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A CANDID OPINION.

No gratitude can be expected by governments. Dr. Johnson explains gratitude as "a lively sense of favors to come." Premier should have that apocryphal definition framed and hung up in their private offices.

The St. Catharines conservatives are wild because the liberals have tendered their support to the labour candidate in the local election.

MR. ROWELL'S ADDRESS.

The leader of the opposition, following the example of many illustrious men, including Sir James Whitney, has issued an address to the electors of Ontario.

Public opinion in England is becoming intense against the suffragettes, and especially the destructive element which is unsafe at large.

A CONFLICTING AUTHORITY.

Hon. Adam Beck has been the idol of his party. He is the representative of power in Ontario.

against the order of the Hydro-Electric Commission that the Toronto commission reduce the local rates of light and power.

The Toronto commissioners, embarrassed by the failure of the light system on a couple of occasions, ordered just a steam plant be provided.

The situation is significant when the organ of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association challenges the right of the minister to dictate to the Toronto commission.

The Rochester Chamber of Commerce members, three hundred in number, will stop at Kingston on Sunday, June 21st, and worship in our churches.

THE DEMAND FOR OIL.

Battleships may not be the great feature of future naval conflicts, as predicted by Sir Percy Scott.

The latest announcement in the London Chronicle, from government publications, is of the "deal" which has been made by Sir Edmund Slade with the Persian government.

The company came into existence in April, 1909, in order to acquire a concession granted by the Shah of Persia, giving the exclusive privilege to search for and develop petroleum, natural gas, etc., throughout the Persian empire.

"Oil does not deteriorate by keeping as does coal," explains the London Chronicle, "and by proper fore-
right supplies can be accumulated. This is evidently what the admiralty are preparing to do.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

The women will have something to say in the local election. They have been denied the franchise by the Whitney government.

The federal government does not see the necessity of appointing a royal commission to consider and report upon labour conditions in Canada.

the ministers of education and agriculture are no good, and that the record of the provincial secretary needs fumigating.

The machine men of the conservative party are furious because Dr. Spankie will run as an independent candidate in Frontenac.

The Mail is all off with its theology. It says "the wise preacher will think long before he decides to mix political matters with his greater message."

More trouble for Whitney. The minister of agriculture, Hon. "Jimmy" Duff, is being opposed by Rev. John Coburn, conservative and Orangeman, who has the liberal party's support.

Here's a pretty go! C. J. Dougherty, conservative candidate in the Riverdale division of Toronto, handed to the liberal nominating committee a statement to the effect that he would, if elected, support Rowell's platform for the abolition of the bar, for tax reform and woman's suffrage.

The Brockville Times scores the Globe because, in order to meet the ideals of some men, it refuses to print the advertisements of liquor men and liquor vendors.

PUBLIC OPINION

Women With Them. Hamilton Times. Mr. Rowell favors votes for women. He should get their influence and support.

Not a Gamble. Prince Arthur Chronicle. A gerrymander and a snap election are tricks but the government will find they are not trumps.

Not in the Ring. London Advertiser. Dr. Reaume says he is still in the ring. Yes, that is usually where they are for some time after being knocked out.

River Picnic Suggested. Montreal Daily Mail. The most popular proposal yet is to put the "militants" all on a steamer and push it out into the current—just above Niagara Falls.

Not That Yet. Windsor Record. Bernard Shaw informs an inquisitive world that "a perpetual holiday is a good working definition of hell." We thought it was worse than that.

Key to Literature. New York Mail. When a writer has a good idea he writes a short story.

Surprise in Store. Toronto Star. Some of us who thought and made estimates upon the old lines were astonished by the overwhelming degree of reciprocity in Ontario in 1911.

Soldiers of "A" battery held a picnic at Kingston Mills to-day. Daniel Gallagher, Kingston township, brought in the first lot of new potatoes grown in open ground.

Edmonton's New Police Chief. Edmonton, Alta., June 10.—George Hill, formerly chief of police at Kilmarnock, Scotland, and at one time lieutenant in charge of the department of Edinburgh, Scotland, having 700 constables and 100 plain clothes men under him, received brief instructions when he assumed office as chief of police of Edmonton.

A Belfast telegram announces that Lord Pirrie's steam yacht was overhauled for contraband. Lord Pirrie was one of the first peers created by the present government.

A riot is feared at Westminster, today, when the suffragettes attempt to see Premier Asquith.

A snake should have a snake's instincts. It will not be credited with possessing other attributes any way.

EMINENTLY RECKLESS

BURNING UP A MILLION ON GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

Blundering Extravagance of Whitney Forces on the Castle in Rosedale, Costing \$2,000,000, and Overlooking a Smoking Brickyard.

One of the most reckless, unwarranted and extravagant expenditures is that made by the Whitney government on the new government house, and not a member of the government defended the expenditure when it was brought up in the house by the liberals.

This is done in the face of the Whitney followers' attack, when in opposition, on the then government for a moderate expenditure on the government house.

The building is a palatial one which will require an enormous sum yearly to support. The cost of the grounds was \$147,054; to lay them out cost \$109,173.4, and the building up to February, 1914, had cost \$352,782.31.

The cost of the garage is \$10,000, or the price of a good farm, and some of the rooms in the house are the most elaborate that could be imagined. There is a big billiard room and a ballroom, which are fitted out at an enormous expenditure of the people's money.

On this point a comparison with the practice of the states of the union in supplying "executive mansions" is worthy of note.

Table with 3 columns: State, Population, Governor's Residence. Includes Alabama, California, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Kansas, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nevada, New York, N. Carolina, Pennsylvania, S. Carolina, Tennessee, Washington, W. Virginia.

Out of forty-eight inquiries addressed to the treasurers of as many states it is found, out of forty replies received, that eighteen states do not supply executive mansions, although four make a small allowance in this respect.

This is the thirty-seventh birthday of Robert E. Finn, L.L.B., one of the members of the Nova Scotia Legislature for the city of Halifax.

Also born to-day: C. R. W. Gordonsmith, Montreal, born 1870.

THE LARGEST IN YEARS. Peach Crop Indications Promise a Small Harvest.

Beausville, Ont., June 10.—While the Niagara peach crop is likely to be very short this year, the growers say the cherry yield will be the largest in years.

John Dube, Bolton Glen, Que., shot his wife and then turned the revolver on himself.

Woman suffrage is to be enacted in Denmark, and all property qualifications for electors of members of the Upper House abolished.

Advertisement for Bibbys Radium Hosiery. Features 'The New Shoe' and 'Our Grey Suits at \$15.00'. Includes an image of a shoe and a man in work clothes.

Advertisement for Fresh Garden Seeds by F. J. Johnson, The Leading Florist.

Advertisement for Ladies' Button & Laced Boots by H. Jennings, King Street.

Advertisement for Fire and Life Insurance Money to Loan by T. J. Lockhart.

Advertisement for Crawford's Coal with the slogan 'THERE'S HEAT IN EVERY LUMP'.

Advertisement for Birthdays Note, Wednesday, June 10th.

Advertisement for Kingdon Event 25 Years Ago, detailing a picnic at Kingston Mills.

Advertisement for the Largest in Years, discussing the peach crop and cherry yield.

Advertisement for a man who shot his wife and himself, John Dube.