

The Late Conspiracy.

The great bribery scandal which has been occupying the attention of the public, as well as the press for some weeks past, is yet apparently far from being satisfactorily settled; and, while it is already evident that such men as Wilkinson, Bunting, and Meek have figured to a greater or lesser extent in the affair, it is more than likely before the whole business is sifted, it will be found that other prominent men, not excluding the Dominion Government, have been implicated in the same disgraceful transaction.

The whole iniquitous affair is greatly to be deplored, and should be fathomed to the very bottom, no matter how painful it may be to those concerned.

It is to be regretted that the *Mail* and a few other journals have taken such a stand in the matter, as by their tone no blame whatever appears to be attached to this "brawling brood of bribers," but, on the other hand no pains have been spared to show in the worst possible light the means employed to entrap those parties who were bent on the overthrow of the Mowat Administration.

Although some people do not approve of the manner devised to expose those political conspirators, all agree that they should be made an example of, and we have yet failed to hear of any other way by which they could have been caught.

Some of our enthusiastic conservatives tell us that the only proper mode for McKim, Balfour, &c., to have taken when first approached would have been to have resented the insult then and there.

That is all very well, but how many would have been willing to accept the story without some proof of their criminality, and no person will think for a moment those criminals would acknowledge their own guilt.

If, as some say—it would have been right for Mr. McKim to have knocked Wilkinson down when the matter was at first hinted to him, it could not have been wrong had Mr. Bunting pitched McKim down the elevator hole when—as he says—he was approached by the latter. But he did not do it, but seemed too willing to entertain any proposal as long as it was likely to prove detrimental to Mr. Mowat and his party.

Before the Ontario Legislature closed, an act was passed authorizing the appointment of a royal commission of three judges with power to investigate the whole conspiracy, and the sooner the whole business is unearthed the better it will be for those who may have been wrongly suspected and the better it will be for the honor of our country.

Bible Question.

Mr. Editor,—As the giving of Bible Questions is a popular, and seems to be a profitable idea, I would like to have a hand in the speculation and by your leave would propose the following:—"Which of the Prophets sent out a news reporter." The question to be open until May 1st. Editors and newspaper correspondents only to compete. Each answer to be accompanied with fifty cents. The first lucky contributor of the right answer to present to the one who proposes the question a splendid piano, worth at least six hundred dollars, or what would be more acceptable, one thousand dollars in cash (as the sender's proficiency in music is somewhat limited). If there are those who should miss the privilege of presenting so valuable a gift, they will find that their investment of fifty cents will not be a total loss, as they will have the incalculable benefit of searching the Scriptures, a very ancient and interesting volume, doubtless new to many members of the press.

Answers to be sent to Box 395, Richmond Hill.

A. O. U. W.

To the Editor of THE LIBERAL: DEAR SIR,—Will you kindly insert the following which may be of some interest to the public: The A. O. U. W. of this place is still on the increase. At the last meeting we had four initiations, and a prospect of more next. Bros. Drs. Wilson of this village and Orr of Maple have been appointed Medical Examiners for the Order in this vicinity in accordance with the new law, viz. that the Examiner shall be a Licentiate of the Ontario College of Surgeons and a Registered Practitioner and hold his appointment for the Lodge from the Grand Medical Examiner I find on looking over the report of the Grand Finance Committee that the Order is prospering all over Ontario as well as in our own locality and is growing rapidly, having made an increase during the year of 1500, with an addition of 23 new Lodges, the membership now numbering about 7,500. The order therefore carries risks to the value of \$14,682,000, with a death rate of only about 6 per 1000 or in other words 41 deaths during the year, which will I think compare very well with any of the ordinary line companies. There has been paid out to the widows and orphans of deceased Brothers the sum of \$82,000. I also find that a large proportion of the 41 deaths occurred between the ages of 35 and 40 years, the exact number being 15 as may be seen by the following report: 5 died between 21 and 30 years; 3 between 30 and 35; 15 between 35 and 40; 8 between 40 and 45; 6 between 45 and 50 and 4 over 50 years. The 41 deaths were spread over the Province in the following proportions: Burlington 7, London 7, York 7, Erie 5, St. Clair 4, Stratford 4, Georgian Bay 3, Quinte 2, Ontario 1 and Ottawa 1. Hoping our Order will increase this year as it has in the past. I am &c., A Member of the Order.

Dominion Inspector of Licenses.

To the Editor of the LIBERAL: A short time ago the High Constable of the County of York applied to the County Council for an increase of salary, but as all his duties were not very well known no action was taken in the matter. At the next session he made application for an increase of salary, at the same time specifying his duties, which appeared from the communication to be very onerous, and accordingly his salary was raised one hundred dollars per annum. But still not being satisfied with his salary he must have another office—Dominion License Inspector at a salary of eight hundred dollars. Whether he received the office for past political services or for prospective services or because he is an Orangeman (by the way the Inspector for the city is an Orangeman also) so that he may feel the insult Sir John has dealt to them as a body in simply doing nothing toward having the bill of incorporation passed! It is not known but it appears to be from some of these reasons that he was appointed, for why should a man from the city be appointed when a good man from your village made application and was refused. But the men who were capable of filling the office of Inspector were not merely at Richmond Hill but all over the County. Have the High Constable's duties ceased to be heavy as before, if so the County Council should reduce his salary at the first opportunity. If as numerous as formerly, then the Council should appoint a person who could give his whole time to the work. Hoping that when attention has been called to the matter, the tax-payers of the County will see that a proper person may be appointed to the position through their representatives.

West York Township, RATEPAYER

TORONTO TOPICS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

The investigation into the conspiracy plot is still unfinished. Both the *Globe* and the *Mail* are endeavoring to make political capital out of it, and occasionally they use very naughty words when speaking of each other. The independent papers are now to be depended upon more than the big party organs.

Dr. Goldwin Smith went bail for Kirkland to the surprise of many.

A tug of war took place last night at the Grand between four picked policemen from Buffalo and an equal number of the Toronto *Peelers*; the Bisons proved more than a match for the home birds.

A fire at Winan's on Sunday morning was the cause of a loss of about \$70,000.

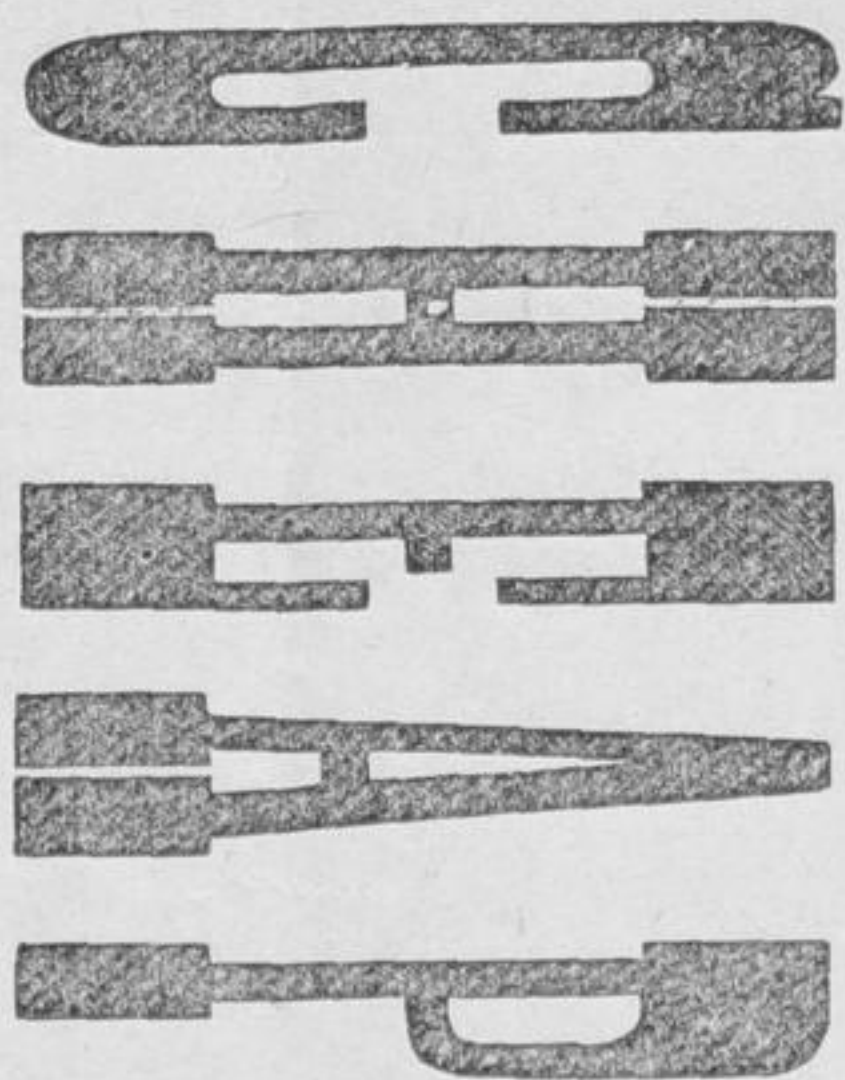
The *Evening Canadian* after struggling against fate for some time, suspended publication last Friday. It was a newsy little sheet and will be missed. It was the only Roman Catholic daily published in the city.

The Examinations at the Toronto Schools of Medicine were concluded last Saturday, and many of the boys have gone home for a rest.

About noon to day the Fire alarm rang a number not on the list. It was explained by some saying it was the first of April.

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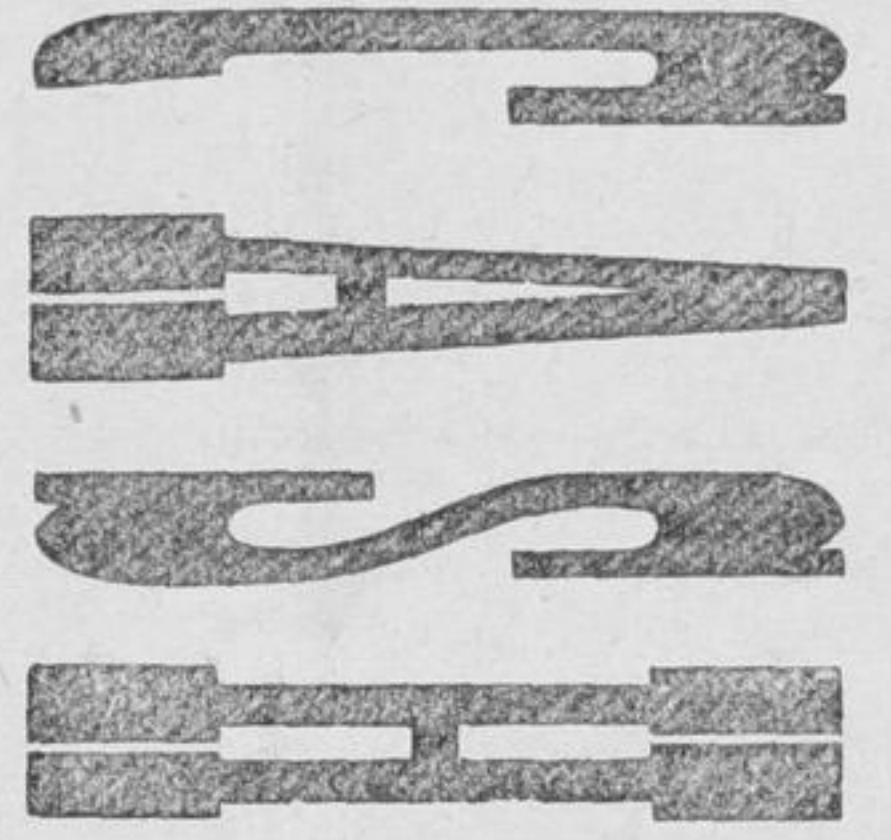
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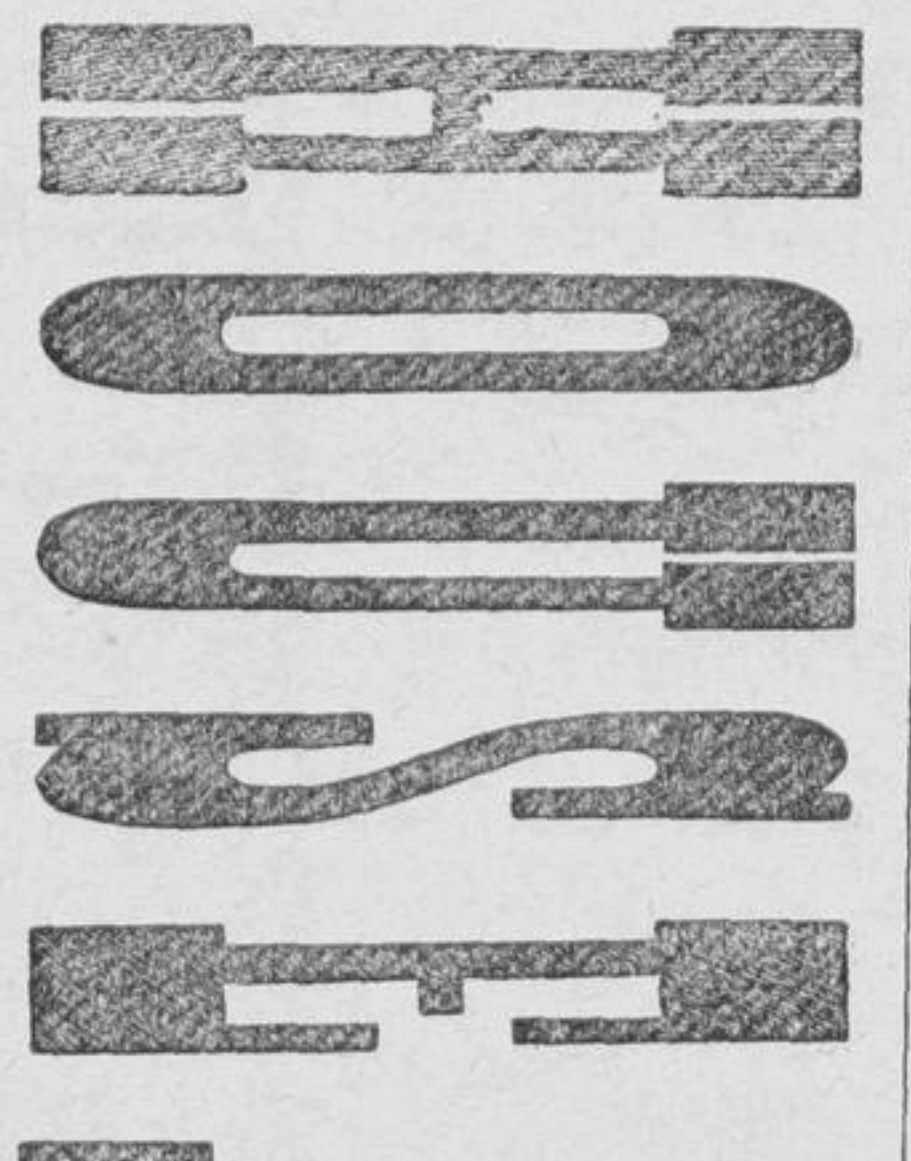
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