

THE HAMILTON TIMES

TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 1909.

FORWARD, HAMILTON!

The meeting held in the Board of Trade rooms last night to form an association for Hamilton's advancement was marked by a unanimity and enthusiasm which augur well for the success of the movement.

The association enters the field untrammelled. It will, of course, co-operate heartily with the Civic Industrial Committee, the Board of Trade, the Council, or with any other organization or person having in view the interest of Hamilton's advancement.

Hamilton has advantages to offer beyond those of many cities. They should be made widely known. How best to do this work is a question which the association will deal with; and we may anticipate that no method which promises results will be neglected.

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Germany and Protection. We have heard from Canadian Tory sources so much about the alleged greater prosperity of Germany under protection as compared with Britain under free trade that many deluded readers of those organs of misinformation have been deceived into thinking of Germany as a little protection-produced paradise.

The Dominion Railway Commission's work in the Northwest and British Columbia is being much complimented. In the Commission's tour it disposed of 333 cases, judgment being given on the spot in 97 out of every hundred cases.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

Now get ready your shamrocks!

The local Tory machine is "lifting the license administration out of politics" beautifully, isn't it?

Premier Whitney last night indulged in another disgraceful attack upon the Toronto Electric Light Company.

Russia has just paid \$23,000 damages for the seizure of some Canadian sealing schooners in 1892.

A Winnipeg woman, who confesses to having \$15,000 in cash and \$2,000 in diamonds on her person, is in jail because she refuses to pay a judgment for a debt of \$3,854.

The Brantford City Council has made a five-year lighting contract with the Western Counties Power Company.

It is said that the Quebec Provincial Government is about to establish the one-man one-vote principle so that no elector in the Province can vote in more than one constituency at an election.

The Alberta nominations took place yesterday, five Liberals being chosen by acclamation and two Conservatives.

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But we fancy that just as long as the Canadian farmer can get prices ranging from 25 to 30 cents upward in his local markets most of the year, he won't shed much sweat catering to the export but trade.

Some of those newspaper representatives from across the line would seem to have been more eager to cater to sensationalism than to report the murder inquest with that fidelity and strict respect for the rights of the individual and for facts which the Canadian people have come to look for at the hands of their newspapers.

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The three-fifths requirement is simply an obstacle to the bringing about of a change which has done good wherever it has been brought about.

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enormous expense entailed by this undertaking. Some of the men who promoted the scheme, with the object of using it as a "big stick" to frighten the private investors into sacrificing their property, are now beginning to feel that they have gone so far that they are in danger of getting pinched themselves, and they are manifesting some alarm.

OUR EXCHANGES

THAW OUT OF IT. (Guelpch Herald.) The Thaw case is now out of sight. Hamilton has the floor.

THE COMPLEXION. (Guelpch Mercury.) The latest great invention is a noiseless typewriter. Blonde or brunette?

THE MYSTERY. (Toronto Star.) In the Kinrade case it is not the crime, but the mystery, that appeals to universal interest.

ALL DRY. (Ottawa Free Press.) No fewer than 659 municipalities in the Province of Quebec have no liquor licenses. How's that for local option?

TWO WANTS. (Toronto Globe.) Free trade will never be dead-while men want that which is their own, and protection will never be dead-while men want that which is their neighbors'.

THERE ARE OTHERS. (Belleville Intelligencer.) If you get a bit blue and dissatisfied with your lot, sometimes, cheer up. Think of the awful ordeal that poor Hamilton family is passing through. Fate seems to have no mercy on them.

MAY NEVER SEE THEM AGAIN. (Oakville Star.) It has become a custom among our business men here, to bid farewell to their family before going to Hamilton—that city of murders, burglaries and hold-ups.

KINRADES PERFECTLY FRANK. (London Free Press.) This the Kinrades have fully recognized, their evidence as given in the witness box being characterized by every appearance of perfect frankness and desire to get at the bottom of the dread tragedy.

HONEST ABOUT IT. (Windsor Record.) The rural innocence of residents in and about Hamilton is apparent from the fact that four of its hoboes went to Chatham the other day, got arrested and gave their home names. A hobo from almost any other town would have had an alias or two for use when travelling.

SWEAT BOX METHODS. (Salt Reformer.) The second examination of Florence Kinrade at the inquest yesterday at Hamilton savored too much of the sweat box methods practised in the United States.

The Story of St. Patrick. Who can tell where St. Patrick was born when half a dozen countries claim the honor of being his birthplace? Who can be sure of the rights of the story of his slavery in Ireland and of his many adventures afterwards before he became the great teacher and preacher he ultimately was, when well loved legends are so many, and the greater part of his career as known to most Irishmen, but the story of St. Patrick never grows old by the telling.

When, after years, he became bishop he returned to Ireland to convert the heathen inhabitants, meeting with wonderful success in his work. His travels about the country have been followed by the places which were named after him. All over Ireland traces of his visits are to be found, and in England and Wales as well as Scotland his stay is commemorated in many local names.

ST. PETER'S YOUNG PEOPLE. The first meeting of the Young People's Society of St. Peter's Church was held last evening, being presided over by the rector, Rev. J. W. TenEyck.

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DRIVEN PERMANENTLY INSANE. There is one case which the writer recalls in which the victim was driven permanently insane. It occurred in a large city in Michigan. A young man was accused of the murder of his employer, but he pleaded innocence. The police were satisfied that he was the slayer, but

HOW THIRD DEGREE GOES.

A System That is Widely Used in United States,

But is Tabooed by the Courts in Canada.

Many Atrocities Practised by the Police in Examinations.

The widespread public interest in the Kinrade murder mystery has served to call attention to the different methods of ferreting out crimes pursued by the police of Europe, the United States and Canada, and particularly in view of the comments made by newspapermen from across the border, in attendance at the coroner's investigation, who have made special allusion to the fact that the police here ignore the "third degree."

The "third degree" is a term more frequently heard applied in big criminal cases in Uncle Sam's domains, but it is doubtful if a majority of people in any city on this side of the frontier know its meaning, for it is not tolerated in Canada. It is frowned down by Canadian jurisprudence. The term "third degree" is a "confession" obtained from a prisoner under duress and by means of force.

Hamilton police officials do not believe in the "third degree." Public opinion in this country in any event would never tolerate it. In some cases, where the police know for a fact that a person is guilty of something, but cannot prove it for lack of a necessary bit of evidence, although the circumstantial evidence is convincing beyond a doubt, they resort to the "third degree" to get the truth, or are they only catering to sensationalism?

This question has again been brought into the limelight by the alleged disclosure of the methods used by the police in the case of the murder of Frank Wilhelm, in Newark, N. J. The reports which appeared stated that the murdered man's wife, Mrs. Mary J. Wilhelm, and a man named Nicholas Sica, who are in custody charged with the crime, were subjected to the most revolting measures in the effort to secure admissions from them.

Before going further, however, the origin of the term known as the "third degree"—or at least the accepted explanation—is generally given. It is ascribed the doubtful honor of coining the phrase, if not the inquisitorial system which it signifies.

Years ago, it is told, when Chicago earned its title of "the toughest city in America," the greater part of its population was of such a motley and scoundrelly nature that, to gain information and suppress crime the most extreme measures were necessary. Crime was then so rampant in the Windy City, and the manufacturers so flagrant and scornful of the law that the police were at their wits' end to find means to secure convictions, when they instituted a torture under which the most hardy willed, and if there was nothing to tell, would make up a story—anything to escape the terrible "third degree."

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lacked sufficient evidence to convict him, so, after all other expedients had been tried, resort was made to the "Third Degree." Here, however, another line was followed from that employed in the Newark murder. In the infliction of the "Third Degree" the corpse generally plays an important part. One after the other, in most cases, being unexpectedly confronted with the victim of the crime at some stage of the operations.

PRISONER BROKE DOWN. More convinced than ever that they had the right man, the detectives set about playing the game for all it was worth. Miles and miles they drove, and every few minutes the axe blade and gun barrel clashed against each other.

CONFESION NOT ADMITTED. Of course, a confession or information extracted by means of threats, torture or promises of benefit is not permissible by law, but in the case just mentioned no such thing was attempted.

A VERITABLE IMBECILE. At the trial the havoc worked by this horror of police zeal showed in terrible manner what could be accomplished by torture of the mind. In the court the prisoner sat a huddled heap, with bent head and glassy eyes; a twitching bundle of nerves; a veritable imbecile.

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place in the mortuary decently and substituted by a dummy. The above instance serve to illustrate the working of the "third degree" against which there is always a storm of condemnation when the story leaks out.

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