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SOME NOTABLE FACTS.

The decreasing attendance at the public schools, as recorded in the statistics of the minister of education, is a curious circumstance and one not easily explained. The figures one cannot dispute, and yet it is not at all apparent that the school population of the province is lacking in growth.

There has been, in recent years, a decided exodus of young men to the North-West. Many of these would spend the winter months in the rural schools and so swell their attendance. These have been missed, and yet their places have not been taken by smaller children whose natural development, by a healthy birth rate, should be both strong and remarkable. The reported decrease, on the contrary, of 6,035 as compared with the total in 1901 is simply astonishing. Nor is this condition of affairs new and exceptional. "It commenced some years ago," says the Toronto News, "and has continued with unabated zeal." The fact is worthy of a special enquiry.

A more remarkable contingency is the early age at which some children leave the public schools. They appear to go to work sooner than it is calculated they should do, and sooner than the Factory Act allows. The effort has been made to ascertain the percentage of them, but so far it has not been attainable. There is the statement, however, that the registered attendance of the separate school children has been increased, and why this should be so, while the registered attendance of the public schools shows a decrease, remains a conundrum.

THE VERY NEWEST CULT.

The Toronto World has been at some pains and expense to depict the famous banquet in Gore Bay, but it seems to have utterly failed to adequately describe the great event. The only pen that has been at all equal to the occasion is that of the Manitoulin Conservator, and it seems to have felt its weakness as the following word painting illustrates:

"Picture, if you can, R. R. Gamey, with undimmed emotion, speaking from an elevation and six hundred stalwart people on their feet cheering and waving their handkerchiefs and hats, etc. Great Scott! It was an honor to have the privilege of being there. A king was common clay to R. R. Gamey at that moment. It was those big-hearted sons of Manitoulin—beasts of gold who were cheating. Those were cheers of determination and defiance; those were cheers that said to the commissioners, 'Your report is false. You have degraded the judiciary of Ontario by your connection with them. This is our reply to the report. We will stand by Gamey, the man whom you tried to sacrifice.'"

It must be felt, it beggars description, yes, that's that's the word. The attempt to elevate Mr. Gamey in the public estimation may prove a dismal failure. The man is absolutely reckless, and the licentiousness of Mr. Whitney applauded his vulgarity because it seemed they cannot do anything else.

Mr. Robinette, K.C., refers to this Gore Bay banquet as the inauguration of a new cult, whose high priest is R. R. Gamey and whose creed is one of seven short paragraphs, embracing seven ideas, thus: (1) All men shall believe in Gamey and no one else; (2) all men shall adore and adore as falsehoods the judgment and finding of any court or commission; (3) all men who contradict Gamey are to be regarded as perjurers; (4) all men are to disregard the performance of the high priest with deposit slips and ledger leaves; (5) all members are commanded to get used to superfluous language, and to employ it freely in the criticism of those who differ from them; (6) all members are to have no political party but Gamey, and to destroy the party prayer books and pictures of other men whom they have adored.

Mr. Robinette says the rise of this new cult should be a blessing to the government. "It," he writes to the Globe, "the opposition were playing into the hands of the government they could not do better than let Gamey talk as he is doing and his satellites keep on with the slanderous attacks." The picnic at Gore Bay has seen the rise of the cult. The bye-elections will see its fall—if Gamey and his gush be the star attraction.

The war office is going to put down dress parades among deputy lord-lieutenants. The office without the uniform, however, and the occasional displays, is not worth the having.

The cement mill is going to be established in the city—if it can get the suspension of the projectors desire. This will have to be voted on by the people.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The recommended retirement of the county judge at eighty does not promise much in the way of reform. Why was the limit raised from seventy-five? Who was kicking?

The present activity of Mr. Chamberlain points to an early appeal to the people. When dissolution does come the colonial secretary will be a stalwart figure in the fray.

The Temiskaming railway bonds are offered for sale in England. How is that? Were they put on the market in Canada? Is there not the capital in Canada for investment in government debentures?

The Ottawa Citizen is authority for the statement that the conservative party is not in the blue rain business. No! That is encouraging. The conservatives, however, have made the most of it in their day.

When a new election does take place in the old land politics will be somewhat mixed. The trade question will be obscured by the Land Purchase Act in Ireland, and the Education Act in England. The result will be a muddle.

The Duke of Marlborough is again suggested as the Governor-General of Canada. What capacity has he for the office? What training? The fact that he married an American (Miss Vanderbilt), does not concern the average man very much.

The Toronto street railway is a veritable gold mine. So far this year the increased earnings (over those of 1902) amount to \$195,708.30, and Toronto's percentage is \$118,792.67. Think what Toronto is losing by the lease of its line to a company!

The Mail comments upon the fact that "Cap" Sullivan and his friends have been to the See arranging about the bye-elections. What about the Montreal man, the conservative, who mesmerized folks in the last election and unseated Mr. Macampbell? Has he reported yet?

OBSERVATIONS.

No Irish Need Apply.

Hamilton Telegram.

The pope of Rome holds about the only big job on earth to which an Irishman cannot aspire with a chance of success.

What He Misses.

Hamilton Herald.

Sir William Van Horne says he does not read what is written about the Grand Trunk Pacific railway bargain. And yet Sir William might get a lot of amusement out of this light literature.

A Genuine Discovery.

Hamilton Times.

A new danger threatens automobilists—obesity. Devotees are said to develop enormous appetites and to put on flesh rapidly. There's a hint for meagre girls. Move and grow plump.

Room For All.

Ottawa Free Press.

No one ever thought that the great North-Trunk Pacific railway bargain was a gift to the Canadian Pacific Railway. There is room enough in the breadth and depth of that great country for half a dozen paralleling transcontinental railways.

Good Time Assured.

Brantford Expositor.

With continued good crops, and something like \$100,000,000 to be expended upon another great transcontinental railroad, the return of hard times to far as Canada is concerned, would seem to be a long way off.

Land Sales To Meet Cost.

Ottawa Free Press.

In July, the month just closed, the C.P.R. land sales totalled \$1,020,000. That is a single month's sales of land given the railway by the government. This will explain how easily Canada can recoup itself the expenditure of ten to twelve millions.

Had the conservative government been wise and just loaned the C.P.R. the credit of the country by guaranteeing their bonds and giving them the usual cash subsidies, the fifty-million dollars worth of land which the C.P.R. still holds would have provided railways for the whole vast country.

But the great object lesson in the July sales of C.P.R. lands is the wisdom of the present administration in holding our lands for our own profit. The National Transcontinental route railway will make 50,000,000 acres of land now worth ten cents an acre quickly average a worth of \$10 an acre.

Chicago Preacher Deposed.

Chicago, Aug. 7.—Rev. Dr. Macafee is spending his vacation in Nova Scotia. During his absence the stewards of the First Methodist Episcopal church, Evanston, met and deposed him from the pastorate for his liberal views of theology, similar to those held by Prof. Pearson and Prof. Howells, of the North Western University.

Thousand Islands and Rochester.

Steamer North King and Captain, commencing 25th June, leave Swift's wharf daily except Monday at 10:17 a.m. for Thousand Islands. Returning steamer leaves at 5 p.m. for Rochester, N. Y.

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An Authority on Railway Problems and the Country in Northern Ontario and the West Believes the Government Has Taken Action of Great Benefit.

Ottawa, Aug. 7.—Sir Sandford Fleming was seen at his residence on Chapel street, and asked for his opinion in regard to Canada's second transcontinental railway.

"I am more than favorably impressed," said Sir Sandford, "with the contract which the Canadian government has entered into with the Grand Trunk Pacific railway company for the construction of a section of the transcontinental road. When the Grand Trunk first announced its intention to build across the continent I expressed myself favorably to a second line and I am delighted now to see an agreement reached between the government and the company which will insure the construction of the road."

"Then you look upon the contract as being a good one?"

"I regard the contract to be a good one. I am not speaking as to all the details because I have not gone into them. If I did I am sure I could not add anything to what Sir Wilfrid Laurier said in his very able speech in the house."

"You heard the premier's speech?"

"I did. I have taken an interest in the question since its inception and I was naturally anxious to hear Sir Wilfrid's presentation of the government policy in particular. As far back as 1862 I wrote and talked of a transcontinental line. My friends then regarded my views as somewhat visionary, but in the course of time they were realized, and soon Canada will have no one, but two transcontinental roads."

The above endorsement of the contract entered into between the government and the Grand Trunk Pacific by a gentleman like Sir Sandford Fleming, who is well qualified to speak on railway problems and who has a good knowledge of the country through which the proposed line will run, is particularly gratifying. When prominent men like Sir Sandford say that the road was a necessity and that the contract is a good one it may be taken for granted that the country regards it as an excellent bargain, whatever the political opposition may amount to.

PITE OF THE NEWS.

The Very Latest News Cullied From All Over the World.

A tug sunk off New Bedford, Mass., and five persons were drowned.

The Ontario College of Pharmacy has a balance of assets of \$61,959.

John Cronk, an aged man, slightly deaf, was run over by a train at Colborne and killed.

John P. Mackay, Woodstock, has been appointed business manager of the Toronto Globe.

Plymouth township was swept by a cyclone on Thursday. Hall fell to a depth of three inches.

It is reported that two Serbian officers have been arrested for conspiring against the minister of war.

It is thought that Russia has obtained a lease of 200 acres of land near the Yongahampo river, Corea.

Robert Atherton, since 1848 prominently identified with the manufacture of textile machinery, died suddenly at Paterson, N.J.

Fifty delegates to the meeting of Chambers of Commerce of the Empire, to be held at Montreal, sailed from Liverpool yesterday.

Toronto's financial statement shows that there is a cash balance in hand and in banks of \$1,107,835. The net bonded debt of the city is \$15,343,558.

Lord Brassey, who is to preside at the Maritime conference of chambers of commerce of the empire, is now en route to Canada on his famous yacht, the Sunbeam.

A furious squall of wind struck the boiler house in connection with Fraser's lumber mill at Deschamps, wrecking the brick building and killing James T. Campbell, Ottawa. Several others were hurt.

Whitaker Wright, the arrested promoter and director of the London and Globe corporation, limited, the hearing of whose case was adjourned to August 24th, is, to-day, still in Brixton jail, some of the proposed sureties for his bail of \$250,000 not having yet been approved.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in the Commons, moved on Thursday, the resolution to fix the salary of the chief railway commissioner at \$10,000 and the other two commissioners at \$5,000 each, and an interesting debate took place on the bill constituting the commission. Mr. Fielding moved the resolution to grant a bonus to lead.

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