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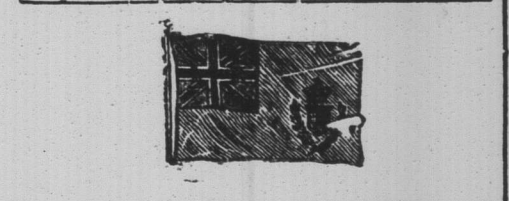
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The Victoria Order. FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 1897.



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"NO COERCION" "HANDS OFF MANITOBA." Such were the watch words among protestants from the grit orators last election.

Let us examine the proposed settlement and see about COERCION. Under the proposed Greenway law wherever there are twenty-five Roman Catholic children no matter how many Protestant reprobates there may be, no matter whether or not Protestants own nine tenths of the section and pay ninety per cent. of the taxes, they must, they shall employ a Roman Catholic teacher.

Is that not COERCION of the very worst type? Take a typical school section of say sixty families of whom forty-five are Protestant and fifteen are Roman Catholic. The Protestants own ninety per cent. of the property and pay ninety per cent. of the taxes. The fifteen Roman Catholic families have say thirty children of school age, while the Protestants, being notably less prolific, have say twenty-three. The trustees under the Greenway proposed law must engage a Roman Catholic teacher so that the spiritual welfare of the Roman Catholic youth may be looked after. But, of the salary say \$400, Protestants must pay \$360, while the Roman Catholics pay only \$40.

If that is not coercing Protestants, kindly say what it is! Again Roman Catholics are "coerced", if one considers the judgment of the privy council as entitling them to consideration in that no rights are guaranteed them as lasting. That part meets with our approval; but yet it is not what Laurier and his followers pledged them in return for their support. But that is another matter, not ours, so we will not complain. The talk of "no coercion" however is

the veriest nonsense. If Manitoba Protestants submit to the Greenway law they are more slavish and spineless than ever one dreamed them.

IMPROVE GARDENS AND ORCHARDS. Driving through the country one frequently sees beautiful residences and others very good standing in a field, with no garden, no orchard, no front and back yards fenced off, no trees or flowers or shrubs; but with hogs and cattle, ducks and geese, hens and turkeys, squabbles, bellowing, and squabbling around the door steps.

THE CONSERVATIVE PARTY AND MANITOBA SCHOOLS. The reform press are vainly seeking to fasten on the conservative party the policy of coercion re Manitoba Roman Catholic schools. Their efforts are futile, are vain. The people realize the exact position of affairs.

Conservative leaders honestly sought, after Greenway had repeatedly refused to consider even the slightest modification of his law, to give effect by the only course open to them to the judgment of the court in the British Empire. The conservative leaders or the conservative party have never either directly or indirectly been advocates of separate schools per se. They have advocated the carrying out of the judgment of the judicial committee of the Imperial privy council, but they differed materially among themselves as to the degree or distance to go in carrying it out.

That is and has been the stand of the conservative party. The reform party policy has been one cry for Protestants and another for Roman Catholics. To the Roman Catholic they said:—"The tory bill is no good. Put us in power and we will give you a stronger bill"; while to the Protestant they cried, "No separate schools, no coercion".

Now, that the smoke of battle has cleared away the people can judge of the honesty of purpose of the two great parties. Of the despicable, treacherous, spiteful course pursued by D'Alton McCarthy and a few of similarly disappointed characters nothing need be said. Only the political parties are under consideration and five men are not a party.

Because the conservative leaders in exposing the hypocrisy of the grits on the trade, school and other public questions, have explained the fraud of the reform party, the latter pretend that the tory leaders still maintain that Greenway and his co-conspirators should not be permitted to settle the question themselves. The public can rest assured the matter is now at an end so far as the conservative party at Ottawa is concerned; and also so far as the Roman Catholic church is concerned.

Critical readers of history never heed the language of the Roman Catholic hierarchy unless their actions correspond. In this case as a prominent reform leader recently pointed out, the bishops are in a peculiar position. They are well satisfied with the Greenway settlement. To openly endorse Mr. Laurier's case as with many honorable exceptions they did solemnly last June, would be to brand the church leaders for all time as unreliable. To now admit themselves satisfied with the Greenway sale would also be very injudicious on the part of the bishops for these among other reasons:—

- (1) Acceptance of the settlement without protest by the bishops would stamp them as treasonable to those to whom they professed friendship and support last June.
(2) It would be an admission that separate schools are not essential to the well-being of the Roman Catholic people.
(3) It would recognize that the state and not the church should control the education of the youth.
(4) It would be a precedent for the abolition of separate schools in other provinces.
(5) It would form a precedent against the granting of separate schools when the territories became provinces.
(6) It would close the door of the Manitoba legislature for future concessions and amendments already promised.
(7) It would deprive them of a "grivance", a splendid thing to have when one seeks favors.

However no one has a right to condemn the Roman Catholic bishops and people for getting all they can from Greenway; but they cannot be commended for professing displeasure and voting pleasure; for declining openly against Laurier and Greenway when in reality their votes and their actions prove them secretly working the other way. The Roman Catholic bishops are shrewd clever politicians; but in the present case their plans are too specious. Mark you, gentle reader, we do not condemn them. The green, gaping mouthed tory leaders who put their necks in the noose without having any means of saving themselves; and the wily, tricky grit leaders of Ottawa and Winnipeg are the ones to be condemned. When the bishops look for sympathy and even the upholding of the constitution in their interests for the future, the electors will demand some tangible proof of their sincerity and their steadfastness.

The giving of Christmas presents of late years bears a close resemblance to the speculation plan. Buy a present for a friend and see what you will get in return. The old idea of a Santa Claus, where a good Samaritan unknown to the recipient bestows his generous gifts is fast dying out.

THE NEW TOWN PARK. The defunct town council proposed purchasing a couple of lots adjacent to the town property opposite Sylvester Bros. establishment, purposing converting the whole bog into a park.

While parks are desirable, yet the location selected is not good. A dirty open ditch runs through the middle of the lot, water closets are ranged along one side, and the place is a swamp. True, the expenditure of money will do almost anything; but the question councillors should consider is the plan to obtain best results from a certain outlay. In this case it is more than doubtful whether or not best results would be obtained.

However, the deal has collapsed. It has been suggested that in case the purchase had been carried through as proposed in order to make the place perfect, a tunnel and also a beautiful high arch bridge should connect the Queen's square with the new park, under and over the railway respectively. It has been further suggested that a band stand should be on the bridge.

EDITORIAL NOTES. 1896—beg pardon—1897. Think twice before you vote once. They say there is luck in odd numbers. Let us hope so—1897!

Welcome to 1897. How the years roll by. Making note of candidates' promises may come in handy a year from now. It is more blessed to give than to receive is a good motto for these festive times.

The big politicians are lost to the public eye these days and the municipal candidates have their innings. To all our readers at home and abroad a happy New Year, and may it be more prosperous than the last.

And now we will all make good New Year's resolutions and just as faithfully break them again. 1896 was full of wars and rumors of war. The war cloud never lifted off one country than it settled on another.

And now it is quite in order for those addresses, speeches etc., which begin with, "Another year has rolled by with all its troubles and cares, joys and sorrows etc., etc.

1897 will have some difficult problems to tackle at the very outset of its career, the Armenian and Cuban not being among the least. This country will have its own troubles also.

A report from Owensboro, Kentucky, reports the sixth lynching in that State in six days. They have their own ideas in the South as to how Christmas holidays should be celebrated.

Y.M.C.A. Notes. The board of directors met Wednesday evening and important association business was discussed. The Bible training class, met the same night at 6 p.m.

Rev. H. R. O'Malley addressed the Sunday afternoon meeting in the Y. M. C. A. hall, and was much appreciated by all who heard him. New Year's day, a big reception will be given to the young men of the town by the ladies' auxiliary. The rooms will be decorated and interesting games provided. Refreshments will be served from 3 until 7 p.m. All the members of the association will wish to attend, and are privileged to invite as many of their young friends as they desire.

Salvation Army Notes. Adj. Hay, the junior soldiers secretary, was at the barracks last Sunday. The adj. brought before a special meeting of the members of the church of the soldiers, and all seemed enthusiastic over it; at night there were a number of conversions. There will be special meetings at the barracks on New Year's eve and night. On New Year's eve, Adj. Andrew will deliver a lecture entitled "Him We Wait" or "New Year's eve in Scotland. New Year's night there will be a special musical demonstration. Adj. Miller and a load of salvation soldiers will be in from the Falls to take part. All are invited.

Public School Promotions. Miss Workman's Class.—Gertie Lee, Frank Carow, Mary Bonnell, Heloise Workman, Harold McAuley, Ambrose Mark, Louis Wright.

JR. SD. SR. SECOND. Miss Lumsden's Class.—Mabel Bryant, Annie Bell, Richard Gray, Alice McKellie, Leo McAlister, Cora Fisher, Miss Ferra, Arthur Bennett, J. Vassant, Phillis Walker.

Miss Campbell's Class.—Elsie Burke, Eddie Stanton, Eddie Pascoe, Charles Whitworth, W. Wilkinson, Cora Johnson, Vivian Laidlaw, Meira Young, Louisa MacMahon, Gertie Heale.

SENIOR SECOND TO JR. SD. Miss Fry's Class.—Elton Allan, M. Acheson, Ruth Barr, Violet Curlew, Willie Crandell, E. Forgie, Bert Hopkins, Leonard King, B. Moseley, Katie Milne, Birdie McLean, Florence Stephenson, Alvin Stewart, Almonte Routley, Wesley Thurston.

Miss Graham's Class.—Frances Adams, B. Deyell, M. Humphreys, John Jackson, Eddie Kennedy, Percy Menzies, Geo. McDonald, Frank Paton, Harry Somers, Violet Siddie, Clarence Thompson, Kathleen Watson, H. Yarnold.

The Ops council nominees had their annual speech making on Monday. As usual there was an interesting time in the township hall. Votes for Robt. Bryans for county councillor for district No. 2. He is an old county councillor with a large experience in municipal matters.

Vote for Trenchburn for county councillor, who has had a seat in the council last year and is not a new hand, who is lavish in promises as to what he will do. T. A. Middleton & Son, insurance agents, have placed on our table two handsome calendars, one issued by the Great Western Mutual life insurance company, and the other by the Ontario Mutual life insurance company, for both of which first-class companies they are agents.

Mr. John Somers of Bowmanville has been visiting his daughter Mrs. O. J. Hughan. Miss Lella A. Logan niece of Mr. W. W. Logan is visiting her cousin Miss Hilda Logan Bowmanville.

While lifting one of the forms in the computing room Mr. Arthur Moyes of THE WARDER was as unfortunate as to badly crush his thumb. The accident will compel him to knock off a few days. The new store which will be known as the oak front, erected on Kent Street this fall by Mr. John Fleury, will open next week. The building is tastefully finished, hardwood floor, plate glass windows, and the outside woodwork being oak, hence the name "oak front." As already stated it will be opened for business next week.

Mr. Thos. Brodie, manager of the Ontario bank branch here, was called to Bowmanville this week, owing to the death of his sister Mrs. Thos. Fitzgerald. Four rinks of the Granite curling club, Toronto, were expected in town on Wednesday for a game with our local curlers. Owing to the soft weather however they did not come. This is the third or fourth time this game has been postponed.

Mr. Morley, operator, is the guest of his mother, Uxbridge. Miss Electa Whitney of Port Perry, is visiting in town. Mr. Duncan Graham, who opposed Major McGillivray in North Ontario at the last Dominion election, is again a candidate in that constituency, and has issued his address to the electors.

Mr. Fred Pethick, formerly of Lindsay, but now of Toronto, is visiting his uncle, Mr. Wren Worsley in town. "Fred" is always a welcome visitor to his many friends. The many friends of Councillor Thurston will deeply sympathize with him in the affliction he has been called upon to bear in the death of his daughter Victoria. Miss Thurston was a young girl 17 years of age, held in high esteem by all her acquaintances and a noble, truehearted girl.

Collegiate Institute Notes. The collegiate institute will reopen on Monday next, Jan. 4th, at nine o'clock. Pupils are requested to be on time as the regular work will be commenced. New students should be in early so as not to interfere with the regular work of the classes.

A Message to Men. PROVING THAT TRUE HONESTY AND TRUE PHILANTHROPY WILL REST. If any man, who is weak, nervous and debilitated, or who is suffering from any of the various troubles resulting from youthful folly, or from overwork, or from overeating, or from nervous debility, loss of vigor and organic weakness. I have nothing to sell and therefore want no money, but as I have my own experience how to sympathize with such sufferers, I am glad to be able to assist any fellow being to a cure. I am well aware of the prevalence of quackery, for I myself was imposed upon by a man who had lost faith in mankind, but I rejoice to say that I am now perfectly well and happy once more and am desirous therefore to make this certain means of cure known to all who will write to me you can rely upon being cured and the proud satisfaction of having been of great service to one in need will be sufficient reward for my trouble. Absolute secrecy assured. Send 6c. silver to cover postage and address, Mr. Geo. G. Strong, North Rookwood Mich.

Deaths. CLARKE.—In the township of Ops, on Saturday December 26th, 1896, James Clarke, aged 90 years. THURSTON.—In Lindsay, on Monday Dec. 28th, 1896, Victoria, youngest daughter of Mr. William Thurston, aged 17 years and 6 months. McEACHERN.—In Toronto, on December 28th, 1896, Mabel Irwin, wife of James McEACHERN, aged 20 years, 11 months, 11 days. O'LEARY.—At Lindsay, December 30th inst, Sarah, relict of the late Jeremiah O'Leary, aged 77 years.

Windsor Salt. Purest and Best for Table and Dairy. No adulteration. Never cakes. Auction Sale of Desirable Farm. Under and by virtue of the powers contained in a certain mortgage, which will be produced at the time the sale thereof will be offered for sale by PUBLIC AUCTION, on Saturday, Thirtieth day of January, '97, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, the following property, being comprised of the North-West quarter of lot number twenty in the fourth concession of the township of Mariposa in the County of Victoria.

There are on the premises a log house, a frame barn, and a stable partly frame and partly stone; the soil is a fair sandy loam; and the property is conveniently situated, with good roads to Woodville, Lindsay and Cambridge. There will be a reserved bid. Terms: Ten per cent. of the purchase money to be paid down at the time of sale, twenty per cent. more in thirty days, and the balance cash on or before the 1st day of February next. For further particulars apply to E. E. SALMON, Auctioneer, Fort Hope. Dated 29th Dec., 1896.—70.4.

CLOTH WINDOWS. A Substitute for Glass Which Never Leaks and Will Not Break. Windows of cloth instead of glass sounds like an impossibility, and yet it is a reality, and the employment of such a substitute is an acknowledged success. It is not ordinary cloth, but such as is translucent, through which light comes just as through glass. All intents and purposes this cloth window is similar to the sheets of glass, and lasts ever so much longer, while still having just as good an appearance.

Now, the remarkable feature of this new fabric is that it never leaks, does not break, and is nearly one-third cheaper than glass. A large skylight composed of the new substitute for glass which has been in constant use long enough to show its worth, remains in perfect condition, not one cent having been spent on it for repairs.

The material has many advantages claimed for it, chief of which is that by its employment in train sheds, freight houses, large auditoriums and public buildings having skylights of large area, the light weight of the material permits of a simple, inexpensive and light form of skylight construction. The joints are made water-tight by a special method used with this material. The translucent fabric consists of transparent material spread over steel wire cloth with twelve meshes per inch, which gives the panels a flexible and elastic quality, permitting its adjustment to any shape that the roof structure may take, owing to the expansion or contraction of the framework. The fabric is strong and is made in panels 18 x 36 inches in size, and can carry a weight of over 400 pounds per square foot.

It might be naturally assumed that the translucent qualities of the fabric would be much inferior to that of glass, but a careful comparison has shown that the amount of light which it transmits equals that of ribbed glass one-quarter of an inch thick. As it is treated with a special preparation, the fabric is impervious to cinders or even hot coals dropped upon it, and will burn only when set fire to at the edges. Even then the flames make slow progress, thus furnishing timely warning. Another argument in its favor is that it is greatly superior to even the finest glass as a covering for art galleries and studios, for the reason that it will never break, and therefore, serves as a perfect protection to the valuable works of art. Sometimes a heavy deposit of snow serves to crack the strongest glass skylight, and often injures paintings and tapestries beyond restoration.—New York Journal.

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