

The Liberal.

RICHMOND HILL, July 1st, 1897.

"THE 12TH OF JULY AND 17TH OF MARCH."

An editorial in the Toronto World of Friday last contains so much common sense that we take the liberty of copying it in full, an unusual thing for us to do. The article reads as follows:—

"The Remedial bill, introduced into the House of Commons by the late Government, had for its object the restoration of Separate schools in Manitoba. The bill was plainly a measure granting class legislation to the Roman Catholics of that province, and as such it was inimical to the best interests of the country. The Orange Order, we take it, was organized, and is perpetuated, for the very purpose of preventing the Roman Catholics from gaining ascendancy in the government of the country. But it was not the Orangemen who prevented the enactment of remedial legislation. The Remedial bill was killed by the French-Canadians, supported, as they were, by that large section of the community that belongs to no society, Protestant or Catholic. The Manitoba school question was an issue upon which it would naturally be supposed that the Orangemen would be united. But they were not. On the contrary, this question was the cause of disruption in the ranks of the order, so much so that it is now in a critical and shaky condition. The Orange Order has in fact outlived its usefulness. The rights and liberties of the Protestants are in no such danger as to call for the organization of a special society to defend and protect them. There was a time when Orangeism had strong justification for its existence. To-day, however, no reason exists for its continuance. On the contrary, a blessing would be conferred on the country if the order would decide on dissolution or continue as a purely benevolent organization. The celebration of the 12th of July only serves to arouse and embitter religious animosities. What is especially desired in this country is a policy that will allay these feelings instead of encouraging them. The flaunting of the Orange colors on the 12th of July is much like raising the proverbial red flag before a bull. The Orangemen may safely trust themselves and their open Bible to the justice and good sense of the electorate. It would indeed be a godsend to Canada if the people would bury the dead issues that give rise to so much squabbling and devote their attention to some of the practical questions of national and Imperial interest that are now before the public. The Orangemen have it in their power to free the country of much of the religious bickering that is constantly cropping up. If the Orangemen were to decide on celebrating the 12th of July by staying at home and attending to their every day occupations, the Irish Catholics would soon follow suit and give up their celebration of March 17. The dissolution of these organizations might destroy the influence of a few politicians and bosses, but it would be a godsend to the people, Protestants and Catholics alike. The disappearance of these antagonistic societies would pave the way for the disappearance of all our religious troubles and for the final amalgamation of the Separate and Public schools of Ontario. As long as the 12th of July and 17th of March are perpetuated just so long will such an amalgamation be impossible."

I am sorry, Mr. Editor, to have taken up so much of your valuable space. Hoping you will forgive me, I remain, perhaps as good a friend and well-wisher of Richmond Hill and neighborhood as any other citizen.

W. H. PUGSLEY.

June 20th, 1897.
P. S.—A copy of the by-law which has disturbed Mr. Crosby's rest has been left at THE LIBERAL office, and may be seen by any person interested.
W. H. P.

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That Mortgage.

To the Editor of THE LIBERAL:
DEAR SIR,—In your issue of last week I find a communication from Mr. Isaac Crosby seeking information in reference to mortgaged properties, and asking me to explain the situation. Now, Mr. Editor, I am not accustomed to newspaper writing, but such ignorance of municipal matters as is shown in Mr. Crosby's communication should certainly be enlightened. 1st. A similar by-law (By-Law No. 747) has been passed every year for the last 20 years in the County Council at its regular meetings, with the exception of the year 1884, when the council

neglected to pass a by-law at the June session, and the consequence was the Warden was forced to call a special meeting on the 12th of July of the same year to remedy the mistake, which neglect cost the county upwards of \$300.00.

Now, Sir, surely Mr. Crosby, with all his natural sagacity, not taking into consideration what he has acquired through years of experience, would not recommend the council of 1897 to commit the same error.

As to the by-law, I am sure Mr. Crosby could not have read it very carefully, for I am satisfied he has far too much common sense to construe it to mean any such thing as a mortgage, when it is simply giving the Warden and the Treasurer power to borrow such sums as may be needed before the taxes are collected in the fall. Mr. Crosby must certainly know it is what almost every municipality and a great many School Boards have to do. And furthermore he must have seen in the by-law that the sum or sums so borrowed shall be repaid on or before the 31st of December, 1897. So you see, Mr. Editor, it is in no way like even a 30 year debenture debt.

2nd. As to why it is necessary for a rich county to borrow money: The county has to finance, not only for the ordinary expenditure of the county, but also for the judicial as well, and it would necessitate carrying a very large amount of money on hand for a full year, which the county has no right to do. For instance, is it not better to borrow \$10,000 for two months at five per cent. than to keep that money out of the people's pockets for ten months in advance of when it would be required? Now, the present by-law was passed June 12th, and it is not likely any of the money will be borrowed for say two or even three months, and then only if required.

Then, Sir, as to my being so "uncompromising" in my opposition to such mortgages, he must be wrong, for I have voted for them every year for the past 11 years, and have lived to see them all paid off, which I sincerely hope he will be able to say of the last one he so willingly helped to burden the village of Richmond Hill with.

There is, Mr. Editor, a class of mortgages I am decidedly opposed to. Perhaps that is the kind Mr. Crosby has reference to, that is 30 year mortgages for the small sum of \$3,000, or really \$2,200, as we have already in the village treasury the sum of \$800. I maintain, Sir, that it is a disgrace to our village that we are put in that position to have to pay within a fraction of \$6,000 to borrow \$3,000, only a man on the verge of bankruptcy is forced to that.

I know, Sir, I have been accused of opposing the High School. And why? Simply because I have opposed unnecessary expense. Some of those gentlemen know that I have always fought the battle for the High School both at home and abroad, when men that were elected for that purpose should have done so. And when they are moving around amongst their neighbors and using such means as they have been using to injure many good citizens, they forget the ninth commandment, or it was not properly taught them when young.

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PERSONALS.

Miss M. Kyle of Toronto, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. G. Wiley.

Miss Minnie Moore of Orillia, spent Saturday with the Misses Teefy.

Mr. and Mrs. Haywood of Orillia, drove through our village on Saturday last; they called on Mr. and Mrs. Teefy.

Mr. A. E. Maclean, of the Williams-town High School, is spending a few days with his father-in-law, Mr. B. McDonald.

Mr. Jacob Atkinson of Chatham, spent a day or two with his niece, Mrs. W. H. Pugsley, and returned on Tuesday.

Rev. J. Vickery and Master Stanley Vickery, of Scarborough, formerly on this circuit, spent Thursday night and Friday with friends here.

Mrs. Andrew Newton and Master Earle Newton spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of Mr. C. Newton in Alden, New York State.

Mr. Walter McLean, teacher in the Brantford Institute for the Blind, is spending part of his holidays with his sister, Mrs. W. Marsh.

Rev. Dr. Teefy left Toronto on Monday morning en route for Chicago, San Francisco and the Pacific coast to spend his holidays and recruit his health.

We are pleased to notice that Mr. R. H. Bates, eldest son of the rector of this parish, has just graduated in Arts at Bishop's College, taking the highest marks of any man in the same year.

Mrs. Walker, Miss Bridgland, Mr. Oscar Wenborne, soloist St. James' Cathedral; Mr. S. Ashdown, Mr. H. Hulme, barrister, and Mr. W. Allen, barrister, son of Archdeacon Allen, were guests of Mrs. Jewell Thursday and Friday of last week.

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