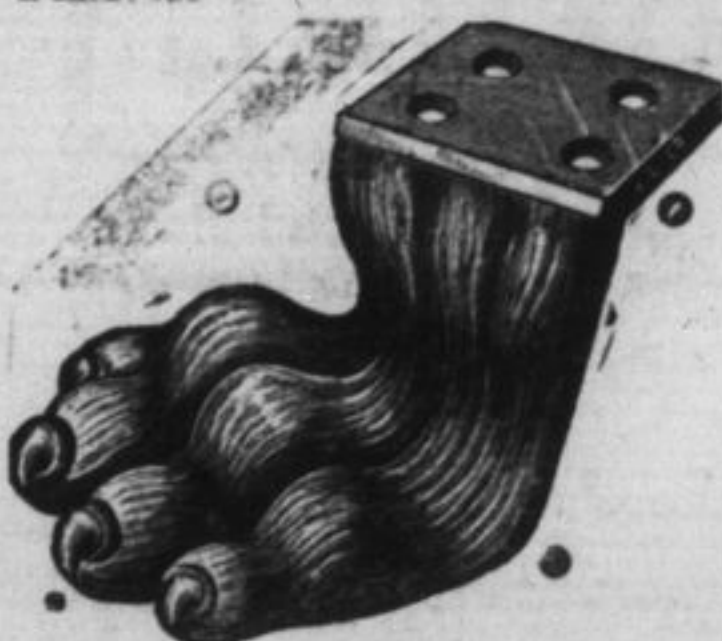


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ONE ON SIR JAMES.

What is grafting? It is a modern word, its meaning varies according to the manner in which it is applied. A. W. Fraser, of Ottawa, in conjunction with his father-in-law, made several investments, in the open market and against competition, in timber limits. Out of one he is alleged to have made some money, though not nearly so much as his political opponents aver. A diversion of railway track, a change in the lumber market, and other contingencies made for his benefit, and other men could do as he has done and not be considered grafters. Glen Campbell, of Dauphin, the conservative candidate, is one of a company holding over 50,000 acres of leased land, and he defends it as a business transaction. Mr. Fraser is one of the company who acquired mining interest on the Temiscaming railway right-of-way through Cobalt. He put \$6,000 into the deal and has refused \$300,000 for his share in the syndicate. Sir James Whitney would explode with a loud noise if anyone suggested that he consorted with the grafters, and yet his Cobalt schemes have occasioned more exploiting than any timber limits that have been disposed of by the Laurier government.

CANDIDATES DROPPING OUT.

There is a real significance in the retirement of conservative candidates on the eve of an election.

Oswald Forest, the nominee of his party in L'Assomption, leaves the field, and it is a foregone conclusion that the liberal, Mr. Sequin, will be elected, by acclamation, practically.

In Victoria and Madawaska Col. Baker, M.P.P., and the choice of his party for the federal house, is dropping out. Excuse, that he is wanted for the local house. Fact, that he cannot be elected for the commons.

It is announced that E. Gus Porter, ex-M.P., Belleville, will retire from the political field as the conservative candidate in West Hastings, and that Dr. R. Elgin Towle, of Springbrook, will be the choice of the conservatives for the ensuing contest. What is the matter with Mr. Porter? What has he done or what is he afraid of?

Then there are conservatives supporting liberals in the newer provinces as well as the older. Much ado has been made because Mr. Murray, of Renfrew, is out against the government. What about J. G. Kent, of Ottawa, who is supporting E. B. Devlin, liberal, in Wright county? Straws showing how the wind blows? Let the opposition make a note of them.

ORCHESTRA OUT OF TUNE.

Up in Winnipeg there is trouble over the alleged settlement of the C.P.R. strike. It will be remembered that there was an appeal to Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Mr. Borden to use their good offices in a conciliation of the differences existing between the company and the men.

Other politicians, however, appear to have butted in, notably Hon. "Bob" Rogers, of the Roblin government, and Mr. Campbell, the attorney-general for Manitoba. Mr. Rogers went to Montreal, and was seen hobnobbing with Sir Thomas Shaughnessy. He was doing wonderful things, according to the telegraphic messages. But just what he did has not been made apparent. The railway men feel that they have been sold out, and in Winnipeg their leaders do not hesitate to insinuate that some of the proceedings, presumably in their interest but not working out for their benefit, can be investigated.

One development of the "settlement" is the attitude of the conservative party towards the Grand Trunk Pacific. In the course of time, and from the beginning of the scheme until now, Mr. Borden has wobbled several times. He has had half a dozen schemes, in as many years, and each one has been abandoned without excuse. At present Mr. Borden is pledged, personally, to support the scheme which has been advocated and advanced by the liberal government. If permitted to do so he will finish the work on liberal lines.

How about his party? In Winnipeg, and seemingly as a result of Hon. "Bob" Rogers' visit to Montreal and conference with the C.P.R. managers, the Grand Trunk Pacific railway is being denounced as "useless," as a work involving a great waste of money, and if the western wing of the party could have its way the contract would be cancelled.

One hears a great deal about the policy of the conservative party. What is its policy with respect to the Grand Trunk Pacific railway; the

tional Transcontinental road, which means so much for the North-West, and the newer provinces? If Rogers and Campbell, (of the Roblin combination), are not reflecting the views of the party they should be repudiated.

AFTER THE LOOTERS.

At Cornwall, near the close of his Ontario tour—as he proposes to spend some time in Quebec—Mr. Borden announced that his watchword, (if elected to office), would be "restitution." Mr. Ames, in his grandiloquent style, has been preaching it for some time, but this is the first occasion on which the leader of the party essayed to give it his approval. Incidentally one turns to the public records and finds that the liberal government did not give any of the public domain away. It sold limits by tender or public auction, certain plots, some of which turned out well and profitably to the holders. But there was no looting.

This looting was done by the conservatives. With the return to power of the party in 1878, it began its waste, and this increased each year until in 1883, when 10,327 square miles of timber limits were divided among the conservative members of parliament and their friends. There were in this territory 6,608,640 acres of land, the property of the people, which was misappropriated or stolen. Who were the thieves? The list comprises many who have passed out of public life, some to their eternal reward. There remain two members of the Macdonald government. They are living on "Easy street," and giving their time to the management of their large estates. Two candidates for the commons in the present election, in Quebec, had stretches of fifty miles square. These men are J. G. H. Bergeron, and G. H. Perley, and the last named only a few days ago wanted the world to look on him and see a purist of the noblest kind. A third is Mr. Birkett, a conservative candidate in Ottawa, and also credited with a limit of fifty miles square.

Altogether the plunderers of 1878-1883, looted (the favourite word), 212 limits. Sold at the average price which the Mackenzie government received this area would have put \$237,108 into the public treasury. If sold at the average price received by the government it would have put \$845,905 into the treasury. A large sum, and the bigger the better since there is to be "restitution." By the way we like it, and commend it to the liberal government. The moral spasm being on the people it is well that there shall be a general accounting, and that it date from the beginning of the spoliation with which the Macdonald government inaugurated its return to power in 1878.

THE HOMAGE GOES ON.

It would be very unfortunate if anything occurred now to stop the hero-worship which has attended the political campaign so far and become its distinguishing characteristic. The experience is so uncommon that it invites comment and that comment is of a most favourable character. It would appear that the Whig's commendation of this unique condition has not been properly understood. The idea that it did not want this marvellous display of political admiration to go on. Perish the thought!

It is so seldom that in a contest the one man is so able to attract all others, that his deserts absorb the public attention, that he is told repeatedly how much the people are indebted to him for material favours, how positively shameful it would be were anything to prevent that proper appreciation of his merits which the circumstances suggest. Mr. Hartly is to be congratulated. His personality is sufficient to command the regard of friend and foe. 'Tis true that the confiding conservative wanders mentally at times, and that he contemplates the lifting of the issue to a higher and national plane, and that for the time being he thinks Mr. Hartly should not consort with certain persons who are considered to be very bad. But this wavering of the mind is only momentary. For as the individual meditates upon the facts he becomes conscious that if some of Mr. Hartly's political friends are not so good as they ought to be, the political friends of his opponent are not so good, and not one of them is entitled to wear a halo. So the vision is contracted at once, and the political world becomes the little kingdom embraced within this ancient city.

Then there is the fitful fancy that perhaps common gratitude should not occupy so large a place in the people's affection. There was a time when some of these people had occasion to feel the pinch of hard times, when men left their families and went abroad seeking the work they could not get at home, and this unhappy condition lasted quite a while. Then there came a glist of sunshine. A man with large heart and generous impulses, a business man and a good citizen, undertook to put life into a dormant industry. His spirit and enterprise effected the change, and today Kingston has one institution of which it has reason to be proud. Yes, if there never were a Hartly there would be railways and locomotives,

but the railways existed and the locomotives were built prior to the time when a Hartly appeared upon the scene, and it is not difficult to remember how little they affected a local industry and the interests of those who were dependent upon it. Thus again one is recalled from his dreaming to consider real things, the question of life itself and its comforts, and again the virtue of gratitude asserts itself. It cannot be ignored.

Thus the situation is emphasized. A good man, one declared to be worthy of any honor the citizens can confer on him, (and one that would be unanimous in its bestowment if non-political), is a candidate for a place in parliament. All classes acclaim his right to it in recognition of what he has done for the city. Partisanship suggests hostility, but worth cannot be denied, and worth, by general consent, will have its acknowledgment on election day.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Toronto World has abandoned Borden to his fate. Its latest editorial thoughts are with regard to a municipal link.

The campaign illumination is the feature of the times. The city light department is not at all averse to elections—for revenue purposes.

Travers Lewis, of Ottawa, a leading conservative, says "the air of the country is charged with liberalism." No wonder Kingston is affected.

There is not much fuss over the county election, and perhaps that is because it is a family affair. Indications point to the election of Mr. Avery.

The one thing that is incomprehensible about the political contest, is the time some men are spending in committee work when they have about made up their minds to plump for Hartly.

"Money talks!" While the Tories are predicting the defeat of the government not one of them bets that way. The best offer that they will make is even on thirty majority for Laurier.

The Orange Sentinel has ordered the defeat of Dr. Lewis, in West Huron, and R. F. Pringle, conservative candidate, because they have not, in parliament, commanded its approval. Talking for effect.

The campaign goes pleasantly on. The issue now is whether the people of Kingston owe Mr. Hartly any gratitude for what he has done for it, and there can be only one answer. It will be given on election day.

The city committee that was either hypnotized or hypnotized the contractors for a reason, is waking up to find that it has been doing queer things. Juggling with tenders and the conditions of tenders is serious business.

The Montreal Star scouts at the idea that Toronto is solid for the Tory party. The independence of the conservative party may assert itself, and there is no telling what the consequences may be. True, true.

George Taylor, of Gananoque, has reason to be offended with the Kingston paper, which gives the conservative party a majority in the election of fifteen. George figured out forty, and his imagination at such a time is as large as can be expected.

One of the conservative candidates in Ottawa weeps over the fact that his father left him poor because his timber possessions were taken from him by the imperial government. The fact is, Sir. Oliver Mowat caused restitution, and one can see at a glance how painful the process was.

It is a waste of occupation to answer a fool according to his folly. The Whig has never offered cook books. The offer of the last three months free on a year's subscription to a new subscriber was the custom of the Kingston News, as well as hundreds of other Ontario papers, for over a quarter of a century.

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PUBLIC OPINION

Which Will It Be?

Ottawa Free Press. "Mr. Borden will turn on the light," and we presume Mr. Foster will "turn on the tap!"

Sure Of Only One.

Toronto Globe. Borden seems to think that he is sure of both Waterloo, whereas he is only sure of his Waterloo.

He's A Peach.

Montreal Herald. That man who tried to unload a dredge on Mr. Pugsley for \$40,000 more than it was worth, must have been hearing opposition speeches and believing what he heard. He found out his mistake.

Wait A While.

Toronto Star. It is a wonder somebody hasn't discovered that this five millions sterling being borrowed in London is to be spent in the elections. The opposition imagination must be running dry.

Yearning For Autocracy.

Montreal Witness. The business men of the city will probably agree with us that the business affairs of the city would, for the most part, be far better managed if the council consisted of the mayor alone.

Another Stretch.

Winnipeg Free Press. Mr. Roblin has been saying in the east that the National Transcontinental shops and yards are "located in a swamp," seven miles east of Winnipeg. They are two and a quarter miles from the city. They are not in a swamp.

TO VOTE GRIT THIS TIME.

Leading Regina Tory Supports Laurier This Time. Regina, Sask., Oct. 16.—The Leader publishes an interview with J. B. Hawkes, of Balgonie, the well-known conservative ex-member of the territorial legislature, who opposed Hon. A. Calder, in South Regina, in 1905, in which Mr. Hawkes comes out in support of W. M. Martin, the liberal candidate. In the course of the interview he says:

"I will, for the first time in my life, cast a liberal vote on October 26th. There is Laurier's definite pledge to immediately construct the Hudson Bay railway. There are points of difference between the liberal and conservative parties, and on some of them I believe the conservatives are right; but they are matters which sink into insignificance when compared to a road to Hudson's Bay. They are matters which we can well afford to let wait until Sir Wilfrid has carried out his pledge to build the Hudson Bay road. That is too vitally important a matter to be overlooked. It is something which cannot wait. Laurier has promised, if returned to power, to proceed immediately with its construction, as a government work. To my mind it is as plain as day that the duty of the people of the west at the present time is to take Laurier at his word and send him back to build the road. The other matters can be attended to later."

"Then it is your decided opinion in regard to the Hudson Bay road," queried the Leader, "which leads you to support the liberal candidate in this election?"

"Yes, the conservative party has been fooled and played with by certain Regina men to its own undoing. Its candidate put up at the eleventh hour, has not a ghost of a show, for the party in this district lacks unity, and, nevertheless, I would still have hesitated to vote against my party, even then, were it not that Laurier's promise on the Hudson Bay railway makes the duty of all western people, irrespective of party, absolutely clear. We want the road; Laurier has declared he will give it, and I, for one, propose to give him a chance to make that pledge good."

The Commons Bar.

Ottawa Free Press. The existence or non-existence of a bar in the House of Commons is one of the issues being fought out in King's, Nova Scotia, between Sir Frederick Borden and N. W. Easton, the moral reform candidate.

Sir Frederick told an audience at Wolfville on Friday last that the bar had been abolished in 1896, and when he was confronted with the statement he published in the Acadia Free Press, to the effect that the bar was still in existence he produced this telegram:

"Windsor, Ont., Sept. 29th. 'To Sir Frederick W. Borden, Cambridge.' 'The bar in the House of Commons was abolished some years ago, the restaurant keepers have, notwithstanding, attempted from time to time to revive it. Whenever this has been discovered it has been stopped. During a portion of the last session the sergeant-at-arms under instruction had a messenger especially detailed to watch and prevent a renewal of the attempts.' (Signed), R. F. SUTHERLAND."

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