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CALLING BAD NAMES.
The Montreal Star does not please the Tory party at Ottawa. It is not enamoured of some of the performances there. It has intimated in language that cannot be misunderstood that some of the men in the front opposition seats should be retired. The men who have been compromised with their land deals, and whose scandals the insurance commission exposed cannot impress the people favourably. It is an honest opinion, boldly asserted, but it does not suit the party. The Citizen, reflecting no doubt the minds of the party and particularly the minds of the affected persons, would because the Star threw cold water on the movement to create an opposition in Quebec, and adds: "When the Dominion election comes on the Star will be again to the fore prancing along in front of the band wagon in its capacity as the professional hoodoo of the conservative party."

The Star is the property of a man who has led for the conservative party. He has contributed thousands of dollars towards its funds, and he ought to be able to advise it candidly without inviting the abuse of the press or being called a "hoodoo."
St. Thomas' public school inspector, Dr. O. J. Stevenson, recommends regular medical inspection. He has it that of 1,787 pupils, 476 have physical defects, and that there are existing conditions which should be relieved. Perhaps some of our trustees will now sit up and admit that there is something in Dr. Knight's contentions.

WANTED—A GREAT MAN.
The democratic convention will meet in Denver next month, and elaborate preparations are being made for it. The only candidate of any account is Bryan, a man of many parts, versatile, able, genial, conciliatory, but an impossibility under the circumstances. The fact is that in some quarters there is a question as to whether there is a democratic party. So great a leader, and once a presidential possibility, as Hill, of New York, says there is nothing essential left of the great party which Mr. Cleveland restored to its place in 1884.

Time has dealt kindly with this tribune of the people. Only last month he was seriously ill, and the American people, without regard to political caste, enquired about him daily, and showed how deeply he lived in their affections. The democratic party was low enough morally when Mr. Cleveland, its candidate for the presidency, rose superior to the party, and asserted a platform which appealed to the people. Conventions are dictatorial sometimes, and the convention that named Mr. Cleveland as the nominee of the democracy attempted it. But he was bigger than the party and won the day. "Never," says Thomas W. Osborne, in the Atlantic Monthly, "has a president earned a more solid and lasting respect from mature and reasonable men. The leader who, after thirty years of political turmoil and confusion, could bring a great party back to the recognition of great political principles, will not be overlooked by history."

The panic of 1893 did the democratic party an injury, but it suffered most from its failure to redeem its tariff promises, from the hard times, and, the free silver madness. In 1896 the democrats of the gold standard went over to the republicans, and have been voting with them ever since. What is wanted is a man of the Cleveland stamp, a man of sturdy habits and strong ideas for the presidency. Bryan is brilliant but visionary, and unfortunately he has been tried in the balance and found wanting.

When Hill goes to Europe, to get away from the responsibilities of the hour, and a Watterson goes off hunting for some one he cannot find, the outlook of the democrats is blue enough. Mr. Osborne's cure for the apathy of the party is "a wave of genuine and orderly progress," but who is to set it in motion? Is it not remarkable that in a nation of millions so really few great men are in sight.

The governor-general has been called to account by the Toronto conference for patronising the Woodbine races. The governor does not gamble. He does not trundle with the bookies. He is not responsible for their work. If there is gambling the attorney-general should stop it.

POSITION OF QUEEN'S.
The action of the general assembly in maintaining the legal bond between Queen's University and the church is not surprising. Queen's is a thoroughly progressive university and has

slowly but certainly acquired a prestige of which any university might well be proud. Her very success as an institution of learning reflects great credit on the Presbyterian church. As a university, she is vital, free in thought, high in ideal, untrammelled in investigation, and yet sanely rational. She is anything but radical in her spirit and tendency. Not a few of her professors have a reputation beyond the English-speaking world. It is no wonder, then, that the great Presbyterian church, which rightly prides herself on her love of learning, should be reluctant to part with such an inestimable, intellectual and spiritual asset. She would feel and be poorer, as would the church of every name, by the untying of the bond, slight as it is, which holds her to the church.

Queen's would seem, or perhaps more than seem, to have entered the road to secularization. The church would seem, or perhaps more than seem, to have narrowed her own sphere of activity. It may well be that, in an age, and on a continent infected by the materialistic spirit, the church should keep her hand, heart and brain on the deepest, the most pervasive training of the youth of our land. We do not wonder, then, that the general assembly did not wish, as a church, to send Queen's a bill of divorce, and give her away. Further, to do so, would have seemed to have been capitulation to the Carnegie millions. This certainly would have lessened respect for the Presbyterian church in many quarters, would have tended to weaken the efforts of those who hold that religion and education must not be divorced, that, rather, religion must rationalize herself and rationalized, must lead the world.

There is, however, one thing which has greatly surprised many, both within and without the Presbyterian communion. It is that the general assembly does not seem to have devised any plan for the adequate endowment of Queen's. To hold her to the church and starve her to death would be wicked. To hold her to the church and give her inadequate facilities for the prosecution of her work, would be beneath the dignity of a great church. The Presbyterian church is wealthy. Her members are certainly not illiberal. The maintenance of such a university, under Christian auspices, ought to appeal not only to Presbyterians but to the Christian philanthropists of the dominion. What is needed is to have the cause, frankly, fully, and rationally presented to the lovers of education, deep, broad, free, and vital, under the auspices of the Christian church.

It is to be hoped that a well-planned effort will be devised as speedily as is consistent with thoroughness of insight into the need of the university, that the plan will embrace an appeal to the Presbyterian church, as a whole, for what will adequately endow her chief seat of learning, that other branches of the church will be afforded the opportunity of aiding in such a worthy object, and that that perseverance which works till its task is accomplished, shall not be wanting. Only by adequately maintaining can the church prove herself worthy of holding, and only by proving herself worthy of holding, can the church ultimately hold, any great university.

EDITORIAL NOTES.
Sir Thomas Shaughnessy wants the tariff taken out of politics. How can that be done, Sir Knight?

The militia is said to be suffering from a lack of officers, who are "leaders of men." Leaders are born, not made, and they are not to be found at every cross road.

The liberals at Ottawa are going to see their programme through. What else could they do? They have endured too much obstruction to surrender in any point.

Could a trade commission manage the fiscal and other questions of public import? Surely all the people's business could be done by commission, but is that the better way?

The power plant not to pay taxes? The next thing will be that the city will not want to pay for street lighting. When loose methods once set in there is no telling where they will end.

The women of England are very hopeful that they will get the franchise. They must mend their way. To annoy and persecute the members of parliament is not the way to get favours from them.

Hon. Mr. Graham says the country is not ready yet for government ownership of railways, telephones and telegraphs. He is right. The Intercolonial is all the railway the country wants for the present.

Neither the republican or democratic party will accept campaign funds from the trusts, the combines, the railway companies, and the great corporations. Knox, of prosecution fame, has made that contingency impossible.

It is said, in mitigation of the Hamilton election episode, that there was not a serious attempt at the sale of ballots, that the incident was merely a joke. Unfortunately, as the Hamil-

ton Herald remarks, the law contains no provision for the relief of practical jokers.

A meeting of 12,900 men—who wanted to cheer—could not be enthused by a chairman who had to read his remarks. Orators of the Bryan type, always on top and always eloquent, are not so plentiful as one would think.

Twenty women in Chatham, Ont., are concerned in smuggling. Buying goods in Detroit and carrying them into Canada under concealment. It's a business that is not becoming. The women should patronize the bargain counters at home.

The Telegram again refers to the enemies of cheap power in the Ontario government. Hasn't Mr. Whitney laid that ghost? He says there is not, and never was, any friction on the power question. Does the Telegram dispute his word?

ADVANCED TO OFFICE.
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In consequence of the death of Bro. William Bushell, which left a vacancy in the office of grand senior warden of the Grand Encampment of Ontario, the executive have appointed the grand junior warden, Bro. Edward Morrey, of Ingersoll, to that position, and J. C. Bro. Robert Meek, of Kingston, to the office of grand junior warden. The executive met for the purpose at London, on the 22nd May, all the members being present, and were unanimous in making the above appointments. Patriarch Morrey was undoubtedly deserving of promotion. His faithfulness and zeal in the work of the order have won for him the confidence and esteem of his brethren, and the executive could not have done better than promote him to the high-

To fill the vacancy left by the elevation of Bro. Morrey, the executive did well in selecting Bro. Meek, whose name has become a household word among the Odd Fellows of Canada, and whose sterling qualities and unflinching fidelity to the cause of Oddfellowship in all its branches have won him a high position in the esteem of the membership everywhere. Since his initiation into Cataract Lodge, No. 10, in 1887, Bro. Meek has faithfully and persistently striven to uphold the good name of the order. After filling the various offices of his jurisdiction, he has held a high position in the lodge and encampment. Bro. Meek first made his appearance in grand lodge at the session held at Stratford in 1891, and in the Grand Encampment at the session held at Picton in 1895.

Over since has been a regular attendant at both bodies, and by both is regarded as one of their most valuable members. He has annually served on some of the most important committees of both grand bodies, and his ability and sound judgment have done much in shaping the wise legislation of our order in his jurisdiction. We congratulate Bro. Meek on his elevation to his present important position in the order, and all the more because the office was not sought by him, but thrust upon him by the good sense and unanimous voice of the remaining members of the executive. Now that Bro. Meek has been advanced to a position of increased responsibility, still greater results from his labors may confidently be looked for, and in the near future we hope to see him crowned with the highest honors the order can bestow.

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