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WASHING DIRTY LINEN.

If there is anything in the experience of Oxford county it is a lesson to the ratepayers to think seriously over whom they should elect to manage their public business. The Sentinel-Review contains some curious reports. They were presented at the county council meeting. One is that of a committee which has had certain serious charges under review for months. They implied or imputed grafting, a misuse of the means and patronage of the county, in the matter of road improvements. The committee could not find a basis of proceeding against any one.

The second report was that of the county judge who took evidence in specified cases without result. A member of the council, who was alleged to have received \$50 for his vote and influence, denied the charge, and brought witnesses that cleared him. There was an alleged disappearance of tile and cement, but the evidence showed that there might have been an error in the inventory and no blame attached to anyone. Another was accused of receiving \$500 for his pull on a machinery house, but the business between them was shown to be of a private nature and to have no connection with the county.

But the enquiry is not closed. It was not deep enough to suit the council, and it has asked the Department of Public Works for Ontario to appoint a commission that will do its work thoroughly, and to the end that the honor and good name of the county council may be restored. It is a peculiar demand, and one the government can refuse. The county council of Oxford should not advertise its helplessness in this way. It should be able to clear up its own scandals. A nice time the government would have if it undertook to correct the blundering of the county councils, checking over their transactions and disposing of the troubles that arise. Oxford county and its judge should be equal to the purification of its public life, so far as the county councillors are concerned.

STORM CENTRE SHIFTED.

The slogan at the beginning of the imperial election was "Capture Lancashire and you have England." Winston Churchill accepted the challenge and invaded Lancashire with a whoop and a breeze that have set the people talking. Mr. Churchill has been cut by some of his society friends. They have been hurt by his close association with Chancellor Lloyd-George and they have assumed to ostracize him. And in vain. He is the white-haired boy, and is becoming more and more devoted to the radicalism in which Joseph Chamberlain gloried a quarter of a century ago.

The storm centre is being shifted to London, which was supposed to be favourable to the opposition and the policy which it advocates. One of its leading lights is Mr. Wyndham, who is a polished and persuasive speaker, and whose special task has been to show that the taxation of wheat would not make bread any dearer. In support of this theory he cited the experience which followed the import duty levied by the conservative government during the South African war. This duty did not raise the price of bread, and he reasoned that the proposed tax would not increase it now.

The result is a reply from the Master Bakers' association to the effect that the war tax was a temporary expedient, which was abandoned as soon as possible, and during its continuance the trade and not the consumer carried the tax.

"No such excuse would hold in the case of an import duty, levied as part of a regular system," says the Master Bakers' association. "Yet from the extraordinary manner to which bakers acted on the last occasion Mr. Wyndham, who was a member of the then government, evidently assumes that there was some subtle principle behind the action, or imputation of the trade that rendered it possible for the duty to be collected and yet for the price of bread not to be raised."

"There was something subtle about the transaction; the reasoning which induced many bakers to pay the duty themselves, instead of passing it on to the consumers, deserves to be described as subtle. In any case, at that time it had not been discovered that the foreigner pay. The foreigners did not pay, but the baker certainly did."

Mr. Wyndham, and all who think

like him—and the whole of them have been driven into the embarrassing position by Mr. Chamberlain—will probably give the bread tax a rest during the balance of their campaign in good old London.

ELLOGY OUT OF PLACE.

The Belgian church extols the late King Leopold—as a promoter of peace and a founder of the Congo independent state. The church cannot offset the man's imperfections with the fact that he was against capital punishment, that he was not looking for outside trouble, and that he made capital out of the Congo.

His memory and the record of his earlier reign have been marred by domestic infelicities. His conjugal relations were seriously disturbed many years ago, and if his daughters rebelled against his authority they had some cause for it. They were loyal to a mother whose virtues they venerated to their cost.

The Countess Vaughan episodes cannot be explained away. They are not in harmony with the declaration that Leopold was a "glorifier of the faith." He disposed of all the priceless things that reminded his daughters of their happy home. He drove them away, and refused all overtures towards a reconciliation, while he lavished his wealth and affection upon a strange woman.

A king is expected to walk circumspectly before his subjects. Leopold did not please his people with the rectitude of his life, and the sooner the fulsome praises of his beneficiaries fade away the better it will be. Belgium and the Congo will gain by a new ruler and a plan of life that can be contemplated without regret.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The house of lords must be reformed. But how? That is the great question Lord Rosebery wants some one to stand forth and answer.

It is alleged that Post Watson is demented. Like Cook, the explorer, he has disappeared and the people who have been disappointed with them will not worry if they are not found.

Lord Northcliffe says the Canadians are prejudiced against England. He was not in Canada long enough to find out what the people thought, and he is not, in any case, a mind reader.

The C.P.R. will show gross earnings for the year of an hundred millions. There is no melon whose cutting affords so much pleasure as that which this company produces at dividend time.

The Montreal scandal commission cost \$19,265.53. A lot of money spent to find out how bad its aldermen were. But think of the thousands that will be saved by turning out the thieves.

The industrial committee of the city council will do something practical, and of paper, when it gets hold of some one who knows how to angle for industries. It is not every one who has the right kind of bait.

Parr, the informer on the Sugar Trust—the man who discovered the secret spring by which the scales were light, and robbed the nation of millions—will get about a million as his share of the fine that has been imposed. It pays to be an informer.

The people turned Tom Johnson, of Cleveland, out of office while he was still contending for three-cent fares, and now this thing has been secured. The people are getting the reward of Johnson's work. Public life ruined him, and the people are the gainers. It was ever thus.

Dr. Henderson, in the Dominion church, Ottawa on Sunday, attacked socialism, and was both interrupted and applauded by persons in the congregation. It could not have been Christian socialism he talked, and there is such a thing, and some preachers believe in it.

It is figured that grain can be carried through the enlarged Erie canal, from the upper lakes, and put in the ocean steamers in New York, for 34c. per bushel. The cost by the St. Lawrence canals and Montreal is 34c. per bushel. But new facilities will make the completion of the Canadian route popular and certain.

Her Pleasure.

If the gentlemen would consult her pleasure in Christmas selecting they would pick out a nice toilet or manicure set at Best's. Many girls have openly expressed the wish, and yet many fellows have not as yet "caught on." Pick yours out now, while yet there is time.

Ottawa Archbishopric.

Ottawa, Dec. 22.—It is rumored that Mgr. Olivier Mathieu, of Laval university, is likely to be the new archbishop of Ottawa diocese.

See Our Showing.

Of children's racoon, muskrat, and grey lamb caps. Campbell Bros., Kingston's fur store.

CITY AND VICINITY.

Turkeys.

All sizes, nice, fresh and plump, at the Golden Lion Grocery.

To Live In Barriefield.

Robert Purcell and family have taken a house at Barriefield. Mr. Purcell is driver for W. B. Dalton's hardware.

Persian Lamb Sets.

Neck pieces and muffs. See our showing and you see the best. Campbell Bros., the store for greatest fur values.

Gone To North Bay.

Martin Sullivan, of Montreal street, has left for North Bay, to take a position as stenographer in the C.P.R. of lines.

Will Be Back Again.

Benjamin Hanlon, letter carrier, who fell and broke a rib while on duty, two weeks ago, expects to return to duty at the post office to-morrow.

Christmas Perfumes.

The biggest display of fancy perfumes is to be seen at Best's. They range in price from 15c. to \$7. Perfume is always popular at Christmas, and this year is no exception.

Guilty Of Assassination.

A man, razor in hand, was caught by his wife assassinating not an enemy, but a corn—what he needed was Putnam's Corn-Extractor; it's safe, painless and sure. Try "Putnam's"—nothing sells so good.

Nelson Shield For Queen's.

At the April convocation of Queen's university a presentation of a Nelson shield will be made by the British and Foreign Sailors' Society. The Royal Military College will be represented at the ceremony.

Ladies Fur-Lined Coats.

We make a specialty of the manufacture of these, and you have not seen the best unless you have seen ours. Investigate our values, they are unsurpassed in the dominion. Campbell Bros., the makers of fine furs. Open evenings until Christmas.

Had A Long Journey.

The Kingston passengers from New York on Tuesday had an exceedingly hard time. They were informed at Watertown that the train would not be in Cape Vincent in time to catch the boat and any passengers who had to arrive in Kingston would have to go around by Ogdensburg and Prescott. This made a great difference, and instead of arriving here at noon the belated holiday visitors arrived at seven o'clock last evening.

B. A. Hotel Arrivals.

J. M. Luxton, Knoxville, Tenn.; Richard Fitzgerald, Ogdensburg; E. B. Godwin, D. Matherson, Ottawa; A. McDonald, Smith's Falls; James C. Hodge, Picton; W. P. Pine, Toronto; A. T. Orton, Hamilton; James Bergin, Walkerville; B. Ferguson, Montreal; W. N. Belair and wife, Belleville; Mrs. George Macnaughton, Mrs. Gay T. Bishop, Miss Bessie Lacey, Miss May B. Daniels, Sydenham; Frederick Malloy and child, Toronto; James C. Ross, Gananoque; Ernest Groble, St. Catharines; J. E. Hampson, Hamilton; W. H. Davy, Addison; Peggy, George O'Brien, Toronto.

Found Money.

A sum of money found at this season that one could call his own, would be a pleasure, and yet if you read this copy of the Whig carefully you can find many dollars. The key to the problem is "Best's ads." You can save dollars by reading carefully these advts. and act upon them. There are many people who are in doubt, who have not taken the time to look through this fine stock of Christmas goods. You can save money on any single thing you buy at Best's. You should see the display whether or not you buy. By all means read the suggestions offered in this paper, and if they appeal, drop in and see them.

SIR ROBERT PERKS.

Denounces Free Church Council and its Claims.

London, Dec. 22.—During the next few days there will be little or nothing doing in the political world. The leisure of the holidays will be devoted to letter-writing and some leading lights are already on the warpath with the pen.

Sir Robert Perks, in a letter, denounces the Free Church council and its claims to speak for Protestants and dissenters in the United Kingdom. He points out that the Wesleyan Methodists are standing aloof and distrustful.

Mr. Hawkins, secretary of the Eighty Club, expressed every confidence that the liberals would be returned to power, but with a decreased majority. He predicts a majority of one hundred.

Leather And Fur Shoes.

All sizes, 50c. up, at Campbell Bros.

Bibby's shirts, a beauty, \$1.

Mrs. Alva Willing Astor, whose recent divorce from Col. John Jacob Astor created a sensation, and only in the United States, but in England, may become the wife of Lord Curzon, of Kedleston.

Buy boxed cigars and cased pipes at Best's.

Bibby's shirts, a beauty, \$1.

Montreal property owners voted in favor of a municipal electric light plant. The French wards gave the best support to the proposal.

See Bibby's dressy \$1 shirts.

Buy collar and cuff boxes at Best's.

It is estimated that two million dollars will be spent in railway fares by westerners coming east to spend Christmas.

Buy shaving and smoking sets at Best's.

See Bibby's dressy \$1 shirts.

The beer of Bajus brewery are the purest in the market. Order direct from the brewery.

Cranberries, celery, Carnovsky's.

See Bibby's new \$1 shirts.

Twenty-seven modistes were indicted at New York, on charges of smuggling.

See Bibby's nobby \$1 shirts.

Buy fountain pens, \$1 up, at Best's.

HEAVY CHRISTMAS MAILS.

But the Post Office Staff is Equal to the Task.

The post office staff is now up to the eyes in Christmas mail, which Postmaster Stewart says is fully twenty per cent. greater than last year, when a record was established. There is no glut, however. Everything moves smoothly and quickly owing to the good system in vogue, although the staff for Christmas week is increased by only three, who do both sorting and carrying. To-morrow and Friday, of course, will be the avalanche days, when the mail will come pouring in. The office sends out a large amount of mail. On Tuesday 100 bags full left the post office.

The ancient custom of sending to the custom house foreign packages that came through the mails is still in vogue here—a survival of half a century ago. The larger post offices have customs officers on the premises. The Kingston office, however, is too cramped at Christmas time, and has not the room to permit of examining packages. Next year, when the new wing to the building is added, the postmaster will have a room for a customs officer. Then the foreign packages will be opened as soon as they come in, and there will not be the present delay of a day in delivery. At present the packages are sent to the customs house for examination. There slips are made out and returned to the post office for delivery, calling on people to go to the customs house for the packages.

STORE WAS ROBBED.

Gained Entrance to L. W. Murphy's Grocery.

Early on Tuesday evening a thief secured an entrance to the grocery store of L. W. Murphy, corner King and Princess street, and made off with \$1.25 in coppers, which had been left in the till, and a couple of pieces of tobacco.

The theft occurred shortly after nine o'clock. Mr. Murphy was in the store till about that time, and before 9:30 a report was received by the police that the place had been entered.

It is believed that the thief secured an entrance to the store by breaking open the door leading into the hallway next to the store.

Archbishop Gauthier Home.

Archbishop Gauthier returned home from Ottawa and Smith's Falls, in St. Joseph's church at Ottawa his Grace presided at the ceremony of raising to the priesthood A. D. Rheume, of Cornwall. Rev. Father Halligan, of Kingston, was master of ceremonies.

A Big Order.

The biggest Christmas order was placed at Best's for seventeen fancy packages of Boston Quality chocolates. Where quality is wanted, Foss chocolates fill the bill. Pick yours out at Best's now for Christmas morning delivery.

Probably Murdered.

Tiflis, Dec. 22.—Captain Meikoff, commanding the ordnance department in the Caucasus, was found dead on the bank of the river Kour, with his head almost severed from his body. The crime is attributed to terrorists.

To Rear Fine Buildings.

Hamilton, N.Y., Dec. 22.—Expenditure of \$150,000 has been authorized by the trustees of Colgate university to erect a commons and a new dormitory in place of the old east college building and to renovate the old west college building.

Russian Pony Coats.

Long lengths. See our wonderful values at \$55 and \$60. Campbell Bros., the store that saves you money on fine furs.

See Bibby's special \$1 shirts.

In ordering your Christmas beer, do not forget Bajus' brewery. It beats all tonics. Delivered to any part of the city direct from the brewery.

Bibby's now sell travelling bags. The cabinet has decided to let the law take its course in the case of Stopoff, sentenced to be hanged in Toronto.

Buy Boston chocolates for Christmas at Best's.

The general conference of the Methodist church will meet in Victoria, B.C., in August next.

See Bibby's \$1 kid gloves.

The production of Nova Scotia has fallen off nearly a million tons, owing to the strike.

Cooked ham, 30c.—cooked tongue, 20c. J. Crawford.

Buy Kodak's and Brownie cameras at Best's.

Henry Zibbly was hanged at Fort Saskatchewan, for wife murder.

Smoked ciscoes, large size, two pounds for 25c., at Carnovsky's.

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IT PAYS TO TRADE AT BIBBY'S.



Neckwear Carnival

The crowds of Ladies that through our store at this season go to show that they know where to find the choicest "loggers" for a Man's Christmas.

Xmas Neckwear

When any one says "Christmas Day is to be as well with pride. We've the finest line of Neckwear that ever graced a Clothing Store, or Toggery Shop."

Handsome styles, exclusive patterns, best makers best, all the popular shapes, from Silks that are the finest production of Foreign and Domestic Looms.

The Greatest Display of Neckwear, at 50c. ever shown in Kingston. SPECIAL, a neat Fancy Box with your Tie, Free.

Men's Gloves

We sell the best Men's Gloves the world produces. Best's and Fowne's English Gloves are some of the excellent Gloves that can be found in our store. Try Our Great \$1.00 Gloves.

Try Our Dent's Street Gloves, at \$1.00.

Try Our Dent's Mocha Gloves, lined, at \$1.50.

Try Our Rowie's Furred Gloves, \$2.00.

Try Our Dept's Silk and Wool lined Gloves, at \$2.00.

Try Our Dent's Dogskin Gloves, lined with fine Wool, \$1.50.

Try Our Knitted Gloves, 50c.

Try Our Mocha Gloves, lined Monarch Brand, \$1.00.

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Try Our Monarch Buckskin Driving Mitts, at \$2.50.



Our New Shirts Are Ready.

Men of personality avoid the commonplace in Shirts. They incline towards toggery, with an element of character. Our success in Men's Shirts has not been by chance. The exclusive patterns in high-class finish and general excellence of our Shirts is the reason they are so popular.

See Our Great \$1.00 line, choice patterns, in neat stripes and figured exclusive lines.

HATS.

See Our Harrington and Christy English Derbies, at \$2.00.

CAPS.

50c., 75c., \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50.

See Our Golf shapes with knitted bands, 50c. and 75c.

See Our Corduroy Driving Caps, \$1.00.

See Our Navy and Black Beaver Fur-lined Caps, \$1.00.

SWEATER COATS.

See Our Ribbed Wool Sweater Coat in Plain Grey, Royal, Blue and Whites, at \$3.00.

See Our English Sweater Coats, with fancy trimmings, at \$3.75, a beauty.

Other lines, 85c. to \$5.00.

THE H. D. BIBBY CO., KINGSTON'S ONE-PRICE CLOTHING HOUSE.

Hockey Sticks, 10c-50c. Star Skaters Skate, SLEIGHTS, 25c-75c.

Starr Skates

Veiox, Regal, Scotia, Ladies Beaver and Acme are some of the well known brands.

Prices 50c. to \$5.00. OPEN EVENINGS

Bob Skates, 50c. Pair. Marshall's, Successor to A. Strachan. Child's Skates, 10c-15c.

1910 SUMMER SHOES FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS

This year we made arrangements with the Manufacturers to ship our spring goods in time for the Xmas trade. They have just arrived. They are elegant. Every lady would like a pair for Xmas.

LADIES TIE OXFORDS—\$4 and \$3.50, in Patents, Tans, Gun Metal.

LADIES' 2 BUTTON PATENT OXFORDS—Pump effect—pretty heels, \$3.50.

LADIES' STREET PUMPS—with strap—all 1910 styles—Tans, Patents, Gun Metal, \$4 and \$3.50.

Also many styles of Pretty Evening Shoes, in strap, and pump effects, low heels, high heels and French heels; \$3.50, \$3 and \$2.50.

ABERNETHY'S