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A SELFISH AND UNGRATEFUL POLICY.

The more closely it is examined the more selfish and ungrateful appears the imperial federation policy as unfolded by its advocates. We have enjoyed the advantages of the mother country's protection; her treasure and blood have been poured out in our defence; we have had the benefits of her imperial guarantee in financial matters, and we profess to be proud of being a member of the great empire on which the sun never sets. We boast of our loyalty; we are loyal to the very bottoms of our boots. So say the imp. federationists. Very well. We show our loyalty and our gratitude to the mother land by expressing a fervent wish for a closer alliance on condition that the mother country aforesaid will give us exceptional advantages over all foreign countries by taxing food supplies and by endorsing our loans, and that is not all. We will do all this only *with due regard to the policy adopted in 1879*, i.e., the National Policy! In other words we want England to make her food supplies dearer for our benefit and to take lower interest on our loans, and then we will go in for imp. fed. with "due regard for the N. P." The N. P. is sacred and must not be touched.

What will the people of England think of the loyalty and unselfishness of six millions of people who want "better terms" and a closer alliance on such grounds? The absurdity of the scheme is as plain as its sordid selfishness. The N. P. cannot stand in its present shape with imperial federation in force. The crudity and inconsistency of the plan must have occurred to Sir Chas. Tupper and led that veteran statesman to sit down heavily upon it. The few feverish notoriety-seekers who have been airing their eloquence and denouncing as disloyal traitors all who do not agree with them should have the decency to keep quiet and the common sense to formulate some more practical scheme before they venture out again.

What the country needs is careful, honest and economic government, lower taxes, and free market for the development of its resources. We can get all these if we have sufficient public spirit, patriotism and political independence, still remaining, as we are now, the Dominion of Canada. A little time will cure these notoriety-seekers of the annexation nightmare from which they now pretend to be suffering. As to the "assimilation" or "annexation" proposals of Congressman Butterworth, and other notoriety-seekers of the same stripe across the lines, they are unworthy of being seriously entertained for a moment. If it should be our lot to cast in our fortunes with our neighbors to the south it will be upon equal terms, and upon none other. But there is no reason why we should not work out our own destiny either as an independent country, closely united to the mother land, or as a member of an imperial federation based upon a generous sense of duty and bearing freely and manfully our share of the imperial burthens.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Still another. Mr. Guilbault, the tory M. P. for Joliette, has been unseated for bribery and corruption on a heavy scale. Next!

A sensation has been caused by Osman Digna's claim that the Mahdi has captured Stanley and Emin Bey. He offers to give them up if the English will abandon Suakim. Osman's story is not believed, but anxiety regarding Stanley and Emin Bey has been intensified.

The Warder's renewed attacks on the Roman Catholics in this community will strengthen the impression in other parts of the province that the Protestants and Roman Catholics here are living on very bad terms. The contrary is the fact; but lies will travel more rapidly than the truth. The serious character of the disadvantage to Lindsay's fair fame resulting from the Warder's brutal course is being generally admitted....We can afford to treat with indifference and contempt the Warder's base and baseless attempts to make out that the editor of THE POST is a Roman Catholic. We hope to have the regard of our Roman Catholic neighbors, as well as those of all other denominations; but if it is a matter of any consequence it may be stated that the editor of THE POST is a Protestant—a member of the Church of England.

It was worth "the price of admission' at the council meeting Monday night to hear and see Dr. McAlpine try to get around the charges he had recklessly made against Reeve H. Walters, and which were fully refuted in Mr. Walters' letter printed in THE POST last week. The reeve challenged the doctor to take the matters to the county judge, and Dr. McAlpine made a singular exhibition in withdrawing the charges and endeavoring to spread the blame all over the council. Mr. H. Walters is fully vindicated; but we regret that Dr. McAlpine thought it proper in the course of his remarks to run down the Sylvester works as of no benefit to Lindsay, and to sneer at its energetic proprietors. In so doing Dr. McAlpine was highly unpatriotic, and if he were to be judged by some standards he would be tried for high treason—to Lindsay. The Sylvester Works have, of course, been a great benefit to the town, and everybody is gratified at the remarkable growth and prosperity of the concern. ....An odd feature of the situation is that the Watchman is unwittingly made the vehicle for the charges manufactured by the McAlpine coterie, which is led by that astute wire-puller, Capt. Crandell, and which has a fat little "Jumping Jack" as an accompanist on the Watchman organ. It is amusing, and explains a great deal that otherwise might be serious and formidable. It is not every ward politician that can control two local papers.

THE LINDSAY COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

We understand that word has been received from the minister of education raising our high school to the dignity and rank of a collegiate institute. Not only will our school take rank as a collegiate institute but it will occupy a foremost place, if not the first place, among the institutes of the province. Thanks to the energy and push of the present board of education we shall have completed and equipped, ready for the opening in January, 1889, the finest and most complete building in the province. In a future issue we shall give an extended notice of the building, and in the present issue shall confine ourselves to the main features. The first is the system of heating and ventilation adopted. One of the great drawbacks in many of the schools of the province, in fact in all except a few of those erected within the last two years, is the utter impossibility of having the school rooms perfectly heated, free from draughts, and every part of the room of an even temperature. Bad as has been the system of heating in many of the schools the system of ventilation has been even worse and every person knows the evil effects that breathing vitiated air has upon any one, and in the case of students these bad effects are intensified, and they become drowsy and stupid, and in no condition to do anything like the amount of work they could do in a perfectly ventilated room. The Smead-Dowd system that has been adopted in our new school is absolutely perfect. The air in every room of the building is completely changed every fifteen minutes. The vitiated air is drawn off and escapes from the building through an immense exhaust shaft, and pure warm air takes its place. This will take place all the time, day and night, so that the rooms and halls at all times will be comfortably heated with pure air. The lighting of the building is also as nearly perfect as it can be made. The latest regulations of the sanitary association have been followed in the construction and placing of the windows. The building is to be seated by Stalchmidt of Preston. Stalchemidt is the manufacturer of the most improved school desks and office furniture, so much so that he carries on a large business in the United States and in Great Britain in his line of goods. He will place in the school the very best single desk that he manufactures. Possibly the department which is now beginning to attract more attention than any other and to demand particularly good equipment, is the department of science. The minister of education has by recent regulations made it compulsory that candidates for first and second class work must do practical work in science. A room has been specially constructed and equipped. Tables, such as are in use in the best schools in Germany, were designed by Dr. Laird. These are so complete in every particular, containing gas pipes, water pipes and waste pipes, that Mr. W. H. Stevens, late of Collingwood, who has had several years experience in practical work, could suggest no improvement. This room is completely furnished with chemicals and apparatus. A special apparatus room has been constructed convenient to the third-class rooms. This room is fitted with cases, so that the apparatus will always be free from dust and in good working order. Those who visit the building will be surprised to find in it the largest hall and stage in the town. This hall will be seated for about six hundred persons and will be lighted by gas. It will be used by the literary society of the school for their public and private meetings. The board has made arrangements to erect their own gas-house and to manufacture gas on the premises. This will give the students every facility for doing practical work in chemistry, and will allow of the building being lighted at any time with gas. There are many other features of the building of an important kind, such as waiting rooms, wash rooms, hat and coat rooms, reception rooms and others to which we shall refer more at length when we give a full description of the building.

The board having resolved that it was in the interest of the town to have a school building such as they have built, were forced to consider the question of the staff to man the institution, and after due deliberation they decided that they would have the very best staff for their school of any in the province. Mr. Harstone, a first-class graduate of Toronto University, will be principal of the new collegiate. Mr. Harstone has had very great success in school work; he has been in the teaching profession eleven years. For four and a years he was head-master of the Seaforth high school, and for the past two years headmaster of our high school. He has had great success in the preparation of students for the different classes of certificates, and for university work in his own department of mathematics, and we can give no better proof of his ability as a head master than to state that in less than four years the high school of Seaforth had more than doubled, and before he left Seaforth every arrangement was completed for the conversion of the Seaforth high school into a collegiate institute. This was done shortly after he came here. Since coming to Lindsay two school years ago the school here has so increased and improved that it will open out in January as a collegiate institute.

Mr. W. S. Milner, a first-class honor man of Toronto university, has charge of the classics of the school. He has had several years very successful experience in the preparation of students for matriculation in pass and honors classics and for second and third class certificates in Latin. He has been for years and is now one of examiners in classics of Toronto university. He is ranked by the department as occupying the first rank as a teacher of classics.

Mr. H. Stevens, a first-class honor graduate in science of McGill university, will take the science work in the new institute. Mr. Stevens comes to Lindsay from Collingwood. For the past six years he has been connected with the Collingwood collegiate institute. Mr. Stevens' work there in the preparation of candidates for third-class, second-class and first-class certificates in the department has been wonderfully successful. Not a single candidate during that time has been plucked through failure in the department of science. No better teacher of this department is to be found in the professian. Having better equipment and a better fitted and more convenient room than he has had before, we predict that the success that has attended him in the past will be even greater for the future.

Mr. E. A. Hardy, a first-class honor graduate of Toronto university, will have change of the department of English. Mr. Hardy has had only a short experience but he comes recommended in the highest terms by the teachers with whom he has taught, and specially recommended by the professors of English of the Toronto university.

Mr. John Head, third year honor undergraduate of Queen's, has charge of the French, German, etc. Mr. Head is a teacher of many years experience and has always ranked very high at the education department. He has done successful work in the department of modern languages.

Miss Marty, honor undergraduate of Toronto, will take third-class and junior work. Miss Marty has done excellent work in the schools in which she has taught. She is spoken of in the highest terms by the inspectors of high schools, and no testimonials could possibly be stronger than hers.

We think enough has been stated in this article to convince the reader that we have the very best building, equipment and staff of any high school or collegiate institute of the province, and we can confidently appeal to parents in the district to send their sons and daughters into Lindsay for certificate and university work. There is now no longer any reason why the residents of Victoria, who through the county council help to keep up the Lindsay school, should send their children to outside schools and so receive no benefit from the school for which they are taxed. All the changes that have been made give them a school within their county better than any school outside of it. We have now no doubt of the future of our school. We learn that numerous applications for admission have been made and that the school will open out with a very large attendance in January.

VICTORIA COUNTY COURT.

[Before His Honor Judge Dean.]

Subjoined is a synopsis of the cases tried in the county court held last week before his honor Judge Dean. Mr. A. P. Devlin, county attorney, conducted the crown business.

CIVIL CASES.

Grace v. Robert Sylvester.—In this action the matter in dispute was whether the rent of a house was $120 or $100 a year. The plaintiff claimed the larger sum and the defendant had paid the lesser. Judgment was given in favor of defendant's contention that the rental was only $100 a year. N. MacMurchy for plaintiff; Hugh O'Leary for defendant.

McIlhargey v. McGinness.—Action to recover arrears of rent and damages for breach of covenant to clear twenty-five acres. The jury found a verdict for the defendants. H. B. Dean for plaintiff; G. H. Hopkins for defendant.

CRIMINAL CASES.

Queen v. Callaghan.—True bill of larceny of a horse from sheriff's officer, D. McArthur. Prisoner being called and not appearing a bench warrant was issued for his arrest.

Queen v. O'Gorman.—Charge of assault. True bill returned. Defendant not having appeared a bench warrant was issued for his arrest.

Queen v. Goheen.—A charge of bigamy. True bill proved, but crown being unable to procure sufficient evidence, which will be forthcoming, case was adjourned to next court.

Queen v. Cameron.—Illicit connection. Court ordered estreat of bail taken before P. M. Deacon. Estreat of bonds duly executed.

GRAND JURY PRESENTMENT.

May it please your honor:

The grand jurers of our sovereign lady the queen assembled at the general sessions of the peace for the county of Victoria beg to present:

That it is cause for sincere congratulation and indicates the existence of an advanced state of morals in the county that so few cases and those of comparatively slight importance have been brought before them for consideration.

They have visited the county gaol and have the usual report to make respecting the building and premises. Everything in connection with the establishment is in excellent order.

There are eight persons confined in the gaol, five males and three females. Of the males one is undergoing sentence for larceny, one is awaiting trial for bigamy, two are insane and one is a vagrant. The women have been committed for various terms as vagrants.

All of which is humbly submitted.

SAMUEL REAZIN, foreman.

Grand jury room.
Lindsay, Dec. 13, 1888.

CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 149 Power Block, Rochester, N. Y.—26 25-eow.

CREDIT SALES.

THURSDAY, Dec. 27th.—By Elias Bowes, auctioneer, the household furniture of Mrs. Armitage of Oakwood at her residence. Sale at 1 p.m.

SATURDAY, Dec. 22nd.—By Geo. McHugh, auctioneer, at the Benson house, Lindsay, lot 7 in the 6th con. of Ops, also n. hf. 17 in the 10th, and s. hf. 17 in the 11th of Emily. See advt. elsewhere.

SATURDAY, Dec. 29th.—By Geo McHugh, auctioneer, at Brunker's hotel, Oakwood, w. hf. 10 in the 11th of Mariposa. Sale at one p. m. See advt.

Britton Brothers.

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Lindsay, Dec. 11, 1888.—27.

New Advertisements.

MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

SECOND DEPUTY REEVE.

To the Electors of the Town of Lindsay:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—I beg to offer myself as a candidate for the office of Second Deputy Reeve for 1889. If elected I will pledge myself to do my best to keep down taxes and to further the interests of the Town.—Yours truly,

A. D. MALLON.

Lindsay, Dec. 18, 1888—28-3.

THE MAYORALTY.

To the Electors of the Municipality of Lindsay.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—At the request of a large number of my fellow ratepayers, I have consented to be a candidate for the office of Mayor for the year 1889, and solicit your confidence and support.

R. SMYTH.

Lindsay, Dec. 6th, 1888.—26-5.

THE MAYORALTY OF LINDSAY.

REQUISITION

—TO—

THOS. WALTERS, ESQ., MAYOR:

DEAR SIR,—We the undersigned duly qualified electors in and for the town of Lindsay feeling satisfied with the course you have pursued during the past two years and knowing that certain subjects, as drainage, etc., the matters with which you have made yourself thoroughly conversant, will be more intelligently determined by you, beg to request that you will allow yourself to be nominated for the office of Mayor for 1889, and we pledge ourselves to give you our support and influence.

Adam Rudspeth	Geo A Milne
J. Deacon	Henry Miller
Thos McConnell	A P Devlin
E Benson	Fred Taylor
H Holtorf	W Mulvany
N A MacMurchy	D Ray
H B Dean	T B Dean
F D Moore	John Pyne
J S Stewart	J H Sootheran
R J Matchett	J H Mark
John Dobson	Robt Kennedy
E Veitch	Peter Bennett
J G Edwards	H Hartley
J T Petty	R H Bell
W H Howe	W McNeil
Wm Howe	Geo Luxton
Wm Stewart	Thos O'Neill
E E W McGaffey	Alf O'Neill
Geo W Mills	John O'Neill
Jos Killaby	Geo W Rose
R Ganill	Thos Menzies
Daniel O'Keefe	John Mercer
Allan McDonell	Ancil Mills
Patrick Penrose	T A Middleton
M Hargrove	E Bunting
John Goheen	P Palmer Burrows
Wm Morrison	Jos Brown
Alex Ross	John Rogers
Patrick Burns	Thos Higgs
S Griffin	J W Wallace
C Broad	G A Metherell
M Carrolan	C L Baker
John Dovey	W J Gallon
David Campbell	A Macgachen
B Cook	W A Goodwin
J Makins	P J Hurley
A Wright	John Parker
David King	
A. Campbell	

Thos. Stewart

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE TOWN OF LINDSAY.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—In compliance with the above requisition and at the personal solicitation of many others I now offer myself as a candidate for the office of Mayor for the year 1889 and solicit your votes and influence for re-election. I thank you for the confidence placed in me in the past, and trusting that my course in connection with town affairs has been such as will meet your approval. I remain your obedient servant,

THOS WALTERS.

Lindsay, Dec. 12, 1888.—27 4.

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Lindsay, Dec. 12, 1888.—27.

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S. S. RITCHE.

Lindsay, Dec. 20, 1888.—28.