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GRAFT AND TARIFF.

So there will be a change in the tariff act, to the end that companies will not have the encouragement or protection which they now enjoy.

Where, says a contemporary, there is a prima facie case made out—that certain trades have entered a deal by which toll is being exacted from the people unduly—the government will pay the expenses of the inquiry. It must do more than that in order to restrain the combiners. There will have to be a change in the tariff so that the protection which the combine possesses may be broken. This question has come up again and again, and the minister of finance, in parliament last session, said it had been found difficult to meet some contingencies that had arisen. With some it has been thought that exposure would be sufficient, but exposure in the grocers' case did not end the impositions from which some small dealers and the people suffered. Prosecution in the plumbers' case had a beneficial effect, for a time, but a favouring tariff will always be taken advantage of when the men in a certain line of business can co-operate.

CLEANSING NOT COMPLETE.

Reflection has brought the Montreal people a new sense of the humiliation the council has brought upon them. The enquiry of Judge Cannon was not complete. It covered only some of the departments, and it established the guilt of many persons. It made clear the pitiable fact that some people were glorying in their shame—the grafting of a quarter of the entire revenue on about \$1,250,000 a year—and that there could only be a change by the prosecution of the offenders.

The weakness of the report is the suggestion in it that the new council, the one to be elected next year, and with some of the hoodlums, now candidates, as possible members of it, should indict and try certain persons. The aldermen-elect will hardly consider it their duty to clean up this malodorous business. The legislature, on the petition of the people, appointed the commission to investigate the scandal. It should see the importance of naming some one as a public prosecutor and directing that he resume the probe, and let up only when every sin has been exposed and every trespasser has got his due.

The council is under a cloud, every member of it. The cloud may not be removed by a new election. Municipal government is at stake. The Gouin government cannot blink at this fact. The stirring up of the filth may be dirty business, but there can only be a cleansing when it is undertaken by some power outside of the council, and a power that will see that the work of reform is made complete.

THE HOME RULE QUESTION.

It is remarkable, to say the least, that certain Irishmen in New York city are not satisfied with Mr. Asquith's announcement concerning home rule for Ireland. Strange, is it not, that the Irish Americans cannot accept that which has been quite acceptable to the Irishmen at home, the men on the soil and the men who ought to know what they want. Note the declarations which are promulgated in Ireland, and can be read anywhere on the outer walls, for the poster in the old land has an importance which is denied it in Canada:

"We want home rule for Ireland and for Wales, Scotland and England, but we can't get it in the true sense for any till we draw the teeth of the lords."

Again a cablegram says: "The Directory of the Irish National League, Mr. John Redmond president, to-day, (the 14th), decided to support the liberal party at the general election. Mr. Asquith's declarations on home rule Mr. Redmond declared to be satisfactory."

The same sentiment was expressed in a signed article by T. P. O'Connor, the well-known journalist, who is now in America collecting for the National cause. Mr. O'Connor recalled that Mr. Asquith was not a noisy advocate of home rule. He had favoured it, but a while ago he had intimated that it could not receive the attention it deserved until certain great issues of a constitutional character had been disposed of. The occasion for action came sooner than was expected in the acute condition following the lords' refusal to pass the budget.

Mr. Asquith saw in the settlement of this question the chance to give self-government to Ireland, and the Redmond party is satisfied, while P. J. Conway, an American, scorns the

offer of Mr. Asquith as political bluff.

If the matter be pushed to the last analysis it may be found that Mr. Conway is "a middle of the road man, a tariff reformer first and a patriot afterwards."

THE PREMIERS AS PARTNERS.

Sir Lomar Gouin has captured the people of Toronto whence he journeyed as the guest of Sir James Whitney. It seems they fraternized in Quebec during the centenary event. They were knighted at the same time. The city was crowded and Sir Lomar placed the speaker's quarters of the legislature buildings at Sir James' disposal, and there grew up between them a friendship of which the world knows very little.

Sir Lomar has all the pleasant graciousness and civility of the educated Frenchmen, and he seems to have captivated all who came in contact with him. He is a liberal, in the largest sense of the term. In politics he is as keen as any one, and one of the most popular as well as most patient of political leaders in his province.

But one can be a public man, and even a politician, and be a gentleman. Hence Sir Lomar can confer with Sir James Whitney, and his government with Sir James' government, on provincial questions, in the most amicable spirit. They can agree that the federal government may not trespass upon provincial jurisdiction, and do it in a most agreeable manner.

The two premiers are of one mind on several questions, and this will be made the clearer when they proceed to the drafting of the programme for the next provincial conference.

STILL PLAYING THE GAME.

The North American, of Philadelphia, appeals to T. W. Lawson, of Boston, the artist's model on the stock market, to return to the widows and other small investors the money he withheld from them fifteen months ago. Lawson has posed as the enemy of the "system," which is the name he applies to the syndicate of capitalists who manipulate the stock market as they choose. Occasionally some one, an Ives for instance, or a Ferdinand Ward, steals a march on the system, and makes a commotion by his wily acts, but usually the big fellows can restrain or check the Wall Street colts. Lawson has collided with the combination again and again, and without result. Each time, re-enforced by luck, he enters the arena against the old enemy and fails, and when one as brilliant as he misses the mark it is a lesson to others, who are less skillful or less resourful.

Lawson, over a year ago, announced that he contemplated a raid on Wall Street. He wanted money, lots of it. He offered security, the bonds of the Bay Street Gas company, and he made no secret of his intention to enter the market at New York, Boston and Philadelphia and speculate on a scale which promised to yield stupendous results. Well, according to the North American, he got the money, and from people who knew nothing about Lawson or his methods. They were simply carried away by his fascinating promises. Our contemporary concludes that as the stocks were low when he was supposed to do the buying, and rose afterwards, reaching in some cases, unprecedented figures, he must have made millions, and the question arises, What has he done with the money? Why has he not given the investors some return? "Many of them," says our contemporary, "sent to you, Mr. Lawson, all or a greater part of their savings. They did this, believing they would receive dividends which they need for actual necessities. Our information is that they have not received a cent."

The deal in stocks—the acceptance of the Bay State Gas or National bonds—legally protects Mr. Lawson, and the people who put up the money have, it appears, given something for nothing. But the North American appeals to Mr. Lawson, as a dead sport, to make amends. He can fight and rob the fellows of his size, but he should not rob the children of their pennies or the old women of their dollars. Once more the people of small means, the people who have saved through many sacrifices, have had a lesson. It is to keep out of the stock market and the fights that concern soulless corporations. It may be remembered; and it may not. It is wonderful how some people court the acquaintance of the sharpers.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The Victoria Colonist ad (see Mr. McBride to remain in British Columbia and redeem his promises. Is there anything else he can do fairly?)

The municipal election is on but so very quiet that one scarcely sees what is doing. The candidates are busy but on a still hunt.

Prince Henry gives us a sample of the court language of Germany when he refers to Blatchford's twaddle as "a beastly lie." The imperial manner of referring to the braying of an ass.

While federal conservatives go to Montreal and there intimate that Quebec can go smash as far as they are concerned, if it won't tolerate the Borden party, Sir James Whitney and Sir Lomar Gouin are fraternizing and

pledging themselves to undying friendship. What does it all mean?

Only about a quarter of the total vote of Winnipeg was polled in the mayoralty election. The men, therefore, don't value the franchise. Why not give it to the women and see what they will do with it?

Hon. Mr. Taschereau, of the Gouin government, in Toronto, said the French would do their share towards organizing and maintaining a Canadian navy. Mr. Taschereau indirectly but surely counteracted the pessimism of Mr. Monk.

John Redmond should bridle his tongue when he is mad. In his latest splash he and the Nationalists were going "to tear up and trample under foot the Act of Union." They are not going to do anything of the kind, and he knows it.

The speeches of Canadians and Americans—and especially of our own Sir Wilfrid Laurier—about the cordial relations which exist between the Anglo-Saxon people, have a delightful touch. Ambassador Bryce put it naively, thus: "Americans and Canadians are all of one family."

The New York Herald suggests that the United States and Canada should arrange "for the defence of Canada abroad." In other words it is urged that an alliance be formed for offensive and defensive purposes. The Germans who gishbeared in the Scott case will be likely to take notice.

"A Kingston Collegiate Institute teacher," says a tale given to the press, "threw a pupil down stairs because the pupil hurled an epithet at him." It is an untruth which should not have been put in circulation. The things that some people are saying about our schools are doing them a very great injury.

The address of Magistrate Farrell, in the police court, on Thursday, should be read by every parent. Pity the girls who have not parents to guide them in their tender years, and woe to those who deliberately misled and abuse them in their misplaced confidence. The warden of the Central prison recommends the greater use of the cat for some offences, and all well disposed people will agree with him.

A MISSING HAT

And How He Found He Was Wearing It.

"It's strange, strange, strange, that I can't find a thing or keep a thing in this house," said Mr. Podmore, the other day. "It's all because of your loose, slack, unsystematic way of keeping things, Mrs. Podmore."

"What is it now, dear?"

"Don't dear me, but help me to find my hat I hung on the hall rack when I came in!"

"Why, Henry—"

"Don't stand there staring at me in that idiotic way, but help me to find that hat. I suppose I must wear my straw hat, and it's raining like fury!"

"Henry Podmore, will you listen—"

"No, I'll not. When a man lays down his hat and can't find it—"

"Henry, that hat is on your head."

"What! Who put it there? This is some trick. I'd take my oath before any court in the land!"

"Nonsense!"

"It's not nonsense! It's as true as that I live and stand before you, a tormented, worried, harassed man, who is ridiculed and made the victim of some mean, low trick in his own house every day! You'll hear more about this when I get home!"

Then he rushed out, slamming the door after him.

Chapter And Verse.

Notes and Queries.

The story goes that a certain college president in Indiana, a clergyman, was addressing his students at the beginning of the college year.

He observed to them that it was a matter of congratulation to all the friends of the college that the year had opened with the largest freshman class in its history.

Then, without a pause, says Lippincott's Magazine, the good man turned to the lesson for the day, the Third Psalm, and began to read in a loud voice:

"Lord, how are they increased that trouble me!"

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A LEEDS TOWNSHIP LADY PASSES AWAY

In the Person of Mrs. Jane Dempster—Gananoque Lad Fell Down Stairs and Broke His Collar Bone.

Gananoque, Dec. 17.—Another of Gananoque's highly esteemed nonagenarian residents passed to rest on Wednesday evening in the person of Jane Anderson, relict of the late Thomas Dempster, at the home of her son, Joseph B. Dempster, just east of the town, in the ninety-fourth year of her age. She leaves four sons and one daughter, Joseph B., James and Thomas, of the town, and David, of Leeds township, and Mrs. George Studden, of Watertown, N.Y. The funeral takes place this afternoon at Willow Bank cemetery. Rev. Henry Gracey will conduct the service.

E. McMaster, Pittsburg township, is offering a reward of \$25 for information leading to the conviction of the person or persons who wantonly broke into his house on Hickory street and plugged the basins, opened the water taps, flooding the place, destroying plaster on the ceilings, etc.

In the county court case in Brockville, H. A. McCard of this town, vs. M. J. Kenny, Rear of Leeds, Judge Reynolds dismissed the action with costs.

The annual sale conducted by the Willing Circle of King's Daughters, in St. Andrew's church, last week, netted a little over \$100.

William Tompkins, King street, suffering with blood poisoning for the past few weeks, is able to attend to his duties again.

No special names have so far been mentioned as probable candidates for the municipal elections.

Frederic Henderson, the young son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Henderson, of Main street, broke his collar bone by falling on the stairs of his home.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Fawcett, Wolfe Island, recently married, are spending their honeymoon here with relatives.

Charles Green, located for some time past in the maritime provinces, is spending the holiday season here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Green, "Cedar Knoll," Miss Drummond, of Perth, spending the past few weeks with relatives, has returned home.

Mrs. Joseph Shields, Lansdowne, has returned home after a week's visit with friends in town. Mrs. J. A. Jackson and children are spending a few weeks with her father, Dr. Kennedy, Perth. Mrs. S. E. Dawson, of Ottawa, spending a short time here with her daughter, Mrs. Lewis, Church street, has returned home.

How Many Is Four? Saturday Evening Post.

When the democrats held their state convention at Rochester, New York, last fall, to nominate Chanler for governor, one of the leaders thought it would be a grand idea to give a dinner to the democratic editors and newspaper men of that part of the state.

He sent out the invitations and ordered the dinner. Then he decided it would be a good scheme to have some music. A Rochester friend told him there was an excellent quartette that could be secured and sent the leader of the quartette over to see the big man.

"Kin ye sing?" he asked.

"Yes, sir, we can sing very well."

"Have ye a dress suits? Them's necessary."

"Yes, sir, we all have evening clothes."

"How much will it cost?"

"We get ten dollars apiece for such an engagement."

"I know, but how much'll it cost? How many av ye's is they in this quartette?"

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The death occurred, in Toronto, Tuesday, of Miss Mary McKee, a former resident of Brockville, and teacher in Victoria school, who took up her residence in the Queen City thirty years ago.

"It would not seem like Christmas" if we could not have McCook's or Huyler's high class sweets, said a lady in Gibson's Red Cross Drug Store on Thursday.

The way to meet some doubts is to look them squarely in the face and then blow them away.

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WHIG'S FASHION HINT.



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WOMEN'S WOES

Kingston Women Are Finding Relief at Last.

It does seem that women have more than a fair share of the aches and pains that afflict humanity; they must "keep up," must attend to duties in spite of constantly aching backs, or headaches, dizzy spells, bearing-down pains; they must stoop over when to stoop means torture. They must walk and bend and work with racking pains and many aches from racking ills. Kidneys cause more suffering than any other organ of the body. Keep the kidneys well and health is easily maintained. Read of a remedy for kidneys only that helps and cures the kidneys and is endorsed by people you know. Mrs. F. Young, of 128 Queen St., Kingston, Ont., says: "I caught a heavy cold over a year ago and it settled across my back and kidneys. I became so stiff and sore that I could not turn in bed. A dull, burning pain settled in my sides, the kidney secretions were very irregular and especially frequent at night. My sleep was so disturbed that I would awake just as fatigued as on going to bed. Nothing benefited me and I had consulted the best specialists in the city. I learned of Booth's Kidney Pills through a friend and procured them at Mahood's Pharmacy. I commenced their use and was cured in less than five weeks of each and every symptom of the dread Bright's disease. I am well and strong and feel like a new person." Sold by dealers, Price 50 cents. The R. T. Booth Co., Ltd., Fort Erie, Ont., sole Canadian agents.

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- Men's Fur-Lined Coats, worth \$40.00 to \$50. On Sale \$26.50
- Boys' Overcoats, worth from \$5 to \$6.50. On Sale \$2 TO \$5
- Boys' 3-Piece Suits, worth from \$5.00 to \$8.00, for ... \$3.95
- Men's Coon Coats, worth \$70 to \$80. On Sale \$47.50
- Men's Fur-Lined Coats, Otter Collar, Muskrat lining worth from \$70 to \$75. On Sale \$46.50

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