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**TRUTH BEFORE FAVOR— PRINCIPLES, NOT MEN**


## THEY "EXPERIMENT" UP NORTH

Truly it has been said that a prophet is without honor in his own country. During the writer's recent trip through northern Ontario, with the Canadian Press Association, he had the pleasure of inspecting the provincial experimental farm at Monteith and seeing at first hand what has been accomplished. There a farm is being hewn from the forest, and a small barn and comfortable frame house have been erected. The house is well located on a commanding knoll a short distance from the railway station, and is surrounded by a neat lawn, relieved by shrubs and flowers. There is an air of comfort, and withal frugality, about the farm, a portion of which is under cultivation while more is being stumped and burned, though the greater part is still a forest of spruce and jack pine, with an occasional sprinkling of poplar. Several foreigners are engaged in clearing and managing the farm under an efficient foremen.

In conversation with various gentlemen in different northern town we failed to find one person who had everything good to say of the Monteith Experimental Farm. Doubtless there are sturdy exponents of its efficiency, but we failed to rub shoulders with any such. The farm, even to the careless observer, is a model of frugality combined with thoroughness and furnishes but slight ground for complaint. There are absolutely no signs of extravagance about the place. The proprietor does not commonly wear a white collar, Prince Albert coat and plug hat, but rather attires himself in overalls and straw "cow breakfast," etc., and tackles with a good will the work for which he is paid. Certainly the "hands" do not observe strictly union hours. It was about eight p.m. when the party visited the farm and the men were still busy stumping, nor did they stop their work because of the presence of the distinguished strangers, though the superintendent kindly conducted us around. The live stock, of which there is not a great deal, was well cared for and in good condition. To us, therefore, there was no other explation for the very obvious criticism to which it is subjected than that embodied in the Biblical quotation at the first of this article: "a prophet is without honor in his own country.

Certainly the provincial government is beginning to take an increased interest in the much neglected northern part of our province, and this experimental farm makes the awakening of the older portion to the possibilities of the newer portion as a farming country an easier matter. That such an awakening will be marked by a great rush northward where homes may be had almost for the asking is the natural conclusion of one who has been there, and has "been shown."

## CORRUPTION RAMPANT

After all, there is not a great deal of practical difference between the two Canadian political parties. Some twenty years ago, when the Conservatives had the privilege of spending the revenue, fraudulent tricks were introduced in the Printing Bureau. Of course this was all that could be expected from the wicked Tories. Corruption is as meat to them. But behold, when in 1896 the Liberals attained the majority, matters failed to mend! Instead of the corruption being exposed it was hidden deeper than ever in the mazes of red tape in some musty, unused garret store-room whence those interested stole through dim corridors and fostered it as time went on. But even all Liberals are not of the class of politician which conceived and carried out these frauds, and when Hon. Chas. Murphy one day wandered into the secret place his honesty was shocked. After a lengthy research the story has been made public.

Just what may be the outcome of the incident is problematic. Will the Liberals come down from their high and mighty self-righteousness and admit the possibility of a Liberal sinning, or will they assume that expression of perfect innocence which is always to be found on the face of the small boy who has been disturbed while investigating the jam pot. The latter would certainly be the easier, but the former is the only way out.

Surely the frantic ravings of the impassioned Conservative stump orator at election time have some slight foundation in fact—and some of the charges of graft are in a fair way to being proved. The only agent which acts against an open-armed reception of these charges of graft and corruption is the smouldering suspicion that, somewhere in the vitals of the party of the accuser is a similar taint to the one of which he complains of in the other. Were it not for that the charges would be proven or dis-proven and the politics of Canada sweetened and purified for all time.

## HAS JEFFRIES COME BACK!

Only four more days until the big fight—it is superfluous to say what fight. We venture to say that seventy-five per cent. of our readers (at a very conservative estimate) are, for some reason or other, in the fight—and the majority of these are living in the hope that Jeffries may "come back."

The editor of this paper, frankly, does not approve of prize-fighting, and he admires the Governor of California for his firmness in prohibiting the fight in his state when statutes forbid it; but, flying in the face of this, we are intensely interested in the outcome of the scrap at Reno. Governor Gillett cracked a tough nut when he balked on the fight. Sporting circles in California are strong, very strong, and may make it warm for him. Knowing this, he stuck to his duty as it was clear to him, and compelled the fight to be held elsewhere if at all. All good sports cannot fail to admire his courageous stand, even though it might have stopped the big scrap.

We like to apply the term "sport" to any man whom we consider deserving. To the writer a "sport" is one with ability to do things, and yet who is a good loser—one who knows when he is trimmed, and, knowing, does not sit down in a convenient corner and sulk. A "sport" is one who can take with good grace as much, or perhaps a little more than he gives. Therefore, using the word in this sense, to us Governor Gillett is a sport. By his action, the New York Times says, he has assumed national stature.

Eggs are already being gathered into cold storage for next winter's city consumption. Yum, yum!

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Editor Kerr of Brussels says of their continuation school: "Why, if anyone in Brussels dared to raise his voice against our continuation school they'd crucify him!"

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The Holstein Leader again has changed ownership. Wm. Roberts is the new proprietor, and we trust he may last longer than the last two of his predecessors, that success may be his. Winfield Hunt, the retiring editor, held down the editorial chair for six months. We imagine that Holstein is not a promising spot, from a newspaper standpoint.

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Last week the North Toronto Progress celebrated its first anniversary. The Progress is among the liveliest (editorially) of our exchanges and is highly interesting, and valuable in its field. The position of The Progress is one that calls for good general-ship in the editorial columns, and we congratulate Bro. Letsche on his ability and success. We like to read the editorials of The Progress—they are always worth reading—and we believe that is progressing in a proper channel. May it attain a mature growth under Mr. Letsche's very capable direction.

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"And all went merry as a wedding bell"—but the wedding bell does not always peal a merry chime. Last week an American young lady failed to land a Polish Prince as her lord and master through complications of some sort. The tangle will be straightened out, however, and the girl will have her bauble—until the divorce court intervenes its kindly bulk. That's the beauty of these title-for-money marriages, there is always a way out. It is an abnormal state of mind when a person is prepared to throw away happiness and home merely to enjoy the honor of an empty title, when that title must carry with it a crabbed makeshift of a man in the coat of a two-by-twice prince or duke from one of the little European principalities.

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The Walkerton Telescope points out a phase of our school-book problem. A farmer near that town was unable to buy a second reader in Elmwood, Chesley or Walkerton. The trouble lies in the fact that the dealers were unable to secure them from the publishing concern. We may be unjust in imagining that the delay on the part of Eaton in shipping to dealers is done intentionally and deliberately, but if parents are forced to write to Eaton's for the books a distinct benefit is conferred upon that firm by the opportunity for advertising. If it can be proven that there was unnecessary delay in shipping the books, either through inability or lack of desire, then the Legislature ought to chase the T. Eaton Co. up a tree—and compel them to waken up in their business methods.

The police magistrate of Ottawa advocates the erection of a home for inebriates in connection with the local jail, being convinced from long experience that drunkenness is not cured by imprisonment. With many people at least drunkenness is a disease, or the result of disease, rather than a crime, and what they need is treatment and not punishment. The punishment idea is a survival of the days when diseases were attributed to evil spirits and when it was thought that the way to cure the disease was to scourge out the spirts.


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