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The Watchman-Warder

THURSDAY, JULY 27th, 1899

Preferential Trade.

A RESOLUTION was recently introduced to the Commons by Mr. John McNeil, M.P., that favored making an appeal for preferential trade to the Old Country. On Thursday it was defeated and lost by 36 votes on a party division. The Liberals voted solidly against it.

The reason that they did so is apparently their idle hope of getting reciprocity with the United States. If England granted any preference to Canada the Americans would take offence and refuse to make the reciprocal arrangements hoped for by the Liberals.

While it is against the entire policy of England to establish duties for any purpose, yet there have not been lacking statements from the highest authorities that if the colonies ask it the Mother Country will not refuse some measure of preference to their products. Thus a possibility of great advantage to Canada is in sight, and no dream of favors from the selfish and unreasonable Americans ought to prevent every Canadian from assisting obtaining it.

The Cheese Board.

THE transactions at Monday's Cheese Board were among the most encouraging in the history of the board. Cheese sold as high as 9 5-10c with brisk bidding. An especially good feature was that the buyers took factories in blocks instead of one here and there. The import of this is that the quality of the product is uniformly good, and there are not the undesirable factories that once were avoided. This is directly due to the work of the instructor, who has gone among the makers with precept and example, with a view to the highest quality of cheese. The board will hardly be divided on employing this useful official next year.

The action of some salesmen and buyers in arranging sales before board met is not to be commended. The tendency of that custom is to make the sale a farce and imperil the existence of the board. No doubt in this case it was done with the utmost good intention, but we would strongly

advise that it be not made a practice in this county.

The uniformly high quality of the cheese in this district will mean dollars and cents to every factory in it. Those that formerly made some inferior cheese will now get the price of the first-class article, while those that always made good cheese will not suffer through having to share in the buyers' averaging of prices, whereby they did not get quite what they would have if there had been no poor lots to consider. There is a bright future before the cheese industry in this county, and no pains should be spared to realize it as rapidly as possible.

A High Opinion.

CHARGES of the most serious nature have been uttered and repeated concerning the government's administration of the Yukon. Amid the clamor of party organs it is of value to hear the voice of so high and impartial authority as the London (Eng.) Times. In an editorial of recent date we find the following:

"The charges are not new, so far at least as their general features are concerned. Nearly a year ago our special correspondent in the Klondike declared that they were widely made and believed in by the population on the spot. Natives and Americans alike, we were told, accused the officials not merely of incapacity, but of pecuniary corruption. The facts stated by our correspondent from personal observation were sufficient to prove that, at least, the administration was suspiciously bad and that searching investigation by competent and impartial commissioners was required. A commissioner of high reputation was appointed, but, whatever his other qualifications, he can hardly be said to have possessed the judicial experience desirable for such a post. Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, who held the office of Attorney-General and Minister of Justice in the late government, repeated these accusations in the House, and alleged that Mr. Sifton, the present Minister of the Interior, was personally responsible. He moved for an inquiry and a Royal Commission, and offered his own unpaid services as Crown Prosecutor. We do not say that the charges are true, and still less that any of the individuals named by Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper are guilty. But it certainly seems regrettable that a matter so serious should have been treated by the Laurier Government as a strictly party question. The Minister of the Interior fell back on Mr. Ogilvie's report—which is still incomplete—and on the duty of the Cabinet not to resign their political responsibilities to a commission of judges. There is, perhaps, something to be said for this position from the purely constitutional standpoint. But the government would have been better advised had they shown a deeper sense of the serious character of the charge and the necessity of meeting it."

Secret Committee Meetings.

IN OUR remarks last week on this subject we referred to the fact that business men prefer to discuss business matters in private and said the town council had as much need to do so as any body of business men. In the Post of Thursday evening, Mr. F. K. Begbie takes exception to our position and points out that in one case men are handling their own money, and in the other the money of the citizen. He holds that as a result the council has not the "right" to hold their meetings privately, as other business organizations do. Mr. Begbie's distinction is a very real one, clearly stated, and one that has not been overlooked by us at any period of this discussion. These facts do not save it from entirely missing the point at issue. The question is not what "rights" have the council, but what is the best sort of committee meeting. We expect every citizen is willing to let the council meet in the best way. In seeking that, the example of business men is highly instructive and the fact that they are handling their own money makes it all the more so. It may be assumed that they handle it to the best advantage and hold their deliberations in the best way. We have then their strong testimony that the private meeting is the best meeting. If so, it is not a particularly public-spirited thing to aim at depriving the council of it.

If the "rights" of the council were discussed they would probably be either their legal or moral rights. If the legal sort is meant, the fact that the council is holding private meetings makes it probable that they are within the law. If only the moral right is referred to, then the fact that the private is generally regarded as the best committee meeting, justifies the council from that standpoint. They surely have a moral right to act in the best possible way. If the legal and moral right of the council to the private meeting is established it savor,

of captiousness to talk of "other people's money."

We have never taken this subject up with any warmth in behalf of council because we could not be sure they would adhere to any course for their whole term of office. Our discussion of it at other times, as now, has been purely theoretical. We think a fairly good case has been established for private meetings, but to no purpose so far as the council is concerned. Our suspicion of their vacillation has been verified. Till ten days ago they demanded privacy, that important matters might be fully discussed. But was a principle and we were free to state their case. Since then the mayor and two aldermen, in rapid succession, have invited the public and objected to one citizen only. That is personal, and with it we have nothing to do. With this change of front there ceases to be a public issue, and so far as we are concerned the discussion is at an end.

Editorial Notes

RUMORS of approaching elections are disturbing the political atmosphere just now. Under the circumstances, would it not be well for the local Conservative Association to call a convention at once, and discuss matters? Thorough organization is half the battle.

MAYOR WALTERS created a genuine, if not painful sensation, when at the last meeting of the Board of Trade he objected to that body's offering any suggestion to council regarding the telephone franchises. His words were a direct snub to the gentlemen who were anxiously seeking to offer advice for the town's welfare. The board was acting quite within its bounds and the citizens of this town would have been glad if some recommendation had come from it on this important subject. They have confidence in the mayor and aldermen, but it is no reflection on them if the council alone is not regarded as equal to the council and Board of Trade together. We hope the mayor did not mean what his words implied.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Town Council and the Post Reporter

To the Editor of the Watchman-Warder. SIR,—An article appears in the Evening Post of the 19th inst., wherein Mr. McNulty undertakes to justify his perverse and inaccurate reports of what has been said by the respective aldermen at the council board. Mr. McNulty's object as a reporter appears to be to create strife and not to mollify it. This may be considered by him to be good newspaper tactics, but is it in the interest of the town? That is the question for the ratepayers to decide.

The article referred to starts out by saying: "What was evidently a considered attack planned at certain secret committee meetings was made on the Post Monday evening by our town fathers." Then it goes on to say: "The object of the onslaught was to discredit the paper by means of false assertions, etc." If it had said to refute false assertions made in the paper of that and other dates it would have been the truth. There was no considered attack planned. The onslaught, as Mr. McNulty is pleased to term it, resulted from an untruthful paragraph which appeared in that evening's paper, and because the statement was false, and proven so in council and admitted by Mr. McNulty, and because it was so and with a deliberate thrust at my department I took the liberty of refuting and proving in council, that the statement was untrue and Mr. McNulty agreed to retract it the next day. Has he done it?

The mayor then took a copy of the paper out of his pocket and pointed out an anonymous communication therein which he pronounced as false and without a vestige of truth, and in commenting upon it he said that anonymous correspondence should not be admitted to the columns of any paper when it contained a libellous charge such as that did. He also said that the leading parties in connection with the paper knew it was untrue, and yet it was allowed to appear. He resented the attack on the council by saying it was false and unwarranted.

Ald. Jackson said he was a reformer and always had been a reformer, but that he was sorry to say that he was ashamed of the reform paper of this town. Its biased and distorted reports of what had been said at the council board and at other meetings which he had attended were a disgrace and a tissue of falsehood. This was his first year in council; he started in with fear and trembling believing from reports he had read in the Post that he had men to deal with who could and would make sharp and doubtful curves when the exigencies of the case required it, but experience had proved to his entire satisfaction that the adverse reports were a myth and without foundation and his conclusion now was that the reports were garbled by the reporter for a purpose best known to himself. His experience was rather a pleasant one, inasmuch as he had now proven for himself that instead of finding, as he expected, men of sharp and doubtful tendencies, he found men of strict integrity, faithful

honestly and intelligently applying their best abilities to the faithful performance of the trust reposed in them. He had every confidence in his colleagues and felt confident that when the year was ended the ratepayers would find that this year's council had made more progress than any former council. He also said that it had been his intention to make a motion in council to have committee meetings thrown open to the reporters, but when he had found by actual experience that the reports appearing in the Post were biased, unreliable and unfair he concluded that it would be unwise to do so, and the more experience he gained the more convinced was he that the Post's reports were dishonest, not only to the council, but to the town, and that they were injurious to the prosperity of the community.

Mr. Jackson's remarks were timely, manly, straightforward and to the point and were the utterance of an honest man. He made it clear that politics or the garbled reports of the party paper had no influence in inducing him to swerve from the straight line of duty and fair play.

Sorry that I cannot say as much for Mr. McNulty. I bear him no malice, but experience has taught me that he is an unfair reporter and that he does not hesitate to distort a man's words to suit his purpose, and to back up what I say I am willing to go before either of the county judges and produce evidence to that effect and if I fail to do so to the satisfaction of the court I will pay the cost and apologise. This of course is on condition that Mr. McNulty will do likewise and pay costs if I succeed.

Mr. McNulty has only himself to blame for any friction there is between the council and himself. His unfair reports are the reason why he has been excluded from the committee meetings. I feel safe in saying that if the Post desires to be represented at the committee meetings by a reporter, other than Mr. McNulty, and will make application to the council for permission to attend and will undertake to be fair and impartial regardless of politics, religion or prejudice that the council will cheerfully grant the permission. The committee meetings are open to the ratepayers whenever they feel disposed to attend. Yours truly, J. H. SOOTHERAN

The Weather

(From the Lindsay Observatory.)
Report for week ending Saturday night, July 22nd, 1899.
TEMPERATURE.
Highest.....80.00 Sunday
Lowest.....48.90 Thursday
Warmest day, mean of...71.60 Sunday
Coldest ".....59.10, Thursday
The week ".....65.27
PRECIPITATIONS IN INCHES.
Greatest fall of rain in one day 0.17 Sunday
Rain fell on 4 days
Total rain fall 0.28
THOMAS BEALL.

Sporting Notes

—Little Hector, the Fenelon Falls pacer, captured first money in the free-for-all event at Wingham last week. This makes four straight wins and a second place.

—At the Perth races on Tuesday Black Joe 2.14, won the 2.50 race in straight heats. Rozal L. was in second place. In the 2.21 pace Maggie Sprague won in the 4th heat, with the Peterboro mare Fleetwing in second place.

—Some two months ago we announced that the stallion Keswick 2.18 1/2, had met with an accident that necessitated his withdrawal from route. Mr. Curtis has been trying to "doctor" him and at the same time prepare him for a fall campaign. At Fenelon Falls on the 12th inst. he was quite lame and he has failed to respond to treatment Mr. Curtis has decided to give him a complete let-up, and as a natural consequence his admirers will not see Keswick fighting for honors at the fall fairs.

M. J. CARTER

Were the space ten times as large, it would be too small to index half the goods we want you to know of. We have had a very busy season. We are well satisfied. Thanks to you for your very liberal patronage. We are now preparing for the fall and winter trade. We have been through each department and found some broken lots and odds and ends that we have laid out with very tempting price tickets attached. If you call we feel confident you will not go away disappointed.



- Ladies' Shirt Waists, only 93 in this lot, they are the \$1.00, \$1.25 & \$1.50 quality, our after season price is 69c
- Shirt Waists, we have only 62 in this lot, all the season style, regular 50c and 75c quality, our after season price, 39c
- 12 pieces Cotton Crepons, in all the new seasonable shades, guaranteed fast colors, this lot is the regular 10c kind, our sharp selling price, 5c
- 19 pieces Printed Sateen, Fancy Crepons, Fancy Gingham, Percals, etc., former prices 15c and 17c, our bargain price, 10c
- 210 Ladies' short sleeved Undervests, in natural color, one and one ribbed, shaped, regular price 10c each, our sharp after season price, 4 for 25c
- 35 all wool French Foulards, 25c
- 40 inch Tucked Apron Lawn, 14c
- 125 White Bed Spread, 95c
- 40c Combination Shopping Bag, 25c
- 25c Organdy Muslins, 15c
- Ladies' Fans, all colors, 15c, 20 and 25c
- Boy's Cardinal and Navy Sweaters, 50c
- Ladies' \$1 Wrappers for 75c
- Dark Colored Underskirts, 39c
- 33 Men's Tweed Suits in the lot, in S. B. Sacque all-wool, Italian lined, well tailored, this season's style and cut, sizes 36 to 42, former price, \$7, present price, \$4.50
- 27 Tweed Suit, in this lot, pure all-wool, very nobby patterns, the season's styles there are four colors, Grey, Brown, Green and Heather mixed effect, they have been good sellers at \$8, \$9 and \$10, our clearing price is just \$6
- 75 Men's Soft Ceylon Flannel Shirts, attached, breast pocket, six patterns colors, sizes 14 to 17, regular 75c, our clearing price, 50c
- 95 Suits Men's Balbriggan Underclothes in Blue and White mixed, honey weave, sateen trimmed, pearl buttons, sizes 34 to 44, regular price per suit, our sharp selling price, per suit \$2.40c each for shirt or drawers
- 65 Men's and Boy's Fancy Straw Hats, to clear at first cost, \$1 hats now 75c; 75c hats now 50c; 50c hats now 39c; 25c hats now 15c
- 45 Men's Linen Crash Hats, also at cost, 75c kind now 50c; 50c kind now 35c; 35c kind now 25c; 25c now 20c
- Men's Cotton Working Shirts, 25c
- Boy's Blouses, trimmed, 40c for 25c
- Men's Cotton Socks, 5c



- 55 all wool French Foulards, 25c
- 40 inch Tucked Apron Lawn, 14c
- 125 White Bed Spread, 95c
- 40c Combination Shopping Bag, 25c
- 25c Organdy Muslins, 15c
- Ladies' Fans, all colors, 15c, 20 and 25c
- Boy's Cardinal and Navy Sweaters, 50c
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All goods must go. We are going to cut deep, so that we can clear out the stock without delay. This is the store for bargains, so please be on hand to secure what is going and get bargains. Sale begins WEDNESDAY MORNING, JUNE 14th. We have to vacate the store for the Ontario Bank, who take possession shortly.

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