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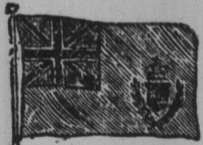
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A PITIABLE EXHIBITION.

The attempt of Lindsay town council to shirk their duty and responsibility to the people in referring the appointment and control of police matters to a commission stamps that body as entirely wanting in a proper understanding of the principles of responsible government. It marks them as utterly unfit for their positions.

When they were button-holing the electors on this or that petty job during the last week in December they were brave enough then, at least in private they professed bravery on public questions. Now that they are in office they display, or at least some of them display, their contemptible want of backbone and independent intelligent spirit by seeking to delegate their duties to an irresponsible commission.

When Lindsay wishes to have its affairs managed by a commission the people will so express themselves through the ballot box. Meantime, the council has no authority to divest itself of its functions. Any councillor feigning to do his duty has a simple remedy; he can tender his resignation.

ERASTUS WIMAN ARRESTED FOR FORGERY.

The whole country was startled on Thursday last by the announcement that Erastus Wiman of New York was a prisoner in the cells for forging names for several thousands of dollars. The details are not all published, but on Sunday Mr. Wiman was released on bail.

As our readers know Mr. Wiman has for years been flying all kinds of kites. He aimed high, made a great success for many years, but like thousands of others over-reached and collapsed. One of his latest fads was the annexation of Canada to the United States, and the centralizing in New York City of the traffic of the continent. He also dabbled in railways, land speculations, telegraph and other stocks, besides for many years being intimately associated with the Mercantile Agency of Dun, Wiman & Co.

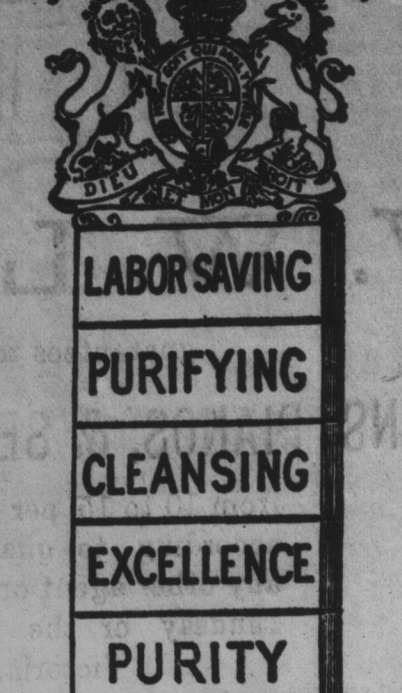
THE WARDER was approached at the outset of the commercial union or annexation movement in 1887 to support it. Mr. Wiman had long been a personal friend, but our reply was decided. Time proves the correctness of our course. In answer to one of Mr. Wiman's letters after pointing out the fallacies of his scheme of commercial union or annexation, our own plans were set forth, to be the gradual amalgamation on satisfactory basis of Great Britain and her colonies first; and afterwards all with the United States. Mr. Wiman's answer is public, and is still in our possession. He said that the scheme outlined by the editor of this journal was "impossible" on account of the dislike of Great Britain by the Irish Roman Catholics of the United States; the only feasible plan being to amalgamate the continent in trade relations.

The great losses Mr. Wiman sustained in supplying funds for the reform party in Canada are said to be the chief causes of his failure. Will those leaders of the reform cause who received his money now put their hands in their pockets and help that gentleman? They will not, that is certain.

Personally we are very sorry for Mr. Wiman. It cannot be believed by us at all events that he committed deliberate forgery. There are often business transactions among stock gamblers and others that technically may be strained that are nevertheless recognized as all right among themselves. Through our stern opposition has for years been given to Mr. Wiman

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and his schemes regarding Canada, yet he has our sincere and heartfelt sympathy. Until he is proven guilty we shall deem our old friend, innocent of the serious crime laid at his door. Again THE WARDER expresses its sympathy for an old personal friend now in distress, let us hope it be not in crime.

A NEWSPAPER COMBINATION.

The Ontario press have formed a combination for the defence of journals in libel suits; and none too soon, for there has long been necessity for such a step. As the public now know, THE WARDER has suffered as much as, if not more than any journal in Canada from an array of scoundrels who were unable to cope with us in any other way than financially. Those persons having become controllers of position and money through swindling, forging and other improper means, again and again sought to harass us with libel suits, not half of which did they mean to come to issue. They would put some creature up to enter the suit, back him up with their ill gotten money until considerable costs were incurred and then drop the case. Others they forced on to court, and between bribed and influenced juries and prejudiced judges—all part of a system in this country—led us with debt.

It is small comfort to know that the designers of those plots are now either criminals, fugitives from justice, or are so discredited here as to be without influence.

Others besides THE WARDER suffered severely. The following excellent article from the Montreal Gazette presents the various aspects of the case.

The Ontario press has formed an association for the purpose of fighting libel suits. Practically, this step has been forced on the newspapers by the growing frequency with which they are assailed in the courts. This is not because the Ontario press is more reckless or sensational than that of the neighboring communities. Indeed, it is doubtful taking it as a whole, it is not much better. But no practical amount of care, especially on a daily newspaper, serves to prevent, now and again, the appearance of paragraphs which may be the basis of annoying and costly actions. The likelihood of such action being taken increases also in proportion to the worthlessness of the character assailed. A man of good repute, when a newspaper makes a mistake to his injury, as a rule accepts the explanation the publisher is anxious to render. And in these days there are in reputable journals few wits who attacks make on a man in his private capacity. But when some one who cannot lose either in goods or reputation by the public washing of his linen which a libel suit implies, thinks he sees in some reference to his person or character an opportunity for getting even with those who may have done a public service in holding him up in his proper light, the case is different. He has nothing to lose and may even gain something. He has never, either, any difficulty in getting counsel. It has been alleged, even that some lawyers make a practice of watching newspapers for any grounds of action they may discover and communicating them to the supposed to be injured individual. There are, on the other hand, it is equally true, members of the legal profession, known to every newspaper publisher, who to their own financial disadvantage often give advice with the very opposite intent. It is the former class the newspapers suffer from. The late Mr. George Childs of the Philadelphia Ledger; one of the most careful and reliable papers in America had a known aversion to appearing in court, which became practically a source of revenue to libel suit lawyers. It is these and their clients the Ontario papers propose to combine against. In their action they are proceeding on the lines followed in many large American cities, where publishers have been forced into a kind of mutual assurance association. The Ontario experiment is new to Canada, however, and its results will be interesting, for Ontario is not the only province where speculative libel suits are brought.

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JUST AS THE GOATS DID IN CANADA.

The Adams Freeman says:—The democratic house of representatives has denounced the Democratic party a freem and its platform a lie by passing a tariff for deficits only. The grip party in Canada once did the same thing. The people have never had confidence in them since.

NO REFERENCE TO "THE GLORIOUS TWELFTH."

A dispatch from Berlin, Germany, says:—

White horses are to be barred from military service in Germany. The Emperor has ordered that no more be purchased for the army, and those now in use are to be sold. He thinks that in a war white horses would be especially conspicuous because of the use of smokeless powder, and would afford an easy mark for the enemy.

The reason is obvious. Smokeless powder permits opponents being readily seen, and a white horse is naturally more readily noticed at a distance.

The "grey" will still come in good for the 12th July, ay and for military service also.

NO PLEURO-PNEUMONIA IN CANADA.

It has repeatedly been charged that the contentment of the Gladstone government that pleuro-pneumonia exists and has been found among Canadian cattle is advanced in order to placate the "home rule" voters in Ireland. The logic is as follows: Unlike the Scotch and English farmers, who gladly buy all the Canadian stockers possible and feed them for butchers, the Irish go on in the "hand to mouth" fashion of a thousand years ago, and raise and sell cattle in small lots. By shutting out Canadian cattle a dual object is accomplished by those seeking to dismember the British Empire; 1st, an impetus is given to the "scrub" cattle business of Ireland, and 2nd, dissatisfaction is created in Canada.

The Canadian government have done everything possible to convince the Gladstone cabinet that pleuro-pneumonia does not, and has not existed in Canada. Recently, decisive action was taken, and it was plainly intimated by the Canadian government to Mr. Gladstone's that if they had any evidence of the existence of pleuro-pneumonia it should be forthcoming. The public may rest assured that no stone will be left unturned to have the schedule against Canadian stockers removed in Great Britain.

THE WATER WORKS.

The purchase or non purchase of the water works, is the question of the day in municipal affairs, it even overshadows the question of appointing two constables which some of those who have a seat at the council board find too much for them to perform, but prefer to delegate the powers entrusted to them to commissioners. Why not refer the matter of the purchase to a commission also and let the whole matter be threshed out from the beginning.

The question of the purchase is a serious matter to consider, there is such a wide divergence in the figures as to the cost, as estimated by the advocates of purchase or no purchase.

Another matter that requires serious attention is that the pressure guaranteed to be furnished has never yet been done, not even when the test was made before the corporation accepted the works. Another matter is the purity of the water which the following extract from the report of the chairman of the provincial board of health as appears in the Empire of February 16th, is worthy of consideration.

"Important reports showed that the water of Waterloo Creek, Ottawa, Walkerton, Lindsay, Chatham and Watford were polluted."

We leave the matter with the intelligent ratepayers, if they consider the works, notwithstanding the foregoing statements, worth the money asked for them no matter what the cost was, then purchase, if not let the bondholders fulfil the terms of the agreement made by the company with the town.

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Laurier at Quebec.

I have before me a supplement containing a speech by the leader of the (1) liberal party under the above caption, in very large type, then "A brilliant speech," etc. Then in prominent characters "Protection and disunion."

Now it seems to me that if the latter sentence had read "Protection versus disunion" it would have been very appropriate. For if the policy of the one party is to protect the other, that of the other may with equal propriety be styled "disunion." Much of the speech in question contains an opposite tone. As far as the speech is concerned (shall I say) sub-heading "Brilliant speech" conveys but a poor idea of it, it is a grand speech full of noble sentiment, and to a man in his teens might convey the idea that the party of which the speaker is the leader had done a great deal for the upbuilding and consolidating of this Dominion. Mr. Laurier shows very conclusively that his party were the means of laying the foundation of this country, that from them emanated all the patriotic sentiments, and all the logic that was calculated to ally the fears of the timid as to the wisdom of the union of the British provinces forming this Dominion. And proves it by quoting Sir G. E. Cartier, a conservative leader! Why not quote some of the leaders of his own party? Why not, indeed? For the simple reason that he could only quote expressions of distrust; of the cry of "French domination" on the one hand and of English tyranny on the other. With how much greater relish one could read the noble sentiments following this quotation, (sentiments of which any man should be proud) if we could forget that the speaker was the same man who wrought himself and his compatriots into such a frenzy over the execution of the rebel Riel. Not because he was innocent of any crime. Not because he did not richly deserve the punishment he had brought upon himself. But because he had a few drops of French blood in his veins. Mr. Laurier's arguments respecting the policy of protection and (What is the grip policy just now?) are about the stock arguments of his party though clothed in more elegant language than most of them can boast. But when he draws so prominently a picture of what would be the condition of Quebec under free trade with the United States; he draws on a very fertile imagination.

Dull as the good old city of Quebec may be now what would it have been had the much needed reciprocity treaty remained in force till the present time. If there was a great deal of activity there while the bosom of the St. Lawrence was covered with rafts of timber what else was sent by that route? Was not New York the point from which the greater part of the export from any part of Canada west of Kingston found its exit? And if Canada does not now occupy the proud position it should do in point of number of population, what would have been her position under the guidance of his political friends? Did they not oppose with all their force the admission of Ontario into the Dominion? Did they not fight the Canada Pacific Railway inch by inch, especially that part between Manitoba and Ontario and through Ontario; making haste to build the branch from Winnipeg to the international boundary, with the hope of diverting the trade of the western prairies from Manitoba and the North West through the States. And would not the carrying out of their policy now result in a decrease of the shipping from not only Quebec but all Canadian ports?

Mr. Laurier's remarks respecting his church were lead on to the opinion that he does not credit his hearers or the readers of his speech with any very great familiarity with history. Perhaps he imagines since Mr. Mowat and Bishop Lynch banished certain objectionable history from the schools in Ontario that it has been forgotten. While we in Canada have not much fear of papal oppression, believing as we do that the good sense of the majority of the roman Catholics themselves would rebel should the church attempt to grind them as she did when in the zenith of her power. Yet when any man attempts to prove that the pope or the church does not claim temporal as well as spiritual control not only of subjects of kings but of kings as well he must re-write the history of the past seven or eight hundred years.

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