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Public Men, Past and Present.

The Toronto World very properly rebukes the ghoulishness of some newspapers, which have been canvassing, with ill-concealed satisfaction, the prospect of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's retirement through ill-health. "Any party," says the World, "which banked upon the physical weakness of its opponents would be in a very miserable position." The World adds:

"It would be a source of regret to The World to see Sir Wilfrid Laurier, or any other man of distinction, disappear from politics, whether it approved or disapproved of his conduct and policy. Public life in Canada has been cheapened and impoverished by the disappearance of men like Edward Blake and D'Alton McCarthy, and John S. D. Thompson and Oliver Mowat and William R. Meredith. You might find fault with these men, and dissent from their views, but you felt that they were big men, that they were worth listening to, and that they broadened and illuminated everything they touched.

"It is a rather unpleasant truth that 'the growing time' has not brought us any growth in the size of public men. The day of the old union was supposed to be the day of small things. Yet the public men of that day were Baldwin and Draper, William Hume Blake and Sullivan, Macdonald and Brown, Lafontaine and Cartier and Dorien. Mowat began his career long before Confederation, and the minds of Edward Blake and Cartwright were formed in the same period. Who is there now to be compared with them? Laurier and Cartwright are two of the very few men of distinction that are left, and it will be a matter for regret when they pass away, come that day soon or late."

The World is too disparaging of contemporary public men. When they have finished their life work and have passed from the stage it is probable that another generation will hold some of their names in honor and say there were giants in those days. We are too close to them now; they will be measured more accurately in the perspective of history, just as Canadians of today can appraise the services of Brown, Dorien, Lafontaine, Macdonald, Mackenzie and Cartier more justly than their contemporaries did. If there are fewer outstanding figures now, it may fairly be claimed that the level of ability and capacity in public life has not fallen. The present House of Commons is a more capable body than the old legislature of the union. One thing is certain, there is far less rancor in politics, less personal antagonism and a wider tolerance than in the stormy days before Confederation.

Tarte's Transfiguration.

The London Free Press, which used to picture Hon. J. I. Tarte with horns and hoofs, is now painting halos round his head. When Mr. Tarte was in the Cabinet the Free Press blackguarded him day and night. He was the evil genius of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the fountain-head of corruption and the source of all political impurity. Our contemporary now discovers that Mr. Tarte was not the Mephistopheles, but the good angel of the Government. It says:

"It is now said at Ottawa that the greater part of the antipathy to Mr. Tarte from within the Cabinet arose from his too great readiness to expose the tricks and wiles of those who would exploit the treasury for their own ends. The 'strike' of his six colleagues, who insisted on his dismissal, was prompted more by their fear and dislike of his energetic vigilance than of his glibness in stating immature policies. With one so watchful and loquacious near by as an onlooker it is a dangerous game to organize secret raids."

The same journal says there is a feeling in Ottawa and the large commercial centers that with Mr. Tarte removed from the Cabinet, certain deals are about to be advocated anew; millions are involved in the new schemes, and the same persons will be on hand to pocket the proceeds! "If Mr. Tarte will show up the rascalities that have attended these exploitations of the Dominion treasury there need be no doubt of his future in the politics of Canada!"

If Mr. Tarte has any sense of humor, he must be enjoying life when he finds himself canonized today by those who yesterday were consigning him to the the lowest circle of the Inferno. The Tory press, which now describes him as having been watch-dog of the treasury, a few months ago would have depicted him with a dark-lantern and a jimmy.

The thought suggests itself that if some newspapers are now telling the truth about Mr. Tarte, they have been lying about him for six years.

Temperance Legislation Promised

The temperance deputation which waited upon Premier Ross and his colleagues yesterday practically asked that the liquor act of 1902 be enforced on the strength of the affirmative vote in December. A branch of the temperance organization, represented in this city by the London Referendum Association, dissociated itself from this course, in the belief that it was premature, as the temperance people of the province had not had time to ripen their plans. The tenor of the speeches yesterday was more temperate than on some former occasions. There was a better feeling all round. Rev. Dr. Carman admitted that "perhaps it had been the best way," to give the people a day to themselves on which to express their opinion at the polls. This had been one of the chief points of attack on the Government. The Premier had been roundly denounced for not coupling the referendum with the municipal elections. He was accused of deliberately choosing a season of the year when the roads would be bad in the townships and many would be deterred from going to the polls. The Premier in replying to the deputation yesterday, commented on this change of opinion which was highly gratifying to him, after the manner in which his motives had been aspersed. He promised that temperance legislation would be introduced at the coming session, adding:

"My duty in connection with this question is to consult my supporters, and that I shall do at the earliest opportunity. The earliest opportunity will be when the house meets, when we shall see how far the members will support the Government in implementing that vote. That is the only position I can take today. I hope we will secure such legislation as will meet with the approval of the country. I would feel humiliated if you thought we would play fast and loose with this question, or any question."

The Late Dr. Proudfoot.

The late Rev. Dr. Proudfoot was one of the most venerable figures in the Presbyterian Church, a divine of the old school, of the robust type fashioned in earlier days. His learning was sound and compact, and he retained his intellectual vigor to the last, lecturing on homiletics and theology in Knox College until within a year of his death. His father, Rev. William Proudfoot, who came to Canada in 1833, as a missionary of the old Secession Church, was also a character of strong fiber. In a published biography of one of his sons, Hon. William Proudfoot, the following reference to Rev. William Proudfoot appears:

"This old secession minister was a staunch Reformer, and naturally came under suspicion when almost everybody who dared to differ from the dominant party during the troubles of 1837 was suspected. He, however, boldly met the aspersions of his political enemies, and secured himself from molestation."

Fancy Mr. Tarte being entered on the calendar of Tory saints!

Mr. Borden has tried to define what he means by "adequate protection," but the explanation isn't adequate.

Among other items in the equipment of the fire brigade, regular practice in ladder-raising wouldn't be a bad thing.

The Lieutenant-Governor of South Carolina has shot an editor. It was probably the only way in which he could meet the editor's criticism.

Over 7,000 people attended a euchre party in Brooklyn, N. Y., given in aid of a college. How many would have turned out to a lecture in aid of the same worthy purpose?

Toronto will ask for a special municipal charter. Let the Government grant it by all means and save the Legislature from being pestered for fool legislation by that city year after year.

The steam laundries of Toronto are forming a trust. A laundry monopoly, without a conscience, might drive many to do their own washing, with far-reaching social effects. Society, as everyone knows, is divided into three classes: Those who send out their washing; those who do their own washing, and those who take in washing.

The County of Simcoe is the latest to go in for a system of good roads, and win the Provincial grant. The Government's good roads legislation was laughed to scorn by the Opposition, but it is doing more to improve the highways of the Province than years of agitation could have done. Ninety-seven townships have now abolished the statute labor system.

A Good Spender.

[Town Topics.]

Jiggs—Gayboy is very extravagant.

Wiggs—Yes, he spends money just as if he had it.

As to Marriages.

[Town Topics.]

"I don't believe in early marriages. I don't intend to be married until I am over 30."

"And I don't intend to be over 30 until I am married."

Curzon's Superiority.

[New York Post.]

Lord Curzon has a great fondness, as well as a great talent, for state occasions, and is said to have remarked that the recent gorgeous ceremonial at Delhi placed him upon the pinnacle of happiness. He is splendidly fitted to preside at a durbar, where he is thought to be particularly "august." His stiff and somewhat haughty manners rub some English subordinates the wrong way, but are supposed to be just the thing to impress the Oriental imagination. Lord Curzon appears to have been majestic from his youth. Some unpublished Oxford verses, in his undergraduate days, deal freely with this characteristic of his:

"My name is George Nathaniel Curzon,
I am a very superior purzon,
My hair is black and smooth and sleek,
I dine at Blenheim twice a week."

At the same time it cannot be denied that the Viceroy of India is a man of great ability, who has had a successful administration under circumstances of unusual difficulty.

Candid.

[Chicago Journal.]

A number of ladies began to discuss the virtues of their respective husbands, when every other topic was threadbare.

"My husband," said one, "never drinks and never swears—indeed, he has no bad habits."

"Does he ever smoke?" someone asked.

"Yes, he likes a cigar just after he has eaten a good meal. But I don't suppose on an average he smokes more than once a week."

Some of her friends laughed, but she didn't seem to understand.

A Wail.

[S. E. Kiser.]

Coal, coal, coal!
How beautiful 'tis to see;
I look in the bin, but it's all in vain,
There's never a lump, ah, me!

'Tis well for the millionaire
That his children shout at play,
Housed in from the storm, where the nursery's warm,
Thrice fortunate kids are they.

And the cars stand on the track,
Half buried in snow and ice,
While the dealers keep holding back
To still shove up the price.

Coal, coal, coal!
It should be on the list that's free.
But the bushels I wasted a year ago
Can never return to me.

Mr. Coffey for Senator.

[Windsor Record.]

It is said that Mr. Thomas Coffey, of London, will probably be called to the Senate to succeed the late Senator O'Donohue. Mr. Coffey is widely and favorably known, being the editor and proprietor of the Catholic Record. He is a staunch Liberal, and will be more than an ornament to the Red Chamber.

The Empire Safe.

[St. Thomas Journal.]

With Kitchener in India, Lord Roberts taking care of the home-land, and Sam Hughes looking after Canada, all parts of the empire are guarded.

Gratitude.

[From Observations by Mr. Dooley.]

Wan raison people ar-re not grateful is because they're proud iv thimsilves an' they niver feel they get half what they desarve. Another raison is they know ye've had all th' fun ye're entitled to whin ye do annything f'r annybody. A man who expicts gratichood is a usurer, an' if he's caught at it he loses th' loan an' th' intherest.

Beauty's Gauge.

[The Scotsman.]

The American authorities recently refused to allow a German emigrant to land because he was "too ugly." They maintained that with such features he would never find work in the United States. Kormoud, the man in question, says a Munich paper, has just returned to Munich. His features were distorted twenty years ago by a clumsy dentist who was pulling one of his teeth.

Greed.

[Princeton Tiger.]

Mr. Stove—What became of Miss Ironpipe?

Mr. Desk—Haven't you heard? Why, the radiator!

Not Even That.

[Chicago Post.]

"I don't care to marry—at least, not yet," said the flirt.

"Why not?" asked the matron.

"Because as matters are now, I have the attentions of half a dozen men, while if I married I would have the attentions of only one."

"Huh!" exclaimed the matron, "you wouldn't have even that."

Prevention Is Better.

[Buffalo Commercial.]

In the good old days gone by, where a gardener was kept, it used to be the custom to keep a cask of lemonade at which the outdoor servants could help themselves. The gardener was noticed to very frequently go to this cask, and his mistress took the opportunity to speak to him on the subject.

"John, I think you get thirsty very often."

"No, mum, I don't."

"Well, John, I see you very frequently at the lemonade barrel."

"Yes, mum, that's what keps me from gettin' thirsty."

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ON 13 CHARGES OF BRIBERY

Judgment Reserved in Soo Election Trial—Political Notes.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Jan. 15. — At this morning's sitting of the election court judgment was reserved on thirteen charges of bribery.

Charge 40, that of treating at a committee meeting in the Morreault committee room in the west end, was dismissed, on the ground that while treating had been proven, it was not shown that the committee was so constituted as to bring it within the act.

At the annual meeting of the North Perth Conservative Association, held in Milverton on Thursday, a good deal was said on the question of a protest against John Brown, recently elected, and the matter was left in the hands of the executive.

H. J. Richardson, M. D., of Canmore, has definitely announced himself as a candidate for the vacancy in the Territorial Assembly, caused by the resignation of Hon. A. L. Sifton. He is a strong Haultain supporter.

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It is believed at Montreal that Col. Steele will succeed Baden-Powell as commander of the South Africa Constabulary.

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A small active volcanic crater has been discovered by prospectors in the Dome plateau region, near the Grand River, 20 miles north of Moab, Utah. It had been dormant for years.

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