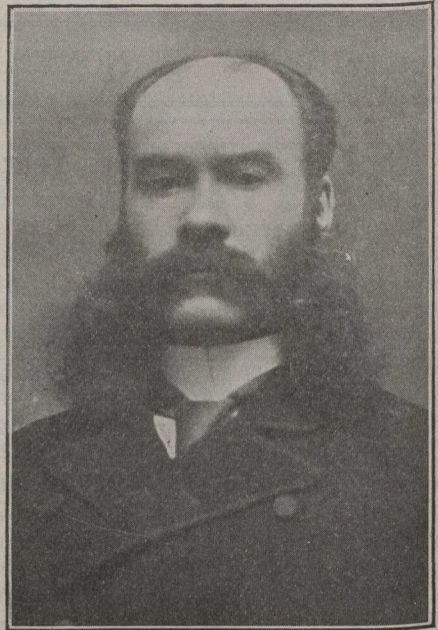


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the other buildings not so well advanced. Contractors' men were tearing down scaffoldings, clearing out rooms and corridors and removing debris while the new occupants were rushing in with their piles of equipment and clamoring for accommodation.

By the 27th of October routine work had been resumed in some offices and on the 30th it was announced that the Agriculture, Crown Lands, Post Office and Finance Departments were in fair running order, though by no means fully settled. The last Canada Gazette issued at Quebec was that of October 28, 1865. On November 4 it was published in Ottawa, and by the 15th of that month the Government machinery was all in its new home and grinding away as usual.

The Civil Service boomed Ottawa fifty years ago and has kept the place in a state of unnatural inflation ever

since. When the "Quebeckers" struck town, the corporation repaired its streets, built new sidewalks, and increased its police force, while the *Union* newspaper expanded, on November 1, from a twenty-four column to a thirty-two column daily issue.

Here and there in Ottawa may still be found old people who came to the city as "Quebeckers" in the Civil Service removal of 1865. When one of them can be induced to talk of old times a good story invariably follows. The men who were in the Service fifty years ago are few and far between to-day but their sons and grandsons are unnumbered and the traditions of the great pilgrimage will be still repeated fifty years hence.

To keep the bread board a good colour, rub with a cut lemon, then wash in cold water and place in the open air to dry.