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WEARIED OF KICKING. At the last session of parliament Col. Samuel Hughes moved that grants should be made to the veterans of the South African war from the land which the federal government owned. The government accepted the proposition.

When the matter came up at this session, and the government attempted to give effect to the motion, the tory opposition protested, and then leading in the row, as might as anyone, was Col. Hughes. He wanted the arrangement to apply to all the provinces.

The premier pointed out that the provinces of Ontario and British Columbia had already recognized the veterans out of the lands which they owned, and that the federal government acted in the case of the new provinces because it held the lands. This made no difference. The opposition warbled away, for hours, wasting the time of the house and imposing on the patience of its members.

At last the veteran Hon. John Hager, who can stand a good deal on behalf of the party, protested. "This obstruction," said he, "is getting a little too monotonous and I am tired of it."

The duty of an opposition, says Mr. McKay, of the Ontario house, is to help on useful legislation as well as offer criticism of doubtful measures. The duty of the opposition, as Mr. Borden interprets it, is to obstruct everything, and to deny the paternity of its own little bantlings.

THE SENATE WANTS WORK. Many years ago, when Hon. George Brown was nominated for the senate, some people rejoiced because they said he would infuse new life into its proceedings. Mr. Brown's career was ended all too soon, and before he had the opportunity to bring about any change in the upper house. He was not enamoured of its condition at the time and he could not have endured the dreariness of its proceedings, for he was essentially a man of action.

The man of the hour in the senate now is Hon. Mr. Ross, the former premier of Ontario. He is a man of ideas, of force of character, of reform and progress. He made not long since a splendid speech in defence of the upper chamber, and of its greater usefulness. He candidly admitted that it could be improved, but not abolished, without serious menace to the Canadian system of government.

At the present he has before the senate a proposition to name and create a number of standing committees, whose duties will be comprehensive in their character. They would have the power of inquiry and investigation. His idea was that the senate had a wider service than the review of legislation passed by the commons. It could originate measures and so help on the good government of the country.

Mr. Ross disliked, even repudiated, the suggestion, that "the senate was a body of old gentlemen who dreamed life away in perfect serenity." The senator from Kingston endorses the Ross plan, and it looks as if the senate will give it a trial. The members are eager for service, and among the number are some of the ablest men in Canadian public life.

ONLY FOOLING HAMILTON.

Hamilton is sure it will get a technical college, at the expense of the government, but the minister of education has given no real grounds for speculation to this effect. A deputation went to Toronto to say that the city contemplated going into technical instruction and had an idea that it should secure enough land at the one time to meet the requirements of the school and college.

Dr. Pyle looked pleased, and thought Hamilton's ambitions were very laudable, but he did not advise the city to rush into building a technical school "until it knew just where it stood." What did he mean by that? The remark is significant in view of Hamilton's experience on the normal college question. Believing that the college would be a permanent institution it erected a splendid building, for high school and college purposes, and it had occasion to repent of its action. The normal college has removed to Toronto in obedience to university sentiment. It certainly would be very foolish to repeat the indiscretion of erecting another building without a most definite understanding as to what would be done with it.

The Hamilton deputation interpreted the interview as an encouragement in their plans, but reading between the lines, there is in the report of the

interview a warning which the board of education cannot ignore. Mr. Pyle is loquacious. Before the by-election there was the promise of a technical college at Hamilton. It has not materialized, and the government is undecided what to do on the eve of a general election.

MAN THE CITY WANTS.

The council has been tendered the resignation of the city engineer, and it will probably be accepted. An offer of the appointment has been made to one who was formerly in the city's service, in the same office, and the conditions being favourable it is said that he can be secured.

The city has been fortunate in its officials, and not because it has always shown the appreciation which is their due. They are free to do their best, to do the public business most faithfully and to do credit to themselves and their superiors. But they do not get much applause. Occasionally, indeed, some new members of the city government, or its legislative body, who has not been familiar with the work of the man, finds fault and so adds to the burdens he must carry.

The engineer is considerably in the limelight. His work, in street improvements, the people can see. They are critical, sometimes, severely so, and the official may not be guilty of any shortcoming or any neglect of duty. He can report upon matters as he pleases, and he can make recommendations, but unless the council provides the funds the service is not performed.

Perhaps the engineers in the past have been too modest in their manner. They have been content to say little and take censure rather than have the fault put where it belongs upon the council. It would be a change if some man asserted his opinions, if he declared most positively how work should be done, and let the council assume the responsibility of directing it his way or not at all.

The average alderman should be willing to accept the professional advice of the engineer on the matters appertaining to his department, and he ought to be able to give decisions clearly and without equivocation. That is the kind of a man Kingston has been looking for, and it is the only kind that can hope to succeed.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

On dit, that the federal elections will occur in November. But the rumour is from a tory source. If both provincial and federal elections occur in the same year business will suffer.

The bold babbling of the dominion, is the manner in which Mr. Foster's opponent in North Toronto refers to him. Talk is not cheap at \$5.30 per column, the cost of Hagarard.

Mr. Dewar's description of the leader of the opposition is good—a "pretty good weather-wane, answering the breath of every wind that touched it, and pointing nowhere." What do you think of it?

The conservative party is quite certain that it does not owe Mr. Metcalfe anything. When he had the support of the party he was a "trotter." Now he is regarded as a "ringer." Well, so be it.

The Healy Falls power question is being settled. The company is more certain of its water power. Which will mean what for Kingston? That it will receive electricity as cheaply as candle light? That was Mr. Beck's promise.

Mr. Pettypiece, in East Lambton, cannot run as a liberal candidate in the next election because in ill-health. It is not a matter over which there can be reasonably any tory hilarity, and, strange to say, the humourists are at work.

The temperance wave is sweeping Quebec City. Five thousand people, including the Roman Catholic clergy, have petitioned for the closing of the bars on Saturdays and feast days. They also demand a reduction in the license.

Mr. Whitney will, on Monday, discuss with Mr. McKay the redistribution bill, and it will then be known what manner of measure it is. There have been some hints of a "gerry-mander," but there is no evidence of the fact.

DEPUTY'S EARS BOXED ALMOST GIVEN UP

EXCITING SCENE IN LOWER HOUSE AT ROME. Senator and Deputy Passed From Heated Discussion to Blows—Latter Had His Ears Boxed, and Former Lost Part of His Beard.

Rome, Feb. 27.—There were exciting times, yesterday, during the discussion in the Chamber of Deputies of religious teaching in the schools. Signor Hava, minister of education, delivered a speech in the subject, in which he declared that the government aims to respect the liberty of conscience, which is the chief characteristic of the separation of church and state. The government considers it its duty, he said, to respect the faith of all and not to impose on any state, as neither a religious nor an anti-religious, an agnostic nor an atheist state is incompetent in the matter of religion.

Meanwhile, in the lobbies of the chamber, Senator Pierantoni, an expert on international law, became engaged in a heated discussion on the question of religious teaching with a republican deputy, Signor Mirabelli, and boxed the latter's ears, calling him a liar.

Signor Mirabelli retorted by pulling out a portion of Senator Pierantoni's whiskers, which later, as a matter of curiosity, he passed around the chamber in an envelope. It is expected that a duel will follow this interchange of hostilities. Senator Pierantoni is sixty-eight years of age.

NEW YORK LETTER.

Out of Town Born Men Are the Best. New York, Feb. 28.—It is certainly gratifying to the writer to know that his efforts to get up a weekly spicy, condensed column of metropolitan news, is appreciated by scores of readers. No less than three hundred letters have been received expressing satisfaction at the effort to picture New York life to out-of-town readers. One wrote—"I never expect to see the great city, but I feel that I have been getting you tell so many interesting things, and so plainly about it."

Such shall stimulate our correspondence to still greater efforts to make the "New York Letters" better and better. In the rush and bustle it is not a question of what to write, but only of what to leave out.

The average New Yorker has little foundation and less time to think of people away from here. From early life to old age, it is one continuous, steady push and grind. To say that ninety per cent. of the people—male and female, are slaves, machines, or parts of machines, is not putting it too strongly. To say that the human nature, there is no limit to submission. Reared among the "tall pines," the writer has been long enough to grasp and familiarize himself with surroundings and instantly finds the mingling competing life in the city to life out of it. The deeper the investigation the more convincing the fact that all wisdom is not massed in the big cities as many are prone to believe. The city man is born, brought up, kept in a channel, a rut; he knows as a rule only one thing, and that is to subsist. That all round fund of information common among men in small or medium size locations is not found in the city man. The horizon of the majority is the city line; he has no chance to know much of the outside world, for time is precious; he must apply himself to his own trade.

The leading merchants, lawyers, editors, divines, doctors, geniuses, are out-of-town born. These new-comers develop faster here—the field is wide, opportunities great for those who seize them. Only in a less crowded condition. These come here clothed for the fray and "pitch in," fearlessly and confidently, their all-round knowledge of men and things helps them greatly to soon take a front rank. Not every one can come here and do well. The winners are those endowed properly. The streets are full of failures and among them thousands of disappointed ones who imagined to set foot here was all that was necessary. Space forbids stretching out this article at greater length. At another time it will be dealt with more extensively.

A Great Ship Launched. Berlin, Feb. 29.—Germany's first counterpart of the British battleship Dreadnought, which has been provisionally named *Ersatz Bayern*, will be launched at Wilhelmshaven, on May 3rd. She is of 17,960 tons, and will have speed of nineteen knots. The launching of a companion ship, the *Ersatz Sachsen*, will follow shortly at Bremen. Two larger ships of 18,700 tons each, are rapidly approaching completion at Kiel and Danzig. They will be equipped later by two vessels of 20,000 tons each.

The increased crime in Montreal, the Hon. Mr. Scott declared in the senate, was the chief cause of the proposed drink shops of the city, which the police make no effort to suppress. "It's old-fashioned" but good and strong. The homebound candy sold at Gibson's Red Cross drug store, Phone 230.

The second court of the season held by King Edward and Queen Alexandra at Buckingham palace, on Friday night, was even more brilliant than that of a fortnight ago.

A ninety-year-old Italian in Toronto was arrested in Toronto after he had stabbed his stepmother twice and badly wounded his aged father.

FRUIT-A-TIVES SAVED HIS LIFE

Mr. Dingwall was Superintendent of St. Andrews Sunday School in Williams town for nine years and License Commissioner for Gengarry—and Tax Collector for Charlottenburg—for fourteen years continuously. Read how strongly Mr. Dingwall comes out in favor of "Fruit-a-tives."



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COMMERCIAL MATTERS.

What is Going on in the Business World—The Markets. The failures in Canada this week totalled 53; same week, 1907, 37. The Canadian Pacific Railway company has \$38,000,000 of cash in its treasury.

The annual report of the Dominion Coal company asserts that the directors have obtained a favorable opinion of their case from several legal men of high standing and intend to fight it out.

The wealth of the Rothschilds at present is estimated at \$400,000,000. It is calculated that in seventy years more they will possess \$1,000,000,000 an amount that can hardly be conceived.

A German company has just paid a dividend which, if not unprecedented, is certainly rare. A company called the International Boring company, which has a capital of \$50,000, has recently announced a dividend of 500 per cent.

It is generally understood that the Dominion Coal company, after paying the four per cent. on the common, involving \$600,000, will show a surplus of slightly over \$1,000,000. In other words the company has earned a little over ten per cent on the \$15,000,000 common stock.

A factory to manufacture heavy butter may be established in Picton by the St. Lawrence Dairy Produce company, limited, of Morrisburg, Ont. Interview factory men and prominent dairy men. The central manufacturing plant, to be located in Picton, will entail an investment of \$15,000.

The farm land sales of the Canada North-West Land company during the month of December amounted to 164 acres for \$1,664, which compares with 1,181 acres for \$11,819 in the corresponding month of 1906. During the whole year 15,311 acres were sold for \$1,747,12, which is very appreciably below the experience of 1906, when 60,242 acres were disposed of for \$592,635, although it is satisfactory to note that the average price last year was \$1.59 per acre better than it was in 1906, the actual figure being \$1.41, as against \$0.92.

King Leopold's latest demand from the Congo is said to be a civil list of \$600,000. The Belgian parliament is said to be getting out of patience, and threatening to abandon the Free state altogether.

William Dewar, liberal candidate for the legislature in North Brant, who has been in the field for some months, will retire on account of serious sickness.

Brigadier-General W. D. Otter, C.B., offered the command of the 5th Infantry Brigade, at Aldershot, England, from May 1st next.

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