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Daily Whig.

HOT AIR IN NEW YORK. The air is hot in New York, particularly in the vicinity of the political resorts. The municipal campaign is now on, and the mayoralty candidates, Gaynor and Hearst, are pouring out their wrath upon each other. Hearst is accused of treachery in that he promised to support Gaynor and now seeks to take his life. The justification of this sudden change and murderous attitude lies in the fact, says Hearst, that Gaynor was expected to denounce Tammany Hall and its iniquities, and Gaynor could not do that and accept its support. In effect the contest will narrow down to one between Gaynor and Hearst. The publisher of the North-American is on the fusion ticket with all its candidates except Bannard, who is the nominee of the independent party for mayor. Later on Bannard may, like Jerome, draw out of the fight and so permit of a consolidation of all the other forces against Tammany. Hearst is a campaigner from away back, has the help of the most accomplished editor in America, Arthur Brisbane, and is encouraged by the remembrance that two years ago he nearly defeated McClelland.

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MISTRESS OF THE SEAS.

Britain is not only leading in naval architecture, in building the largest and the latest battleships, but she is leading in the education of her naval forces. It is twenty years since there was a new departure of the most important character. The Naval Intelligence Department was divided into two sections. One dealt with the collection, classification and indexing of all information relating to foreign navies—inventions, trials, experiments, and maritime matters generally. The other section had to do with mobilization, information about the resources of the empire and the best ways of using them. The department, says a critic, has not stood still. It has gone on expanding ever since.

The staff originally was composed of fifteen persons; then it was increased to thirty-five, and it became conspicuous as the civil department of the admiralty. Following this came the provision of a war staff to the command-in-chief, a provision later adopted by the German admiralty.

Thus an admiral on a flagship has, besides his personal staff, a special staff for fleet duties of fourteen persons, including a commodore, four lieutenants, two engineers, and a marine officer. Under Sir John Fisher, as First Sea Lord, a Naval War College was established for the study of tactics and strategy. So that in the two institutions there is provided the machinery for the execution of the three fundamental duties of a general staff—training, mobilization and preparation for war. In the establishment of these departments no revolution has taken place; they have not been created as the result of pressure from outside, but have been evolved in the naval service by service methods and in fulfillment of a service want.

The naval expert of the New York Herald, writing from London, announces the later developments. In May last, as outlined by Mr. McKenna, it was stated that the best results could not be obtained when the department that collected information about the materials of war had to plan for their use. Hence the projection of a naval war staff which will be largely trained at sea. "The conditions at sea," it is explained, "are not the same as those on land," and it is not desirable to draw too closely a comparison. "It will be the business of the Intelligence Department, under whatever name may be chosen, not only to prepare the plans but to see that they are ready, and if their execution is possible, and how. In other words, the practical men and the students must be in close touch. There can be no distinction between those who have passed through one or the other special courses of training. The central organization must be in int...

mate communication with the ideas of those afloat, if there is to be harmonious co-operation." Who will be the head of the Naval War staff? Lord Berosford says he should be the Second Sea Lord. Sir John Briggs says he should be the First Sea Lord. In any event, Britain is making in her ships and men such changes as will warrant the conclusion that she will not surrender the proud position she has so long occupied of being the Mistress of the Seas.

THE CIVIC LINE LIGHT.

Some members of the council and board of trade met on Wednesday evening, and indulged in a heart-to-heart talk. Occasionally those we call public men get together, but they are timid about expressing their real feelings. Why? They are afraid of jealous of each other, and so long as men act in that way they do not accomplish much.

At this meeting, at which men chased away all suspicions for the time being, it was pointed out that what the city wanted was a man of ideas, or a man who could develop ideas when they were given to him, a far-sighted chap, with keen eyes and good manners, and above all with a very discreet tongue. In some places this individual is called a "booster," and in other places the industrial representative with a portfolio of things some men would like to look at. Such a man is in the employ of each of the larger cities, and he is one of the most valuable officials. He is not a cheap man (it is hardly necessary to say that), for one of his peculiar qualifications is not born, developed, or discovered every day.

The board of trade men told experiences of what had been done to secure capitalists and citizens for Kingston, only to lose them when they had been interested up to a certain point. Circulars and letters will do much in the way of opening up negotiations, but the way to clinch them is to put the man on the job who knows how to book an order. The town or the city must imitate the business man in the expansion of his trade. He goes after the contract, and he usually secures it. He waited until it came to him, he would wait a long time, and finally, after a prolongation of this experience, he would send for the sheriff and close up the shop.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The new inspector of schools is giving evidence of a new spirit in public school affairs. He is noticing things and calling the attention of the board to them.

C. M. Hays, of the Grand Trunk, is now the equal of Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, of the Canadian Pacific, with one exception. He is not a knight. That distinction may follow later.

The Rivers-Wilson idea is that three or four thousand Asiatics should be imported to finish the Pacific end of the Grand Trunk Pacific and then sent back to the orient. Is it a workable proposition?

Some aldermen, at the heart to heart talk with the board of trade, were told that parsimony was not the only thing the people expected them to show. A little enterprise now and then was desired, even if it cost a few dollars.

Peary is in big business when he quotes Cook's Eskimos as saying that the doctor did not reach the pole. The public appreciates the situation by their partiality for Cook, and the honors they are showering on him wherever he goes.

The naval scheme was understood to be a development of that imperial unity which was the theme of so much talk at the press and naval defence conferences. And it is likely to lead to independence? Perish the thought.

The county judge in Chatham has ruled that a name put on the Indian list by a magistrate may be removed but the name handed in by a relative must remain listed for a year. The thirty man will please take notice.

The Toronto News is evidently of the opinion that the leader of a party who wants to keep in touch with the people must keep moving among them all the while. Of what avail was Mr. Borden's touring before the last election?

The Catholic Register has no use for the jays who are scaring the town council by crying about its extravagance. The "light wads," it remarks, may hold the fort for a while, but eventually there will be a few funerals and the depression, like the storm, will clear away.

Mersey on us. The Waterloo county teachers' association has had the temerity to condemn the new school reorders and advocate the revival or republication of the old Morang premier. Evidently there are some school teachers who have not the fear of the education department before their eyes.

Stead Makes A Threat.

W. E. Stead says he intends to communicate with the world after his death. The announcement is to be regretted. It may tempt people to desire that like would end all.

IN POLITICAL BATTLE

STORIES TOLD BY THE OLD WORKERS.

Canadian Courier Makes Comment Upon Evidence Given in Election Trials—A Plea For Cleaner Election.

Whenever we have a good, racy election trial, decent people are amazed afresh at the exaltations that come up from the pit. Can it be that this sort of thing is going on in the committee-rooms and in the upper chambers of "hotels" while the decent citizens are making and listening to ennobling addresses, industriously canvassing their neighbors and urging everybody to go to the polls and so perform a public duty. It is to be feared that it can. Get an old political worker in a confidential mood some night and hear the tales that he will tell. If they are inventions, then the political parties have some of the finest fictionists in the world doing their dirty work for them; for there is a verisimilitude about the stories told by these veterans which would make the fortune of any "romancer" who possessed the art of inventing them.

Yet if this sort of business goes on underground, of what profit is it for the decent citizen to stay out nights and listen to platitudinous speeches and get the smoke of bad cigars in his clothing and some night and hear the tales that he will tell. If they are inventions, then the political parties have some of the finest fictionists in the world doing their dirty work for them; for there is a verisimilitude about the stories told by these veterans which would make the fortune of any "romancer" who possessed the art of inventing them.

The whole thing would not be so stupid if either party gained any great advantage over the other by dabbling in this cesspool. But it is generally conceded by good judges that the "dishonors" are about even. Neither party has a monopoly of this sort of cattle; and it is doubtful whether either has even anything like a decisive majority of the breed over the other. Men of general and high repute in their citizenship frequently in the habit of getting their money every time from the same party; and they would feel it something of a wrench if they had to look elsewhere for the pitiful dole which is enough to give them, body, mind and spirit. They intend to vote for one or the other, as the case may be every time; but they expect to get some of the "dough" which is being passed around for casting their vote. We hear men say at election trials that they were not asked to vote, and did not propose to vote, but that they were voted and they heard that there was "money going" and thought that they might as well get some.

Now why is it not possible for the decent men in both parties to combine to dissipate these human parasites? If they could not transfer their greater patronage from one party shop to the other and so disturb the balance of political power, they would be compelled to vote for nothing or stay away from the polls. In that case, they would infallibly vote. They have got the voting habit. But they would almost certainly vote against the party at whose shop they have been accustomed to feed. However, as they would all do this it would be a case of "as you were," so far as the party totals are concerned, and politics would be rid of its most squalid and disgusting appendage. It could be done if the decent element were decent enough to trust each other. The fear which would come into many minds would be that the other party should violate the agreement and make a "deal" with the purchasable vote. But things have gone pretty far in the degradation of the Canadian people if there are not enough thoroughly decent men in each constituency to make such an agreement and live up to it.

And it would be easy for the decent section to take this course in Canada to-day; for we have no other issues. There is nothing at stake between the parties in all approaching in importance this question of honest polling. It would be far better worth our while to cleanse the temple of the franchise of this herd of "money changers" than to put either of our parties in or out a dozen times. It would make far more difference in our politics in our public life, in the policy of whatever government might come to the top, and in the future of the dominion. Can we not accomplish a beneficent combine of the decent elements to cleanse our worst than Augean stables?

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AIRSHIPS IN WAR.

Never Able to Work Wide Destruction.

New York, Oct. 15.—Declaring Napoleon's dictum that "God fights on the side with the heaviest artillery," entirely out of date, Hudson Maxim, the inventor of explosives and engines of war, predicted in a public address tonight that God, hereafter would fight on the side with the strongest flying machines and the most of them. But the English had little to fear from the Germans on this score, he added, for aeroplanes, crossing the channel with explosives could do little harm. "Flying machines will never be able to work wide destruction by dropping explosives from the air," he said. "War vessels may have their superstructures slightly damaged or their decks bent by explosives dropped upon them, but in order to do much damage dynamite requires confining." "The aeroplane will be the strong arm of the signal corps, each carrying two or three men armed with raiders' outfits. They will be actualities in the next great war and they will be widely effective in the destruction of bridges, magazines, and storehouses."

IS NOT LIKELY

That Chancellor of Exchequer Will Resign.



DAVID LLOYD-GEORGE. London, Oct. 15.—Little credence is given by people behind the scenes in British politics to the reports of the likelihood of the resignation of David Lloyd-George, chancellor of the exchequer. All of the chancellor's methods may not meet with the full approval of the premier, but any open clash between the two leaders would be fatal to the liberal party, and is considered in the highest degree improbable.

STORM HAS ABATED.

Vessels Moving Out, But Still Quite a Gale.

Mariners gladly welcomed the change in the weather, to-day. There is still quite a storm on the lake, but it is expected that vessels will be able to move out. There is considerable grain to come down from Fort William, and it is desired to have it rushed through as speedily as possible. The steamer Jessa, which was recently turned out at Davis' dry dock, is being given considerable praise for the way she stood the storm this week, and she was out in almost the entire storm. She went from Deseronto to Oswego with a cargo of lumber, and then landed coal for Washburn, and passed Kingston Thursday afternoon. She had a very rough passage, but stood the storm well.

The steamer Mapleton, which has been tied up here all week, cleared, last night, for the upper lakes. The schooner Kitchen arrived from Toronto, light, and is loading feldspar at Richardson's. Capt. Henry Daryeau was able to weather the storm, and at the same time made record time. He cleared from Toronto at eight o'clock on Wednesday night, and at three o'clock Thursday afternoon was in Kingston.

The steamer Advance is due, up, to-day, on her way from Montreal to Fort William. She has package freight. The steamer Botnia cleared for Port Colborne, to load grain for Montreal. Swift's Steamer Althea cleared for bay points, at three o'clock this morning, steamer Mapleton cleared for Fort William, Thursday afternoon, after being wind-bound fifteen hours; steamer Advance, up, Thursday night, from Montreal to Fort William.

The schooner Hertha Kalkins will clear for Charlotte with feldspar. The government boat Scout came up the river, yesterday, to look after the buoys lost in the storm. The steamer Sowards will clear for Oswego, if the weather permits.

The long-looked-for steamer Rosemont and barge Hamilton arrived at the Montreal Transportation company's elevator, from Fort William, yesterday afternoon, at five o'clock. She was held up several times, on her trip down, by the storm. The tug Mary will clear, to-night, for Montreal, with two grain barges; the tug Hall will arrive, from Montreal, at noon, with three barges, and the steamer Froquois and Haddington are on their way from Fort William, with grain for the Montreal Transportation company's elevator. They are due on Monday.

The schooner Ford River loaded coal in Charlotte, yesterday, for the Montreal Transportation company. The barge Columbian, from Bedford Mills, is at Bishops, unloading coal-wood.

Where Sympathy Lies.

London Advertiser. The sympathy of the Canadian people, excepting the mobs, tondies, bunkeys, tuff-hatters, and lick-spittles, will be with the party which is fighting for popular government. The veto of a chamber constituted like the House of Lords is an anachronism even in Europe.

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