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CAPTURING THE POLLS. Hon. Mr. Davis has warned the liberals about a scheme by which the conservatives expect to profit on polling day. It is to poll the conservative votes as early as possible, especially the newly registered vote and then by the pervasiveness of the scrutineers create sufficient delay to prevent the polling of the full liberal vote. This is not a brilliant conception. The liberals are not likely to be idle when the conservatives are busy, and they will not be the slower in their quest now that the plan of the enemy has been revealed. The real significance of the talk about a vigilance committee is apparent. The idea is to take possession of the polls as far as possible, and terrorize the liberal voters. It will not succeed.

ANOTHER PURIST POSING. How can you trust the honesty of a man who, while denouncing election crooks, persists in consorting with them?

Take Mayor Beck, of London, for instance. He says he wants to be honest, and he has as his private adviser an election agent, a man who, in 1896, as deputy returning officer, did a decided wrong. He refused to count forty liberal votes because he could not identify his own initials. Those votes were afterwards counted by the judge. But that is not all. This deputy, according to the Advertiser, was given money by the conservative party to leave the city before the election trial, and when he came back he was given a place in the municipal system by his political friends. And now, with the help of this man, and acting under his inspiration, Mr. Beck says, "I promise, if elected, to try and be honest."

Mr. Beck, by the way, is one of the men suggested by Dr. Ryan as competent for cabinet office.

TORY CAMPAIGN YAR. The Ottawa Journal has been credited by the local conservative paper with the remark that the school books used by the public school children, the province over, can be supplied free by the government.

How? "By cutting off the unnecessary officials, and by selling all timber limits, instead of giving them away to rich lumbermen with a pull."

The Journal did not say that, but the campaign editor of the conservative columns: No one really believes that the tory party (if given a chance) contemplates a reduction in the number of employees for the province, and no one believes that any timber limits have been given away by the liberal government. These are the campaign lies.

The Ottawa Journal, by the way, prints one statement of very general interest which the conservative press is not likely to circulate. It is to the effect that the liberal government will be sustained in the election. The size of the majority depends upon the decision of several constituencies in which there is a doubt of the result, Kingston is not one of them. It is put down as liberal safely.

The electors will please make a note of this.

Mr. Gallagher by his moods and words he is not the man to bring results about amicably.

NEVILLE AND HIS SLANDER. Mr. Neville ought to be ashamed of himself for uttering at Napawan, in the presence of his leader, that uncalled-for slander about Hon. John Dryden. In effect it was that the Union Stock Yards Company, of which Mr. Dryden is the president, secured legislation which enabled it to confiscate certain lands for his good and benefit.

It happens that Mr. Dryden is not a member of the company, and not its president. He has not a dollar's interest in the business. Its president, J. D. Allen, wholesale merchant; its vice-president, T. Eaton; its directors, W. H. Smith, E. Snell and F. W. Hodgson. Mr. Dryden is a member of its advisory committee without financial interest, and of other members are the president of the Dominion Cattle Breeders' Association, and the secretary of the Dominion Live Stock Association.

Mr. Neville insinuated that special legislation was had by Mr. Dryden, ratifying certain tax sales in the interest of the company, but that is a fabrication. The legislation was projected by the Toronto Junction Council, whose mayor and members generally are conservatives and not working overtime in Mr. Dryden's behalf.

Mr. Dods, the secretary of the company, "sees no excuse for making the subject one of politics," and he makes the explanation which vindicates Mr. Dryden "in justice to the shareholders and the public generally."

The heat of conflict may warrant some politicians in going to extremes in their discussion of public issues, but there is no warrant for slanders of the Neville type, and no good can come of their publication.

ROSS AND ONTARIO. Reader, pay attention to the following telegram which appeared in several of the American papers on Saturday:

"Owego, May 23.—The steam barge Adels, loaded with 280 cords of pulp wood for the Battle Island Pulp and Paper company, arrived in this port at noon to-day."

"This is the first shipment of 25,000 cords to cross during the summer from Lower Canada for the Battle Island mill. It will be taken from here to Battle Island by canalboats."

"Fifteen barges have been chartered to bring the consignment across the lake."

"There we have the pulp-wood of Quebec going to the American side, to be used in the American mills, in pursuance of a policy which the conservatives advise. The pulp-wood of Quebec may hold out, as one statistician has put it, for one hundred years, and it may not. It is certainly disappearing very fast, and is being made tributary to the American industries. How is that? It is sold by auction, without any restriction, and the American capitalists have been buying it up for export."

"I prefer," said Mr. Ross, in a recent speech, "to have pulp mills in Ontario than in the United States. I prefer employment for Ontario people to employment for Ontario people in the United States." And so he has provided in all the recent legislation that the pulp-wood of Ontario must be cut by Canadians, with Canadian tools and reduced to pulp in mills built on the concessions, manned by Canadians, and equipped with Canadian machinery.

As to the business about five millions of money has been invested in it so far, and employment has been created to about two thousand men. Is not that the policy which Canadians desire? Is not that the only patriotic course which any government can pursue? Does it not merit the endorsement of every loyal Canadian?

WHO WAS THE COWARD? Mr. Ross, when the Manitoba liquor bill was opposed by the privy council, agreed that the people should have a similar measure, if they desired it. The plebiscite of previous years did not reflect present public opinion. So the referendum was advised.

That is referred to as a cowardly expedient. It was not called this when a conservative premier in Manitoba adopted it. It would not be cowardly if Mr. Whitney were responsible for the direction of parliament. What a performance is his, by the way! When prohibition became an issue in local politics, Mr. Whitney, speaking at Toronto, said he would ignore it. It was none of his business. Mr. Ross had got himself into a stew, and he could remain in it. Caesar was mighty and refused to be troubled with little things. He that was not at all a coward.

But prohibition, like Banquo's ghost, would not down. It insisted on getting attention. Then Mr. Whitney could be brave. He would take sides. He had been supported by all classes of the community. That had to cease. "The temperance men are not wholly satisfied with the referendum," he mused. "Good enough. The liquor men must be made dissatisfied; at my state I'll go with them, and Mr. Ross will go with the folks all around."

So he prepared a speech and read it in the legislature. He said he was against prohibition and the referen-

dum on any ground. He would fight them to the end. That which was intended as a great campaign document has not, however, since been heard of. Why? What has happened? The change Mr. Whitney expected has not taken place. People will not be set against each other. They will play fair. They have no use for Whitney.

VETERANS' GRANTS ALL RIGHT. The latest fabrication of the conservative party, and secretly circulated among the veterans of the city, is that there will be no land grants and that all that has been said about them is election talk.

Mr. Whitney has been contributing to the misrepresentation by saying that, as a veteran, he has no expectation of laying eyes upon the land, because of the difficulty of locating it.

The facts are that the commissioner of crown lands was more particular than usual to see that the veterans were well served. He sent out maps of the districts in which the land is situated, and received, in reply, 22,000 applications. He provided guides, at the government expense, and bureau of colonization, and cheap railway fares in the interest of those who were seeking locations. He provided, by law, that the veterans could hold the land for ten years, exempt from all taxes except school, and cut all the pine he needs for homestead purposes. He has, too, all the minerals, and the license is deprived of the right to cut timber as soon as the lot has been assigned.

Why are the patents not issued? The applications (22,000) cannot be examined and the locations made in a day. The work is going on as fast as possible, and will be presently completed. Anyway what have the conservatives to kick about? What did they do to secure the veterans' recognition? Nothing. The land grant is the conception of the liberal government, and no one nor party can deprive of this audit.

TRANSCENDING MR. ROSS. C. C. Robinson, Toronto, is responsible for a gross scandal which was calculated to reflect upon the good name and character of Mr. Ross. He produced on nomination day, an interior policy of the Manufacturers' and Temperance and General Life Insurance Company, issued in Jamaica, West Indies, to one Adam Roxbury, and bearing the signature of Hon. Mr. Ross, J. F. Junkin and D. Bole as president, general manager, and agent.

Bole was formerly an agent of the Manufacturers' Life, was appointed during the presidency of Sir John Macdonald, and retained until after his reported connection with the West Elgin case. He seems to have gone to the West Indies and there—since the amalgamation of the Manufacturers' Life and Temperance and General—become a sub-agent of Mr. Young, who represents the company in the islands. Mr. Ross knew nothing of the transaction, and neither did Mr. Junkin, the manager.

Well, the scandal is what? Bole, according to Robinson, was a criminal in exile. Mr. Ross' company was keeping him there and contributing to his support by employing him as an agent.

"Ross," says the Mail, "is silent respecting Bole," and this man is called "a fugitive from justice." Is he that? There is a report of the royal commission which Mr. Ross appointed to examine into all the facts in connection with the West Elgin case. Before this commission Duncan Bole appeared, voluntarily, and as a result the commission put on record the fact that though he acted as a deputy returning officer without due appointment, having supplanted another in an improper way—according to his evidence, and the evidence of the conservative scrutineers, "no act was done or permitted by him by which the integrity of the poll was violated or the will of the people in any way subjected."

In the face of all the facts it is not infamous that anyone, having regard for truth or decency, would attack the character of the premier! Yet it has been done shamelessly, and with a knowledge that there was no ground whatever for it!

EDITORIAL NOTES. New Ontario is going solid for the government.

Mr. Taylor is not a taking card in Frontenac. His lack of exactness, to put it mildly, is not appreciated.

Peace is at hand. The last word may be delayed for a few days, but the settlement of the Boer war has been practically reached.

The boys of the city must have play grounds somewhere. The school yards should be open to them at all hours, and all the year round.

The Americans want our pulpwood. Had they not better take our pulp? "Canada for the Canadians" ought to be as popular in this election as in the last.

The Ottawa Journal, independent, says the Ross government will be sustained in the election. It has collected its own reports, and believes they are reliable.

ed by the judges in any election trial for personal corruption. Mr. Neville says he was, but Mr. Neville is not telling the truth.

Every public school in New York state is, by law, compelled to have its flag-pole and national colours, and the hasting is cast to the breeze on every special day.

The machine is at work in the conservative interest in small constituencies. In one of the Yorks Mr. Davis has the names of thirteen men who are under surveillance.

"My majority," says Mr. Ross, "will grow by leaps and bounds when the ballots are counted on the 29th." Mr. Ross is not a boastful man. He is expressing his convictions.

A Muskogean man left \$60,000, with which to found "a home for indigent women," but he wrote the will himself and made it read, "indigent women." The effect is very embarrassing.

The Ottawa Citizen refers to the Toronto Telegram as "one of the grittiest journals in the province." When did John Ross Robertson become a grit? Strange no one down here heard anything about it.

A conservative paper says there is a connection between the Ontario and Ottawa governments. Some conservative officials in Kingston do not seem to realize it now. They may do so later on.

The pulpwood concessions have led to the investment of an immense amount of capital in Canada. Is that not better than a policy which build up the American mills at the Canadians' expense.

Events are right. The Mackenzie memorial state in Ottawa should be dedicated with imposing ceremonies. The Americans have a way of emphasizing public service which Canadians can very well copy.

The conservative leaders are fighting a losing battle, so they have taken to abusing. The slanders about Mr. Ross and Mr. Dryden are scandalous in the extreme, but what can be expected from desperate men.

Mr. Marter challenges Mr. Whitney to meet him on any platform and tell all he knows about the pulpwood concessions. He asks Mr. Whitney to unseal his lips, if he dare, as to the conspiracies of the conservative caucus!

Mr. Latchford, in his address at Wolfe Island, intimated that the electors might reasonably look to the province to improve the ferry system. A member who has influence with the government can facilitate this result.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell denies that he ever approved of the referendum. In 1899, when in the commons, he voted for a motion which clearly embodied the principle, and Hansard is more reliable than Sir Mackenzie Bowell's memory.

Wiggins says he expected the volcanic eruption in the West Indies. He had been keeping his eye on the sky and seeing things. But not a word of warning did he utter. What is one left to infer? Hard things, Mr. Wiggins, very hard things.

Mr. Hargreaves, who nominated Mr. Rogers, one of the liberal candidates in Toronto, writes to the press to say that he is as good a conservative as ever. He is supporting Mr. Rogers on personal and business grounds. That's all right, friend. More power to you.

Morning, the publisher stormed because he could not sell a primer that the minister did not think was worth the price charged for it. Then he cut down the selling figure, the book went into use, and there was an end of his talk about the book ring. Mr. Harcourt is protecting the people and their interests, and he is being abused for it.

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LETTER FROM MANITOBA. Promise of a Great Wheat Crop—A Heavy Storm. Napsinka, Man., May 20.—(To the Editor) Fully eighty-five per cent. of the wheat is sown here now, and this week will finish it. The oats and other grains are not sown yet, but there are few others than wheat grown here. The acreage this year will be as much as last, and there is every promise of a beautiful harvest—better than last year in fact. A great deal of the wheat is now three or four inches above the ground. About 30,000 acres of wheat land will be sown here, and about 7,000 acres of oats. Quite a few farmers drove across the river last week for the first time since March 20th. The flats are still very soft, and the culverts are washed out on the embankments or graded roads. Many prefer the boat system. A very heavy rain fell Sunday and Monday a wind of forty miles an hour blew from the east. In the afternoon the wind increased and great clouds of black soil were lifted from the fields. Some of the wheat fields will have to be sown again as the wind blew the grain out of the ground. W. Gould's machine shop was lifted and turned around, with the exception of a few doors blown off, this is about all the damage done in this locality. A very heavy rain accompanied the wind.

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