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## SANCTUM SIFTINGS.

### THE BOYS ARE WATCHED.

"The boy is father of the man" and "Children are the To-morrow of Society" are somewhat synonymous in their meaning. The everyday observer of the rising generation, in the light of these two expressions, must have feelings of regret or pleasure passing constantly through his reflective head. There are some boys who are always respectful to their superiors, respectful to their equals, and respectful to those of lower station. Such boys, the thoughtful man will put down as a class of boys who, in all likelihood, will grow up as honest and honorable men and respected members of society. Such boys are not found in questionable company; they are not found in acts of wrong-doing; they are not found with the appearance of guilt upon their countenances, but can ever look the observer straight in the face, without fear and without dissimulation. These are the boys that are wanted to-day, provided they have ambition. These are the boys the business men are trying to get hold of. These are the boys for whom positions of trust are open. A few weeks ago we had articles along the same line of thought, but the importance of the subject impels us to believe that a repetition of the idea will do no harm. There are other boys who are not wanted. Boy Reader! To which class do you belong? Boy Reader! Do you want to be eligible to share the best things that are going? If so, is there any habit you now have that bars you out? Just think about it, and while thinking remember that your conduct is being watched.

### SILICATE BRICK.

Frequent reference has been made to this question. Mr. Neil McKeechie has studied some and talked much about their manufacture. It will be a pity if he lets it end in talk, and lets someone else step in for the plum. Last week Mr. Calder returned from a two weeks business trip to Montreal. While there he got hold of a Silicate brick and brought it home with him. It was the first of the kind we ever remember seeing, and we must pronounce it a fine article of building material. The material of which it is made is only sand and lime, but the finished product is as smooth as glass, hard as stone, and capable of standing the severest baking and boiling tests. They can be made cheaply too, and now that our brick yard has become defunct, and outsiders are running up the figures to prohibitive prices it would be a good time for some enterprising concern to get a move on. Mr. Calder dropped a hint that may mean something and the chances are that he may be talking up a silicate brick plant before many days. But then, we have had talk enough, let us have action now.

### THE GAMEY CHARGES.

Two weeks have passed since the Gamey charges have been sprung upon the Ontario Legislature and apart from the debate regarding the mode of investigation the public are no nearer a knowledge of the truth than they were when the bolt first fell. So far we have imputed guilt to no one either in our writings or in our conversation. The charges are nevertheless grave, and it seems, we think, to the liberal minded readers of all shades of politics that some of the Cabinet Ministers are not altogether guiltless. If the charges are true, and Mr. Gamey accepted the bribe for the purpose, as he says, of unearthing an evil, it was certainly a clever scheme, and in the event of the charges being substantiated, Mr. Gamey must be unquestionably regarded as a political hero. If on the other hand he accepted the bribe, as some friends of the Government are disposed to allege, with the intention of deserting his party, no reasonable man can put him down as guiltless. In any case, however, the cabinet ministers, if they

took the part they are charged with, cognizant as they must have been of political fraud, they are no longer fit for positions in the government, and their resignations should be accepted without a dissenting voice. The more extreme Liberals who feel it difficult to conceive of a wrong in the Liberal party, are somewhat embarrassed over the attitude of the Toronto News of which paper Mr. J. S. Willison, formerly of the Toronto Globe is now chief Editor. The News is an Independent paper, and is certainly not the most lenient on the action of the Government. In all probability Mr. Willison knows what he is talking about, and if he can assist Mr. Gamey in stamping out political corruption, he should share the glory.

### A UNITED SOUTH AFRICA.

A banquet was given Friday last by the Lord Mayor of London in honor of the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, who returned recently from a visit to South Africa where he endeavored to gain particulars regarding the conquered people. Mr. Chamberlain expressed the opinion that "as a result of his intercourse with men of every shade of opinion in the New Colonies, he could repeat his assurance that the war would bring enduring peace and justify the hope of a united prosperous South Africa. Heretofore to England convinced that the war could not have been settled unless by the abandonment of their Imperial Policy. He was confident of the future, because the main issues which had divided progressive and retrograde civilization had been settled once and for all. Mr. Chamberlain said he had received from the leaders of their late opponents the most absolute and fullest assurance of loyalty in restoring prosperity to the country. The memories of the past were already being effaced, and he said he had found no trace of a British desire to inflict humiliation on a gallant race. The government policy, the Colonial Secretary declared was clearly marked. It was a policy of liberality without example in the history of war. The only fruit of the conquest they desired was the friendship of their late opponents. Since the close of the war the value of land in the new territories has increased from 50 to 300 per cent. due to the expectation by the people of an era of greater prosperity."

### CREAM SEPARATOR FACTORY.

The Council is again approached for assistance by way of a loan for the establishment of a Cream Separator Factory. How they may view the question we are not prepared to say. That the prosperity of the town depends upon the action of the Council in giving encouragement to industries we positively believe, and that the outlook for business in the sale of separators is highly promising no sane man will deny. Other towns are ready to jump at the offers that have been turned down by Durham. The small advance made by the Bobbin Factory, now employing thirty men and needing thirty more is a single example. The Carving Factory representatives that were chilled by the Council found shelter elsewhere, and should the present prospective industry be given the go by, some place else will take it up, and get the benefits that should come to us. We know there are citizens in Durham to-day that are ready with a cold water douche to drown out what they call bonus hunters, but the progressive towns are taking them up and prospering by the deal. The Furniture Factory had a hard fight for a foothold, and even yet there are croakers. Notwithstanding this there's not a sensible man to be found who would like to see it removed. Before taking any definite action or before treating the proposed Company with the coldness of an iceberg, it is well to consider the matter. Kind heaven isn't going to empty a gold mine in Durham where the gold grabbers can regale themselves. They'll have to do something themselves.

Mr. Lorne Hale, the Liberal candidate for the vacancy in North Renfrew, is in the city a present, and a prominent Conservative politician from the constituency, who is also in Toronto at present, stated to a News reporter this morning that Mr. Hale had come to Toronto to advise the Government to hold the election at once, or to postpone it for some time, and he understood the Liberals in the riding preferred a postponement. The Gamey charges had upset the plans of the Liberals, and if an election were held to-day, he believed the Government candidate would be defeated. The general feeling in the riding was that the government were guilty, but the fullest investigation into the matter was desired on all sides.—Toronto News.

### THE SENIOR JUDGESHIP.

The death of the late John Creasor, Sr. Judge for the County of Grey, leaves a vacancy which we would be highly pleased to see filled by the present Junior Judge, Duncan Morrison, who for the past thirteen years has filled his present position honorably, with credit to himself, and satisfaction to this community. A more patient, painstaking or fairer man never occupied the bench, and we believe the appointment to the vacancy would give universal satisfaction.

## THE MAN ON THE STREET.

"A chiel's amang ye takin' notes, An' faith he'll prent it."—BURNS.

### TREE PLANTING.

The tree-planting season has again come round, and it is hoped by all lovers of our town that it will be fully taken advantage of. As a beautifying element in the make-up of any town, perhaps there is none so important as shade trees along the streets. Our front street, and many of our back streets are lamentably deficient in this beautifying element. Indeed there is no feature of our town so often spoken of by strangers, to our discredit, as the want of shade and ornamental trees. The bald, barren, dreary, destitute appearance of our front street is enough to give one who has been accustomed to foliage and shade trees a fit of the dimes. Why should it be so? We are yet in a well-wooded country where trees can be obtained at a minimum of cost, and there is only one reason why we do not have trees planted and growing, enough and to spare, and that is, the indifference—the slowness of our citizens. Two or three years ago a spurt was made and a goodly number of trees were planted but many of these have died and no effort has been made to replace them by others. The progressive spirit shown by Mr. Con. Knapp a few years ago was in the highest degree commendable, and if the rest of the citizens had followed his example the odium of unshaded streets would even now have been well nigh removed from our beloved town. Can not a tree-planting crusade again be inaugurated this year? Can we not have say 500 or 1,000 trees planted within the corporation? Can not every house-holder and property owner plant one or more trees in front of his own place? Can not every able-bodied young man plant one tree—even one—in front of some vacant property, or in some public place? Surely so much can be expected of our public spirited citizens. When will it be done? We are growing old in our old ruts. Now is the time for action. With reasonable care in the selection and planting of the trees and some little attention given to them during the summer, most of them would live and in ten years we would have a truly beautiful town.

### BEAUTIFYING THE TOWN.

The planting of the trees suggests the larger questions of the commercial value of beautifying the town generally. For an inland town, Durham is picturesquely situated. Nature has done much to relieve the situation from the monotony that usually attaches to towns removed from large bodies of water. From this point of view the hill-side is a positive blessing. But the rugged beauty of nature has been destroyed on the hill-side and no compensations have been made in the way of increased artificial beauty. As one walks down the hill, he cannot fail to be struck with the beauty of the distant view, while immediately beside him is a scene that haunts him with its emptiness. The town property there for ugly deformity, for bleak, unshaded bareness cannot, I suppose, be surpassed in any self-respecting town in the Province. The fine artistic instinct of some of our former Town Fathers, has a living monument in the square, squat, almost squalid buildings which they erected to adorn the site. Even if the Royal Opera House down town were put alongside, it would add nothing to the architectural magnificence of the municipal pile. It must be said also that the continued bareness of the cattle yard proves that later Town Fathers have no better grasp of the situation than their predecessors. They do not seem to realize that the appearance of a town is a commercial asset of no mean significance. From an intimate knowledge of several other towns, I believe that a judicious expenditure of a small annual grant of public money towards the beautifying of the town would be a very remunerative investment, bringing increase of population and with it of course increase of trade returns. Not only this but every citizen should count it a point of honor to beautify so far as in him lies, his own property. This done, our pride in our town would be intensified, and our own self-respect would be heightened. I am well aware that a few croakers always raise the cry that a slight increase in the tax-rate will prevent prospective settlers from staying with us, therefore, they say, we must not spend public money on improvements. This is pure, unadulterated bunkum. No desirable class of citizens will go by a live town because of an extra mill of taxation on the dollar, provided other things are as they ought to be. It is the progressive, bustling, go-ahead town—the one whose physical beauty and sanitary conditions are in line with the progressive spirit of its citizens which attracts intending settlers and holds them after they are settled. A brief study of the history of other towns in Ontario that have come to the front during the last ten years will amply prove this undoubted fact. It has often happened that one public spirited citizen has been the means of bringing prosperity and industrial contentment to a town and it just as often happens that a single slow, antiquated drone, one who casts a wet blanket on every progressive scheme kills a town leader than Gilroy's goat. Our town, like others, has suffered in the past from this species of obstructionist and we do well to guard against being side-tracked by the same miserable tactics to-day. The man who fails to do what he can to beautify the town is as much its

enemy as he who from selfish motive obstructs any other measures for its advancement.

### MUNICIPAL PORTRAITS.

No. 2. The Foolish Alderman. Lo! and behold the foolish alderman. What he doeth mark well for he is the promoter of all municipal improvements.

The foolish alderman openeth his mouth and expresseth his opinions freely and above board, so that all who harken may know them. He dareth to say that he hath a mind of his own, for no vulgar rate-payer or rich landlord hath a lien thereon and no vulgar demagogue can dictate to him what course he must pursue—He exerteth himself with all his might and ceaseth not to devise ways and means whereby the greatest benefits can be secured to his fellow citizens.

The foolish alderman riseth in the morning before it is yet day and when he hath knowledge of the foul smell that wafteth upon him from the streets, he immediately resolveth to have the filth, which is the cause thereof, removed. And it is removed accordingly. Yea, all day long he striveth to perform his public duties so that wise ratepayers can heartily approve of his acts, though the foolish ratepayers may consider that he doeth not according to the do-nothing policy of the past.

The foolish alderman believeth that there is a tide in the affairs of municipalities which, taken at the flood, leads on to fortune; omitted, all the voyage of their life is bound in shadows, and in miseries, as saith the great poet of ye olden time concerning men. Therefore, he sayeth boldly that the town he representeth should have a worthy Opera House, good bridges, shaded streets, good light, pure water, clean river-beds and unoffensive mill-dams; that the sluggishness of the Town Fathers hath often been a curse instead of a blessing and hath oftentimes retarded the progress of municipalities immeasurably; that the saving of a few dollars through a short-sighted policy hath often caused the loss of thousands later on; that such false economy is contrary to the interests of the town; and that he who advocateth such a course, should creep into the bed vacated by old Rip Van Winkle and sleep the rest of his allotted span in peace.

The foolish alderman dareth to say to ye rich and doughty ratepayer who hateth all improvements and who hideth him for extravagance that he hath been elected to promote the interests of the town, not of ye rich land owners only, and needeth not the advice of such obstructionists unless it be for the good of all the citizens. Whereat the said high and mighty land owner waxeth wroth, sayeth bad words, stampeth about and danceth around menacingly. Thereupon, ye audacious but foolish alderman gently telleth him to vacate the premises and maketh it clear that such is the best policy.

Then cometh the end of the year and the foolish alderman is bounced. But he sayeth unto all men, "Care not I for this denarius. The support of wise ratepayers I have had, but the wrath of the foolish ratepayers hath been stirred up against me. Nevertheless the day cometh when it shall appear unto all men that my enemies, round about me, are the enemies of all progress, and that the policy I have advocated is the true and only policy that will build up a town." And the foolish alderman groweth fat in his own independence and wickedness—Even so.

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The many friends of the late John Barrie in this neighborhood were much shocked to hear of his death as he was well and favorably known here.

The Rev. Wm. Graham preached for the last time at Townsends Lake March 22nd. Though he be far removed from us we hope his good example will ever live among us.

It must be pleasant for a school teacher to sit with her handkerchief over her nose while the scholars sit with their hands over their mouths to keep from laughing. Boys should not kill polecats on their way to school.

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