of moneys improperly taken from the treasury by members of the late government.

THAT INCOMPARABLE TEAM OF SIX GREY HORSES.

Pitt once said that the most essential quality in a prime minister was not eloquence, nor knowledge, nor toil, but patience.

Probably Sir Wilfrid Laurier understands the full significance of this utterance.

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Its incomparable team of six grey horses. One died. He replaced it by a mule. Another died, and he put in a donkey. Still he went on advertising his greys all the same. So the Liberal politicians continue to ascribe all the virtues and all the merits to the Laurier administration, forgetting that it has passed through twelve years of change and vicissitude, and has become commonplace, attenuated and very weary.—Toronto News.

The St. John graft organ's endeavor to taint all opponents with its own obnoxious flavor is too well understood to find favor. How the Foresters are to be expected, to denounce Hon. Geo. E. Foster for adding the large sum of \$750,000 to their surplus is beyond the comprehension of intelligent persons. The grafters will have to delve deeper into the garbage heap.

CAN SIR WILFRID LAURIER GIVE ANY REASON FOR DECLINING TO IMPLEMENT HIS PLEDGE RESPECTING SENATE REFORM?

U. S. BANK FAILURE. Pittsburg, Sept. 5.—The Cosmopolitan Bank suspended to-day. A notice posted on the door says: Closed by order of the comptroller. No reason for the suspension has been made public.

TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION WANTED WANTED—At once, a kitchen girl at Barker House.—98 d

CARD OF THANKS Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Green wish to express their heartfelt appreciation for the kindness and sympathy of their many friends in their recent sad bereavement.

SPECIAL CIRCULAR We have prepared a pamphlet dealing with twelve of the principal companies whose securities are listed on the Montreal Stock Exchange. Write for special circular No. 12. McQUAIG BROS. & CO., Members Montreal Stock Exchange, 157 St. James St., Montreal.

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LIBERAL CONSERVATIVE CONVENTION for the Counties of Sunbury and Queens Court House, Gagetown, MONDAY The Seventh Day of September at 2 o'clock in the afternoon

For the purpose of Nominating a Candidate to contest the counties in the approaching Federal elections. All friends of good government are invited to attend. The Convention will be addressed by R. D. Wilnot, M. P., Hon. J. D. Hazen, M. P., P., and others. FRED. C. DAVIS, Secretary. S. L. PETERS, President. Liberal Conservative Association.

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