

A MAN WITHOUT A PARTY.

A former Liberal writes to the Montreal Family Herald and Star as follows:—"There was a time when I was an enthusiastic believer in the Liberal party. Now I am a man without a party. I cannot support the Conservatives against whom I have voted all my life, but no more can I support a shifting opportunist such as Sir Wilfrid Laurier has proved to be—a man blown hither, thither by every passing breeze, a man without principle, ready to advocate anything that he thinks will please the people and equally willing to break his promises when to fulfil them would embarrass him. I have noticed several letters from Liberals urging that Mr. Mulock be made leader in place of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. I think Mr. Mulock would be an improvement on Sir Wilfrid, but I doubt if he would be popular. In any case, it would not be practical to make a change before an election. If Mr. Mulock should ever become Liberal leader it will be after a general defeat of the Liberal party under Sir Wilfrid Laurier. That such a defeat is a certainty in the next election there is no doubt whatever in my mind. The Conservatives, who were divided in the last general election, are now united, and many Liberals, like myself, will not vote for either party. I do not feel that the Laurier-Tarte Administration is really a Liberal Government, and I will have no regret at its downfall, which I hope will pave the way for the reorganization of the Liberal party, and a triumph of right a few years later. I cannot believe that the good old Liberal party will always be led by men who have violated every principle of Liberalism."

WHY MR. ROSS CANNOT LEAD.

It has been made clear by the session's experience, says the Mail and Empire, that Mr. Ross cannot lead. The work of the house has added to the popular distaste for his moribund administration. In the first place there is universal disappointment at the treatment of the election frauds. The Province had expected a "new" government with a "new" Premier to rip up the West Elgin and North Waterloo scandals, and to bring the swindlers employed by the former government to trial. But what have we seen? The machinery of the Government was actually employed to save the perjurers and forgers, the personators and thieves from punishment. Then there came amidst loud and mechanical expressions of virtue, a Royal Commission of Enquiry. Was the commission intended to discover the truth? Not at all. It was found to be a new fraud. Its enquiry was restricted to an investigation into the conduct of all persons—except those who were guilty. One of the worst features of the thing is the revelation made by Mr. Whitney in the House, on the sworn testimony of a prominent machinist, a man who had "switched" a large number of West Elgin votes for the government. It was declared by this expert that the government agents who had employed him to miscount the ballots had paid him out of the party fund to remain in Detroit until the troubles had blown over, and had offered to give him again if he would perjure himself by testifying before the whitewashing commission that the offence he had been employed to commit had never been committed at all.

THE WIPING OUT OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

The New York Journal publishes a four-page highly colored supplement in order to give its readers a translation of "A History of the Coming War," in which France and Russia will extinguish England, written by M. Henri de Noussance, whom we are assured by the Journal, is "a distinguished French journalist." The distinguished one has a great advantage in being able to write his "history" in advance of the war, because he can give the most free scope to his imagination and can always have the gratification of making victory perch upon the banners of his choice. That the distinguished one under these circumstances wades deep in British gore is not surprising. "Every Englishman, woman and child in India," is killed by the Hindus; all the English vessels but one seem to have been sunk pretty early in the war; the one exception being preserved, no doubt, for the next Paris Exhibition; all the British admirals are killed but one, and the Exhibition does not having been thought of in time he is permitted to blow his brains out. The Prince of Wales "vainly seeks death," but cruel fate evidently destined him Royal Highness for Exhibition purposes. At the close of the war the various possessions of the Empire are distributed with a lavish hand among the H. K. D. (but as practically the whole parts a by-tion has been already out-misery by the invader.) The body left who has a right to be able at this ruthless sacrifice of British estate. September 20 is the date fixed

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for the triumphal entry of the French army into London, and the distinguished one asks pathetically "Who of us Frenchmen, having seen that, would not be willing to die?" The pictures alone are worth half the price of the "Journal." They are of that exquisite style of bold drawing which looks about as well up-side down as it does down-side up. The publication by "Le Monde Illustré" of Paris and the republication by the New York "Journal" speak volumes for the taste of the readers of those papers.

INSULTING THE BRITISH FLAG.

This is how the Detroit Tribune regards the insulting, though pitifully silly, action of the Detroit, Mohawk Club in tearing down the British flag there from the decorations for the Bryan reception: "When the egregious blunders of the Democrats are taken into consideration, it is a small wonder that the party is so seldom in the ascendancy. If an opportunity to gain an advantage presents itself, the democrats, by their bull-headed stupidity, destroy it."

The latest instance of asininity was the action of the inspection committee of the Mohawk club in tearing from the flags of all nations in the decorations of the banquet hall the emblems of Great Britain, and the substitution of the Spanish colors. "Detroit is a border city, having a large sprinkling of Canadian-Americans, whose votes will be alienated by the senseless action of the Mohawks. Among the Canadians there are naturally, if not quite as many, Democrats as Republicans. The worst way of driving these people to vote with the Republicans was taken in the gratuitous and wholly unnecessary insult to Great Britain."

"There was absolutely nothing to be gained by such an exhibition of childishness. There were no voters to be influenced favorably by it. There are no Hollanders in Detroit to speak of. The tearing down of the British emblems will have no effect on the German vote. The Poles are but slightly interested, and are Democratic anyway, and the only persons who would be pleased by such a pretty ebullition of dislike towards Great Britain are those who are hidebound, dyed-in-the-wool Democrats, Irishmen who could not be coaxed to vote anything but the Democratic ticket if the heavens fell."

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Chathamites who kick on paying one dollar poll tax should go to Chicago. The city council there has decreed a pole tax of \$5 each per year. It is on telephone and telegraph poles.

The Canadian vote in the States ought to make itself felt this coming election. Any Canadian who votes for W. J. Bryan, the pro-Boer agitator and free silver hound, will prove himself a poor specimen of what this country can produce.

If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of daily food, and one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful for the body; What doth it profit? Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.—James II, 15, 16, 17.

All we have to add to that is that The Planet's relief fund for the Ottawa-Hull fire sufferers will close at nine o'clock this evening.

Whether the next general election come in June or in the fall, come they will within the next twelve months, and it is time for one to think seriously of what he is going to do with his next vote.—Ottawa Events.

How many voters really do think? Don't most electors, instead of conscientiously applying the reasoning abilities which the Lord has given them to the principles involved and voting accordingly, just go to the polls like wooden men and mark their ballots Conservative or Liberal, as the case may be, because their fathers did so before them. This, of course, doesn't say much for either our honesty or our intelligence, but isn't it so?

To hold Lord Roberts responsible for the disaster at Koon spruit simply because he ordered Col. Broadwood to fall back from Tlaba Nchu would be absurd. The commander-in-chief did not instruct his subordinate to march his convoy and guns into ambush. He expected the officers to use common sense, and because they blundered into a gully in which lay several hundred of the enemy, whose presence should have been discovered by scouts.—The Mail.

Just as a matter of argument, isn't a principal supposed to be responsible for the acts of his agents? Isn't Lord Roberts to blame for appointing an officer, who did not prove equal to his work, to an important command?

NEW ZEALAND AHEAD OF CANADA.

Nelson, B. C. Tribune. The radical New Zealand government is buying out the big runholders, splitting up the land into 200 to 600 acre farms, and actually helping workmen to make a start by advancing cash. These men are their own masters, and have no need to take on outside work. Before the government took over the Cheviot estate there were only about 70 men employed by the squatter as shepherds and rousters. There are now over 2,000 people living on the same land, and they are practically the landowners, because the government lease of 999 years is the same thing as a freehold.

REQUIRES MORE PROOF.

Hamilton Herald. That discovery of a stone bearing the inscription of an alleged correspondence between Jesus Christ and King Agrippa is most interesting; but the discovery does not prove that the letters are authentic, even if it can be proved that the inscription is the one referred to by Eusebius and that it dates from the first century. A great mass of Christian literature, attributed to the apostles and disciples of Christ, has come down from the first two centuries, but has been long since rejected as spurious. What a priceless treasure would be a simple letter written by Jesus Himself! There is no reason to doubt that He wrote many, and it is not impossible that one or more of them will yet be discovered.

SARCASM FROM THE PULPIT.

Harper's Bazar. "Buddren and distabs," sternly said good old Parson Woolloom; after the collection had been taken up upon a recent Sabbath morning, "before the hat was done parsed I expounded the request dat de congregation contribute accawdin' to de means, and I beho expected dat yo' all would chip in magnanimously. But now, upon examin' de collection, I finds dat de concerted amount contributed by de whole entire posse ob yo' am only de significant and pusillanimous sum of sixty free cents. An' at de junction dat ain't no 'easion fo' yo' all to look at Brudder Slowfoot, what done circumbated de hat aroun', in no such auspicious manner, for de first place Brudder Slowfoot ain't de kind of a man, and in de second place I done watched him like a hawk all de time himself. No, sixty-free cents was all dat was fang in, and I dese wants to say dat in my humble 'pinion instead ob contributin' accawdin' to yo' means yo' all contributed accawdin' to yo' meanness. De choir will now favor us wid their regular melodiousness."

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