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LAW VS. JUSTICE.

The beauties of the Ontario election laws, as administered in the election courts, are brought out in strong relief by a comparison of the decisions in the Centre Bruce and East Middlesex election trials. In the Centre Bruce case, it was sought by the Grits to unseat Hugh Clark, Conservative.

At the trial it was proved that a hotel keeper had on polling day given an elector one drink of whiskey. The man who got the drink was a Grit, and made no pretense of being anything else. He was not in the least influenced by the gift, and as a matter of fact he voted for Dr. Stewart, Mr. Clark's opponent.

Up to the time the giving of the drink of whiskey was made out there had been positively no crookedness shown in the conduct of the election. The Grit tavern keeper had fallen out with his party and was working at this election for Clark. As soon as the giving of the one drink of whiskey by the tavern keeper to this voter was established, though it was not held to be shown that Mr. Clark had known anything whatever about it, the judge declared the case against Mr. Clark to be proven, and he was unseated, the whole trial lasting just fifteen minutes.

In the East Middlesex election trial it was shown that Dr. Routledge, the Grit member-elect, had treated electors freely, frequently and promiscuously all through the campaign. He acknowledged that his usual practice was to call up all hands at every tavern he came to, and that he spent four or five dollars a day in treating electors.

Decision in this case was held over for six months, and judgment was given only last week.

And the judgment was that the spending of money to the extent of four or five dollars a day by Dr. Routledge in treating the electors was no infraction of the law. Therefore the case against Dr. Routledge was dismissed, and the other side was condemned to pay the costs.

Ontario's election law, as interpreted by the Centre Bruce decision, rules that the giving of one drink of whiskey to an elector by any agent of the candidate is fatal.

Ontario's election law, as interpreted by the East Middlesex decision, rules that a candidate may call up all hands at every tavern he comes to, and may keep up the practice all through the campaign, at an outlay of four or five dollars a day, provided he is careful to form a "previous habit of treating."

It has been said that Canada is a country where you can get more law and less justice than anywhere on the face of the earth.

And the working of the Ontario election courts would seem to give some support to the theory.—Sarnia Canadian.

After the East Middlesex decision the candidate who talks about putting up "a spirited campaign" will have to enunciate his words very clearly.—Ottawa Citizen.

Dr. Routledge may consider himself very fortunate. Many a man has been unseated, and some have been even disqualified for less than was proven against him.—Seaford Examiner.

The Simcoe Reformer wants Mr. Gamey "to tell a waiting public how much money over and above the \$2,000 he has got will induce him to stay bought"—Toronto Mail and Empire.

The election law should be so amended that a candidate in the habit of treating should be required to break in upon his established custom between nomination and election.—Toronto Globe.

Gamey's enemies say he is on trial for slander and conspiracy, but they are not willing that he should have any of that fair play that they so eagerly claimed for Stratton. He is to have just as much power to defend himself as Stratton's colleagues are pleased to show him.—Toronto World.

The rule of the "independent" papers appears to be hang first and try after.—Toronto Globe.

Mr. Willison, when editor of the Globe, did exactly as you are now doing, your reverence. And if you were as independent, and as honest as Willison, you'd be doing as he is doing now.—Hamilton Spectator.

In 1889 P. T. Barnum, the great showman, journeyed to the Pacific Coast to visit a relative. On his way back east he stopped at Kansas City to see the great Barnum & Bailey show that was then exhibiting in that city. The then press agent of the Barnum & Bailey show,

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Bert Davis, introduced to Mr. Barnum the editors of the local dailies at the former's hotel. In the course of the conversation which naturally followed, Mr. Barnum said: "Gentlemen, Mr. Bailey tells me that my presence at the Barnum & Bailey circus is worth \$5,000 a day to the show. If this is true, it is my name that is so valuable. It is known in every town, city and hamlet; it has become a household word throughout the country. Now, gentlemen, all of this was done by newspapers, and if advertising can make a man worth \$5,000 a day, what is it that advertising can't do?"—Exchange

Mainly About People.

"What can we do with Rosslyn?" Disraeli once asked of Salisbury. "Make him master of the backwoods, as his father was," suggested the latter. "No," replied the Premier, "he swears far too much for that. We will make him high commissioner to the Church of Scotland."

Senator Proctor of Vermont says the finest speech he ever made consisted of only four words. It was a retort to Senator Hoar's sarcastic little thrust in a speech directed at the Green Mountain senator. He said: "No man in Vermont is allowed to vote unless he has made five thousand dollars trading with Massachusetts people." Whereat Proctor said: "And we all vote."

The principal of a high school tells the following anecdote: One day at school I gave a bright boy a sum in algebra, and, although the problem was comparatively easy, he couldn't do it. I remarked, "You ought to be ashamed of yourself, surveyor." The boy looked me straight in the eyes and replied, "Yes, sir; and at your age he was President of the United States."

A good story comes from the Davidson Theater, in Chicago, and runs to the effect that a man from up the State went in to see the opera the other night, pulling his money from his pocket before he reached the box-office window. "I want to get a good seat," he said, loud enough to be heard all over the lobby of the theater, "and I want it right down the middle lane, and close up to the exercises." He got it.

A hunting party of ladies and gentlemen were detained by a storm at the hut of a Virginia backwoodsman. Dinner being served, there was an embarrassing paucity of knives. The mother, wishing to impress her aristocratic guests, called in a commanding tone to her young daughter, "Fetch some more knives, Sukey; you know we've got thousands of 'em." "Law, no, ma'am; they're all thar! Thar's 'Big Butch,' and 'Little Butch,' and 'Razor-Back,' and 'Bumpy'."

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Ladies' Rain Coats, handsome spring styles, in three-quarter and full length garments, colors black, grey, navy, reseda, castor, brown and Oxford, special, at each \$2.50, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$5.00, \$6.50, \$8.50 and

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While we gladly accord honor to the courage of active heroism, let us not forget also to reverence the courage of patient endurance, the courage of absolute sincerity, the courage of devotion to principle. He who possesses these is indeed a brave man, though no one may recognize it and he himself be unconscious of it.

The hope that inspires effort is always a blessing. Not only does it strengthen the human faculties and improve the character; it also makes rapid advancement in its own line, even when failing to reach its far-off goal.

The heart is always hungry. No man lives happily alone. The wisest and the best is wiser and better for the friends he has.

Generosity, to deserve the name, comprises the desire and the effort to benefit others, without reference to self.

It is poor policy to take advantage of other people because you have never had any advantage of your own.

What men want is not talent, it is purpose; in other words, not the power to achieve, but the will to labor.

It is a maxim that those to whom everybody allows the second place have an undoubted right to the first.

The world's greatest men and best reformers were light weight when weighed in the scales of bigotry.

Love's a virtue for heroes; and immortal as every great soul is that struggles, endures and fulfills.

Reading should teach us how to seek for truth, meditation how to find it.

The doorstep to the temple of wisdom is a knowledge of our own ignorance.

Fixed to no spot is happiness; 'tis nowhere to be found, or everywhere.

Why Coughing is Weakening.

The amount of energy expended in coughing is very considerable; indeed, one of the patient statisticians for which Germany is renowned has calculated that a patient who coughs once every quarter of an hour for ten hours expend energy equivalent to two hundred and fifty units of heat, which may be translated as equivalent to the nourishment contained in three eggs or two glasses of milk. In normal respiration the air is expelled from the chest at the rate of four feet per second, whereas in violent coughing it may attain a velocity of three hundred feet.

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