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THE DAILY WHIG. 'Optimist per Orbem Decor.'

CHAMBERLAIN'S DULLNESS. Col. Hughes has been asking the government some questions that are really interesting. He read in the paper that Mr. Chamberlain, the colonial secretary, addressing a deputation of Patagonians, questioned the advisability of emigrating from their hot country to the terrible rigours of the Canadian winter. He feared the change would be something they should not face. The colonel wants to know what is going to be done in the way of educating the colonial secretary. He suggests that Mr. Chamberlain be enlightened in regard to our climate and without delay. He recommends that Mr. Sifton send a map of Western Canada; that the lady teacher, engaged for the concentration camps of South Africa have an experience with the gentlemen is passing through London; that Sir Wilfrid Laurier, on the occasion of the visit to London in June, gave Mr. Chamberlain a severe talking to. Something should certainly be done to remove the wrong impressions which Mr. Chamberlain entertains. They are simply execrable. There is in London a Canadian high commissioner and a Canadian office with several officials with whom Mr. Chamberlain should spend a half hour occasionally. He can learn a great deal about the colonies from their representatives, and he should not be advertising his ignorance to the world, because it is hurtful to Canada if it is not hurtful to himself. What Mr. Chamberlain should do, also, is visit the colonies. Had he been able to take in the trip which the Duke of York made to Australia and Canada, last year he would have got life long impressions, and they would have been to his advantage, seeing that he is in politics for good and may some day be premier of England.

CONSULT THE COUNCILS. The cities will yet have, as the Whig long since suggested, to begin operations on parliament by demanding that their members shall not consent to any legislation which implies a neglect of local interests. This fight between monopolies and city councils is becoming serious, and it will become more and more so until it is definitely settled that the municipality shall not be ignored in the use and abuse of streets. It is nothing short of an outrage that a city, which is careful of the highways, which paves them and pays out enormous sums in keeping them in repair, must endure the trespass of gas, telephone, telegraph, and electric light companies, whose agents dig and destroy, and fill, usually, to restore the streets to their former condition.

Mr. Gilson, the attorney-general, bowed to public opinion in the legislature when he amended an act which provided for electric railway connections, so that disputes arising between companies and cities could be referred to a special committee of the government for adjustment. And Mr. Fitzpatrick, the minister of justice, will see the wisdom of introducing into his bill for the regulation of telephone lines a provision by which the municipality will have something to say about purely local matters. The reference of all differences, as now suggested, to the privy council, is an awkward and expensive arrangement, and something better should be provided.

The Globe illustrates the point, by saying that "the suggestion that a citizen who discovers a limnan encroaching on his boulevard and cutting the tops of his shade trees must go to the privy council at Ottawa for redress is too absurd to require argument." So it is. The council's consent should be required, and the city members in the commons should combine to insist that the legislation before the house be amended accordingly.

A PAIR OF DODGERS. The Ottawa Journal dissents from the opinion of the Whig that Mr. Roblin and Mr. Whitney are a pair of dodgers. They are the only two political leaders, says the Journal, who have sand enough in their composition to say that they do not want prohibition. "Is it any wonder," asks our contemporary, "that politicians so often do not think it worth while to enter to the supposed respect of the people for honesty?" The debate of this judgment will be apparent by a little reflection.

When the Liquor Act of Manitoba was passed it was intended to take effect on June 1st, 1901. Seven months before that date Mr. Roblin became premier. He had been a member of the government which passed the act, and because it was promised that with the accession of the conservatives to power, there would be prohibition. In March, 1900, an amending act was introduced. It provided that the Liquor Act should come into force on the proclamation of the lieutenant-governor-in-council. Mr. Greenway asked if there was anything wrong with the act and the attorney-general said no, that it was only meant to hold it in abeyance pending the discussion of its constitutionality. The government proposed to appeal it to and argue it before the privy council.

Not one word was said about a referendum, or an attempt to get rid of the act. So when new tactics were being adopted this year, Mr. Burrows asked Mr. Roblin if he had the constitutionality of the measure not been attacked, he would have put the act in force on June 1st, 1901? The question he did not answer, then. He has not answered it since. "and," says the Winnipeg Free Press in a recent issue, "if he shows that he is afraid of contact with this simple issue, and fights shy of it, he will completely discount whatever protestations he may make of truthfulness and sincere dealing with the liquor act." So much for Mr. Roblin, who is, according to the Ottawa Journal, a man of candour, and the reverse of the man "who hunts his hole."

Mr. Whitney is its other ideal leader. Mr. Whitney was a sphinx while the government was making its policy on prohibition. Later he gloated over the fact that the government was in a stew and he proposed to leave it there. He and his party were going to remain neutral. That is the impression which he left on the public mind when the party banqueted him in Toronto and gave him the opportunity to make a speech. Later still he decided that prohibition was not good for the country, and so he declared that he was against it. Granted that he was brave enough to make this declaration, finally, wasn't he a shuffler and a dodger all the same? Wasn't the Whig's description of him correct?

Both men—Mr. Roblin and Mr. Whitney—may snit the Journal, but taste and ideals differ, and it is a good thing that they do.

TUESDAY THOUGHTS. The adoration of Mr. Tarte is going on. The Brantford Courier refers to him as the brainiest man in the cabinet, that he is such because in all his instincts he is a conservative! That ought to settle it!

The chief conservative organ thinks the last legislation of the liberal regime has been heard from. Indeed! The outlook is that the liberal party will be stronger than ever in the legislature, after the next election.

Of the 34,870 persons who emigrated from Ireland last year 31,912 located in the United States. How many Irishmen came to Canada? It ought to have some substantial return for the cost of its emigration bureau in Ireland.

The Mail has it that the government had a hard time of it keeping its supporters in line. There is no public evidence of this. But there is evidence that the opposition had a lively scrap among themselves, and one, not named, was accused of giving a caucus away.

The fact that a few Methodists or Presbyterians do not like the prohibition act as it is does not warrant the assertion that the Methodist and Presbyterian churches are dissatisfied. The churches have not disapproved of the act and the referendum, and they are not likely to do so.

Mr. Whitney, hot and angry, rose in the legislature to refer to the rumour that he would, if he could, repeal the Liquor Act of 1902. And he sat down, hot and angry, without saying what he would do. And he's the Ottawa Journal's ideal of a candid and courageous politician!

Montreal has a man named Scroggie, who did quite a business without advertising. But he tried printer's ink, and he found that it paid. Scroggie is now one of the biggest advertisers, and he is conducting one of the biggest businesses in the city. Herein is a lesson and a moral.

Mr. Sargent, the head of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, has been invited to become a commissioner of immigration in succession to Mr. Powderly, who was formerly head of the Knights of Labour! What is the matter with Mr. Powderly? Is he resigning? Or is it time to make a new bid for the labour vote?

The uplifted hand, when taking the oath in court will be permitted hereafter by any one who objects to kiss the book, and the objections are very numerous. There would be less hesitation about it if the books were handled less and suffered less in consequence. But the average book, in court has made many a witness turn up his nose.

The biggest kind of a strike has been on at Boston for some days. It originated on the refusal of union men on the New York & New Haven railroad to help to unload the freight handled by non-union teamsters. It spread to the longshoremen, the builders, the lumbermen, and the allied trades. It is still on, though nearing a settlement.

THE AFFAIRS OF THE HOUR.

TELEGRAMS FROM THE FOUR QUARTERS OF THE EARTH.

Matters That Interest Everybody—Notes From All Over—Little of Everything Easily Read and Remembered.

William Pardo, brother of T. L. Pardo, M.P.P., died at Cedar Springs. W. E. Hamilton, editor of the market news, died suddenly at Chatham, Toronto, just clear of ice except for a narrow fringe skirting the island.

C. N. Smith, of South St. Marie Express, has been selected as a liberal candidate for new riding of Algoma. The school board of Strathcona, Alberta, has received a cheque, for \$1,500 from Lord Strathcona, to be used for school purposes in the town.

A deadlock has been reached between the British and Canadian legislatures and judge Hodgson in regard to Mr. McInninn's election. Mrs. Mary A. Curran, Brockville, is dead, aged sixty-six years. She was the mother of J. J. Curran, Brockville, and P. Curran, Morrisburg.

Under the will of the late Rev. Dr. Andrews, of Keene, Miss Jane Miller, nurse-in-training in Nicholas hospital, Peterboro; is made the recipient of \$24,000.

State senator Lester Hayden Humphrey, who represented the 46th district, died at his Albany home this morning of pneumonia, aged fifty-two years.

An Englishman named Arthur Simpson was dangerously wounded in a fight at Calgary. Joseph McDonald is under arrest and J. Scouten is being pursued by the police.

C. B. Rowland, of the firm of Swan & Hunter, Newcastle-on-Tyne, England, has taken a large interest in the steel ship-building firm proposed to locate in Nova Scotia.

Admiral prince Henry of Prussia, after completing the fleet manoeuvres, returned to the coast of England, to take the command of the first squadron, which he has held for two years.

A big, miniature in the maritime provinces has done much harm. The C. P. R. line is flooded and trains stalled. Lowlands are deep in water. The ice is nearly all out of the St. Lawrence river. The opening for navigation is unparalleled.

A despatch to the London Express, from Berlin, says that the censor has been kept busy by the recently arrived American journals. Whole pages have been cut from Puck and Judge, so that the people of Berlin will not see the lampoons on prince Henry.

The verdict in the Cooper shooting case at Seguin Falls, and that the shooting was done in defence of "lost" apples, the jurymen, "we are of opinion that those who were about the premises could, by combined action, have secured the deceased without shooting."

Another charge has been entered against H. P. Davies, the manager of the American tire company, Toronto, now in liquidation. E. R. C. Clarkson, the liquidator, has issued a writ against Davies for \$5,000, which the liquidator alleges he embezzled from the American tire company.

A train load of calves was shipped from Peterboro on Monday to the Canada and Dakota company's ranch in South Dakota. This is the first shipment made from Canada by this company, which proposes providing the farmers of Ontario with a market for several thousands calves each year.

MONTREAL TAKES IT.

The Stanley Cup Returns to the Metropolis.

The gate receipts in four cricket matches in Sydney amounted to over £10,000.

American jockeys rode two winners at Paris, on Saturday, when the French turf season opened. The Winnipeg rink owners declare that hockey doesn't pay any dividends on their investment.

Yale beat Harvard in the United States intercollegiate hockey championship series by five goals to three in New York. Cambridge remains the favorite among the experts for the English university boat race, but Oxford has improved steadily under scientific coaching.

Montreal hockey team defeated Winnipeg last night by two goals to one, and the Stanley cup leaves its seat in the dwelling place and again comes to Canada's metropolis.

It rained on Monday, March 3rd, at Melbourne, and destroyed the chance of McLaren's English team to capture the cup with test match, Australia winning by thirty-two runs.

During coronation week in London, Maher will fight Sharkey for the Irish championship; Rubin will tackle McCoy; Walcott will box Tommy West, and Ryan will encounter Gardner.

There was to have been an ice yacht race this morning, but again the contest was postponed on account of the ice being full of holes. The yachtmen expect that to-morrow will be more favorable.

Of the seventy starters in the "six days" walk at Philadelphia, only seven were left at the finish. Pat. Cavanagh, of Trenton, N.J., was the winner, with a record of 532 miles. The second man, Fahey, covered 514 miles, and Tracy was third with a score of 505 miles.

Smith's Falls and Perth hockey concerns are waging as hot a battle in the columns of the Ottawa Citizen as they have ever done on the ice. Smith's Falls has twice "tripped" the Perth team, but the latter wants another battle. In a column article, a Smith's Falls writer tries to impress upon Perth the fact that the latter is not in the same class with Smith's Falls.

DEFENDS ASSEMBLY. Rev. Mr. Frizzell's Objections to Grant's Statements.

In a letter to the Globe, Rev. Mr. Frizzell takes objection to principal Grant's statement, to the effect that a great change has taken place over the tone of the general assembly in dealing with the question of prohibition. The statement, declares Mr. Frizzell, is unfair, and is calculated to put the general assembly in an unfavorable light before the public.

"The doctor thinks," says Mr. Frizzell, "that the fever of ten years ago has passed. Time will tell. Some of us are thankful for the fever of those years. The temperance cause occupies the prominent place it does to-day within the bounds of the assembly; partly owing to that fever. Had the assembly followed Dr. Grant's advice, they would have had a fever which would have sadly affected, if not totally destroyed, the temperance sentiment of the church."

Will Lanier to Hang. Aberdeen, Miss., March 18.—Unless he manages to make another of his celebrated escapes in the meantime, or some of the higher powers intercede in his behalf, Will Lanier, the Monroe county outlaw and murderer, will be hanged here to-morrow. Lanier was convicted nearly two years ago of the murder of the Bidle brothers, being assisted in the crime by two other members of his family, who are now in the penitentiary serving sentences.

The crime was so particularly atrocious. Just a few days prior to the date set by the supreme court for the hanging Lanier escaped and remained at large several months. He was captured in Georgia and sent to the county jail here. While awaiting trial he again escaped and remained at large several days, being finally recaptured near his old home. Another attempt was then taken to the supreme court, which, however, confirmed the decision of the lower court and fixed to-morrow as the date of execution.

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