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Credit Out Of Turn.

The following is from a good conservative print:

"The Ontario revenue has increased over one million dollars during the past year under the beneficent rule of a good Tory administration, and that has been accomplished with the sacrifice of less than one-third as much of the province's timber assets as were sold in 1904."

No particulars are given, and it is well, for then the rashness of the statement would be at once apparent.

During the past year some very wealthy men have passed away. Two of them were Senator Fulford and Mr. Gooderham, millionaires. The income from their estates, in succession duties, cannot be due to "the beneficent rule of a good Tory administration."

It surely has not the issues of life and death in its keeping.

Moreover time was when the succession duties were not popularly regarded by the Whittney party. They were indeed, on the contrary, esteemed a species of robbery, and one leading member of the party pronounced them a "confiscation" by the government of the possessions of the helpless people.

As for the Tomisnaming railway. It was the conception of the liberal party. It was in Canada the first practical and substantial demonstration of government ownership. The railway is now running over a part of the route which was originally marked out for it, and the freight and passenger traffic has brought in unexpected returns. One result is the revenue of \$100,000, which is an important item in the surplus of the year. It can hardly be attributed to "the beneficent rule of a good Tory administration."

The Tomisnaming railway was not thought much of when it was started by the Whittney party. Since when has it become the object of their admiration?

Merits Of Voting Plans.

There is an animated discussion in the west as to the merits of the rival voting systems. By what plan or method can the people get the better choice, the one calculated by reason of its selection, to give the people the fullest satisfaction in its conduct of the public affairs?

Hamilton has tried the way of voting for the aldermen by the party machine in all its vulgarities. The party endorses certain candidates, and when they are elected they do the work of the party according to party lines.

Kingston has had the ward system and, as the Hamilton Herald has clearly pointed out, "it has not eliminated the partisan element from the elections." It recognized and encouraged it. It is bad enough, but it is not so powerful and persuasive as under the system of general voting. How is that?

The Herald explains, "Sectional and personal influences tend to neutralize it when the voting for a candidate is restricted to a limited area."

But the ward system is defective. It develops the "pull" of the individual who, in his bullyshack, has a power that is evil, and which could not command a following in the larger constituency.

What is the cure? The election of a certain number of ward representatives and of a certain number of aldermen at large. This is practically a return to the conditions which obtained when the city had aldermen and councillors—the one class with the long term of three years, and the other class the short term of one year.

In any case there will be politics in the council unless the parties by general agreement determine to banish and suppress them. The experiment in Kingston, in this respect, will be an object lesson to Hamilton, where the people must be pretty sick of the machine.

People Learning Much.

The report of Mr. Cross, who was appointed by the local government to examine into the affairs of the York County Loan company, is a most depressing document. It shows that the institution has been in a tottering condition for many a day, and that its management was such that sooner or later a crash had to come.

The points of the report are these: The basal plan of the company was unsound.

The funds were largely and improperly invested in unproductive real estate.

The abolition in 1903 of the power to forfeit shares cut off a rich source of gain.

The promotion of various subsidiary companies contributed to the failure.

No proper accounts were kept with installment shareholders.

The installment share account was grossly incorrect.

The financial statements published by the company were increasingly untrue each year.

False returns were made to the government.

The strangest feature of the report is the allegation that the officers who prepared the statements for publication and transmission to the government "were not aware of their gross misstatements."

They went it blind, under the instructions of the president, in whom they had implicit confidence. Even the auditors, who certified to the documents, "were ignorant of the falsity of the statements."

One is simply astonished with this revelation. How could men, connected with the business, and posing as at all intelligent and conscientious in service, be guilty of this criminal neglect, stupidity or indifference?

Above all how could the auditors perform the task perfunctorily? These men are depended upon by a trustful company and its shareholders to hand out only that which can be accepted as a truthful representation of their financial affairs.

According to Mr. Cross, who is an expert examiner and unsparring critic, the whole record of the York Loan has been characterized by recklessness, misstatement and fraud. One man, the manager, has been fully conscious of the facts and all the others have mechanically and wondrously approved of the mess!

Good will follow the shock of this thing. It will make people more skeptical of the get-rich-quickly schemes. It will call for more skill and acumen in the management of the business in which the money saver is expected to take an interest.

It will necessitate a change in the methods of government supervision. There will have to be inspection, at once rigid and exacting, and with the result that fraud and misrepresentation will have a narrower field of practice.

Editorial Notes.

The Board of Education must be careful. The juketing spirit is asserting itself, and this is something the people do not like.

The police should exert themselves, and see if they cannot put down the petty thieving. It is some time since they made a record.

At St. Thomas the council meetings are the great attraction. There must be something very pretty about the aldermen or their ways.

The Ottawa Journal booms the living salaries. The higher the living the higher the rewards. Thus the individual, in the long run, is none the better off.

John Burns, the labor leader, has not pleased some of his followers because he has gone into the government. Isn't he better able to serve them there?

The York County Loan company's affairs are in a pretty mess. The people who have been putting their hard earnings into its coffers have been shamefully deceived.

A million dollars has been raised in Toronto for the new hospital—and there are only forty-nine subscribers. Well, they are wealthy, and they could not give their money to a better cause.

The mayor has intimated that the good example of the Board of Education has had an influence in transforming the council from a political to a non-political institution. Good enough.

The Calgary Herald nominates Mr. Haultain for the seat in the commons which has been vacated by the transfer of Hon. Mr. Scott to the premiership of the province. What, and abandon Saskatchewan to its fate? Surely not.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell wants it to be clearly understood that he does not regret of the events of 1895-5. If he had to act the part all over again his course would be just the same. The minority in Manitoba would get their separate schools.

LADY FREEMASONS.

London Cult of French Origin Admits Them.

A lady Freemason was initiated in London recently with all the secrecy and mystic rites, inseparably associated with the cult.

True, the order to which she was admitted with impressive ceremonial was hardly orthodox in the sense that orthodox Freemasons would understand it, because they rigorously exclude women from membership, but this particular sect, which includes ladies in its ranks, is an offshoot of the famous Grand Orient of France.

"Co-Masons" is the name by which they are known.

"It is purely a burlesque affair and has nothing to do with Freemasonry," said Sir Edward Latchworth, grand secretary of the Freemasons, in reference to his induction of a lady as a member of the new cult in London, which has sprung from the Grand Orient of France.

"England is a free country, and if a number of ladies like to meet at a tea-party and choose to call themselves Freemasons, why," pursued Sir Edward with a smile, "who is to prevent them?"

"They may be 'Co-Masons,' or anything they please; but they are not Freemasons as we know them."

"We broke off with the Grand Orient in 1878, when they no longer insisted on the belief in God as a test of membership and excluded His sacred name from their meetings."

SCOTT-FRASER.

A Happy Marriage in Ernestown.

A very pretty wedding took place on Wednesday evening, December 27th at "Poplar Hill," Ernestown, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Fraser, when their youngest daughter, Etancho, was united in marriage, by Rev. G. W. McCall, to Frederick G. Scott. The ceremony was performed at eight o'clock in the parlor under an arch of evergreens and mistletoe.

The bride was beautifully gowned in white, carrying a shower bouquet of white carnations and was accompanied by Miss Jessie Forward, Kingston, also in white and carrying a bouquet of carnations. Dorothy McCall, as maid of honor, took charge of the ring for the groom. The groom was supported by his brother, Arthur P. Scott.

After dejeuner and the kindest wishes of the gathering, the happy couple took the midnight express for Montreal and eastern points. The guests were limited to the immediate friends of the contracting parties. One pleasing incident was the presence of Mrs. William Hogle, sister of Mr. Fraser, who, fifty years ago, was married, in the same room. Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Amey were present at the wedding fifty years ago and were able to be out on this occasion also. The wedding presents were numerous and very choice. The young couple start life under the most favorable auspices. And hosts of friends wish them all joy and prosperity.

The Bishop's Thousand Pounds.

London Standard.

The Bishop of London tells the following story: "I was sitting in my room one morning, very busy, when I was told that a lady wanted to see me. I was very busy and almost said at first: 'Oh, I'm too busy to see anyone this morning.' But I thought, and said, 'No, I have made a rule never to refuse to see anybody, in case it is some one in trouble.' So I said, 'Let the lady come upstairs.' She came, and the first thing she said to me was this: 'I was going to ask you whether you can find me a rule never to work for £1,000? I said: 'It is the very thing I have been wondering all morning how I was to get.' I showed her exactly what I was going to spend her £1,000 on, and the whole scheme was carried out."

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Some Mistake.

Toronto News.

So Ireland is calm. There must be some mistake. Just as easy to believe that shamrocks are orange.

Family Aid Arrogance.

Illustrated Magazine.

A man always with his eyes on the ground bumps his head; a man with his nose always in the air stubs his toe.

Torrey Working Trouble.

Toronto Star.

Isn't there enough domestic trouble in the homes of Toronto without Rev. Dr. Torrey coming here and encouraging wives to forbid their husbands smoking in their own houses?

Calling It Names.

Exchange.

New Brunswick Bar says Miss Mabel French is not "a person" according to the act, and therefore cannot get a divorce. One feels like calling the act a silly old goat.

Missed Us In War.

Hamilton Herald.

Winston Churchill's good opinion of Canadians is due to his observation in the way the Canadian boys fought in South Africa. How thankful we ought to be that Winston has had no opportunity of estimating Canadians by the way they sometimes fight at elections!

Why The Delegates Smiled.

Philadelphia Bulletin.

It was at the closing session of the annual convention of a certain religious body held in a town near this city some time since, and the preacher who occupied the chair, announced that they were \$100 short of a desired sum and hoped that the amount might be raised before the final adjournment.

"I will start the good work with \$25," cried a man who was a stranger to the preacher.

"Thanks, brother! Thanks!" exclaimed the dominie effusively. "I don't know your name, but may heaven bless your kind heart and may your business during the coming year be doubled!"

Instantly there was a laugh that was both long and loud, and the perplexed preacher gazed at the delegates in astonishment.

"What have I done?" said he.

"Nothing," replied a fellow preacher, "only the man who donated that twenty-five is an undertaker."

\$1,000 To Save Dog's Grave.

Chicago Inter-Ocean.

Rather than disturb the body of a family dog, F. A. Whitney, a wealthy ranchman of this place and a cousin of the secretary of the navy under Cleveland, will spend an additional \$1,000 in the construction of an irrigated ditch on his ranch.

After nearly a mile of the new ditch had been constructed, Whitney learned that the route was directly over the grave of the dog, and rather than have the grave disturbed, the work on the ditch was stopped until a new survey could be made. The grave is located at the base of a huge sandstone ledge.

Whitney says the dog once saved his life by leading him through a blinding snowstorm and he refuses to have the grave desecrated.

The Oddest Client.

Jerome K. Jerome, the noted English writer and lecturer, who visited Kingston a few weeks ago, is fond of telling this story:

"As odd a client as you can imagine called on a legal friend of mine in Rye one morning.

"She was an extremely pretty client, but her clear, soft eyes were quite blind with weeping. Indeed she was in tears as she entered my friend's office. Her little form shook with sobs.

"Well, my dear, said he (perhaps I should explain that this client was hardly more than seven or eight years old), 'well, my dear, what can I do for you?'

"Please, sir," said the child, weeping piteously, 'I want to get a divorce from my papa and mamma.'"

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FIRE AT GANANOQUE.

Building Owned By Justice Britton—First Hockey Match.

Gananoque, Jan. 11.—An alarm of fire was sounded at 10:30 o'clock last night from No. 5 alarm box. The scene of fire was the store occupied by John Shields as grocery. The fire brigade were on the spot in short order and soon had the fire well in hand. The damage is covered by insurance, both on stock and building. The building is owned by Justice Britton. The first match of the series in the Gananoque Hockey League was played on the Maple Leaf rink, Tuesday evening, between the Star Bachelors and Wanderers. The ice was in capital condition and the attendance about 300. The first half was a really good exhibition of hockey, but in the last half the Wanderers were fairly outclassed, the score standing at the end, eight to three, in favor of the Star-Bachelors. There was nothing but fair play throughout. If the balance of the series is played as clean, it will furnish sport for the townspeople worth while looking at.

In the Manhood League, next Sunday morning, in the lecture room of St. Andrew's church, ex-Mayor Robert Sheppard will introduce the topic for discussion, "Building of Character."

W. L. Headlip, of Toronto, an ex-Gananoque merchant, and son of Philip Headlip, J.P., is in town visiting relatives and hunting up old acquaintances for a few days.

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