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The Weekly Post.

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NOT A "SCANDAL" IN SIGHT.

(Toronto Star.) When the elections come on, be they soon or late, the Laurier Government will go into the campaign without a single "scandal" attached to the name of one of its Ministers. Not one member of the administration has been on a defensive before a court of enquiry. There is no damning "exposure" to explain away. The only quarter in which the Opposition have thought to find the material of scandal has been in the mining camp of the Yukon. For generations, mining camps have been the centres of outlaws. Ordered justice and respect for law has never been looked for at these rallying points of the fortune hunter beyond the borders of civilization. Right has been deemed the property of the man "quick on the draw," and law has been administered after a fashion made familiar to us by the romances of Bret Harte.

The Canadian Government would have only followed precedent if it had left the Yukon to the rule of the revolver. But it did nothing of the kind. It went in with the pioneers, and established courts and police to enforce respect for them, and undertook the administration of a mining camp, under an artistic sky and well-nigh cut off from civilization for half the year. The wonder is, not that rumors of scandals arose and that dissatisfaction has been heard, but that there has been so little of it. Men from the modern mining camps of South Africa have been amazed at the fairness and justice with which the business of the Yukon has been transacted. And, as a climax of righteous government, a royalty on the gold taken from the national soil has been collected for the national purse.

Still the dissatisfaction felt by many has been exploited, and vague insinuations have been made, and charges against persons other than Ministers have been laid; but no one has had the courage to force a Parliamentary enquiry into all the maze of contradictions by the constitutional method of making a direct charge against a Minister of the Crown. In no other part of the country has there been a whisper of scandal. The Ministers from Ontario—Sir Richard Cartwright, Sir William Mulock, Hon. Senator Scott, Hon. William Patterson and Hon. James Sutherland—have not attracted so much as an insinuation. The name of the Premier is without a shadow. There were people who used to say things about Mr. Tarte, but Mr. Tarte has gone. No more highly esteemed Minister ever sat in Parliament than Mr. Fielding. The leader of the Opposition confessed to the amiable weakness of having once made a Liberal speech in support of his cousin, Sir Frederick Borden. Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick, Hon. Sydney Fisher, Hon. Raymond Prefontaine and Hon. M. E. Bernier—against the administration of what one of these has anybody made charges? What a change this is from a Government half of whose members were under a cloud? We have almost forgotten what it is to have a group of Ministers perpetually in the pillory. A "scandal" session has become an obsolete form of entertainment. Clean-handed business men are in charge of the business of the Dominion; and public confidence in government has perceptibly recovered. This, in itself, is an achievement of no mean value. It is something, when we get "a new broom," to see that it really "sweeps clean." If honest government is a boon worth seeking, and one worth keeping when we get it, then we find here a powerful reason for sustaining the present Federal Government.

St. Mary's Sodality. The young ladies of St. Mary's Sodality, Lindsay, intend holding a Christmas tree, sale of fancy articles and an oyster supper in the Council chamber on Thursday, Dec. 10th. Further particulars later.

EDITORIAL NOTES

By a vote of 50 to 16 New Zealand has decided to give Britain a tariff preference. Laurier's lead is being widely followed.

Woodstock Review: "The Chatham Planet has done a service to the press by defending and winning a libel suit. There was a row, between the bandmaster and officers of the 24th regiment. The bandmaster's conduct was made a subject of criticism at the meeting of the officers. The Planet reported the meeting, giving the substance of the criticism. The bandmaster sued for libel on the ground that the meeting was not a public one and the report was not privileged. It was shown that the report was a fair one, and it took the jury only seven minutes to find a verdict for the newspaper."

Very often these libel suits are incited by greedy lawyers, who prostitute the honor of the profession by dissecting the local papers and taking advantage of every opportunity to make trouble for the editor or to get square with an opponent. Lindsay newspaper men have suffered much annoyance in this way.

Hamilton Times: Hon. Mr. Stratton is best liked where he is best known, in the town of Peterboro. At a banquet tendered Prof. Hutton, Principal of the University of Toronto, in that town, Mr. J. Hampden Burham, a prominent local Conservative, in proposing the toast of "The Political Institutions of Canada," spoke to this effect, as reported in the Peterboro Review:

Mr. Hampden Burham proposed the toast of the "Political Institutions of Canada," and named as a respondent to the toast, Hon. J. R. Stratton, who, he said, had done much for the town of Peterboro and his constituency. He further said that the constituents of Mr. Stratton felt that the course of abuse to which he had been subjected had about reached the limit, and he felt, as he was sure all Mr. Stratton's constituents felt, that it was time the Conservative party brought forward some policy that would be more creditable to it than that of abuse and affidavit producing, which had recently characterized it.

THE POLICE COURT FIASCO. (CORRESPONDENTS' LETTERS)

MAYOR SOUTHERN GIVES ASSURANCES TO LABOR UNION

That the Principals in the Recent Assault Case Will be Prosecuted. (Evening Post, Nov. 20th.)

Wednesday evening last the members of Lindsay Federation of Labor, No. 9826, met at their rooms to consider a reply forwarded by Mayor Scitberan in answer to their resolution relative to the late failure of justice at the police court. Secretary Walker states that, in accordance with the Mayor's wish, the letter will not be published, but he authorizes us to say that it is entirely satisfactory on all points, and contains the promise that action will be taken against Messrs. Hopkins and Steers when the new Police Magistrate receives his commission. As we go to press we learn that Magistrate Jackson received his commission on Wednesday. No doubt Chief Nevison will at once lay informations against Messrs. Hopkins and Steers.

LINDSAY COLLEGIATE LECTURES

Kind Expressions of Approval by Outside Educationists.

The following are several of the many letters received during the last couple of weeks, by Mr. E. A. Hardy, secretary Lindsay Collegiate Lecture Course Committee: From Jas. Brobner, B.A., Registrar Toronto University: Let me congratulate you on the very artistic form in which you have brought out the programme of your seventh year series of lectures. It does you very great credit, and I feel satisfied you will give the people of Lindsay a very great deal of pleasure during the coming winter. A great many others might with advantage follow your example.

From F. Tracy, esq., B.A., Ph.D., University of Toronto: I received the Lecture Course booklet the other day and am delighted with it. Your programme of lectures is an excellent one. It would hardly be possible, I think, for the Collegiate Institute to render a greater service to the community and the nation, aside from its daily work in the classroom, than by such courses of lectures as these.

A COURT-LY SCENE.

There was a man of great renown Whose name had got a little down; He'd laugh and cry, and shed no tears,— A box of fun (like Kicking-Steers.)

His hand is small, his knuckles hard, His brain is pure as Housen's lard! To work his way in Deacon's Court He toed the mark—so says report.

The mark, I mean, that runs behind All down the back of Rolandine, And where it ends is soft as dough— A tempting spot for legal toe!

The freak was new in Nevins' sight, And Crawford bold beheld the sight. A sham! they say, "A legal fray," "A shame to all" the people say.

If on the street the chief had seen Two men in clothes both poor and mean A brawling brood turned out to be, How quick he'd say, "Come ye with me!"

But men of gold and courtly mien Can in the Court enact a scene That Judge on Bench should not endure From high or low, or rich or poor.

COURT BARD.

THREATENED CLERGYMAN'S LIFE.

Is the Charge Laid at Peterboro Against a Resident of Toronto.

Somewhat sensational details are embodied in the story of the occurrences which led to the arrest of Edgar B. Crockford at his father's residence, 22 Cumberland-st., Toronto, last Sunday, on a warrant issued at Peterboro, charging him with threatening the life of Rev. W. T. Lorymer, of Sawyerville, Que., who was only recently married, and to whose wife the alleged threats were written during the past few days. Crockford was taken to Peterboro for trial. The young man has a wife and two children, and they lived until a few months ago at Parry Sound, north of which place his wife's mother resides. Rev. Mr. Lorymer was a Baptist preacher there, and Mr. and Mrs. Crockford attended his church, and he boarded at their home. Crockford says that a year ago he came to Toronto and was laid up in a hospital for several weeks. When he returned to Parry Sound his house was closed, and he walked eight miles to his wife's mother's. There, he alleges, he was met with rebuffs of a vocal and physical nature, but was allowed to lodge there for the night, and sent away next day. Later he heard that his wife had moved to Peterboro, and

he found her employed by a Miss Robertson, as cook in a boarding-house. He joined her there with his sister, but Mrs. Crockford left and went to Stony Lake as cook at a summer resort. About this time Mr. Lorymer went to Peterboro to furnish supply for the pulpit of the Baptist church in the absence of the pastor on his holidays. He also boarded at Miss Robertson's. Crockford charged Rev. Mr. Lorymer with alienating his wife's affections, and issued a writ, claiming damages. The officials of the Baptist church inquired at Parry Sound, where Mr. Lorymer was given a very high character, and Crockford was lightly esteemed. Lately Crockford came to Toronto, and has learned that his wife is at her mother's. He is much broken up over the situation in which he finds himself, and denies that he wrote the letter. He was brought up at Parry Sound, and is of a most respectable family, who came to Toronto about two years ago.

Railway Notes.

At Chicago the G. T. R. has bounced its entire staff of female stenographers for indulging in too much chewing gum, caramels, cream tarts and gossip during work hours. This is another startling interference with women's rights.

The number of cars in use in the United States is estimated at 1,500,000. Car builders say about 10 per cent go out of commission yearly owing to wrecks, disability and other reasons, which would seem to indicate an annual demand for 150,000 cars if railroads maintain equipment in a high state of efficiency. The statement is made by a high official that railroads in the past six months have not ordered more than 15,000 cars, or about 10,000 less than the number required to replace disabled cars. In view of these facts car companies are firm in the belief that railroads cannot continue to curtail car purchases much longer without impairing their railroad stock.

OMFMEE.

From Our Own Correspondent. Mr. C. W. Richards has completely moved out his printing presses and type to locate at Millbrook, and took his family away to-day. All will be missed by their friends, neighbors and citizens.

R. J. Patterson, trustee of No. 9, Ops and Emily, has resigned in order to enter into the contest for councillor of Ops. R. J. should get there, as he is an enterprising, up-to-date farmer.

A few defended suits will come up at the Division Court on Friday, Dec. 4th. We have a very quiet, orderly village with no signs of drunkenness or rowdiness. Mrs. Rogers, Peterboro, gave a very interesting and instructive address under the auspices of the Presbyterian Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, interspersed by vocal selections, beautifully rendered by Mrs. Dr. Dr. Keith and G. Wright, making a delightful evening.

As we go to press we learn that Mrs. Frank Ross, of Orillia, spent a few days at her father's last week. Don't miss the Methodist church anniversary services and tea, on Sunday and Monday, Dec. 13th and 14th. There will be good singing in the basement of the church from 5 to 6 o'clock, followed by a fine musical program, which will be a great treat. It will be well worth going to hear.

Miss Lizzie Ryan, of Sunderland, is visiting in town.

A number from here took in the Sibley-Jarvis concert in Lindsay last Friday. Miss Hannah Pogue spent last week with Miss Cora Stone.

George Campbell is learning the shoemaking at Switzer's. McKee, the butcher, is carrying a full line of up-to-date meat of all kinds and of the best quality. Fish and fresh vegetables in stock. All orders, by the quarter, from farmers or others will be promptly delivered. Call and get prices.

Mr. Alex. Gilchrist was given a banquet on Monday evening at the Queen hotel by the merchants of town. He was presented with an address from the Board of Trade. A very enjoyable evening was spent in speech making and music.

We are glad to learn that Mr. Arch Campbell has consented to go on with the electric lighting question. Watch for the date of the opening of the new town hall.

A committee is arranging for a grand concert. The death occurred in Eldon on Saturday, Nov. 21st, of Mr. John Smith at the ripe old age of 90 years. The deceased was a native of Islay, Scotland. He came to Canada in the early forties, settling in Eldon township. In religion he was a Presbyterian and in politics a staunch Liberal. Intermment took place to Smith cemetery, near Woodville, on Monday.

Public Libraries. (Toronto News.) Rev. Richard Hobbs, of Strathroy, is ill-satisfied with our public libraries. He spoke out in meeting the other night, and said that he was beginning to believe the libraries are becoming "the greatest curse that exists." There are several other curses which the average man would incline to consider more fearful than the libraries, but this is a free country, and Mr. Hobbs is not to be censured for his statement that the good books stand idly on the shelves, while the novels are devoured. It is not certain, though, that novels "corrupt and paralyze the mental faculties." They may not do much in the way of stimulating those faculties, for most folk read to be amused. People work hard all day and at night they are not in the mood to be instructed. Perhaps it is not too much to say that a good many readers do not want to be instructed. It may be regrettable that his should be so, but this is a great deal of difference between telling young men and women to read, and making them seek it. What is to be done? Are the novels to be banished, and the young people given their chance of "good" books, or no books at all? They would certainly read no books at all. It is, of course, quite right that the dubious novel should be excluded from our public libraries, but there are plenty of tales that are at once amusing and instructive. Nobody can read "Misch Clark," for instance, without learning something of the Nonmouth Rebellion. Kipling gives his readers an excellent idea of English civilian life in India. Scott and Dickens, Thackeray and Stevenson, bring knowledge and light to anybody but the cloud. It is always risky to generalize, but generalization regarding works of fiction is something that nobody can perform effectively.

BIRTHS. McGuire.—To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McGuire, Kilmount, a daughter, November 20th.

MARRIAGES. MOORE—HUNTER.—On the 16th, in Lindsay, by the Rev. Mr. Welch, James Moore, of Boboaygon, to Annie Hunter, daughter of Mr. J. D. Hunter, Reeve of Verulam.

RINNE—MCCARROLL.—At the home of Mr. Wm. McCarroll, Emiltown, on Wednesday, Nov. 18th, his eldest daughter, Mary Etta McCarroll, to George E. Rinne, of Smith township, Rev. T. Brown, of Omamee, officiating.

DEATHS. KELLY.—In Lindsay, on Friday, Nov. 20th, 1903, Ellen Kelly, relic of the late Joseph M. Kelly, aged 64 years.

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Continued Alteration SALE

The past week has been one full of business---customers have been numerous and sales away up. This week we will try to even do better if prices and talk go for anything.

AN ADDITIONAL PURCHASE.

At the Great McDonald Sale last week we were able to take large lots of goods, and to-day they are here to be offered to you at 20 and 25 per cent. less than regular values. Read our ad. each week and see what values we are giving all over the store. The prices are for the balance of the year.

Dress Goods.

- 50 Ends of black figured dress goods, English, French and German makes, suitable for skirts, waists and dresses, all 42 to 44 inches wide 75, 85 and \$1.00 values for..... 50c
- 50 yards of best quality of French Chevot of beet black, heavy in weight, fine in quality, for suits and skirts, 51 inches wide \$2.00 values for..... \$1.25
- 10 colorings in 56 inch all wool Homespuns, in dark and light greys, fawns, greens and browns, also black and navy for dresses, suits and skirts \$1.00 and \$1.25 values for..... 75c
- 1000 yards of odds and ends of all our great stock of dress goods, all in one lot. Plains and fancy makes in black and colored, 75c, 85c, \$1.00, and 1.50 values for..... 50c

Children's Wear.

- All Wool Serges of French make suitable for children's wear, brown, fawn, green, cardinal and black, 40 inch width per yard..... 19c
- Heavy black Beaver Cloths, 56 inches wide, English made goods, best in color, heavy weight, for Coats and Capes per yard.... \$1.00
- A range of shades in English dress goods, Camel's Hair and Flaked tweeds, black, blue, green and brown shades, width 44 inches, 75c values 59c

Waists, Underskirts.

- A lot of odd lines in Ladies' black mercerized satteen waists, all with trimming of velvet, satin cording and tucking, 32 to 38 in size, \$1.00 values..... 79c
- A lot of Ladies' colored Flannelette Waists, plain makes only, in colors of red, brown, green, and blue, with stripes and figured patterns, 32 to 38 in size, 60c values..... 39c
- 50 only black mercerized satteen underskirts with flounces, flares, ruffings and frills, all new styles, sizes 38, 40, 42 inches in length \$1.00, \$1.25 values..... 89c

Corsets, Gloves etc.

- About 15 dozen pairs of Ladies' Corsets in white, dove, fawn, assorted odd lots of makes and sizes, but excellent values, 75c, 85c, \$1.00, \$1.25 values..... 50c
- 10 dozen pairs of odd lines of Kid Gloves in dressed and undressed makes, browns and tans only, sizes 6 to 7, 59c and 75c values for.... 39c
- 50 only Lace Collars in heavy silk and fine cotton makes, colors are ivory, paris and black, \$1.00 \$1.25 values..... 75c
- 1000 yards of Cotton Torchon Lace in white, assorted patterns and widths, 8c, 9c, 10c values for..... 5c

Carpets and Oil Cloths.

- 3 patterns in 27 inch Tapestry Carpet, good designs and coloring, suitable for bed rooms 35c and 40c values..... 25c
- Best English Tapestry Carpets all 27 inches wide, patterns in dark and light colorings for bed rooms, sitting and dining rooms, halls, parlors and stairs, per yard..... 50c
- 3 odd pieces of heavy English Oil Cloth, made 4 yards wide, in black and floral designs, for kitchen halls and dining rooms, 50c and 60c values for per square yard..... 39c

Men's Scarfs and Underwear.

- 15 dozen Men's Silk and Satin four-in-hand Ties, all in dark colors, made of extra good silks, length 45 inches, 2 1/2 wide, 25c and 40c values for..... 12 1/2c
- Men's extra heavy and fine All-Wool Fleece Lined Underwear with satin facing, pearl buttons, finished seams, sizes 34, 36, 38, 40. \$1.00 values for..... 79c
- Fleece Lined Underwear and Natural Wool, for boys and men, a full range of sizes still in stock. 50c values for per garment..... 37 1/2c

Wrappettes

- 300 yards of Printed Wrappettes, in Red and Black designs, for Waists, Wrappers and Children's Dresses, per yard..... 5c
- 400 yards of English Wrappettes, 27 inches wide, in dark and light colorings, for Dressing Gowns, Wrappers and Waists, 10c and 12c qualities, per yard..... 8c
- 350 yards of Striped and Figured Cashmere Finish American Wrappettes, in light and dark colorings, for Waists, Wrappers, Sacques and Gowns, 12 1/2-2c and 15c values, per yard..... 10c

Flannelettes

- 800 yards of wide width Canadian Flannelettes, in light and dark stripes, for underwear and linings, per yard..... 5c
- 250 yards of Plain Pink Flannelettes, heavy soft fleecy make, for children's and ladies' Underwear and Nightgowns, per yard..... 8c
- 1000 yards of 36 inch Best English Striped Flannelettes, in pinks and blues, soft nap, extra quality, per yard..... 12 1/2c

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