

THE USE OF SLANDER

Laud the Dead in Order to Slander the Living.

Sir Wilfred Laurier Scores the Opposition on Its Policy of Vilification--Has no Charges to Make.

Referring to the oppositionists, at the Tilbury meeting, Sir Wilfred said: "They laud the dead in order that they may better slander the living."

Referring to the dissolution, the premier said they could have run parliament one year longer, but they thought the time had come to consult the people. "We have great works in hand, and we want to know whether or not we have kept the confidence reposed in us in 1896, in 1900 and 1904. Unless I am greatly mistaken—and I am not mistaken—the verdict will be the same this year as it was four years ago, eight years ago, and twelve years ago. Why should it be otherwise?"

"Why should the people of Canada have lost the confidence they placed in us in 1896, in 1900, and in 1904? Let me say, even though I may appear to be boasting, there is no cause whatever why the people of Canada should have lost confidence in us. You, the reformers of the old school; we can claim for our party that again and again it has been our duty to affirm great principles and to remedy serious grievances. It was the reformers of sixty years ago who fought for representative government, the Lafontaine and the Baldwin of that day. "It was the reformers who gave us our system of representation; it was they who under the guidance of George Brown, obtained representation by population. The conservative party on that occasion took the policy of Mr. Brown and gave us confederation, and it has been left to us, the liberals of the present day, the reformers of this generation, to carry out the principle of confederation for the protection of minorities and the guardianship of the people's rights. That is our record."

"But what is the record of the opposition to-day? Have they brought forward any great principles, any serious grievances which they can point to? No. Their only cry to-day is simply the cry of 'scandal.' That cry was not new," proceeded Sir Wilfred. He was bound to say for the conservative party that they always shone in words in calling for purity,

but not in deeds. "It is particularly the policy of the conservative party," he declared. As examples of the so-called scandals the conservatives were endeavoring to exploit, he cited the case of the Ross rifle and the Hodgins charges. "We have heard during the past session perhaps more about the Ross rifle than anything else. Almost every week we had a debate to show that the Ross rifle was dangerous and defective. The whole conservative party worked behind these accusations, with one exception, an honorable exception. Col. Hughes, the member for Victoria and Halliburton, had always stood by the Ross rifle. He today we have the testimony of British experts that the Ross rifle was the best weapon of the kind in existence. That was a scandal which had also been exploded. The Hodgins scandal had also been exploded. And so it will be with all the other scandals. I have no doubt, whatever that the day will come when dead and gone Laurier will be held up as a model and as a pattern of virtue."

"Sir, if the opposition had any charges to bring against us it would be their duty to do so, but it is on record that in the parliament which has ended, up to the end of the last session, eight months long, not a charge was brought against the government itself. It is not like the opposition launched against the conservative government in 1873 and in 1891; at the time of the Pacific scandal, and in 1893, at the time of the Lake St. John scandal. Certain charges had been made against officials, but continued Sir Wilfred, "but, we have reason to believe that they were Tory officials who have been guilty of malpractices."

"If Mr. Borden thinks he wants the support of the conservative provincial members to help him win, I say he is welcome, but he has not enough yet. (Cheers.) Since he claims that civil service reform is part of the platform of the conservative party, I will be very glad for my part if he will make a convert of Mr. Hanna and the Ontario government, and then we shall not see so many dismissals in this province."

SLEEP IN STEERAGE.

First and Second Cabins of Liners Crowded.

Liverpool, Sept. 23.—The great Atlantic liners outward bound for America are having the busiest time ever known. All the first and second cabins are crowded to their utmost capacity by returning Americans who have finished their vacation of hustled sight-seeing.

Nearly all the passengers book their berths at least a month before the vessels sail, and those who have failed to do this are vainly looking round for spare cabins.

Holders of tickets have in many cases been offered an advance of 100 per cent. on the prices they paid. If they will surrender their berths, some wealthy tourists are sleeping in the steerage, though passing the day in the saloon.

It is estimated that 150,000 Americans invaded London this year. "The majority of them," said the agent of a large shipping firm, "were of the middle class, and it is necessary that they reach New York before the autumn to resume their business."

"Those who lacked the fortitude to book their passages are, of course, greatly perturbed. One man declared that the delay would cost him \$100 a week in cables."

QUANTITIES FOUND.

Was Found of Canned Salmon and Gold.

Forestville, N.Y., Sept. 23.—Peter Snyder, aged sixty years, was buried in Rathbone cemetery, near Versailles, yesterday. His death was caused by an over-indulgence in canned meat. Snyder was a peculiar character and had a fondness for canned salmon, large quantities of the stuff being found in his room, secreted in out-of-the-way places. It is supposed all the money he earned was turned into gold, and since his death relatives have found several sacks of gold coin and are hunting for more. They also discovered two bank books, with deposits in Dunkirk banks. Little was known of Snyder's habits, as he always kept a silent man. He lived with his brother William at Versailles.

LATEST NEWS

Despatches From Near And Distant Places.

THE WORLD'S TIDINGS

GIVEN IN THE BRIEFEST POSSIBLE FORM.

Matters That Interest Everybody

—Notes From All Over—Little of Everything Easily Read and Remembered.

Hon. Jacques Bouchard, solicitor-general, is ill with appendicitis.

There were 176 deaths from cholera in St. Petersburg, on Tuesday.

The international fisheries congress opened at Washington, on Tuesday.

London preachers are campaigning to keep the children off the streets at night.

Dr. J. M. Maroquin, ex-president of Colombia, died at Bogota on Saturday.

The Transvaal government is sending two students to the agricultural college at Guelph, Ont.

W. H. Hoar's Federal charges have drawn a letter from President Roosevelt, urging the election of Mr. Taft.

The pope has appointed Archbishop Dometenwil, Vancouver, superior-general of the Oblate Order of the world.

The large horse-shoe factory at Belleville was burned on Tuesday night. Loss \$15,000.

The C.E.R. has rejected the offer of the Montreal city council to mediate in the strike.

"Crooked neck" Smith was found guilty at Montreal, of the murder of "Mike" Malone, and sentenced to be hanged on November 27th.

H. A. Judd, who claims to be a government spy, was arrested on the Onondaga Indian reserve, near Brantford, charged with giving liquor to Indians.

The sovereign grand lodge of O.M.F. fellows, in session at Denver, Col., voted down a proposal to reduce the age limit for members to eighteen years.

W. L. Jones, Plumstead, Eng., asked by her husband to come to Canada to join him, became depressed at the thought of leaving England, returned him the tickets and committed suicide.

Cyclones are reported from Manitoba. Threshing outfits were damaged, buildings moved from their foundations, and in one place hail stones measuring twenty-four cubic inches were reported.

Hugh McFaire, Smith's Falls, a C.P.R. brakeman, walked off a box-car at Finch, owing to the dense fog, and fell to the track below. His back was very seriously injured and his right leg badly crushed.

F. J. Reilly, Haysland, has invented new explosives, called "Reedite," which, he claims, is four times as powerful as giant powder and a third greater than the kind of dynamite generally used.

President Roosevelt and his family returned from their summer holiday at Oyster Bay to Washington this morning. Part of the president's holiday is said to have been spent in getting ready for his African hunting trip.

Berlin will accord to Premier Laurier, on Thursday, the greatest reception he has had during his Ontario tour. The town council has declared a half holiday, and the workshops as well as the schools will close and pay honor to Canada's first citizen.

Michael Sagar, manager of Lambeth and Earl's store, at Elkhorst, Man., was shot and killed by a burglar. Mr. Sagar entered the store to secure a gun for a hunting party, and was shot down by a burglar, who was evidently looting the store and was surprised in the act. The man escaped.

To Hoist the Duties.

Berlin, Sept. 23.—Herz Sydow, secretary of the imperial treasury, estimating the deficit, to be met during the coming five years, at over \$500,000,000, announced proposals to meet this. Articles of universal consumption, especially spirits, beers and tobacco, will be further taxed. Real estate must contribute its share. The matricular contributions of the separate states will be increased. The legacy duties probably will be made heavier than at present.

Great Violinist Dead.

Paris, Sept. 23.—His Excellency Pablo Martin Meliton De Sarasate y Navasarte, the famous violinist, died at Biarritz, France, last night. He was a Spaniard, born at Pampluna, in the province of Navarre. Sarasate, for many years, divided with Joseph Joachim the title of premier violinist of the world. Joachim died last summer and Sarasate survived him by only a year.

SCORES STANDARD OIL

"Most Ancient of Offenders," He Says at Medina.

Democratic Candidate Claims He is Pitted Against Two Republican Candidates.

Buffalo, N.Y., Sept. 23.—"The president has seen fit to give the republican candidate another endorsement. It seems that I am running against two republicans instead of one, but our platform is so plain and the purpose of our party is so well expressed in that platform that I am prepared to meet the argument of one or both of them."

So declared William J. Bryan, speaking at Convention hall, which was packed by thousands, while outside were quadruple the number, necessitating a brief overflow talk.

Mr. Bryan in his speech here charged the Standard Oil company with being "the most ancient of offenders against law and morals," and accused it of "employing every form of oppression and having been a conspicuous corruptor both of officials and of public opinion."

After his remarks at convention hall as to running against two republican candidates, Mr. Bryan said:

"What can be promised in the way of reform from a republican administration? Roosevelt has not yet imprisoned a trust magnate. Can he promise that Mr. Taft would be more successful? There are more trusts to-day than there were when he was inaugurated. Can he promise that the trusts would decrease under Mr. Taft? The democratic party has a plan. This plan no corporation will be permitted to control more than fifty per cent. of the total production, and every corporation controlling more than twenty-five per cent. will be brought under the supervision of the federal government and compelled to conform to restrictions which will protect the public."

By setting a limit to the greed of these corporations that aspire to monopoly, the democratic party would protect the smaller competitor and the public. Would this be a calamity? The democratic party would reduce the tariff, beginning on goods competing with trust made goods that are sold abroad cheaper than at home. Would that be a calamity? Our party would continue the reduction by gradual stages until a revenue tariff is reached. Will the president say that is a calamity?

Does the president mean by "calamity" that democratic success would mean a panic? If so, what right has he to claim that a reduction of the tariff would bring a panic when he had a panic last fall under a tariff so high that his party promised equivocally to revise it immediately?

FOR A UNITED EUROPE.

Sir Max Waechter in Berlin to Urge Adoption.

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"Meantime I am using the union of the American states as the most convincing argument for my European federation idea. I am pointing out that the circumstances which have combined to produce the great prosperity of the United States are chiefly their absolute freedom of fear of attack from one another, the consequent lack of the necessity for the maintenance of expensive, strength-sapping military systems, and lastly and primarily the absolute free trade which exists between the different parts of their enormous territory."

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ARTIFICIAL EGGS.

Made of Starch, Albumen and Other Ingredients.

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"Blood" oranges are also manufactured from the ordinary variety by the injection of an aniline dye contained in a solution of saccharine.

The announcement is now made that artificial eggs are being produced and sold.

The eggs are of the "hard-boiled" variety, and are manufactured in the most ingenious manner. The yolk is formed of a paste containing corn flour, starch and other ingredients. This mixture is rolled to the proper shape and hardened, then incased in albumen.

The albumen is then placed in an egg-shaped envelope of gelatine, which, in turn, is placed in a shell made of plaster of paris, mixed with other white chalks—and behold, you have an egg which, outwardly, is indistinguishable to the genuine article.

POKER PLAYERS CONVICTED.

Watertown Men Pay Heavy Fines in City Court.

Watertown, N.Y., Sept. 23.—Charles Lawyer was fined \$75 in city court, after having been declared guilty of violating the city ordinance pertaining to poker playing and other forms of gambling. Fred Ballard, a companion of Lawyer, was found guilty of a similar charge and fined \$50.

The trial of the men came as the result of an alleged game of poker in the Fairbanks Block on the night of September 7th, when one, Nathan Rose, a Hebrew peddler, of Albany, was "done," he claims, out of \$175 in a game of stud poker.

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Probabilities
Toronto, Sept. 23—Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence 10 a.m.—Moderate south to south west winds, generally fair and warm to-day and on Thursday.

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MARRIED.

GARRATT—TRIMPOUR.—On Sept. 18th John Y. Garratt to Mrs. Harriet Trimpoor, both of Wellington.

HEPLER—CHISLETT.—On Sept. 14th, at the home of John Capsett, Rosemary, Florence, Rena, to Irvine Franklin, Helper, of Stratford.

PORTER—SPOONER.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Glenburnie, by the Rev. W. N. Shortt, M.A., on September 22nd, 1908, Mabelle Eugenie, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Spooner, to J. A. Porter, of Rochester, N.Y.

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Killed Two.

Washington, Sept. 23.—Andrew Lightfoot, a mulatto inmate of the government hospital for the insane, killed Patrick Maloney, an attendant, and Margaret Fallon, a patient, and injured another person. The murders were committed with an iron bar and occurred in the asylum grounds. Lightfoot escaped.

F. A. Ackland, at present secretary of the labor department, will be appointed deputy minister of labor, in succession to Mackenzie King.

JUMPED TO STREET

HUNDRED LIVES IMPERILED BY OUTRAGE.

Policemen and Firemen Save Tenants From Almost Certain Death—Black Handers Seek to Revenge Two of Their Number.

New York, Sept. 23.—One man was seriously hurt, a dozen or more were rescued from almost certain death by policemen and firemen, and the lives of a hundred more were imperiled when members of a Black Hand band, yesterday, sought to carry out their nefarious plan to carry out their fellows who are now serving terms in prison.

The two men were convicted recently of attempting to blackmail in the big apartment house at 333 East 113th street. Almost immediately after they had been sentenced to serve terms in prison, the Black Hand signature and warning them that the house would be destroyed. Early to-day a passing

FALLS OVER PRECIPICE.

And His Sweetheart is Found Exhausted.

Geneva, Sept. 23.—A young engaged couple, of Swiss nationality, climbed the Mont Soléil in the Juras yesterday. Battered and long on the summit they were overtaken by darkness and fog. They wandered half the night in search of the path and the man fell over a precipice and was killed.

The girl was found this morning half frozen and completely exhausted on the brink of the precipice, and was carried to St. Mier.

The well-known Zermatt guide, Aloys Biner, while climbing Monte Rosa with an English party, yesterday, broke a blood vessel and died on the mountain. There has been a heavy snowfall on the Alps of the Bernese Oberland, and also in the Engadine. Rain and cold prevail everywhere.

INDUSTRIES HIT HARD

AT WATERTOWN, N.Y. BY THE DRY WEATHER.

Said That Water From Beaver Dam Will Be Let Out to Help Keep the Factories Going.

Watertown, N.Y., Sept. 23.—With the water in the Black River the lowest in years, wells dried up and the farmers' fields a brown stubble, this section is experiencing the effects of the worst drought in many years. Along the Black River are scores of large manufacturing concerns dependent upon the water supply, which now is but a comparative trickle over the rocks. A report came from Albany stating that one of the gates at Beaver Dam would be opened. If such occurs some increase in the Black River will become perceptible by nightfall, affording a temporary relief.

At the various paper mills between here and Dexter it was said that the water was the lowest in five or six years, crippling the pulp production. If the present strike was not on it would be necessary to import the ground wood, the scarcity of water not permitting the grinders to work full time.

George Pabecek, of the Pabecek Carriage Works, said that all the mills in this section were in bad shape for the lack of water, many depending upon steam, while others backed up the water and then opened the gates, running as long as the supply held out.

There has been no rainfall, excepting an occasional few drops, in five weeks. Wells that have never gone dry have become so scanty that the farmers are feeding the cows corn fodder, with the result that a forty-five per cent. decrease in the milk supply is reported by the dairymen.

Forest fires are raging to the northward, enveloping the city at times in a haze.

SELF SEALERS

ALL SIZES IN STOCK

—AT—
ROBERTSON BROS.

Killed And Wounded.

Toulon, Sept. 23.—Thirteen seamen were killed and many others wounded, some fatally, by the bursting of a gun in the after turret of the French armored cruiser, Latouche Treville, during gun practice here, yesterday. The gun that burst was of 7.6 inches bore. It is not known just what caused the accident but it is supposed the powder charge was prematurely exploded before the breach of the weapon had been locked up.

Wilbur Wright Breaks Record.

Le Mans, France, Sept. 23.—Wilbur Wright, the American aeronaut, flew in his machine at the Avouits field here, Monday, for one hour, thirty-one minutes and twenty-four seconds. This is the world's record.