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**HOW THE TRICK WAS WORKED**

The trickery adopted by the Whitney Government in putting through the Mackenzie & Mann Railway guarantee of bonds warrants the suspicions cast on the transaction. The time selected for introducing the measure was the closing hours of the session when no new business was expected. It was represented merely as a renewal of an old guarantee of \$1,500,000 in order to strengthen the security of the Province, whereas it was a new guarantee for \$2,500,000. When the House was called into session half an hour ahead of time so that the measure might be slipped through without protest from either the regular Opposition or some of the Government's own supporters. The trick worked. The Opposition took the word of the Government, to find afterwards that the guarantee had not only been increased by a million dollars, but that it afforded no security to the Province other than that the mortgage then in existence contained. Now Mr. Whitney is trying to excuse his trickery by blaming Mr. MacKay for taking him at his word. The lesson in the whole transaction is for the Liberals not to accept the word of the Government on any measure, but to investigate it thoroughly for themselves.

**STRENGTHENING THE OPPOSITION**

The Globe sagely remarks; The best interests of Ontario will not be served unless at the Provincial elections the Opposition in the Legislature is made strong, aggressive, and forceful. A majority of forty-two for Hon. J. P. Whitney, was in some respects, as dangerous to good government as was Hon. Geo. W. Ross's majority of three. The confident assurance of a large majority bred recklessness and a disregard for principle and public interest.

Mr. Whitney entered on his Premiership with high promises and, it may be presumed, with excellent intentions. He meant to give an honest, impartial, progressive administration. But the henchmen and heelers of the party beset him and his Government, the more insistent and unreasonable because of the security of the party's majority in the Legislature, and little by little the defences of the Premier were broken down until he floundered in the dishonor of the gerrymander and the compromising entanglements with Mr. William Mackenzie. Had Premier Whitney a majority of less than twenty instead of more than forty he would have mastered for himself every important measure, kept the favor-hunters at arms' length, and would not have allowed public rights in Niagara power to be betrayed or sacrificed through the indifference or antagonism of members of his Cabinet. His majority has been his embarrassment.

It is not of supreme importance that all members of the Opposition shall pronounce the same party shibboleth. It may be taken for granted that the Government supporters, having accepted party nomination and given party pledges, will offer little or no public criticism and almost no aggressive opposition to the Govern-

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ment's policy. It is the privilege of members of the Opposition to exercise greater individual freedom, each man taking his own line of attack and representing the views which in his judgment are of supreme public importance. For this reason it would be an advantage while the majority of the Opposition might be party men—were there a considerable number of independent Oppositionists representing the special interests of agriculture, labor, industrial enterprises, and moral and social reform. There is no reason why even straight-line Liberals should swear allegiance to every detail of the Liberal leader's programme. The great chance of an Opposition in in the range and freedom of thought and action it affords, and in that is the hope for effective service, whether critical or constructive. It is therefore of the highest public interest that men of the first rank alike in ability and in character be elected to constitute the Opposition in the next Legislature.

**PAROLE FOR PRISONERS**

One of the best things the Laurier Government ever did was to establish the parole system of dealing with prisoners. Last year there were released on parole from our penitentiaries and jails, some 285 prisoners and of that number only 33 returned to crime. The total number of releases since the inception of the system is 1645. This ought to be glad news to all who really believe they are their brother's keeper. The man at the head of the department, Mr. W. P. Archibald, is in love with his work and as he gave up preaching in the Salvation Army for his work, we can readily understand it will be well done. When we consider that no one is released until a full investigation is made of his or her case, the judge's opinion being obtained also that of the warden of the prison, enquiry made about his possible environment after he gets out, and the likelihood of employment, we can see that society is amply protected. If we would only go behind it all, and eliminate the cause of the prisoner being in jail instead of waiting till he gets there to help him, we could probably be doing better work, but we are thankful as it is.

**ASSESSMENT AND EXEMPTION**

One of the most interesting episodes in any citizen's life is when he calls on the tax collector, to pay his taxes. It is a proceeding that galls him, and yet he has to do it, whether he will or not. More than half of the time of any parliament or municipal council is taken up with, discussing ways and means, and the peculiar feature about it is, that the body of men will enact a law, that as individuals they will cuss and condemn, and if possible break it. Assessment and taxation is in the province of the local legislature, and about the last thing the Ross Government did was to pass the present Assessment Act. We don't suppose it is possible to pass an assessment act that will be acceptable to everybody, but we certainly think it possible to pass one that would be fair to everybody. In order to pass a fair act, it would be necessary to start out on a right basis and the only right basis is to work on the supposition that the land belongs to the people as a whole, and not as individuals. This, of course, is not acceptable to land owners, that is, large land owners, but that does not

detract from its justness. Starting in this way, and recognizing the fact that in some way, somehow, somewhere, every person must use land, if we tax land and land values, only we will get about as near a fair assessment act, as it is possible to get. This would put a damper on holding vacant property for a rise, and if a parasite happened to have left to him a choice corner lot, that ordinarily would keep him doing nothing, he would find that he would have to hand over to the people, who make it valuable, most of the surplus that he now spends, perhaps foolishly. Some day the people will awake, and will insist on justice being done, which it is needless to say is not manifest today. Our present law bears heavy where it should not, and light where it should bear heavy. Take two men doing the same amount of business, with the same amount of capital, say a factory. One is of a large and generous turn of mind, and likely to have things around him looking chaste and solid. He puts in every convenience for his hands and spends on his building say \$35,000. In Lindsay he would be taxed at least on \$40,000, and his business tax would be \$24,000, or a total of \$64,000. His competitor is content with a comparative shack, he takes no stock in convenience for his help, and puts up a place that is dear at \$10,000. His business tax would be \$6,000, although he has just as much stock as the other citizen. They both have an equal amount of frontage, and yet the more generous, optimistic, public-spirited citizen is fined by a tax on \$48,000 more than the other fellow. Does anyone really think that that sort of taxation is just? Would it not be more just to tax both equally, as both had the same quantity of land? The worst feature however of the assessment law and the one that leads to more false swearing, and lying, and injustice, is the income tax. The honest man and poor man are salted to the full, while the rich and dishonest get off. We do not mean to say the rich are all dishonest, or that all the dishonest are rich. This is such an important phase of the lives of most of us, that we will deal with it in another article.

**RETURNING WANDERERS.**

It will be remembered that during the last campaign, resulting in the ousting of the Ross Government, a great many hitherto Liberals prominently identified themselves with Whitney, believing that where so much denunciation was expressed, there must be foundation for the charges. One of the prominent seceders was the Rev. D. C. Hossaek, prominent because of his abilities and his beforetime unswerving Liberalism. Mr. Hossaek was seriously mentioned some years ago as a prospective Cabinet Minister, and some caustic Grits were so uncharitable as to hint that because he did not get the position, he took this opportunity of lambasting the Ross Ministry. For our part we think that Mr. Hossaek, like many other good men, was simply carried away by the invective and insinuations and indirect charges of stealing and grafting, that that were being constantly made by Whitney and his associates. We all remember the assertions made that the whole government was honeycombed with rottenness, and that if the Conservatives could only get in behind the scenes, they would show a state of affairs, the stench whereof would extend up to heaven. They have been in power four years, and the net result is that they have not discovered a discrepancy of ten cents, for the whole 33 years of Reform rule, and we would be safe in betting our bottom dollar, that they have ransacked every pigeon hole in the whole building. There were sins of commission and sins of omission on the part of the Liberals and for such they suffered grievously. They were not half particular enough with the scoundrels, who always fasten themselves to the party in power. Had they dealt rigorously with them there would have been no scandals. Another deduction was their flirting with the liquor interests. The Reform party as a whole, demanded the abolition of the bar, and we believe the time had come for the law to be used, but the leaders, although prohibitionists themselves, were afraid to venture. We are of those, and we believe the number is not small by any means, who are of the opinion that a party, especially the Liberal party, can be at any time re-

**BIDDING FOR EAST HAMILTON.**

The Conservatives will open their campaign in Hamilton to-morrow evening, when it is expected a big audience will be drummed up. The object in this move is, of course, an effort to sweep the Labor representative, Mr. Allan Studholme, off his feet. It is hardly likely, however, that they will succeed in their effort. For the workmen of Hamilton, as well as those in other cities and towns throughout the Province, have an abiding recollection of the contemptible manner in which their spokesman was treated in season and out by the Whitney aggregation.

In the discharge of his duty as a labor representative, elected by the votes of workmen, he sought frequently to advocate their interests, but his speeches were continually jarred at and ridiculed and an obvious attempt was persistently made to make a laughing stock of him. But the plucky member stuck to his guns manfully and turned the tables on his tormentors with much effect, and now a special effort is to be made to accomplish his defeat. Such is Toryism when the workmen's interests may be served.

**ATROCIOUS ATTEMPT AT BRIBERY**

When we read that Mr. John Loughrin, ex-M.P.P., for East Nipissing, was offered \$8,000 in cash not to oppose Hon. Frank Cochrane in that constituency, it is not hard to reason out why it was necessary to rush through the legislation guaranteeing the Canadian Northern Rail-

warded from within. The very trend of opinion that a party, especially the Liberal party, can be at any time, rewarded from within. The very trend of thought of a true Liberal, will keep him right. He will think nothing of criticizing his leader whenever he sees fit, and as there are all shades of opinion, from the Conservative-Liberal to the out and out Radical, the Reform leaders have of necessity got to be very careful as to their conduct. Mr. Hossaek knew this—at least he knows it now. If any of our readers have not read his letter, we would strongly advise them to read it. It is given in full in the Globe of the 28th inst. The independent (?) News which published his former letter several times, and part of it in large bold type, so that everyone could see it, merely printed garbled portions of this, and shoves it in a corner. This is its idea of independence. Mr. Hossaek's argument, that Whitney being put in by Liberal votes, which he Whitney, acknowledged, should have been willing to give an independent administration of affairs. From a wisely selfish standpoint, that would appear to have been the best thing; but he was no sooner safely seated in the saddle, than he threw all his so-called independence to the winds, and started in to rule, as if he had been put there solely by Conservative votes. Mr. Hossaek is not the only wanderer that is surprised, we believe there are enough of them, to turn Mr. Whitney out, and show all politicians, that if they fool the public, they will get their reward in due season. West Victoria will be one of the ridings that resents such tricks.

way bonds in the dying hours of the late session.

It was evidently necessary to secure cash with which to prepare for the elections and that it was obtained from some source is abundantly apparent. But that a Minister of the Crown should feel it incumbent upon himself to attempt to bribe anyone not to oppose him is a revelation that opens up a painful vista upon the condition of the Ontario Government upon the eve of the general elections and is an exposure which should evoke the prompt and emphatic condemnation of the electorate.

Mr. Loughrin's answer to the would-be briber was just what might be expected from a man of his sturdy characteristics—positive, unqualified refusal, and an immediate appearance in the field as a candidate for the representative of East Nipissing. The refusal of Mr. Loughrin to lower himself to the level of the Tory heellers had another effect, too, it frightened Mr. Cochrane out of the field and compelled him to seek another constituency.

**EDITORIAL NOTES.**

The Tories may be foxes, but they couldn't trap Loughrin.

And it would seem as if Col. Hendrie's seat is quite insecure, too. Dear, dear!

The Conservatives claim they have elected a Mayor in Halifax. Isn't it funny what these Conservatives can do when the Liberals are not looking!

The Hazen Government is only a few weeks old, and it has already made a clean sweep in many public offices. The axe man is very busy. Civil service reform has no place with Conservative statesmen or Governments.

A pretty row is now on in the Tory campaign in London. Mr. "Billy" Gray refused to allow his name to go before the convention Friday on the ground that the body was packed. Mr. Gray will run as an independent, and we may therefore bid the spectacular power minister adieu.

H. B. Ames, M.P., of Montreal, has gone into the show business and appeared in Toronto a few evenings ago with a bunch of lantern slides. It does not appear, however, that he included in his first picture of that \$2,500,000 terminal which Mr. Whitney has presented to the Canadian Northern Railway, or yet did he illustrate Hon. Frank Cochrane handing over \$130,000 to his brother-in-law.

We are certainly growing amongst nations, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier's assertion that we were now on the front street, seems to be an apparent even to a dyed-in-the-wool Tory. Our trade last year amounted to 638 millions of dollars, in fact our trade is increasing far faster than our population. This is a result of having men at the helm, who know how to turn the wheel. We would not be surprised to see our total trade an even billion by 1912.

Premier Roblin of Manitoba, must be a second edition of our Premier Whitney, or vice-versa. It appears that when he has a big "whooper" to tell, he strikes an attitude, and

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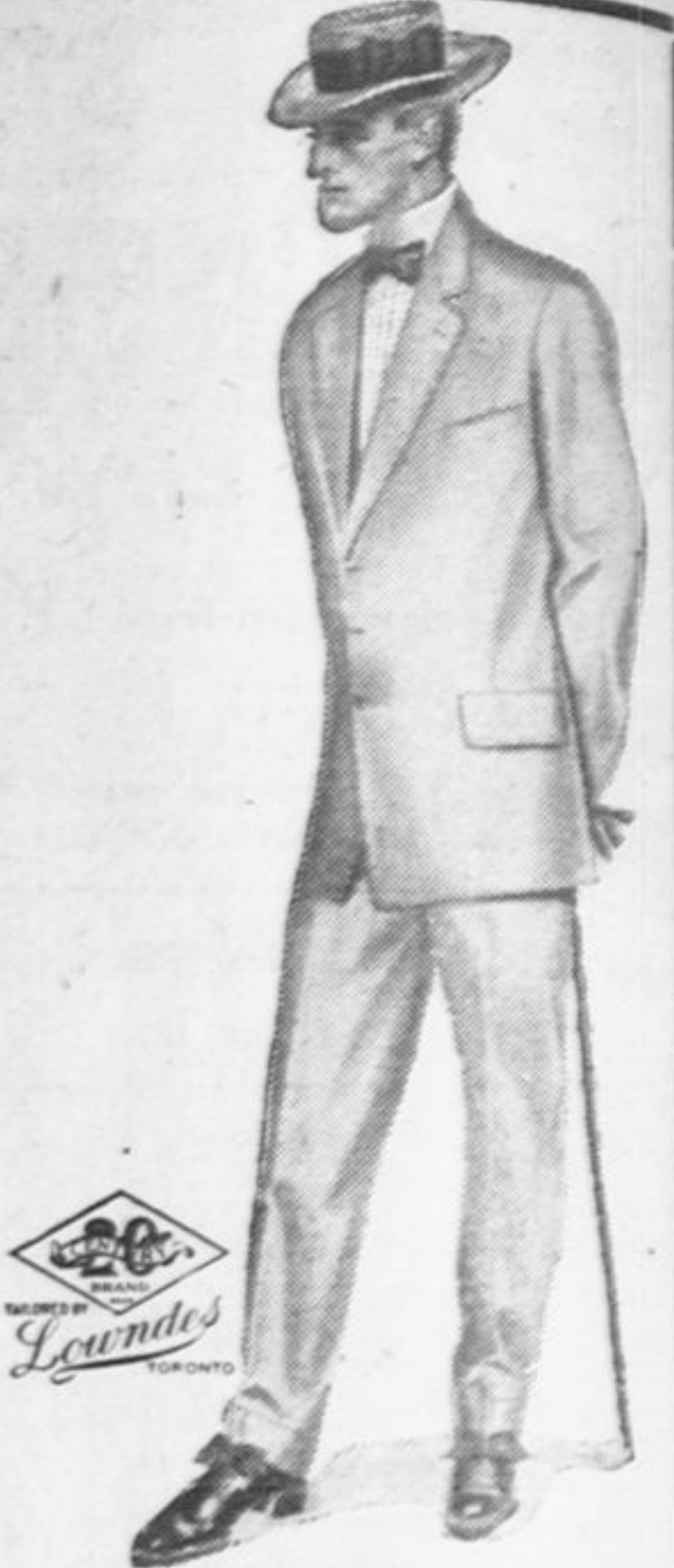
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**200 ACRE FARM FOR SALE**—Lot 11, Con. 1, Mariposa, the property of William F. Rogers; 150 acres under cultivation, eight acres hardwood bush, cedar and black ash swamp, balance pasture land, 110 acres extra good fall wheat land, Good brick house, good frame barn 50x28, stone stabling, pig pen 20x28, driving shed 24x40. Bearing orchard, never-falling spring stream 10 rods from barn. School, church, post office, blacksmith shop, all convenient. A desirable farm. ELIAS BOWES, Real Estate Agent.—wtf

**FOR SALE**—A Pump Shop in the village of Woodville. Address JACOB BARNES, Box 36, Woodville, Ont.—wt.

**FOR SALE**—100 acres in Scarborough township, the 4th concession, lot 19, one of the best grain farms. All lies to the south, well fenced, good brick house, outbuildings fair, Orchard and small fruits, good water. For particulars apply to ALB. JONLON, 1022 Queen-st., east Toronto.

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**FOR SALE**—100 acres, west of Lot 4, Con. 2, Eldon, all cleared, 50 acres under cultivation, balance pasture land; a large portion under grass, 15 acres ploughed; balance second growth, main barn and stone stabling, with other outbuildings. A never-falling well; 140 miles from Lorneville Junction; 110 miles from the Village of Woodville. Not sold at once will be rented for a term of years. For further particulars apply to ELIAS BOWES, Real Estate Agent, Lindsay.—wtf.

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beating his chest, presumably where he carries his heart, says what he has to say, and clinches it by telling his audience that he makes the assertion on his authority as Premier of the province. The people who are watching him, always take the trouble to sift these special assertions, and invariably find they are not only wrong but glaringly wrong.

A woman who stole a twenty cent cup the other day was sent down to jail for 10 days. Had she been a man and stolen a railroad she might have been sent to the Senate or had a handle attached to her name. Justice is a great thing in this world, especially when the victim is poor.

We often wonder what sort of education some of these multi-millionaires give their families. There was Jay Gould for instance, and three senseless children. One of them, Anna by name, married a French Count, or Prince, or something of that sort, but his pace was too fast even for her millions and she got a divorce. The ink is hardly dry yet, and now she is going to try another princeling. We always did think that there was a screw loose somewhere, when an English speaking girl married a foreigner, they ought to take to heart that old song—

For in spite of all temptations  
To belong to other nations  
He remained an Englishman.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**100 ACRE FARM FOR SALE**—Lot 4, con. 10, Township of Opa, the property of Alex. Nugent. All cleared, roughcast house, two frame barns, 1 mile from school, 2 miles from Renovo Grain Market, Store, Post Office, Churches, etc., 10 miles from Lindsay. Sold at a bargain as the proprietor wants to sell before his return to India. Soil, clay loam. Terms easy. For further particulars apply to ELIAS BOWES, real estate agent, Lindsay.—wtf.

**FARM FOR SALE**—180 acres, East of Lot 22, Con. 14, Township of Irons, frame house, good barn on stone foundation, with stabling; small orchard, six driving shed, never-falling spring, well drained and fenced, convenient to school; about two miles from thriving village of Ganungton, where there is a good grain and stock market; soil a clay loam. For further particulars apply to ELIAS BOWES, Real Estate Agt., Lindsay.—wtf

**100 ACRE FARM FOR SALE**—Lot 10, concession 5, Fenelon, property of Ernest Snelling. 70 acres cleared, 5 acres Hardwood and 25 acres Cedar and Tamarack swamp. Clear land all tillable; soil a clay loam. Two frame barns, one 52 x 72, with stone stabling; log house, well finished inside. Well fenced, good well, bearing orchard. Nine miles from Lindsay. For terms and particulars apply to ELIAS BOWES, Real Estate Agent, Lindsay.—wtf.

**FARM FOR SALE**—In Mariposa, 10 acres, 75 cleared, 70 tillable, 15 m pasture, some of the best grain farms. All lies to the south, well fenced, good wood frame house; small orchard; well fenced and watered by two good wells. One mile from school and church, three miles from Little Britain, five from Mariposa Station. Easy terms of payment, with interest at 4 per cent. For further particulars apply to ELIAS BOWES, Real Estate Agent, Lindsay.—wtf.

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**FARM FOR SALE**—116 acres in Fenelon, near Cambary, 112 acres cleared, one acre maple grove, three acres mixed wood; 80 acres tillable, balance pasture. Frame house, frame barn 48x56, stone wall with lean; never-falling spring well at house; 25 bearing apple trees, one from school, Church, Post Office (Cambary), Grain and Stock Market, Store, Blacksmith Shop, etc. For further particulars apply to ELIAS BOWES, Real Estate Agent, Lindsay.—wtf.

**FARM FOR SALE**—70 acre farm, all cleared, 50 acres tillable, balance pasture, frame house and kitchen, frame barn 30x50, with a 12-foot lean; good stone stabling full size of barn; 60 bearing fruit trees, apples, pears and plums; two good wells. School, church, stores, blacksmith shops, post office, grain market, chopping mill and railroad station, all within a few rods of farm. Eight miles from Lindsay and the same from Fenelon Falls. Best chance to purchase a well situated farm. For further particulars apply to ELIAS BOWES, Real Estate Agent, Lindsay.—wtf.

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