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THE COUNCIL OF 1903.

The civic nominations occur on Monday. If the feeling, as manifested by passing events, is any indication, there is not as much public interest in the election as the circumstances warrant. It does make a difference who represent the people in the city council. It is, locally, the highest legislative body and it has largely to do with the progress and prosperity of the city. It should reflect the mind of the people on all questions that come before it, and some of them in 1903 are anticipated with more or less anxiety.

It is believed that the council has something to do with the activities that make for municipal success. Kingston has so many natural advantages that the wonder is it does not grow in population, in industrial importance, in business thrift and in commercial power. Is its stagnation due to the people, and to their active agents in public life? It may be. At all events it is expedient that the best men available compose the corporation, and deal with public questions in a prompt, intelligent and vigorous way.

The electors have been, in recent years, somewhat remiss in their municipal duties. They have not been so solicitous about the annual election, have not busied themselves about the selection of candidates, and have not been in a position to grumble when they have not been altogether suited. The opportunity is theirs to improve the situation, and they ought to take advantage of it.

BANISHING THE BLACKS.

Senator Morgan, of Alabama, has hit upon a plan of ridding the United States of its coloured people. He does not like them, and he does not see that the country can make much use of them. So he would have about ten millions of them sent to the Philippine islands, which are now the American islands of the sea.

Suppose the scheme were acceptable to the whites, will the coloured people go? Are they to be considered a race without a country? It is possible that a small percentage of them—the idle and the shiftless—could be induced to emigrate, but they would, in the Philippines, quite as much as in the United States, be the wards of the United States government, and more troublesome abroad than at home.

The lessons of Brooker T. Washington have escaped Senator Morgan or he has not been impressed with them, and they are the lessons which should be studied by every American leader of public opinion. They teach that the coloured men can be educated, can be trained in usefulness, can be made a force for good in every community. And this education and training can lift them out of the condition of depression and isolation would put them in, and help them to serve the destiny for which they can be fitted.

Without education and the influence of the Tuskegee and Hampton institutes the coloured men would be a greater burden on the state, and about as well off in the slavery which civilization abolished long years ago. The United States began the good work of lifting the race to a higher level when it gave them freedom, and its failure to follow this up with the aids that tend to higher citizenship is a reflection upon a great nation and its plan of government.

REFORMING THE SENATE.

By the death of several members, and the possible contemplated appointment of liberals to the vacancies, the senate will become a liberal institution and have a majority that will support the policy and reasonable acts of the government.

The senate was designed originally as a break upon hasty legislation, but in the days of the tory administration it was not known to seriously embarrass the government by its votes and proceedings. On the contrary it became very menacing to the liberals when they succeeded to power. Once or twice the tory majority became very irritating, and gave the impression that it was anxious to exhibit its strength.

The proposal then was to have the constitution amended so that when differences arose between the commons and the senate they might be settled in joint conventions and with the voice of the people, as represented in the lower chamber, in the ascendancy. Nothing could be done, however, pending an adjustment of the senate's membership.

This adjustment has now taken place. There has been an evening up of the contending parties, and the government's proposals can now be considered upon their merits. The country would prefer an understanding or an enactment to the effect that the appointments should, alternately, be of liberals and conservatives, and

of men who, having done well in lower offices, gave promise of enlarged usefulness in the new field of labour.

The continuation of the old plan of proceeding—the selection of men by the government as a political favour to political supporters—will perpetuate the partisanship which has been complained of and continue the senate in a form in which it cannot be of the highest service. The upper house must be reformed now or never.

SCARING THE PEOPLE.

Salaried preachers will do likewise bravely denouncing far-off abominations, while as blind and as silent as statues at a hundred houses of prostitution and drunkenness within a rifle-shot of them—prophesying smooth things, and their people loving to have it so. It was not a sensational upstart that used this language, but good Bishop Huntington, as he addressed a congregation in Syracuse, Sunday last. His words, so earnestly spoken, have been ringing in the ears since then. Here at least was one who was not looking for applause. His aim, indeed, was to hurt in order to arouse, to create a tumult, knowing that when the indignation had passed he would be thanked for his candour.

The sermon had reference to that callousness which comes with the condoning of wrong-doing, the misdirecting of energies in the social, industrial, educational and political fields. How he lashed the parents for their neglect of home and especially in the guise of philanthropists. "The moment any canva of benevolence is proposed," said he, "the question will be, where and what and how shall we eat and drink and dance for it, the important creatures, 'eating themselves rich.' Instead of boys and girls innocently 'playing in the streets thereof,' as in the New Jerusalem, the boys will be juvenile robbers and burglars, and the girls will run on the streets at night, uncontrolled, unprotected, wayward, wild, giddy, ruined by guilty negligence or brutal craft, their parents in the meantime out of their homes at the playhouse, the gambling room, the saloon, the tables of cards and wine, the chambers that are decorated styes."

Even more severe was his lordship's reference to the poor and the prevalent method of dealing with their plights. "When," said he, "the inconvenience of the pauper class becomes intolerable the comfortable class will consult, not how to elevate the poor by improving industry and fair employment, but how to reduce the cost of the poor, as near as possible, to the starvation point; human life itself will be cheapened; suicides and child murder will occasion slight notice; impostors as crafty as they are greedy will seize an opportunity in the bounty of nature to put up the fair price of a necessary of life without reason, and then publish themselves as patrons of education or philanthropy by endorsing some benevolent institution with other peoples' money; moral cowardice will paralyse tongues which ought to testify, hindering the righting of wrongs and abuse."

The good bishop alluded to the oppressions of wealth, the advantage public officials took of those who were placed under them, the crimes of the day, the immoralities that went unchecked, the defects the press and pulpit in exposing infamy and crime, the low tone of public entertainments, and the folly of supposing that education is an off set for all these. "You de-cent ladies and gentlemen," he went on, "who pretend that the Sunday dinner parties or theatricals or whist parties, which you frequent, are not well-dressed violations of God's seventh day ordinance, however lax your construction of it, are playing a game where the Almighty and not a dice-box settles the account."

These are fair samples of the whole. The good bishop hit the follies and sins of the day real hard, as he meant to do. The reforms at which he aimed are not to be brought about by any passing complaint. EDITORIAL NOTES. What reform have you on hand for 1903? It will, of course, be inaugurated with a nicely worded resolution.

Even Dr. Lorenz, good as he is and kind as he has been in America, has been staided under the fifth rib by jealous persons. It was ever thus.

In New York state the average salary of a school teacher during the last year was \$680. So that the salaries in Ontario can be advanced a good deal before they can be considered high.

Ald. Lamb, one of the oldest and most experienced members of the council, has become a candidate for the Toronto mayoralty. So that there are now three conservatives in the field. And still the party is not happy.

Who's your favourite in the mayoralty? Attend the nomination on Monday and hear the candidates speak. Out of the fullness of the heart, the mouth speaketh, and the man of experience ought to have no difficulty in finding subjects on which to talk.

At last the liberals are in a major-

ity in the senate. But there is a growing suspicion that they are in a minority in the county—Mail.

One would not get that impression from the recent bye-elections. On what, then, does the Mail base its suspicion?

The man of experience should be preferred every time to the one who has no experience in municipal life. The great municipal machine cannot be run by amateurs except at the people's expense. Some one has to pay for the council's mistakes, and who is it if not the elector?

CLIPPED FROM PAPERS.

Reason For It.

Ottawa Citizen. There have been 184 revolutions in Venezuela. No wonder they are a giddy lot.

Easier To Promise.

Toronto News. It seems to be much easier to promise to be a good alderman than to be a good alderman.

Luck About The Same.

Toronto Mail. Recent experience suggests that a horse race is safe investment compared to many of the alluring opportunities offered by the stock market.

Making A Name Anyway.

Toronto Telegram. Maybe Rudyard Kipling does not write poetry, but whatever it is the man who writes it will be a long time dead before he is forgotten.

Wealth Of Canada.

Hamilton Times. Six million of people in Canada now have bank deposits of \$450,000,000, a gain of \$200,000,000 in five years. Canada may well challenge the world to match it.

He's A Host In Himself.

Boston Post. District Attorney Jerome proposes to arrest the managing editors of the New York newspapers next. Pretty soon there will not be anybody roaming around loose in New York except District Attorney Jerome.

ACTIVITY OF METHODISTS.

To Make Spiritual Advance— Twentieth Century Plan.

New York, Dec. 27.—Methodist bishops have issued an appeal to Methodists in all parts of the world to inaugurate a spiritual advance, beginning to-morrow and continuing throughout the three succeeding days, ending with a watchnight service on the last day of the year. This month ends the time set apart for the twentieth century undertaking. The \$20,000,000 fund has been raised, and American Methodism was never so well anchored financially as at the present time. But the 2,000,000 converts have not been made. Indeed, Methodism has barely held its own in numbers. Now the time of special prayers, recommended by the bishops, is to be in behalf of the side of the Twentieth Century undertaking that has failed. The bishops recommend that these four days at the end of the old year be followed in the new year by revival services. The address of the board of bishops is concurred in by the bishops of the Methodist church south, and from reports received it is believed the period beginning to-morrow will be generally observed in the manner recommended.

PATRIOTISM MISER'S FAD.

Painted His Trees Red, White and Blue.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 27.—The will of William H. Fowler, an eccentric old miser, was offered for probate yesterday. The estate amounts to over \$250,000 in gilt-edged securities. Mr. Fowler was a bachelor. He left no will, and his fortune will be divided among forty-nine nephews and nieces. He was never known to show any enthusiasm over anything until the war between the United States and Spain broke out; then he had all the trees on his spacious lawn painted red, white and blue, and wanted to enlist as a private. His act was due to a life-long hatred of the Spaniards.

Took Oxalic Acid In Mistake.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 27.—Mr. and Mrs. John Singer are dead as the result, it is thought, of accidental poisoning. Mr. Singer became suddenly ill and his wife sent for a physician. Before one reached their home, Mr. Singer had expired and Mrs. Singer had been stricken with convulsive pains. She died while the physician was trying to relieve her suffering. She revived long enough, however, to say the single word "salts," in answer to enquiries of the physician, as to what she had taken. The physician believes that the couple took oxalic acid, mistaking it for salts.

Army Lieutenant Weds.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 27.—The marriage of Miss Ethel Wall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Wall, and Lieut. Stanley Dunbar Embick, U.S. A., took place to-day, at "Wallace," the beautiful home of the bride's parents in Montgomery county. Lieut. Embick, who, a short time ago, was stationed at San Francisco, Cal., is now stationed at Fort Monroe, Va.

Tour Of Inspection.

Ottawa, Dec. 27.—It is expected that Hon. Clifford Sifton will leave Ottawa on January 3rd to inspect the Canadian immigration agencies in the western states. He will be in Detroit on January 4th and 5th, in Chicago on the 6th and 7th, in Kansas City on the 8th, Omaha on the 9th, and St. Paul on the 10th and 11th. From St. Paul, the minister of the interior will proceed to Winnipeg.

Five Marriages At Once.

Armstrong, Mo., Dec. 27.—Rev. N. B. Naylor performed a marriage ceremony, Christmas night, by which five couples were united. The brides and bridesmaids formed a circle around the minister, and, with clasped hands, took the vows. They belonged to a matrimonial club, and had agreed to be married at the same time and by the same minister.

TO LIVE APART.

CLOSING CHAPTER IN A ROMANTIC LOVE AFFAIR.

They Became Estranged Shortly After Their Marriage at Port Ontario and Are Now Separated by a Limited Divorce.

A despatch from Oswego, N.Y., says: Captain Jack Mason, a fisherman of nearly seventy years of age, whose romantic marriage last August to Miss Maud Winkles, Kingston, Ont., gained him much notoriety, has closed his latest love affair.

Miss Winkles was only twenty-seven years of age at the time of the marriage. Captain Jack's occupation is that of a fisherman and his home is at Texas Point. Miss Winkles went to Texas Point during the past summer and was employed at the hotel. She and the captain met one day, and soon after sailed away in his fishing boat and were quietly married by Justice of the Peace William Nelson of Port Ontario. Only a little time elapsed when they became estranged. Domestic matters continued to grow worse, until a week or two ago, when Mrs. Mason retained Attorney C. J. Miller, of Mexico, and commenced an action for a limited divorce on the ground of cruel and inhuman treatment. Captain Mason came to Oswego and retained Judge Merrick Stowell.

On Wednesday the parties met and signed an agreement to hereafter live apart, the captain paying his young wife \$1,200 in cash and she releasing all claim on his estate. Mrs. Mason is now living at No. 94 East Bridge in this city. Captain Mason is reported to be quite wealthy.

PITH OF THE NEWS.

The Very Latest News Culled From All Over The World.

Lord Wolsley has almost completed his memoirs.

Alexander England, Port Dover, was found dead in bed at Woodstock. The vote for the liquor act now totals 128,539, with two returns incomplete.

An exhibit of the products and manufactures of Austria is being sent through Canada.

Mrs. Henry Lane, North Dorchester, was badly burned by falling with a lamp in her hand.

Hadda Mullah, who caused so many outbreaks on the north-west frontier of India, died on December 22nd.

At the annual meeting of the Commercial Travellers' Association of Canada, M. C. Ellis was re-elected president.

The powers have agreed to submit the Venezuelan dispute to arbitration by The Hague tribunal on certain conditions.

Forty-two packets of cigarettes were smoked in four days by a youth, who died near Bedale, Eng., after two days' illness.

Among the companies applying for incorporation at Ottawa are the Bank of Winnipeg and the City & County Bank of Toronto.

The timed beef from this country, condemned in South Africa, will probably form the subject of an official enquiry at Ottawa.

The Louisville Courier-Journal is abandoning its semi-weekly edition and reverting to a weekly only, besides the daily issue.

Mrs. C. H. Beers, of Clarksville, Mass., received a package of candy through the mail. It was found to be loaded with rat poison.

A new Russian route to Persia is being opened up by way of Odessa, Baku and Iaku to Lenkoran, and thence to Enzeli on the Caspian Sea.

"Caister men never turn back" is to be inscribed on the monument over the grave of the nine Caister, Eng., libelous men, drowned, November, 1901.

Thomas Sharkey, the private detective, convicted of manslaughter at New York, for killing Banker Nicholas Fish, was sentenced to ten years in Sing Sing.

Fire destroyed the Boake planing mills, on Howland avenue, Toronto, on Friday night. The estimated loss is given at \$20,000 to \$25,000, with \$2,000 insurance.

The pope gave an audience, on Friday, to the officers of the Papal Guard and to other officers representing his army. The officers called to present their New Year's greetings.

Twenty-three years ago a fraudulent bankrupt fled from Budapest to America, where he amassed a small fortune. Becoming homesick, he returned recently to Austria, where he was recognized and promptly arrested.

For services in connection with the Chili-Argentine boundary tribunal, Lord Macnaghten is gazetted Knight Grand Cross of St. Michael and St. George, and Maj.-Gen. Sir J. C. Ardagh and Col. Sir T. H. Hollich are appointed Knight Commanders of the same order.

At Butte, Montana, Mrs. William A. Clark, Jr., the mother of the million-dollar grandson of Senator Clark, is said to be dying at her home. Septic poisoning set in after the birth of her infant, and she has been growing steadily worse for days.

Arnold Dolmetsch sails to-day, from Liverpool, by the Umbria, for New York, with Mrs. Dolmetsch, and with his lutes, violins, violas, harp, and clavichord to give a series of lectures and concerts in the United States and Canada.

Mrs. Gertrude Taylor, a white haired woman was arrested in New York for shoplifting. She told the police that she had no money, and that the thought that she could not provide for her children worried her until in despair she snatched something from the counter.

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Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Dec. 25.—Chase S. Osborn, state railroad commissioner, who not many years ago was a reporter on a Milwaukee newspaper, and later owner of the News of this place, and his associates have been offered \$2,000,000 for their iron ore properties in the Sudbury district, north of the Canadian line, in Ontario. Diamond drill operations have been in progress for several months, and it is believed a large deposit of ore has been encountered. The offer to purchase is said to come from the Carnegie interests, and is said to be one reason for the loss of \$3,500,000 arranged by the Consolidated Lake Superior company.

BAD WINTER CROPS IN RUSSIA

Outlook Serious, Even in Southern Provinces.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 27.—The condition of the winter crops in nearly all European Russia is regarded as absolutely bad. This condition arises due to the delay in sowing, which was due to the late harvest and the rainy autumn and winter. The soil did not become sufficiently before the advent of early and intense frosts. The crop outlook is serious even in several of the southern provinces of the country.

Woman Died From Exposure.

Pembroke, Ont., Dec. 27.—While James Carswell, with his wife and his mother, Mrs. George Carswell, Campbell Island, were crossing the river to Campbell's Bay, the horses broke through the ice. Mrs. Carswell died as a result of the exposure.

William Campbell, for twelve years private secretary to Charles R. Howner, has been appointed to a very important position under the Ogilvie Milling company at Winnipeg.

Andrew Carnegie has purchased part of the Pitten reef estate, near Dunfermline, including the mill which runs through Dunfermline and the site of Dunfermline tower, where Valcomore married Princess Margaret. The price paid was £45,000.