telligence nor prudent silence.

Mr. Hanna has swung down the ladder several rounds since the facts in the compromising Taylor case were suppressed. His determined effort to suppress the equally suspicious Snider evidence suggests equal guilt to be concealed. The whitewashing of Mr. Howard Ferguson was tit for tat. Mr. Hanna's star is on the wane, for which he has himself to blame.

As for Dr. Reaume and Mr. Duff, from them nothing was ever expected. With an autocratic Premier in control they could at least mark time, but left to themselves they face backwards.

For years The Globe gave to Premier Whitney and his Government all reasonable consideration. Had they continued even to seem devoted to the public interest that considerateness might have continued despite manifest incompetence. It may be that Sir James Whitney deserved encouragement up to the end of his active leadership. The collapse which followed hard upon his withdrawal tells how heavy and deadening his burden was. Now that the strength of his mastership is gone, and the break-up of the Government irreparable, the sooner the worst is over the better alike for the Conservative party and for the Province.