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PRESS IN SELF-DEFENCE.

The public man who seeks to escape liability for what he says in public places, by denying the accuracy of press reports, cannot expect much consideration. Mr. Haultain, the leader of the opposition in the Saskatchewan legislature, has been repudiated by a conservative journal, when he essayed to deny that he had said that which it had credited to him.

During the Saskatchewan campaign Mr. Haultain had gone out of his way to make charges against members of the government. Mr. Calder, the minister of education, awarded a contract to the Morang company for school books, and Mr. Haultain insinuated that besides being an improper transaction in several minor details it permitted of grafting by the friends of the government. When challenged to make good his statements in the legislature he denied the language that had been imputed to him. The paper reporting his speech accepted this denial in silence.

Once more Mr. Haultain was brought face to face with a slander he had uttered with regard to the parliament buildings. He was alleged to have said that "Sir Wilfrid Laurier ordered the contract to go to Peter Lyall, for services rendered, and Mr. Scott had to obey." A second time Mr. Haultain said he had not been correctly reported. This was too much for the Regina Standard, the conservative paper, and it replied: "The statement credited to Mr. Haultain, which he accepted until this date, and which he now repudiates, was made by him." And as if desirous that the reputation of the paper should be preserved the Standard added that the report referred to "was just as fair a summary as was ever published of any speech."

The press has to endure a great deal for the sake of the party. It is not subsidized so that it is not an echo of the party or of its leaders. It may favour a political cause, but it is free and independent and is not obliged to eat the leek for any man. Mr. Haultain would have preserved his self-respect much more by admitting that on certain matters he was mistaken instead of indirectly charging that a friendly press had given publicity to a slander.

Over \$16,000,000 of last year's current revenue went into the National Transcontinental railway. There will be a surplus of current revenue over expenditure this year, but there is a heavy outlay on the railway. The country finances it for the present; eventually the company must pay.

A VERY HEAVY TASK.

The western provinces—Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta—have given an answer to the appeal which the Great Growers' Association made to their government. The demand was for elevators and loading platforms, for the housing and shipping of the grain. It was a great enterprise, one involving an expenditure of two or three millions of dollars, and designed to be followed by a great monopoly.

The government felt that the future of the new provinces depended largely upon the safe and prompt movement of the crops. But they have decided that transportation is a subject which lies with the federal government. If the dominion parliament gives the provinces the power to deal with the matter—transforming a grave responsibility to the provinces—the local governments will assume it, and do what they can to meet the requirements of the west.

In the meantime the dominion parliament is not asked to surrender any of its power or rights. At the same time the evidence has been produced that the railway companies are making strenuous efforts to meet the growing demands of the North-West. They have to do it. It is a duty that is pressing upon them. Increased accommodation, as the country fills up with people and the land yields of its riches, becomes absolutely necessary.

The railway commission, too, is a wonderful spur upon the companies, an incentive to action. Perhaps, on the whole, it is as well that the provinces must leave to the dominion and the railway companies a task which they only can be really able to perform.

Is the new \$50,000 a year president of the New York Central railway to be avoided? No; he has earned his promotion. He must have the ability for a vice or he would not have risen from section man to head of the finest railway system in the United States.

SCALPING THE PEOPLE.

The future of the debtor is very uncertain. He has bated long upon a needy people, and it is time that he felt the discomforts of what has been not inaptly termed "cold justice." The fact that a conviction has been made in Ottawa, and that a civil servant has raised a bitter cry about the way an impetuous people have been imposed upon, must not leave the impression that the money sharks have prospered only in our capital. The world over the usurer has laid in wait, so to speak, and he has mercilessly squeezed all who put themselves within his clutches.

In the last issue of the Youth's Companion there is the record of Dr. Wassam's discoveries in New York, where the usurers are particularly numerous and particularly busy. Cases are cited in illustration of the desperate work of these so-called "loan sharks." One young man, during the sickness of members of his family, borrowed \$24 and he could not repay it. The interest kept accumulating and compounding. Then there were other borrowings, and presently the man found that his obligation had risen to \$800. The broker now practically owned his victim, body and soul.

Our contemporary, the Youth's Companion, sums up some useful information upon the subject. "In some European countries," he remarks, "savings and credit unions have flourished for fifty years. In Italy alone such unions, a species of co-operative bank, have a membership of three hundred and fifty thousand. The thrifty and fortunate profit to reasonable extent by their neighbors' needs. The man temporarily down borrows at low rates, and is helped to his feet, instead of being pushed deeper into the hole. In a Canadian town of seven thousand persons a people's bank, started eight years ago, has driven from the town three loan sharks, who were then doing business there."

The question is one our parliaments should deal with practically. It is not enough that laws be passed against usury, and that these laws should be enforced, as they are now in Ontario. Some provision should be made for easy loans, or loans to deserving persons under reasonable conditions. One of the farmers' associations—the Grange, if the Whig is not mistaken—made cheap money a plank in its platform. Not that governments can make money and hand it out to whoever demands it, the same, at low interest, but it can see that a deserving people can get the accommodation they desire reasonably, and without feeling that those who take their notes or securities are, metaphorically speaking, seeking their lives.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Mr. Borden's denunciation of the yellow press will now be extended to his own beloved press of the Pacific coast.

Hayes, the Marathon prizeman, will not run against Longboat again. He will tackle Dorando again, or any man who is his size.

If the railway commission proposes to project general legislation in regard to level crossings why should the subway be built?

If Dr. Pyne keeps still a while a special committee of the commons will tell him all about technical education. He needs the pointers.

The Toronto World has had an other pipe dream, and announces that Mr. Fielding will be the premier's successor as leader of the liberal party.

The city will have occasion to remember the friendly overtures of the county and duly appraise them if \$5,000 goes into the famous subway.

The Toronto News discusses the Pugsley case in black type, and in very black language. It only needs a black border to make the complete obituary.

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Ernest Holder Is Safe.
A telegram received by relatives, on Tuesday, from Isaac Holder, Bladworth, Sask., announces that Ernest, his son, who was reported in Monday's Whig as being lost in a blizzard, is safe. Further particulars will follow by a letter.

Sleigh Robes.
And men's ooon coats at genuine bargain prices, while they last, at Campbell Bros' big clearing fur sale.

Raffles Has Been Caught.
The Wormwith-by-law now claims your attention. Work for it on Thursday.

Mrs. William Spooner, is fast recovering from her injuries received at the outer station, a week ago Tuesday night. She is not yet able to be around, but is gaining strength daily.

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SPIRIT OF THE PRESS

Dry Up The Tears.

Toronto Globe.
The Canadian loan in London has gone above par, and the crocodile tears of our conservative press can be wiped away.

A Timely Tip.
Toronto Star.
In surveying the town site of Gowanda the government officials should take care not to locate it so that householders will run against silver in the coal cellar.

Spelling Reform.
Guelph Mercury.
If this fight continues no one will know where to stick their "u's" and we will find spelling so confused that the names of the political leaders will be spelt Larier and Bourden.

Stead's Inspiration.
Guelph Mercury.
W. T. Stead claims that he is seeing daily intercourse with the spirits of departed friends. Stead always did think that he knew more than ordinary mortals and now possibly, he is getting straight tips from the astral world, there may be something in it.

A Wild Comment.
Montreal Gazette.
There is talk in some circles of raising the rate of interest on deposits in the post office and other government savings banks to 3 1/2 or 4 per cent. Evidently the feeling is that something must be done to justify in Canada the high rates Mr. Felling is paying for loans in England.

GIFT FOR PASTOR.

A Budget of News From Cannifton Section.
Cannifton, Feb. 2.—Mr. and Mrs. John Quinn, Fairman, are visiting friends in Rawdon. Mrs. Charles Calvery has returned from Crofton, whether she went to visit her mother who is ill. H. K. and Miss May Boyce are spending the week in Coborne. On Sunday last Rev. Mr. Parke exchanged pulpits with Rev. W. D. P. Wilson, who delivered a very interesting sermon which it was a pity many people missed on account of the cold night. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rosevear, Toronto, are the guests of G. W. Palmer. Charles Knees left on Saturday for South Carolina, where he will remain for a couple of months.

The social at the parsonage under the management of the W.M.S., last Tuesday night, was a decided success. Games and music beguiled the time and though the rooms were crowded the majority present managed to "recognize" themselves, and to draw their own conclusions. A pleasant feature was the reading of an address and the presentation of fur-lined coats to Rev. and Mrs. Kerke. Mr. Burke made a feeling reply, thanking the people for the gifts and expressing his appreciation of the sentiments voiced in the address. After this dainty refreshments were served by the ladies to which ample justice was done. The proceeds were over \$20.

A special meeting of the ratepayers of Corbyville section was called on Monday for the consideration of uniting with Cannifton section and building a new school. After it was discussed from every standpoint it was moved by Mr. Emerson, seconded by G. W. Palmer, that the section unite with Cannifton, and the motion was ably supported, there being only two or three dissenting voters out of a well represented section. Plans will be formed immediately for the erection of a building.

Pittsburg Township Council.

Barriefield, Feb. 1.—Present, Thomas W. Spence, reeve; James Gordon, John Bennett, R. B. Donaldson, and J. H. Barrett, councillors. Minutes of last meeting adopted. Ontario Municipal Association wrote re liability of municipalities for damage on highway. Moved, Bennett-Gordon, that petition be signed by reeve and clerk, and sent to J. S. Gallagher, M.P.P., for Frontenac. Accounts passed: M. Mangan, 40 rods fence (bonus), \$5; Whig, printing, etc., \$18.75; James Sowards, wood, \$3.50; F. Bell, thirteen loads of stone, \$26; Mrs. Medley, oil etc., \$11.15; M. Herringan, refund statute labor, \$2; F. Lucy, work on road, \$5; A. J. R. Medley, collector, 1908, \$109, and \$2.50 postage; clerk, on salary, \$1,700. The treasurer given a cheque for \$300 to meet current expenses. The auditors presented their report, which was adopted on motion of Bennett-Gordon. The collector returned his roll, all taxes being paid. The board of health, composed of Messrs. Donaldson, Bennett and Barrett, in conjunction with the reeve. The clerk as secretary and A. J. R. Medley, sanitary inspector, were appointed on motion of Gordon-Bennett. Moved, Barrett-Bennett, that auditors receive \$12 each.—Carried. Adjourned until first Monday in March.

Glenvale Gleamings.

Glenvale, Feb. 2.—The box social held in the Orange hall, by the L. S. society, was a success both financially and socially. Rev. Mr. McInnes, Harrowsmith, occupied the chair. The proceeds amounted to \$16. Hugh McCosh was the guest of honor. He was sleigh last week and received some severe bruises, is slowly recovering. John Clark is hauling ice from Mud Lake. A number from here attended the oyster supper held at Odessa last Thursday evening. Miss Mildred Barrett-Bennett, that auditors receive \$12 each.—Carried. Adjourned until first Monday in March.

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See some fourteen inches thick is being harvested at Cape Vincent, N.Y.

CENTENARY OF COMPOSER.

Musical World Pays Tribute to Mendelssohn's Memory.

The second of this year's centenary celebrations is that of Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy, who was born on February 3rd, at Hamburg. He was the son of a cultured, Jewish scholar, Moses Mendelssohn. The father of the musician used to say in jest: "Formerly I was the son of my father, but now I am the father of my son." The anniversary of the musical lion of his time will be recognized in different parts of the world by the performance of some of his musical works, such as his oratorios of "Elijah" and "St. Paul."

He was a juvenile prodigy. He made a public appearance as a pianist at the age of nine, and in 1819 he began to be a composer. Two facts shine clearly out from this period. His penmanship in music was extremely neat, and he wrote a fugue which warmed his father's heart because it showed reflection and a respect for order. Composition went on apace, for this fine, healthy boy, opulently in animal spirits, wrote spontaneously and elegantly, but without any unhealthful drain on his emotions. It was rather the unnatural excitement of public appearances that undermined his strength and was the ultimate cause of his early death.

It was perhaps in 1825 that the boy's creative faculty really began to exhibit itself, although he had composed many pieces of large calibre before that time. But the overture for strings, opus 20, the "Trumpet" overture, and the completion of the opera, "The Marriage of Ceracho," belong to that year. The scherzo of the octette is indeed significant. It is the real Mendelssohn.

In 1826 this wonderful boy wrote the overture to Shakespeare's "Midsummer Night's Dream." He composed it first as a piano piece for four hands, and played it with his gifted sister, Fanny. In 1823 he had begun his study of Bach's "St. Matthew Passion," and in 1827 he assembled a small choir for its practice, together with Edward Devrient as one of the soloists. In 1829 came the famous performance of the "St. Matthew Passion" at the Singakademie, Mendelssohn conducting. It was this performance which led to the revival of interest in the long neglected works of Bach.

Mendelssohn's bent was ever in the direction of clearness, order, neatness, precision and perfection of balance in design. These qualities are found in all his orchestration. His feeling for the exquisite adjustment of parts in a score is so unerring that one can find extremely few instances of top-heavy or muddy chords in all his pages. Take the opening phrases of the "Midsummer Night's Dream" overture, that succession of chords of wood wind and horns. It is absolutely perfect, and yet baffling in its very simplicity. It was certainly no invention of this boy of seventeen, yet how many dozens of musicians have imitated it since this overture made its effect known. "Imitated?" Indeed, some of them lifted it bodily from Mendelssohn's pages, thus honoring it with a place in the now common phraseology of musical speech.

Toronto Street Market.

Toronto, Feb. 2.—Wheat, fall, bush, 63c to \$1; wheat, goose, 92c to 93c; oats, bush, 45c to 46c; barley, bush, 55c to 60c; rye, bush, 68c to 70c; peas, bush, 88c to 90c; hay, per ton, \$12 to \$13; hay, No. 2, \$9 to \$10; straw, per ton, \$11 to \$12; dressed hogs, \$9 to \$9.50; butter, dairy, 25c to 28c; butter, creamery, 25c to 26c; eggs, new laid, 30c to 35c; eggs, fresh, 27c to 28c; chickens, dressed, lb., 14c to 17c; geese, lb., 12c to 14c; turkeys, lb., 18c to 20c; cabbage, per dozen, 50c to 75c; celery, per dozen, 50c to 75c; potatoes, bag, 75c to 85c; onions, bag, 85c to 90c; apples, barrel, \$1.50 to \$4; beef, hindquarters, \$8.50 to \$10; beef, forequarters, \$6 to \$7; beef, choice, carcass, \$8 to \$8.50; beef, medium, carcass, \$5.50 to \$7; muttons, per cwt., \$7 to \$9; veal, prime, per cwt., \$8.50 to \$11; lamb, per cwt., \$10.50 to \$12.

Hamilton people witnessed a spectacular fire on Sunday evening in the works of the Standard Chemical company. The blaze lasted all night and at noon Monday the firemen were pouring five streams of water into the fire which they are unable to extinguish.

"It is nihilism and attempted murder," declared Lord Guthrie at Stirling, Scotland, in sentencing Robert Potrie, twenty-eight years old, to seven years imprisonment for attempting to wreck an express train by placing an obstruction on the track.

"Flannel covers" for hot water bottles, only 25c, at Gibson's Red Cross drug store.

The Cast Thread company's plant, Seneca Falls, N.Y., was destroyed by fire on Tuesday. The loss is estimated at \$90,000.

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WEDDING ANNIVERSARY. Young Folks Had Good Time at Col. Clyde's.
Odessa, Feb. 2.—Several from here attended the twenty-fifth anniversary wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rose, at Bath, on Saturday night, Jan. 23rd. About twenty young people from Kingston drove to Lieut. Col. Clyde's, Odessa, on Thursday night, and spent the evening with his daughter, Miss Flossie, who has been attending the Kingston Business College, and, we are pleased to say, has successfully passed her examinations. The woman's missionary society met at Mrs. P. A. Nabee's on Thursday afternoon last. Light refreshments were served and the amount realized was nearly \$4.
The funeral service of the late W. S. Hegadorn was held at the Free Methodist church on Saturday afternoon, by Rev. Charles Goodrich.
The Odessa Citizens' band gave an enjoyable concert in the town hall on Saturday night and realized a neat little sum for their treasury.
Harry Lee had the misfortune to lose a valuable horse through sickness last week. The horse was on now and several are laying in a good supply while it is in first class condition.

Cold In Italy.
Rome, Feb. 3.—This winter, in Italy, is extremely cold. In Calabria and Sicily, oranges and lemons, which usually ripen by this time, are dropping from the trees. There has been a hard frost throughout the earthquake area and the majority of the almost shelterless people are suffering from bronchitis, while cases of pneumonia are numerous.

Thought It Was Suicide.
A prominent merchant was discovered a few days ago brandishing his razor at midnight. His wife called for assistance, but found her hubby was only paring his corrus. Far better not to risk blood poisoning—use Putnam's.

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