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### Daily Whig.

#### MINISTERS WANT POSTING.

The members of the government ought to be the best informed of all those who discuss provincial affairs. But Mr. Whitney showed that he did not read the papers, or that he did not remember what he read, when at Hamilton, he retained the old chestnut about Mr. Mackay and Mr. Pense. The latter, on returning to the city from an eastern trip, hastened to give a quietus to the canard that he and the liberal leader had conferred on the Canadian Northern railway bond guarantee, and decided not to oppose it. Mr. Whitney ignores the correction, and repeats the fiction for political effect.

Colonel Hendrie, at the pow-wow which Mr. Whitney attended, expressed the opinion that no one could tell what Mr. Mackay's position was on the three-fifths clause. No one who ever occupied a seat in the house, perhaps, save Col. Hendrie, could have any doubt upon this point. Mr. Mackay has been all along an advocate of a majority rule or option law, and at the last session he put himself on record as the seceder of Mr. Preston's motion to this effect.

If the colonel presumes to educate the masses during the campaign it behooves him to get posted. Mr. Mackay will be visiting Hamilton, some of these days, and he may take some of the pomp and egotism out of the minister without portfolio, while he undergoes a necessary enlightenment.

Has the council approved of the pavement for which Mr. Kirby proposes to canvass? What is its kind and quality? Has the engineer examined the specification and approved of it? What is to be the cost per foot or yard? No citizen should commit himself to the scheme until he knows more about it.

#### LANTERN SLIDE IN POLITICS.

The Canadian Courier comments upon Mr. Ames' performance with lantern slides "as a new feature" in political campaigning. New in Canada, perhaps, but not new in the United States. In a notable New York state election, when the Erie canal was an issue of large dimensions, the stereotypical and its use allows voters to employ their eyes as well as their ears. A good deal depends upon the artist and the point of view, he is engaged to present. The average moving picture show is very interesting. Sometimes it is exciting, and it would be impressive, too, but for the knowledge that it represents an expert manipulation of scenic machinery for effect.

Mr. Ames' lantern slides are as biased as his talks. To give the people what they should have in pictorial views there would have to be an impartial presentation of the case. There is a side which Mr. Ames has not enlarged, the side he indeed tried to suppress by seeking to close the enquiry into the land question prematurely.

An independent might give a moving picture of entrancing interest, and it might be made up of scenes from the House of Commons when Mr. Ames' friends are doing their best to turn the people's chamber into a bear garden.

All that now remains of the power scheme, says the Canadian Courier, is "for the municipalities to sign the contracts and the work will be commenced—perhaps." What is, in the mind of our contemporary? That the Beck boom will fade away after the election?

#### OLD AGE PENSIONS.

The August government does not stay its hand in the way of social reforms. It is going on with the old age pension scheme, but on a plan that will be regarded as very moderate indeed. It is calculated that there are about half a million persons over seventy who will become the immediate beneficiaries to the extent of \$1.25 per week, if single and \$1.50 per week if married, and the individual is not a lunatic, a pauper or a criminal.

The fury of the conservatives and conservative-unionists has been aroused because they regard the measure as a handout which will be placed upon them when they attain to power. They expect to win in the next election—forgetting that they are maddly a slip between the cup and the lip—and they have no use and no love for the measure that has filled so large a

#### place in the dreams of the socialists and laborites.

Were the liberal government disposed to lay up trouble for any one, were the premier anticipating defeat and so inclined to become reckless, he would go the ticket which has been urged upon him. In that case the age limit would be reduced and the weekly allowance be increased. The premier, an astute leader, submits a worable scheme. It is modest in its character, and yet means many millions in this year. The limit in any case will be \$30,000,000, and it is not a terrifying liability, when one recalls that the surplus revenue of the present year is over \$23,000,000.

The greatest objection to the measure comes from the military critics. They foresee a difficulty in paying the pension, in view of the increased demands for the navy. The defence of the empire is very important, and the people, without respect to classes, have made their sacrifices for it. But the time has come when the care of the aged, the sacred course of life, demands attention, and it is a becoming sign when the question impresses the mother of nations and moves her parliament to action.

Perhaps there would not have been so much fuss about the St. Boniface terminals of the Grand Trunk Pacific railway if Hon. Mr. Rogers had unloaded his land upon the commission at \$2,000 an acre. Mr. Ames should have a snap shot of that land.

#### A VERY RAGGED RECORD.

The address of Mr. Whitney, in Hamilton, says a critic, lacked all that would indicate that his government was constructive in its policy. There is no doubt that Mr. Whitney, in his mind, essayed to do many things, but he did not succeed.

He was out for law reform. So was "My Dear Boy." The people were being held up by an effete system. But the reform was not even dreamt of by the government until Mr. McKay made the situation too hot. Hence the promise of a change after the elections. There was to be an end of the prison labour contracts, and the present government had hardly begun its business than the most obnoxious deal ever heard of was carried into effect. It still prevails, as a standing proof of conservative contumacy.

There was to be educational reform. It began with a consolidation of power in Toronto University, in a surrender of hundreds of thousands of dollars annually without an accounting to parliament. This was followed by a futile attempt to improve the school law, and an equally futile attempt to improve the school books. A bargain sale is now on, but the new books are not out, and when they are they will be dearer than ever.

There was to be no more robbery of the dead, in succession duties; no more bleeding of the financial institutions and great corporations for revenue purposes. But they all go on, and the Whitney government is determined to make the exactions heavier if possible.

There were to be no more subsidies to railways; no more grants of land to corporations, but they have marked every session of the legislature, and the deal in "that last awful week" has even turned the conservative party upside down.

There was to be an end of the spoils system, but it has marked the whole reign of the present government, and is the surest proof to-day of its degeneracy.

There was to be a non-political administration of the license laws, and the first act of the government was to remove the license inspectors and commissioners and put the whole machinery of the department into the hands of political henchmen. Result—scandals such as have not disgraced any government heretofore.

There was to be honest and clean government, and with forty-three of a majority it should have been attainable. Yet such is the failure of the government to reach its own ideals that it has abandoned hope, and given itself up apparently to the worst elements in political life. The independents have been disgraced, and to prevent retaliation they and the liberals have been hit with a brutal gerrymander.

Finally (for the present, for the category of misdeeds is top long to be enumerated in one article), there was to be a correct administration of the people's affairs, and an evidence of it is given in the La Rose case, and \$130,000 goes to a syndicate of which Mr. Cochrane's brother-in-law is a lucky member.

Mr. Whitney claims that he has given the people what he promised. Has he? The record does not say so.

The Whitney government is so much ashamed of its extravagance that it has resorted to the plan of hiding away a large share of the expenditure. When the late government was in power the salaries of ministers was voted openly year after year. Under the Matheson plan of concealing expenditure the amounts do not require to be voted year after year. An expenditure of \$50,000 per year is made without coming under the scrutiny of the people's representatives.

#### EDITORIAL NOTES.

Mr. Bourassa is not going into politics—as a fighter for the conservative party. If they thought they could use him as a political battering ram they were greatly mistaken.

The Cataract Power company has offered to supply Hamilton with power for civic purposes at ten per cent less than the Hydro-Electric Commission or any other competitor.

The Tupper sun has set in the west. Sir Hibbert is out of politics there. His idea, based by the idea of his father, that he could break into the party at his own sweet will, has not succeeded.

Why should the people not know how their money is spent in Toronto University as well as on legislation, law, justice, and other things? Is the cost of education, under commissions, too sacred for inspection?

After all the evidence is in, from conservative and liberal sources, it will be quite apparent that the Aylesworth election law is badly needed. The scandals of the west are multiplying.

The Tupper family went west when the east failed to show the proper appreciation of them. They had better fit eastward. The blue noses, after all, are the most appreciative of their brand of politics.

The city engineer is right. A lot of good a horse, hired for his use and the use of the foreman of streets, would be if it could be taken by any member of the works committee for personal diversion.

The members of the works' department surely do not want to ride about the city in the rig which is to be provided for the engineer and his foreman! Nothing so common as that. An automobile will comport more with their dignity.

"I notice," said Mr. McKay in his address, "that Premier Whitney, in opening his campaign at Hamilton, asked for a square deal; but on reading his speech one is driven to the conclusion that an appropriate heading would be 'A Plea for Mercy.'" Well said.

### SPIRIT OF THE PRESS

#### Howling For Heat.

Belleville Intelligencer. The premier promised a warm political campaign. Hurry up, you politicians. Anything to warm up the weather a bit.

#### Does He Comply?

Guelph Mercury. The Toronto News says that J. P. Downey has been re-nominated on the distinct understanding that he ceases to put up his hair in curl papers.

#### Great Surprise.

London Advertiser. The conservatives claim they have elected a mayor in Halifax, but it is funny what these conservatives can do when the liberals are not looking?

#### Proxies Don't Count.

Toronto Star. If the whole duty of a legislature were to vote for or against a government, it would be better for the constituencies to send liberal or conservative proxies to Toronto, and thus save the expense of electing and maintaining a legislature of a hundred men.

#### Cost Going Up.

Brantford Expositor. The Whitney government has increased the provincial expenditures in less than four years by sixty per cent. In short, by \$1 per head of the population, the same ratio of increase as made by the liberal government of the province in thirty-three years of office.

#### Standing Pat.

Montreal Gazette. The government's licensing bill was ordered to be read a second time in the British House of Commons by a majority of 216. This does not mean that it will get through the two houses of parliament, but it does mean that the party will stand by it to the last. In a country where the people are not afraid to vote against ministers, representatives are not afraid to vote against interests.

#### Gold Ring Found.

The gold ring, which Mrs. Z. Prevost, Earl street, lost on Friday morning, was promptly returned. T. McK. Robertson was the finder, and, having seen the lost advertisement in the Whig, immediately returned the article to the owner. It was a lucky find, considering the fact that the ring was almost imbedded in the muddy street.

#### Two Much Rain.

The rainfall in this vicinity during the week has been very heavy and farmers are now complaining that there is too much of it. A great many have been unable to proceed with seeding and as a result of the rain they will be about two weeks late getting this work finished.

#### Why Purchase A Hat

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#### Excursion From Detroit.

The business committee of the Kingston old boys in Detroit, consisting of O. J. Dix, W. Thornton, Dr. E. C. Watson and Percy Walker, are doing great work in gathering in the old Kingstonsians in Detroit, and expect to run an excursion to Kingston in July. Bibby's for smart toggery.

### MANY GRIEVANCES

### WHITNEY GOVERNMENT NOT DEALING SQUARE.

The Record Faulty in Many Respects—Bad Work of the Spoils-men—Many Promises Broken—Spending the People's Money Freely.

The keynote of Mr. Whitney's address was that the government had given the people a square deal, and he expected them to give him a square deal in return, that is, to again favour his government to power. Let us see. The premier had publicly admitted that it was due to the votes of liberals that he was able to take office some three years ago, and it will be remembered that he promised at the time that he would not forget it—that he would deal fairly by all parties. How has he kept his promise to the province and to his liberal supporters? He gave them a square deal by dismissing all the liberal justices of the peace, by dismissing all the liberal license commissioners, by adopting the spoils system and chipping off the heads of numerous liberal office-holders—to make room for his hungry hangers-on.

He has given the liberals a square deal by "gerrymandering" the constituencies, within two years of a dominion census, and he promises to make it hot for the grays when the next time comes. He prided himself on the fact that he could have made the gerrymander much worse. The thief who steals a dollar might boast that he could have stolen a thousand, but the boast would not be much to his credit.

The premier told his audience that his government had taken almost double the money from the people that Ross did, and spent just as much in proportion, but he forgot to tell it that, had not been for the Ross government, he would not have had the money to spend. For example, the total receipts during the last year were \$5,320,000. Of this amount \$385,503 came from succession duties, a measure which Whitney threatened to repeal as soon as he got into office. \$672,241 came from taxes on corporations; \$235,990 from the Temiskaming & Northern Ontario railway; \$1,181,719 from mining sales and leases, and \$297,345 from royalties. All these sources of revenue were made possible by the actions of the Ross government, some of them in spite of the opposition of Whitney and his followers, and as a matter of fact, were these let out there would be a tidy deficit instead of a surplus.

Mr. Whitney said his government had fulfilled all its pledges to the people but one—that of law reform. When in opposition, he promised to reduce the number of cabinet ministers—he increased them. He promised to abolish taxes on financial corporations. He has not done it. He still collects succession duties, and more of them, notwithstanding his threat to cut the whole thing out. He was to give a two-cent a mile passenger rate on New Ontario railways. Has he done it? All prison labor goods were to be labelled. He didn't label them.

The premier said he was not there to defend the guarantee to the Canadian Northern railway, he was there to boost about it, and he declared that on April 21st, Mr. Pense, of Kingston, told a reporter in Toronto that Mr. McKay had decided to offer no opposition to the guarantee, and still the leader of the opposition went about and blamed the government for having done that thing. The Kingston Whig, of which Mr. Pense is the editor and proprietor, gave this statement an emphatic denial in his paper the other day. We quote:

"There is not a scintilla of truth in this statement, obviously spread to silence the liberal leader. It was given forth in the absence of Mr. Pense in the far east, and was not known to him until Saturday last, when he made an unequivocal denial. That the charge is a campaigner ploy and simile is seen in conspicuous lack of circumstances; the two members did not confer in or out of the house upon this subject; Mr. Pense was not inside the doors of the Board House last session."

If Mr. Whitney was so proud of his gift to Mackenzie & Mann, why did he try to minimize it at first, by stating that the guarantee was only for \$1,700,000, instead of \$2,700,000, and why did he dissemble as to the terminals? The Ross guarantee was quite ample for all purposes.

As to cheap school books, Mr. Cooper, a conservative, and one of the commissioners, speaking of the reduction in price, said: "This reduction in price may last one and a half years. What will happen then is only a matter of conjecture. The probability is that if the new set of readers is prepared and the printing and binding brought up to date, the price will go back to the old price, if not higher."

Again, Mr. Whitney stated that he was not wedded to the three-fifths clause. We believe that. When it serves the purpose of his party he will abolish it, but not till then.

#### Revenue Cutter Retired.

Ogdensburg, N.Y., May 9.—Officers of the United States revenue cutter Dallas, of the St. Lawrence River and Lake Ontario district headquarters here, report that the ship will be recommissioned again, but is to be retired, her warrant and petty officers being transferred to other revenue vessels.

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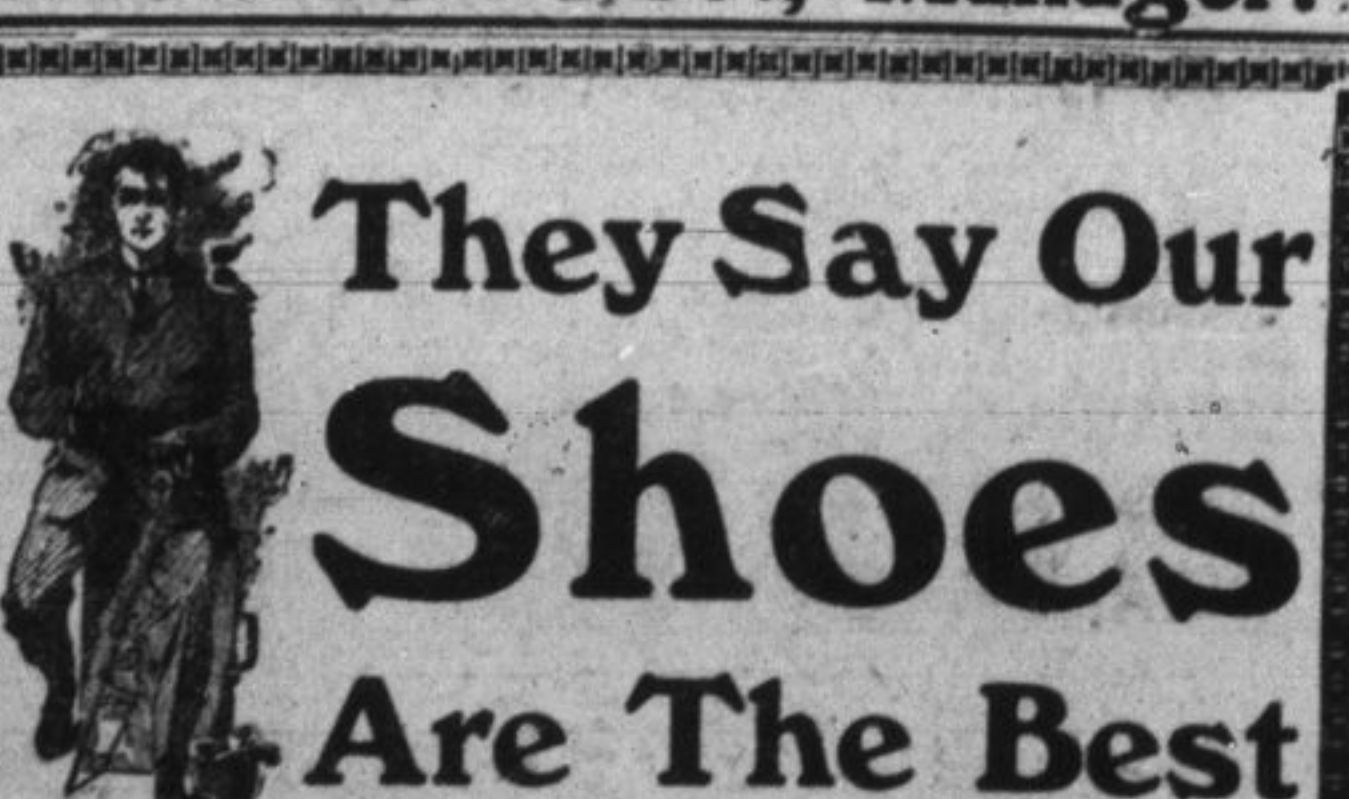
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