

The death of Sir Oliver Mowat yesterday morning was not unexpected. There is not much cause for public grief in the passing of this great and good man. His life-work was done. His power of usefulness was gone. He lived nearly eighty-four years in this world. For more than half a century his best talents and energies had been devoted to the public service. No other man in public life in Canada, with the single exception of Sir John A. Macdonald, ever had a firmer hold on the affection of the people of this Province. Liberals looked up to and honored him as the invincible leader who so often led them to victory, and who, amid the temptations and snares of public life and high office, had always kept his hands free from stain. Conservatives, while they felt for him the admiration that is due a gallant fighter, regard him as one of themselves, because his unswerving loyalty to British connection and his devotion to Canada run so straightly parallel with their own principles. Elevated by his exalted position above party strife, he was not a Liberal, nor a Conservative, but a Canadian well worthy the affection and respect of his fellow-countrymen.

ICHABOD SMIFF.

This great family journal regrets very much to learn that Brer Adolphe Smiff, the gentleman who writes the leading articles for our esteemed contemporary, the Bobcaygeon Independent, has applied to Hon. Mr. Ross for the office of Provincial Inspector of Barmades. It is not that Mr. Smiff is not qualified for the job; we do not know of a more suitable man in the whole province; but when the best of journalists becomes an office seeker he immediately and materially degenerates as a journalist. He no longer preaches the Good, the True and the Beautiful. He no longer checks the Government when it goes astray. He no longer labors for the great good of the People. He becomes an apologist for everything that the Government does, right or wrong, and prostitutes the columns he controls by excusing all manner of wickedness on the part of the men who control the giving of the office he seeks. He defends the Niagara Falls power steal; makes light of the pulpwood robberies; affirms that Gamey is a scoundrel and Stratton a saint; condones the work of the Great Machine; denies true charges against members of the Government, and lies like a horse thief to keep his friends in power. He becomes a monomaniac and sees in every exposure of Government ill doing a direct attack upon himself—a lessening of his chances to become the "tax-eater" he was wont to denounce as a vile parasite. He knows nothing but office, cares for nothing but the expected sinecure. He praises everything bearing his party label, and denounces without stint or reason anything and everything bearing the brand of the political enemy. He condemns to-day what he praised yesterday, and on the morrow loathes that which gives him the greatest pleasure to-day. He is ready at any time to sacrifice principle, patriotism, friends, the interests of the community that supports his paper, if it be in the political interest of the man who controls the coveted job. He is useless—worse than useless to his community, to his country, to his party, and looks upon his political friends as being dangerous rivals and enemies. He is in a pitiable condition mentally, and rates as a public nuisance of the first class.

How do you like the picture, Brer Smiff?—Hamilton Spectator.

SHY ON LITTERY PRODUCE.

Toronto Telegram.

An affidavit sets forth the immortal fact that Hon. John Dryden has nothing to produce in the way of Gamey correspondence or other agricultural products.

ACTS, NOT WORDS.

Hamilton Herald.

It is all very well for Sir William Mulock to cry "Onward Canada," but it would be more to the purpose if in her immigration management this country were a less backward Canada.

THE OPPOSITION LEADER.

Ottawa Journal (Ind.)

Mr. Borden, nevertheless, has rapidly developed as a leader since his selection. He is acquiring a readiness in debate, a quickness in seizing upon points and alertness which are necessary if a man is to be a successful head of a parliamentary party. He never interposes in debate unnecessarily or criticizes for the mere sake of playing the critic, but he can be severe and insistent when he considers that the circumstances warrant it. Altogether the Conservative party would seem to have chosen well.

The Small of the Back

That is where some people feel weak all the time. They are likely to be despondent and it is not unusual to find them borrowing trouble as if they hadn't enough already.

The fact is their kidneys are weak, either naturally or because of sickness, exposure, worry or other influences.

"I was taken ill with a kidney trouble," writes Mrs. Thomas Inna, of Wallaceburg, Ont., "and became so weak I could scarcely get around. I had headache, and cramps in my stomach, and my food did not digest. I took medicine without benefit, and finally decided to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. After the first bottle I felt so much better I continued its use and six bottles made me a new woman."

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OH, FOR A QUIET SPOT.

Toronto World.

The tussle between Johnston and Gamey must deeply grieve the good souls who wanted to remove the case from the heat and dust of a Parliamentary Committee.

HIS EXTREME COURTESY.

Ottawa Journal (Ind.)

Mr. Johnston, K. C., who is exercising the legal privilege of cross-examining Mr. Gamey, is conceding to that public representative and member of the Legislature the full courtesy a convicted criminal might expect.

A COMING EVENT.

Ottawa Citizen.

Important events. That of Saturday an eclipse of the moon was regarded by the ancients as the precursor of evening probably referred to the approaching eclipse of the Ross Government.

DUNDONALD ENDORSED.

London News.

Lord Dundonald proposes to see that the men who turn out to the camps are treated with greater consideration in the future. Dundonald wears well. The more you know of him the better you like him.

SMIFF ON BARMAIDS.

Bobcaygeon Independent.

A letter has been written addressed to the Hon. G. W. Ross, Premier of Ontario, of which the following is a copy:

Hon. Mr. Ross—Sir: In the last issue of that great journal the Bob. Ind. there was an article suggesting that it would greatly promote temperance, and cause a cessation of swearing and bad language in bar rooms if the bar keeper was a girl instead of a young man. To have a pretty girl behind the bar would improve politeness and courtesy among the people. Should you adopt this suggestion in the bill you are about to introduce into the legislature amending the regulations regarding taverns and hotels, I should feel much obliged if you would appoint me inspector of bar maids.

ADOLPHE SMIFF.

We cannot always oblige, but we can always speak obligingly. — Voltaire.

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