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LONDON, TUESDAY, MAY 9.

Mr. Hyman by Acclamation.

The Toronto World has sent a correspondent to London to survey the political situation and focus public attention on this historic fighting-ground of the two great parties. This correspondent does not, as some opponents of the Government, who live a long way from London, are foolishly doing, boast that Mr. Hyman is to be given the quietus. He intimates that it will be a hard fight, "a battle royal," and admits that the Liberals of London are talking confidently. This may be surprising to a noisy Toronto clique, who have been clamoring for a test of Ontario sentiment. On the other hand, the correspondent is mistaken when he says there is "no thought of giving the seat to Mr. Hyman without a contest." The Advertiser could name several prominent Conservatives, men who are prominent in business, who are outspoken in their opinion that Mr. Hyman should be permitted to enjoy his promotion, when promotion comes, until the end of the present Parliament, without the inconvenience of another election. If there is a contest it will be forced upon the Conservatives of London by outside influences, and by their self-constituted candidate who has already begun his canvass. It is more than probable that many Conservatives will vote on personal grounds for Mr. Hyman, believing that he has deserved his success, and that it will be to the city's advantage to be represented so influentially at Ottawa. The World correspondent almost admits this when he says that "undoubtedly the popularity of Mr. Hyman and the prestige of his position as a full-fledged cabinet minister will have some influence on the vote."

The sentiment in favor of Mr. Hyman's election by acclamation is so strong among representative Conservatives that it may oblige the Toronto agitators to mind their own business, and Mr. Gray to shelve his ambitions. London is not, and never has been, a stamping ground for sectarianism, and many level-headed Conservatives are not so excited over the autonomy bill as to wish to make it a pretext for denying Mr. Hyman his well-earned honors.

A Board of Trade Revival.

The president of the Board of Trade, Mr. Arthur White, is making a praiseworthy effort to infuse new life into the dry bones of that organization. It is understood that as a result of a personal canvass by Mr. White and the secretary, many applications for membership have been received, and that the prospects are that the city will shortly have a live working board, more fully representative of the commercial interests of the city than it has been at any time in its history. The enterprise of the officers should be encouraged by the business community. Other cities have derived great benefit from their boards of trade, which have joined with the municipal council in advancing local interests. There is a similar sphere of usefulness for the board in London, but it has been almost impotent because of the indifference of the members, or of those who should have been members.

It is sometimes charged against London—it is to be feared with some truth—that it shows a time in its history of co-operation. The people are not wanting in pride for their beautiful city, but this sentiment is not sufficiently organized. The business men can do something to remove the reproach by getting together and discussing matters of local concern. The waterworks problem, for instance, is a vital one to the community, and the Board of Trade might be able to give an intelligent lead to public opinion. It is understood that this question will be discussed in the near future, and that some of the prominent manufacturers and merchants will give their views. In another direction, the industrial development of the city, the board can do effective work in harmony with the municipal authorities. We are glad to see it is waking up.

The Commercial Outlook.

A marked revival of business activity in the United States is reported from every quarter. Bradstreet's journal records a very satisfactory showing for April, a month which is a barometer of commercial conditions for the year. Large failures are less numerous than a year ago, and the losses lighter. For the four months ending April 30, 1905, the failures numbered 3,704, and the liabilities aggregated \$37,797,905. In the corresponding four months last year the failures were 3,666 and the liabilities \$61,291,162. Canadian failures for April numbered 95, compared with 90 a year ago, and the liabilities were \$1,121,564, compared with \$427,074. While this is not so favorable as might be expected, the bank clearing returns indicate a remarkable expansion of business in this country. The bank clearings in eleven Canadian cities last month were \$25,690,042, and in April, 1904, \$19,840,014. For the four months, January to April, the figures for the two years were:

| | 1905. | 1904. |
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| Montreal | \$405,905,235 | \$300,492,685 |
| Toronto | 332,506,033 | 238,981,544 |
| Winnipeg | 92,780,748 | 78,990,272 |
| Ottawa | 36,372,417 | 31,859,302 |
| Halifax | 26,989,489 | 26,405,193 |
| Vancouver, B. C. | 24,150,075 | 21,562,996 |
| Quebec | 24,795,513 | 21,341,806 |
| Hamilton | 20,389,098 | 17,982,420 |
| St. John, N. B. | 15,428,621 | 14,798,400 |
| London | 15,502,282 | 12,758,100 |
| Victoria, B. C. | 10,579,241 | 10,184,428 |

Total \$1,004,098,962 \$776,238,716
The revenue of the country is still

buoyant, exceeding for the past ten months by nearly half a million that of the corresponding ten months a year ago, which was the best financial year on record. There is no sign anywhere of a slackening of the pace, and the beginning of actual construction work on the Grand Trunk Pacific this summer will make for a continuance of good times. While there has been a period of depression, not very acute, in the United States, the forces of prosperity in Canada have been unabated for nearly ten years. The improvement of conditions across the line, which has now set in, will be another influence favorable to this country. The outlook was never brighter.

When it comes to politics London certainly has a knack of drawing the limelight.

Sir Wilfrid can go ahead and complete his cabinet. London and North Oxford will do the rest.

Mr. Chamberlain's health is apparently on the down grade. At 69 years of age these occasional collapses can only be regarded seriously, in spite of his jaunty talk of living till a hundred.

If the license commissioners have cut off four more licenses there will be no loud public complaint. If they are transferring four licenses from Liberals to Conservatives, then good-bye to their goody-goody professions.

Is Sir Wilfrid afraid of the voice of Ontario? asks the Toronto World. In Mr. Maclean's opinion the voice of Ontario is, of course, the voice of the Maclean which is heard every lawful day in the House. Sir Wilfrid is not afraid of it—only tired.

Having announced that Mr. Hyman wouldn't receive a portfolio, and wouldn't come to London for re-election if he did receive it, the Conservative press is gradually reconciling itself to the fact that Mr. Hyman will receive a portfolio and will come to London for re-election.

The Buds.

[Chicago Chronicle.]
Now every bud is masked in green,
And some, when they unfold,
Reveal the nightshade's deadly bloom,
And some reveal the rose.

Some buds contain a golden glow,
And some a guilty flame,
And some are pure and sweet and white,
And some are red as shame.

And some exude a sweet perfume,
And some have poison breath;
And some are full of life and light,
And others full of death.

And some reveal a bloom of love,
And some are full of hate,
But every bud reveals its heart,
Or soon, perhaps, or late.

Where Personality Counts.

[Presbyterian.]
Let the educational machinery be what it will, let the curriculum be as broad as it may, the efficiency of the system depends in the last resort upon the personnel of the profession. The very best men and women are needed for this work, and there is nothing to be certain in its history. The enterprise of the officers should be encouraged by the business community. Other cities have derived great benefit from their boards of trade, which have joined with the municipal council in advancing local interests. There is a similar sphere of usefulness for the board in London, but it has been almost impotent because of the indifference of the members, or of those who should have been members.

Inspector's Retentive Memory.

[London Chronicle.]
In a case before the Newbury magistrates the other day, in which a stranger to the town, named Bowyer, was sentenced to fourteen days' imprisonment for stealing articles from a motor shed, Inspector Maunders, who had been in the army recognized the prisoner, whom he had known as a soldier at Gibraltar 20 years ago, when he was invalided from the service owing to a stab which destroyed the sight of his left eye.

A Desperate Remedy.

[Cleveland Leader.]
Agent—I came to deliver your book on "How to Play the Piano."
Lady—But I didn't order any such book.
Agent (consulting his note book)—Have you a next-door neighbor named Jones?
Lady—Yes; is it for her?
Agent—No, she ordered it for you.

To Which Plumber Do You Belong?

[Toronto News.]
In this city if a plumber claims a man as a customer the rest of the trade must hold off and let him put in the lowest tender. It would be interesting for a citizen to know to which plumber he belongs.

A Just Judge.

[Sugar City (Col.) Gazette.]
Down in Pierce City, Missouri, one night recently an officer caught a young man kissing his sweetheart, arrested him. When the judge learned the facts in the case next morning, he discharged the prisoner, and said: "Go back and start in where you left off. If there was another one coming when the officer butted in, go and get it. And take with you the humble apologies of the State of Missouri."

Pertinent Question.

[Chicago News.]
The Lady (to applicant)—Why did you leave your last place?
The Maid—Why did your last maid leave you?

Related—By Marriage.

[New York Tattler.]
To which she replied, as the donkey she scolded,
"Ah, yes, a relation by marriage."

Wealthy Men in Colorado.

[Kansas City Journal.]
David Moffatt, of Denver, is the wealthiest man in Colorado, which outranks all other states in per capita wealth. Colorado has the further distinction that most of its vast fortunes were made within its boundaries, not gone in mining, but in the cattle industry, in realty speculation, in fruit, sugar beet culture, potato farming and in manufacturing and other mercantile pursuits. There are 108 resident millionaires in Colorado, their total wealth

being about \$280,000,000. Mr. Moffatt is worth from \$25,000,000 to \$30,000,000. About 100 men worth seven or more figures made their money in the state and reside elsewhere.

Heavenly Hogs Stolen.

[Enterprise (Ore.) Chieftain.]
Two fat hogs were missing from a hog pen recently in Paradise. Somebody had better look out, there are breakers ahead.

Diplomacy.

[Boston Post.]
A word of diplomacy is worth volumes of commands.

Important Discovery.

[Boston Transcript.]
A Paris loop-the-loopist has died with congestion of the brain. The incident is of interest to science in that it seems to establish pretty thoroughly that the folks who do such stunts really have brains after all.

GOVT. TO FIX RAILROAD RATES

United States President Calls for National Supervision and Regulation.

Denver, May 9. — President Roosevelt discussed railroad rate legislation at a banquet given the Chamber of Commerce in the Brown Palace Hotel last night. The President finished his speech after midnight, and this morning left for Chicago. He said:

"I want to say a word as to governmental policy in which I feel that this country ought to take a great interest, and which is itself but part of a general policy into which I think our Government will go. I have spoken of the policy of extending the powers of the inter-state commerce committee, and of giving them particularly the power to fix rates and to have the rates that they fix go into effect practically at once. As I say, that represents to my mind part of what should be the general policy of this country. The policy of giving, not to the state, but to the national government, an increased supervisory and regulatory power over corporations, is the first step, and to my mind, the most important step. In the days of the fathers of the older among you, the highways of commerce for civilized nations were what they had always been; that is, waterways and roads. Therefore, they were open to all who chose to travel them. Within the last two generations we have seen systems grow up, and now the typical highway of commerce is the railroad. Compared to the railroad, the ordinary road for wheeled vehicles, and the waterways, whether natural or artificial, have lost all their importance. Therefore, under this changed system we see highways of commerce grow up, each of which is controlled by a single corporation or individual, several of them being controlled in combination by corporations, or by a few individuals. When such is the case, in my judgment, it is absolutely necessary that the nation (for the state cannot possibly do it), should assume a supervisory and regulatory function over the great corporations, which practically control the highways of commerce.

"As with everything else, when you get supervisory and regulatory power on behalf of the nation you will not have cured all the evils that existed and you will not equal the expectations of the ambitious and the idealistic enthusiasts who think that you have cured all those evils. A measure of good will come. Some good will be done, some injustice will be prevented, but we shall be a long way from the millennium. Get that fact clear in your minds, or you will be laying up for yourselves a store of incalculable disappointment in the future. That is the first thing.

"Now the second step. When you give a nation that power, remember that harm and not good will come from the governing unless you give it with firm determination, not only to get justice for yourselves, but to do justice to others; that you will be jealous to do justice to the railroads as to exact justice from them. We cannot afford to do that way. In this country to encourage a feeling which would do injustice to a man of property any more than we would submit to injustice from a man of property. Whether the man owns the biggest railroad or the greatest outside corporation in the land, or whether he makes each day's bread by the sweat of that day's toil, he is entitled to justice and fair dealings, no more and no less."

It pays to be polite, provided it is not carried to the line of obsequiousness.

Baroness Burdett-Coutts has given away \$25,000,000 in her lifetime. She is now 92.

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THE C. P. R. AND THE BELL TELEPHONE

(Continued from page 1.)

Judgment he got ahead of the Bell people in that bargain. The use of telephones for railways was getting more important. This day was coming when railways would have to use their own telephones. For railway operation for short distances the telephone was superseding the telegraph. He was now experimenting with the telephone for train service.

W. F. Maclean took the witness in hand and endeavored to show that the C. P. R. in its contract with the Bell Company was discriminating against the public use of the railway act. To this Mr. Maclean replied his company was obeying the railway act, or at any rate, it was their desire to do so. The public shared with the railway company in its contracts with the Bell Company.

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The Wabash System

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Specials for WEDNESDAY

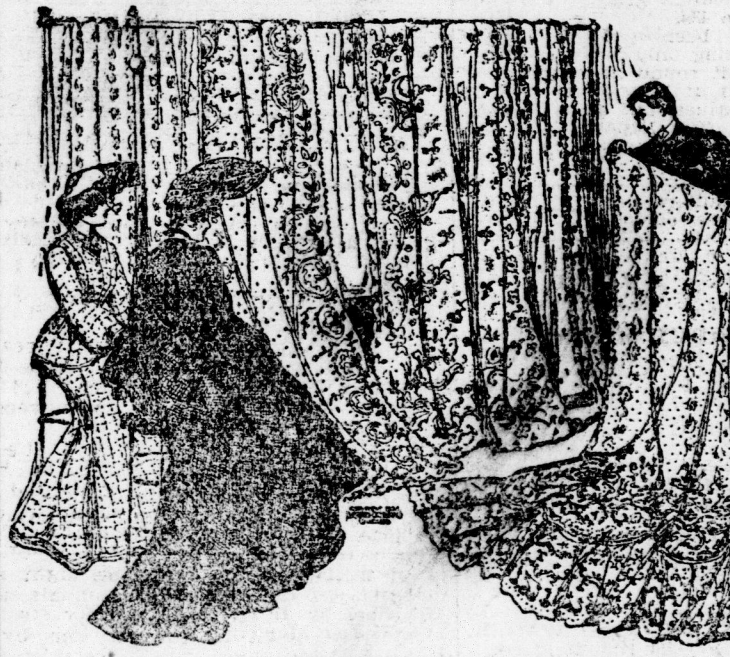
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