

Thursday, May 25, 1899.

The bolt of Hon. Mr. Costigan from the Conservative party and affiliation with the Liberal party has led to a good deal of talk. Some of his late party friends profess to believe he is being seduced by the Liberal party with the promise of a position in the government.

The delegates to the Peace Conference from Great Britain are:—Sir Julian Pauncefote, who has represented Britain at Washington since 1893, and is a man of commanding ability; Vice-Admiral Sir John Fisher, of naval renown and a gifted servant of the crown; Sir Henry Howard, British minister at the Hague, who has likewise served at Washington and has a varied experience in international questions; and fourthly, Major-Gen. Sir J. Ardagh who has seen much naval service and has represented Britain at foreign courts with distinguished credit.

THE REDISTRIBUTION BILL.

True to promise the Liberal government have introduced the measure of redistribution, long promised to rectify the glaring abuse of 1882, commonly called "The Gerrymander." The proposal of the government is to throw representation entirely within county lines—no partizanship can be charged in that—and, where a county is too large for one member a commission of judges is to settle the division. Could anything be fairer? Surely the Conservative party should be satisfied to abide by the decision of the judges.

The division of 1882 ignored County boundaries so flagrantly as to reveal plainly the object, viz.: to bunch Liberals in a few places, where they were strong anyway, and remove a Conservative municipality where ever it could be spared to throw in somewhere to weaken the Reform vote. Thus, Armesia, in the strongly Conservative East Grey was thrown into South Grey, with the idea that its Conservative majority would turn the scale in South Grey, while Proton with a Liberal majority, would still be unable to change the result in East Grey.

Of course this scheme has never "worked" in South Grey. Dr. Landerkin having been elected in spite of the gerrymander and every time since, and this, as he has often acknowledged, is due in no small degree to Armesia Conservatives who resented the action of their own party in bundling them about, by voting for the man intended to be killed.

There can be no doubt however that in many cases the scheme "worked" and at several elections, by means of this, and the equally partizan "Franchise Act," Liberals were "dished," when their cause, their leaders, and their efforts deserved victory.

Now, this attempt to rectify a wrong condemned by many Conservatives is being opposed with great vigor by Sir Chas. Tupper. In a speech last week the government are lashed as "incapables," (not a single exception he told Mr. Blair, securing elections by means of a "brigade of ruffians" sent from one polling place to another, "gigantic frauds," "frightful invasions of independence," "degrading public life," etc., etc. He closed his vituperative speech as follows:

"My hon. friend knows that unless he can resort to means of juggling with the franchise and the distribution of seats he will be swept out of power by the overwhelming tide of public indignation that is fast rising, and which will engulf him and all those who by bribery and corruption, secret and

public, and in every shape and form, are degrading everything like public life in Canada. My hon. friend knows he must resort to these deplorable, improper and unprecedented means to keep that power which he feels is slipping from his hands, and will pass away when the intelligent electorate have an opportunity of passing on him and on the conduct and maladministration, the incapacity that has marked not only the career but the position of every member of that Government.

I challenge them in the face of this House, and I challenge them in the face of this country, to name one single act, one single public principle ever professed as a cardinal principle by that party, that they have not trampled under foot since they obtained power. I challenge them to quote one single promise by means of which they thus obtained power to misgovern this country that they have not violated. I have given that challenge before, and it remains unmet. No attempt has been made to show a single principle that they have professed that they have not utterly violated, or a single pledge on which they obtained the confidence of the electorate of Canada that they have not trampled under their feet. Of course we cannot take up this bill in its present shape. It will be printed and placed in our hands. But I undertake to say that the more closely it is examined the more probable will it be that I have not misunderstood the objects and aims that the hon. gentleman has in view in putting this measure before the house."

Few, we venture to say, have seen the "overwhelming tide of indignation" rising; still fewer Liberals are feeling in danger of being "engulfed" by it, and we believe the country has the idea that under Liberal government a few things have been done, which has given Canada a standing and a name higher than ever it achieved under Conservative leadership, higher than ever it could attain under Tupper leadership.

We give a portion of Sir Wilfrid's brief but effective reply:

"Mr. Speaker, the hon. gentleman (Sir Charles Tupper) has just told us that he is shocked and horrified at my conduct on this occasion. I tell him very solemnly that I am not shocked or horrified at anything he says, scandalous as it was, as it always is. The hon. gentleman has given proof more than once this session that he is no longer able to discuss, that he is able to abuse and to use language so scurrilous as to be unworthy even of Billingsgate. The hon. gentleman says that we obtained power by appealing to prejudice. Does he forget his own history? Who went to Winnipeg in the year 1896 and asked the people of Winnipeg not to place power in the hands of a Roman Catholic and French Canadian? This of course was not an appeal to race prejudice. The hon. gentleman should be ashamed, if shame could show itself upon his brow to use such language and try to fasten such charges upon men better than himself.

Sir Charles Tupper—There was not one word of truth in the statement that the hon. gentleman (Sir Wilfrid Laurier) made to his friends in Quebec.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier—I am accustomed to that. Whenever a charge is brought against the hon. gentleman we hear from him that there is not a word of truth in it. We have won bye-elections by corruption and the lavish use of money, private and public. Sir, there have been more than 30 bye-elections won by the Liberal Government since the general election in 1896. These hon. gentleman opposite tell us to-day, when there is no responsibility behind their words, that we have obtained these victories by the lavish use of money, private and public.

Sir Charles Tupper—Hear, hear, repeats the hon. gentleman. If he speaks his mind in that, how is it that he has not the courage to bring a single case before the courts? Not a single election has been contested. They have had their opportunities to prove their charges. The courts were open to them to establish their allegations that we had used money wrongfully in the bye-elections. But in this as in other matters, they have failed to act.

The hon. gentleman tells us that the people are with him. As I have said he cannot discuss, but he can abuse, and he can brag. Abuse and brag from the whole stock in trade of the hon. gentleman.

I tell him at this moment that all we desire is to have a fair appeal to the people, and if the people are to pronounce I am willing to leave the victory to the best man."

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"The Julian calendar assumes the length of the solar year to be 365 1/4 days. It is really eleven minutes and a few seconds less.

"In order to restore the balance in the reckoning Pope Gregory published a bull, dated March 1, 1582, annulling ten days so that October 5th of that year became in Roman Catholic countries October 15.

"It was also ordained, to keep the time quite accurate, that three of the leap years which occur in 400 years should be considered as common years. There is still a slight error, but in many thousand years it would not amount to a day.

"Scotland, being a protestant nation, and loth to take even science from the Pope, stuck out to 1600.

"England was even more disagreeable and refused to adopt the new method till 1751.

"It was then necessary to drop eleven days.

"Russia, Greece, and the smaller States, such as Servia, belonging to the Greek Church, still remain steadfast to the 'old style.'

"Russia's procrastination has been the thief of time to the extent that she will have to drop twelve days out of her reckoning. The change will be instituted at as early a date as practicable.

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