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SUPERSTITION ON SENSATIONALISM.

"Has the curse of Dr. Crippen at last worked its evil end upon Capt. Kendall?" Alongside of the serious news and tragic details of May 29th, in the Montreal Star, we find an article with this absurd question.

The "abolish-the-bar" demand, chief in the programme of Mr. Rowell, is finding a hearty response from the electors all over the province.

TROUBLE IN TORONTO.

Mr. McNaught, ex-M.P.P. of Toronto, owes his rejection by his party to two considerations—his haughtiness and his independence.

Mr. J. J. Foy realized what it was to be a non-resident. Mr. Gooderham, his running mate, may pull him in, but it will be at the end of a hard fight.

More talk to this effect, and a repudiation of the gerrymandering tactics of the chiefs, is evidence that one party has returned long enough in Toronto, that they would appreciate the mercies they receive, and be more thankful for them, by defect.

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LAURENCE IRVING.

In a great disaster such as happened the other day to the Empress of Ireland, while Kingston remains free from the loss which has come upon so many of our towns and cities, we must remember that every separate loss is a tragedy and has its own pathetic associations.

under such sad circumstances, brings the matter near home to them. Laurence Irving is probably one of the best known figures among those who went down in the sudden shock.

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THE REFORMS IN DEMAND.

There is one feature of the discussion in the commons, on the report of the Penitentiary Commission, of which the Whig approves. It is the enlightened and exalted manner in which parliament is disposed to dispose of certain prison problems.

The conditions in the Kingston penitentiary have been described, oft and many a time, and the average conscience has protested against them. While the recent enquiry was in progress there was the appearance of shock over some of the statements which were made, but they were soon forgotten, and it has remained for the commission to revise them.

The speech of Mr. Nickle was a word picture of prisons as he knew them. It was a graphic delineation of conditions whose existence is a scandal to Canada.

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The weakness of the Whitney government is said to be its desire to take things easy. All the reforms for which it is disposed to take credit were forced upon it. This is not surely to its credit.

The Ontario government borrowed five millions of dollars for the development of Northern Ontario, and spent about half of it for other purposes. But a little irregularity of that kind is nothing for the Whitney government.

the language is that of Mr. Hanna. And because that is the general belief the manifesto has failed to stir or influence the people.

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Mr. Rowell is more anxious that principle shall succeed than party. Hence, in Welland, he advises the liberals not to nominate a candidate when by that nomination the temperance cause may be injured.

PUBLIC OPINION

A Read Hero. Hamilton Herald. Laurence Irving was a mimic hero on the stage hundreds of times. When the test came on the deck of the sinking Empress of Ireland, he proved to be a real hero.

You Don't Say.

Toronto Mail. "There will be no open bars under Rowell," says the Globe. "Nor," it might have added, "will there be any closed bars under Rowell."

Appeals to Young Men.

Toronto Globe. N. W. Rowell makes an appeal to the young men of Ontario with high political ideals. They should respond by voting and working for a young Canadian leader who believes that politics and politicians are what the people make them.

Kingston Events 25 YEARS AGO.

Howe Island stone is being used for building purposes in Gananoque. The mayor thinks money could be well invested in advertising Kingston as a place for tourists.

BIRTHDAYS AND NOTE

FRIDAY, JUNE FIFTH. The Hon. J. D. Hazen, K.C., Minister of Marine and Fisheries, was born at Oroonoto, Simsbury County, New Brunswick, fifty-four years ago today.

Also born to-day: Lord Mountstephen, born Dufftown, Banffshire, Scotland, 1829.

Hon. W. C. Sutherland, Saskatoon, born Embro, Ont., 1865.

Judge Calder, Ashcroft, B.C., born Inverness, N.S., 1867.

Always hope for better conditions, but also work for them.

A FORMER KINGSTONIAN. E. R. Doward, Honored by St. Stephen's Church, Toronto.

At the choir boys' annual concert of St. Stephen's Anglican church, Toronto, Mr. Edgar Redgrave Doward, F.V.C.M., London, Eng., organist of the church, was the happy recipient of a purse of gold and a trip for himself and Mrs. Doward to Worcester, England, these being the gifts of the vestry, in recognition of his valuable services as organist and choirmaster, and the completion of his fifty-first year as organist.

Harry Lovelock, the retiring warden, who made the presentation in a felicitous address, said in part: "We believe we have the best Anglican choir in Toronto, and the best organist. The choir's reputation is all due to the splendid efforts of Dr. Doward. We enjoy the hope you may be long spared to us in your present capacity and with all our hearts wish you 'bon voyage' and a safe return."

Dr. Doward was born at Worcester, Eng., in 1850, and at the age of seven years joined a boys' choir. He was articled to Dr. Bone, organist of Worcester cathedral, for seven years, at fifteen years of age.

His first charge, in 1867, was Whitlington Anglican church, near Worcester, followed by St. John's, where he remained six years. He came to Canada in 1870 and in 1872 was appointed to St. George's cathedral, Kingston, where he remained two years. Other charges were: St. Peter's Anglican, Cobourg, two years; St. James' cathedral, Toronto, six years; Church of Ascension, Toronto, eight years; Broadway Tabernacle, Toronto, ten years; St. Stephen's, Toronto, twelve years, up to 1913.

Dr. Doward is a Fellow of the Victoria College of Music, London, England, and a member of board of examination; Fellow of Society of Science, Art and Literature, England; formerly taught organ in Toronto College of Music, and was director of music at Miss Nixon's School for Young Ladies, Miss Dupont's Ladies' School, Loretto Abbey, Loretto Convent, Niagara Falls, and other institutions. His present choir consists of thirty-six boys, twenty-seven men, twenty ladies, and every member has the greatest respect for their leader, both as a man and as a musician.

The following tribute was also paid to Dr. Doward in the church warden's Easter report: "To Dr. Doward, who has just completed his fifty-first year as a church organist, we desire to offer our congratulations upon his having served so faithfully in the service of praise, and to express the hope that he may be spared to us for many years to maintain and conduct such an efficient choir as he now has, and which we are sure is so much appreciated by the congregation."

In the rector's annual address to the Easter Vestry, appears the following kindly reference: "These brief references to our work would not be complete without mention of the choir. We are blessed in having a capable and reverent organist, and a choir of which any church might well be proud. The boys are orderly and their singing of excellent quality, and they are ably assisted by the auxiliary ladies choir. The men are devoted to their work, and some of them regularly coming long distances to every service. It is proposed to give practical expression to our appreciation for our church music. I hope the proposal will be well supported."

Dr. Doward is well known in Kingston, where he has spent his summer vacation for the past thirty-five years. He is a brother-in-law of James H. Metcalfe, ex-M.P.P.

THE MEMORIAL SERVICE

Or Salvation Army in Macdonald Park Sunday Afternoon. The following programme has been arranged by Mrs. Smith, wife of Ensign Smith, officer in charge of the local Salvation Army corps, for the service in memory of the lives lost on the ill-fated S.S. Empress of Ireland, to be held in Macdonald Park on Sunday afternoon, commencing at three o'clock:

Opening song, "O God Our Help in Ages Past"; prayer, Rev. G. L. Campbell, chairman's remarks; introduction of speakers by Mrs. Smith; two elegies from the city, sung by the children, "Shall We Gather at the River"; address by T. F. Harrison, representing the citizens of Kingston, in the absence of W. F. Nickle, M.P.; selection by Salvation Army band, "Dead March in F Major"; address by Dr. A. E. Ross, M.P.P.; selection by Salvation Army male choir, "Sleep, Beloved, Take Thy Rest"; address by Mrs. (Ensign) Smith, on behalf of the Salvation Army; hymn, "God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again." Mayor Shaw will be chairman.

After the service, the children of the Sunday school of the local corps will throw green wreaths into the harbor in memory of those who went down with the ill-fated vessel.

In case of rain, the service will be held in the citadel on Princess street.

Algonquin Park For Summer.

Now that the accommodation at Algonquin Park is of such a nature as appeals to the summer tourist and angler, there is not a more delightful spot to spend the summer months. The Highland Inn, at Ceche Bay, Algonquin Park Station, offers good accommodation at reasonable rates, and the two log-cabin camps, one nine miles north of the Highland Inn, on Island Lake, and the other seven miles south of the Inn on Smoke Lake, give splendid accommodation far from the madding crowd, and where the fish bite. Write to G. W. Haworth, resident manager, Highland Inn, Algonquin Park Station, Ont., for all information and handsome descriptive publication.

Went on Indian List.

Two citizens voluntarily put themselves on the prohibited list. Thursday, Clerk W. Wright was around this morning giving the various hotels the customary notice.

Advertisement for Bibbys shirts. Features: New Collars 2 for 25c, Bibbys, Saturday and Monday, GREAT SHIRT SALE 69c, Regular \$1.00 and \$1.25 Shirts for 69c. Includes an illustration of a man in a shirt.

Advertisement for Fresh Garden Seeds. F. J. JOHNSON, THE LEADING FLORIST, 224 King St. Greenhouses, 235.

Advertisement for Ladies' Button & Laced Boots. In Dongola Kid, Regular \$3 for \$2.49. H. JENNINGS, King Street.

Advertisement for For Sale. A very desirable property for a blacksmith. Farm and city properties for sale.

Advertisement for T. J. LOCKHART, (Over Bank of Montreal) Clarence St. Kingston.

Advertisement for CRAWFORD'S COAL. THERE'S HEAT IN EVERY LUMP.

N. W. Rowell opened his campaign in Toronto Thursday night, confident of final success. Large crowds attend his first Toronto meeting.