

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1895.

AN APPEAL TO PREJUDICE.

Mr. Laurier has for the last two or three years been giving the Liberal party of the Dominion lessons in the art of political dodging...

"In short, the Conservative Government and the party which is keeping them in power to-day believe that even-handed justice must be done; that the compact of Confederation must be carried out..."

Can any honest and sensible man say that coercion is foreshadowed in this plain statement clothed in language studiously moderate? When it is remembered that the Constitution of Manitoba extends to the denunciations of the minority that considers itself aggrieved...

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DIVIDED LIBERALS.

We have seen that the proprietor of La Patrie takes exception to the political company which Mr. Laurier keeps. No man is in a better position to form a true estimate of the character of Mr. Laurier's Quebec lieutenants than Mr. Beauregard. He knows all about them, and he has the courage to tell the world what he thinks of them.

If the Liberal party puts forward Mr. McShane, we can only hope it will be beaten in that constituency. The Liberal party has far more dangerous men than Mr. McShane hanging to its skirts, and Mr. McShane is so openly bad, so innocently bad, so one might say, for he has never appeared to know the difference between right and wrong...

condone notorious wrong is a more palpable and brazen thing than to ignore evil that is suspected but not proved. If the Liberal party puts up as its best man one whom even Mr. Mercier could not stand, it will certainly deserve defeat at the hands of its own truest adherents.

It has been observed that the Witness is always ready to strain a point rather several points in favor of the Liberal party, though Jimmy McShane is more than it can stomach. But there is no indication that Mr. Laurier is troubled with any such squeamishness. He not only tolerates but takes to his bosom Mr. Tarte and others of the Mercier gang, and there is no whisper that he will refuse to accept "the People's Jimmy" if the Liberals of Montreal choose him to contest Montreal Centre.

OATMEAL.

The value of oatmeal as food for old and young, rich and poor, sick and well, has long been admitted. The virtue of porridge as a regular article of diet is attested by nearly everyone who has used it, and gruel from time immemorial has been prescribed for those who are ailing.

One advantage of oatmeal is that the love of it grows with the use of it. Those who do not care about oatmeal when they first taste it acquire a liking for it, and those who use it in their childhood and youth retain their partiality for it through the whole of their lives.

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SCATHING CRITICISM.

President Schurman, of Cornell University, addressing the Board of Trustees on Wednesday last, thus referred to football: "If the game cannot be redeemed from brutality and trickery, from mean insinuation and vulgar brava, from the crying but nameless evils of which as a vast public spectacle and commercial speculation it has been the occasion, it is certainly better that it should go and never return to plague us."

What President Schurman said about football in New York State applies with great force and pertinence to lacrosse in British Columbia. The sooner the players make up their minds to play like gentlemen and true sportsmen the better both for themselves and the interests of the game.

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and young men who have any regard for their reputations will give it a wide berth. This is a consummation greatly to be deprecated, for lacrosse is a noble game when it is properly played.

A SIGNAL DEFEAT.

The women of Massachusetts had a fine chance on the 5th of the present month to assert their right to have a voice in the government of the State. The matter of woman suffrage was referred to the whole electorate and to the women as well. All that was required of them was to register some time previous to election day.

ANNUAL ELECTIONS.

In a letter to the Toronto Telegram Goldwin Smith says: "These annual elections of municipal officers are, like some other things in our municipal system, a legacy from the middle ages, and are more suited to the primitive government of those times than to the scientific administration of a great city at the present day."

Ten Years for Arson.

MONTREAL, Nov. 22.—John Haynes, who on Saturday told the story of firing the premises of Boyd, Gillies & Co., in Montreal, has been sentenced by Judge Weyland to ten years in the penitentiary.

VICIOUS BOYS IN SCHOOL.

TO THE EDITOR:—I am sorry that the stimulus I used in my last letter are open to misapprehension. Similes are not arguments and are very vulnerable. When I likened vicious boys in schools to vicious men in drawing rooms the meaning I intended to convey was that so long as a vicious man or boy keeps the seamy side of his character hidden from innocent girls with whom he converses, the latter cannot be hurt by his conversation. The thoughts of his heart need not be bad, but so long as he does not reveal them in word or deed, so long, I repeat, as they are not apparent, they are not hurtful.

Again, with respect to the "customary white gloves," I think, with due deference, that the parallel drawn by me was fair. I say that, in the absence of proof to the contrary, we must assume innocence in the schools. Is it within the bounds of possibility that boys can speak or act rudely to girls without at least the mothers of the latter hearing of such things? And are all the mothers in the "conspiracy of silence"? Parents, I grant, would not willingly publish anything that would bring their little daughters' names into public discussion, but information given to the principal of a school would be imparted in confidence, which confidence would assuredly be respected. The fact remains that neither parents nor children make complaints, nor do the former remove their girls from the schools. Why?

Permit me to point out to the Bishop of Columbia that the onus of the proof against the schools lies on him. Formal charges will have to be made and proved. The public must know the extent of the evil—if evil there is. Let us by all means get at the truth, for which I can assure His Lordship I am striving as well as he. I have certainly no desire to see "wholesome white-washing."

But I can state with confidence what right thinking men and women in this community will not tolerate, and that is wholesale blackening. EDWARD B. PAUL, Principal of High School.

FRUIT-GROWERS.

WESTMINSTER, Nov. 23.—(Special)—The quarterly meeting of the Horticultural and Fruit Growers' Association took place yesterday at New Westminster. Most of the time of the meeting was taken up by informal discussion. The question of co-operation was thoroughly debated. It was thought an advantage had been gained, but disastrous results had followed the ridiculous competition of co-operative organizations in this province. The result of exhaustive comments led to the unanimous endorsement of the following suggestion: "That Messrs. T. Cunningham, G. W. Henry, E. Hutcheson, H. Kipp and R. W. Palmer be appointed a committee to draw up a tangible scheme for forming a co-operative society for the entire province and to report at the annual meeting on January 30 next."

Nearly 250 tons of fruit, valued at \$10,364, were shipped out of the Chilliwack valley alone during the past season. Next season the markets of the Northwest, Kootenay, Cariboo and Australia will be canvassed with selected fruit.

DIOCESE OF WESTMINSTER.

WESTMINSTER, Nov. 23.—(Special)—The Bishop of New Westminster has appointed an examining chaplain in the person of Rev. R. Small, M.A., of Lytton, B.C.

In his charge to the Synod, the Bishop strongly advised co-operation with other Christian bodies in the province with a view to immediate broad and unsectarian religious teaching into the public schools, which are now wholly secular. At the subsequent meeting of the Synod it was decided by resolution to establish a diocesan endowment fund for missionary work in the rural and mine districts of the province; to establish a clergy superannuation and widows and orphans fund, and to appoint a committee to meet other Christian bodies in conference, with a view to introducing religious teaching into the public schools.

The executive had submitted to it by the Synod a large amount of delegated work, including the taking of measures to liquidate a debt of \$5,100 due from the diocese to the representatives of the late Bishop Sifton. Bishop Dart created an excellent impression upon the laity and clergy assembled, displaying great ability, tact and general courtesy. The proposal to appoint a conductor Bishop has been abandoned for the present.

