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TUESDAY, MAY 17.

THE SOO SCANDAL.

The Toronto News has been doing a great public service by its ex sure of the sophistries with which the Globe and other Liberal newspapers seek to defend Messrs. Conmee and Bowman in connection with the Soo guarantee bill. To those who have followed the course of events with any degree of attention, there is for two opinions on the question. Messrs. Conmee and Bowman, members of the Legislature, helped to put through the land grant of 6,400 acres per mile for Mr. Algoma Central. Im-Clergue's mediately afterwards these same gentlemen appear in the role of chief contractors for the construction of the road. It is not a healthy thing, to say the least of it, to have men sit in Parliament and vote grants to railways which they have the promise or prospect of building. Nor is the situation improved by the fact that Conmee and Bowman got others to do the work, securing for themselves a generous profit in the undertaking.

The existence of the agreement read in the House by the member for South Wellington has never been denied, When its bona fides was questioned by Mr. Conmec, Mr. Hanna repeated the charge on his responsibility as a member and called for an investigation. Mr. Conmee refused to accept the challenge, The sweeping character of this agreement is indicated by the following

"2. The parties of the second part (Foley Brothers), hereby covenant and agree jointly and severally to pay to the parties of the first part (Conmee and Bowman), without any deductions, the full sum of ten per cent. upon the gross cost of all the work of whatsoever kind or nature hereafter undertaken or acquired from or allotted by the Algoma Central Railway Company, or F. H. Clergue or any companies with which the said Algoma Central Railway Company or Clergue may be allied or connected or interested in, or any of them jointly to the parties of the second part (Foley Brothers) or to any other parties on their behalf or for their benefit, or in other ways directly or indirectly, whether such work is acquired by or through the efforts or influence of the parties of the first part (Conmee and Bowman), or either of

them, or not. The said ten per cent. shall be paid as follows: Three per cent, as the work progresses, or as the moneys are paid to the parties of the second part under their estimates, and the balance, seven per cent., upon the final completion of the work. This agreement shall not apply in the case of works or con-tracts acquired by either of the parties hereto, from the said Algoma Central Railway Company, F. H. Clergue, or allied companies by the way of public competition."

But the accused members say they have no personal interests in the Soc guarantee bill, that their claims are fully secured even did the Government refuse to go to the assistance of the allied companies. Against this remarkable contention the affidavits of the gentlemen interested are quoted. Both of them declared under oath last fall that if the Speyer loan were satisfied "there are no assets upon which they-Conmee and Bowman-can realize any part of their claim." There has been no change in the position of the parties since those affidavits were made. With the \$2,000,000 loan guaranteed by the Government, Conmee and Bowman will no doubt get their money Without that assistance their prospects would be anything but rosy. The News summarizes the situation as follows:

"Mr. Conmee and Mr. Bowman were members of the Legislature who voted subsidies to the Algoma Central Railway, and various conces sions to F. H. Clergue.

"Mr. Conmee and Mr. Bowman became contractors for the construction of portions of that railway.

"They sublet their contract to Foley Bros., upon terms that secured to them a sure profit of ten per cent., and carried no obligation to

"They entered into an agreement with Foley Brothers to receive ten per cent. on all the work they did for the Algoma Central or any of the allied companies or F. H. Cler-

"They remained members of the Legislature during the three years that agreement was in force, voting further concessions to Mr. Clergue.

"When the collapse came Foley Brothers were creditors of the Al-goma Central to the extent of \$400,-\$10. Of that sum ten per cent. was The harder you cough, the wors

Shiloh's Consumption

tained from the High Court for the amount. The validity of that judgment is contested by Speyer & Co., and an action to set it aside is pending.

"If the company is reorganized with the two million dollar guarantee of the province, Speyer & Co. will be paid off and the action to set aside the Conmee judgment will drop. If not, the Courts will determine whether the judgment is regular and legal. At present it is in grave peril."

> FREAKS OF NATURE. Exchange.

A pig with three ears is a freak on the farm of William Edwards, in Burton, Genesse county, Michigan. The third ear is located on the right side of the head, just below the matural one, and it has been observed that at the call of swill the pig invariably inclines the side with the double-geared hearing, toward the sound a mo ment, before making a break for the trough, from which fact is deduced the conclusion that the extra organ is no mere ornament but performs the functions of a regular ear and doubles the power of hearing on the side on which it is located. The animal is one of a litter of 11, each of the others having the regular number of ears, so that it does not appear that a robbery was committed by the one possessed of three. It is worthy of mention that in the same neighborhood it is no uncommon thing for and even cows and sheep with none in front of the upper jaw, are by no means rare.

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A GOOD PRODUCTION. "A Romance of San Antonio" night by the Mrs. Wm. Currier Co. The play was very well received by a fair sized house, and the excellent acting of Mrs. Currier won much applause. The support was good and the specialties were excellent, being

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pumps.

Over a great part of the land the water was 5 1-2 feet deep. The whole area was covered to an average depth of about 2 1-2 feet.

We let the water run off by gravi-

tation until it got down to an average of 1 1-2 feet deep, then, owing to the high water in the Sny Carte, we had to commence to pump. This was on the 10th April. On the 23rd April the water was all off the land, and the ditches were practically

empty.

A good deal of this time, too, we were forcing the water against the high level of the water in the Sydenham, which compelled us to pump the water about 1 1-2 feet higher them water about 1 1-2 feet higher the water about 1 1-2 foet higher than under ordinary circumstances.
Our plains land this year is going in as early as the high lands, and I believe will suffer no injury from the flood.
All the ratepayers are more than satisfied with the work your pumps have done ever since you put them in—a little over a year ago.
Yours truly,
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THE CANADIANS' TOUR

The anticipsted event of a Canadian bowling team visiting the United Kingdom this summer is now assured.

The anticipated event of a Cahadian bowling team visiting the United Kingdom this summer is now assured. The team will leave Toronto for Montreal the evening of Victoria Day, taking the C. P. R. at ten o'clock, and will rendezvous at the Windsor at ten o'clock in the morning of the 26th for social intercourse. Though many of the members of the team are comparative strangers to each other, that well known fraternal spirit which pervades all true bowlers' hearts will soon serve to make them all true friends on short acquaintance, and pleasant companions in their extended tour, meaning much for the success and pleasure of a visit which, it is hoped, will do much to cement the ties of friendship between the bowlers of the Old World and the New.

Upon the invitation of the Westmount Club, practice games will be arranged in auring the atternoon. In the evoning the members of the team will enjoy the hospitality of the Westmount Club, playing a six-rink match on their noted green by electric light, which will prove to many a novelty. After the match a reception will be tendered the players, before embarking on the Lake Manitoba, which sails at daybreak the morning of the 26th May.

Some changes in the personnel of the team having arisen from the first draft published, the revised list is given, together with the officers and Advisory committee:

Captain-George Anderson, Prospect Park Club.

Secretary-Treasurer — A. S. Wigmore, Toronto Victoria.

Advisory committee—T. S. Ford, Mitchell Club: J. Russell, M. D.

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The Team.

George Anderson, Prospect Park.
George J. Bennett, Caer-Howell.
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E. C. Davies, Caer-Howell.
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A. W. Featherstone, Listowel.
T. S. Ford, Mitchell.
James Jackson, Brampton.
Sidney Jones, Canada.
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