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POLITICAL RASCALITY.

The revelations in New Brunswick and following a probing into the pub lic accounts, are shocking. Something was expected from the charges, mad with such assurance and on evidence of a reliable character. But no man not even the calloused political sinner. expected to hear of the cold-blooded methods which some public men and public officials have employed in their greed for graft.

The commission is evidently a good The presiding judge has refused to stop the enquiry in any direction, and as it proceeds one can see why counsel, earlier in the case, sought to limit the exposures. As one reads the stuffed accounts, and the payment them, by presumably responsible persons, after the scandal had been exploited he recalls the flimsy defence of a newspaper friend. This sort of thing, this bare-faced robbery, has machinery is already been customary, and under all govern-

Does that make it right? Is the thing, rotten, criminal, contemptible, excusable under any circumstances? Let us hope that rascality under any government hereafter will fail to find a defender in the press.

In England the Asquith govern ment is either badly managed in details, or its supporters are indifferent with regard to its fate. It has had its defections on financial questions. If there is not more cohesion and for bearance and friendliness among the liberals there will be a political crisis some of these days.

ADDING TO THE SCANDAL.

which public men and public officials may be judged? One asks this for special reasons. A license inspector in North Essex was reported to be canvassing the license holders of his district for stock in a business concern in which he was linancially inter-

The inference is that he was making it very unpleasant or unprofitable for any one that refused his demands Called to Toronto, during the last session, to answer the questions of the loval opposition, he conferred with the chief inspector, and resigned. It was, therefore, improper or useless to pu him on the rack.

The election over this man is restor ed to his old job, and the provincial secretary, who is not afraid of public opinion, for the time being, reports that the reappointment was asked for by reputable persons, including some ministers, and that the people in their voting had condoned his offence. what way? Was the alleged black mailing of a license inspector the issue in North Essex? It does not appear to have been so, and Mr. Hanna surely triffing with public opinion.

The official did not resign without a cause. If it existed during the las session it exists still, and nothing that Mr. Hanna has said or will say, can make it right or proper for a license inspector to misuse his position or fluence in advancing his personal ends.

Is the Hydro-Electric Commission not acting in a somewhat arbitrary way? The cities having contracts with it have their grievances. The commission is not all-powerful and at the same time infallible. It had bet ter have a care.

GET WHAT THEY WANT.

Ottawa and Montreal, taking their que from Toronto, decided some years | Hull, made a show of himself They are composed—or are supposed suggest. These men, when far-seeing, you know." Only a woman progressive, painstaking, efficient, are be satisfied with this experience,

expected to deal with the great is Whig sues of municipal government and such a way that the councils can not hesitate about adopting their recommendations. The Boards of Control at both Ottawa and Montreal, at the outset, were successful, because their members were forceful men and resisted all trumpery opposition. But in later years the people have been, as careful in selecting their controllers. Result-opposition from the councils, persistent and relentless, and not without some reason. situation can be easily summed Municipal government of any kind just what the people make it. If they are content with the services of poor men, in the majority, poor in quality, in character, in mental poise, in morals, and in judgment, they will get what they deserve. In Ottawa and in Montreal controllers are paid salaries. Practically the people get what they bargain for.

The Hindus are going back to India, to lament over the way they were treated in Canada. They think they are as good as the Japanese, that by blood they have greater claims on the English, and they are going to It is well he is used to it

ROWELL NOT A WOBBLER.

The Ottawa Free Press is putting itself on record on the bar question. Ottawa elected two liberals but not on the temperance question. and it is possible that the liberal vote was pretty well split up in the election. The president of the liberal association resigned as he was a liquor merchant and could not consistently champion the Rowell policy. The Free Press may think the liberals have sacrificed enough for the cause, and so it remarks :

"For our own part, we do not think it is the mission of either the liberal or the conservative party to conduct an extended campaign in favor of prohibition. Such a campaign can be conducted without charges of hypocrisy only by these church and other organizations that are unanimous in condemning the whole of the liquor traffic as a curse. It is too much to expect this unanimity in political party. When the temper ance organizations are able to command the support of sixty-six per cent. of the municipal electorate, the whereby their desires can be carried out and liquor licenses abolished."

The Free Press knows that the quor question cannot be separated from politics, and that it cannot be called a church question. It is never discussed in a non-partizan way. Even in municipal affairs it has its political relationships, and this every one knows who is familiar with passing

anything by seeking a compromise on this issue. It wrecked the Ross government because it was afraid of the liquor party. It will not wreck the party under Rowell because he values principle above politics, and if th liberals want a falterer, a wobbler, a spineless leader, it will have to scare

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The fire department of Montreal now in the limelight, Grafting charged and to the extend of thousands of dollars. And this breaks out at a time when a Chicago dele gation is in Montreal studying vice in all its bearings.

In Calgary, since the oil excitement first broke out, two hundred and fift companies have been organized with capital of \$125,000,000. Only \$2. 000,000 has been called on, and the prayer of the subscribers is that the exploiters will be satisfied with this

The churches are being analyzed in order that the cause of failure in the late election may be ascertained. One preacher has it that the lack of church is three-fold, "unbelief, prayer lessness, and the lack of self-denial. How many of the political churchmen will plead guilty?

The Australian senate has passed resolution in favor of Irish home rule, and a Melbourne professor thinks it had little to do. The man is right. Canada used to indulge in this kind of clap-trap, but all parties seem to have tired of it long ago. The Irish can manage their own affairs ...

During the election Sir James Whit ney had not the time to look Gamey's attempt to sell gold to the, fishermen. Has he had time since? He will surely not the man from Manitoulin meet "the frank explanation for which the News calls.

Margaret Anglin's husband, being a poor actor and a sweetheart are two different things.

Kingston Events 25 YEARS AGO.

To-day the sailing yacht Hebe, with J. B. Carruthers and party on board, started on a trip over the

T. Wade rescued M. Corrigan, from drowning, when he was dump ed out of a small sail boat on his way to Gananoque.

The death of a pet cat caused big row among women living on Victoria street. The cat it is alleged was shot by a neighbor. Constable 'Nick" Timmerman was summoned and had to threaten to arrest the disturbers in order to restore peace. The police say that if all the people who violated the laws of the city were brought before the court, there

The Old Psalms.

would be weeping and wailing.

(By Josephine Hamilton.) There's lots of music in the Psalms the Psalms of long ago, And when the minister reads out some one I used to know want to join with all the rest who swell the note of praise, All lands to God in joyful sounds aloft your voices raise,"

There's lots of music in the Psalms, those dear, sweet Psalms of

about it. More trouble for John With visions bright of lands of light and shining streets of gold; I hear them ringing, singing still, in memory soft and clear. 'Such pity as a father hath unto his children dear

> seem to sing for evermore of better, sweeter days, \ When the lilies of the love of God bloomed white in all the ways still I hear the solemn strains in the quaint old meeting flow 'O greatly blessed the people are the joyful sound that know.

No singing books we needed then for very well we knew tunes and words we loved so well the dear old Psalm book through

To "Coleshill" at the Sacrament we fellow gets hardly a bit of exercise sang, as tears would fall of salvation take the cup, on God's name will I call."

And so I love the dear old Psalms and when my time shall come, lorders. Before the light has left my eyes, and my singing lips are dumb Upon the wings of Sacred Song I'll; gladly soar away, parts my longing soul, O God,

that come to thee I may. Sending Photographs by Telegraph. The enterprising newspaper of the future will not be handicapped for want of photographs sent by slowmoving mails in illustrating its news A war correspondent in telegraphing an account of some important engagement will be able at the same time to telegraph a, photograph of the battle, so that reader, in New York, for instance, can have a pen picture of an engagement in Mexico and see a portrait of the actual engagement a few hours after it has taken place. The current number of the Electrical World describes how photographs are reproduced electrically over telepraph wires The photographs are made by a sort of telautographic process. The portrait to be sent is mounted on a revolving cylinder like a phonopraph The liberal party has not gained cylinder and a conducting stylus traces the current transmitted from the stylus to the telegraph lines var ies from moment to moment with the photographic layer thickness. At the receiving end an electrical instrument is used to control an intense beam of light incident on the photographically sensitive surace of a similar cylinder revolving in exact- said. "Take no quarter from the eninstrument carries a minute opaque shutter so that the intensity of the from moment to moment with the strength of the current received over the telegraph line. The pro-

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cess is applied rapidly and with strik-

Atchison Globe Judge Johnson became a candidate for dog-catcher because his friends said he could be elected without any effort at all, and at least 2,000 men stripe. promised to vote for him. On election lay Judge got thirty-four votes, and is now in jail for misrepresenting in his report of campaign expenses. From his cell Judge sent this mesage to the reporters to-day. 'Don' let any man get it into his head that there is a loud call for his services and that the people can be trusted Any man who believes he is popular and can win a political office hands lown is an ass or a perverse fool, as it were. As to my personal condition. the my wife, refuses to get me out iail, and for the first time in life I don't blame her. She it was teld me I couldn't be elected to anything, and I replied by saying that women know nothing of affairs poli tics. She alone was honest with me, my friends lied to me, and I now regard them as slimy fish worms in the

Throwing the Charkri. In front of the mausoleum of holy Saint-Mohamed Ghous-a fair eat, an' the other is that he has to give is held annually on the outskirts of Gwallor town, about the middle of the rainy season. The most noticeable feature of the fair is the chakrithrow. A charkri is a piece of iron something like a spindle, over which a long piece of string or thread is rolled. The player throws high into the air the iron chakri (literally a roll), holding one end of the string in his hand, and gives it a swing and jerk in such a clever manner that the chakri, on coming down, rolls up the thread again on itself, and is caught in the hands of the thrower. Mush."-Harvard Lampoon. The art has been dexteriously practiced by a class of people for ages past, and some members are so renowned that they cut a good figure at the scene. It is most interesting conversation in a railway carriage. to watch the thrower fling the chakri up high, catch it in his hands on re- changes I was once a doctor with a but and again till the rope becomes as the slip my patients began to leave good high as 70 feet above ground. There me, and now I'm just living from is absolutely no spring or lever at- hand to mouth." tachment in the chakri. Nabbo is the champion thrower .- From the July

It's an ill rongue that tells no good The man behind the bass drum works

We must sow good deeds to-day ap happiness to-morrow

Many a young widow declines to marry again-because she isn't asked.

The Fishermanlautious at morn, he lies about the

His rod and line a-swish; oldly, at eve, astride a tavern stool, He lies about his fish. -Ed. Mott in the New York Sun



Mrs. G.-My husband walks

A Tell-Tale Sentry.

The new recruit was on sentry-go Up came the officer and demanded his "Orders!" said the lad from th

ountry. "Give up my orders?" "Yes, certainly. What are you here for?" demanded the officer sharply, "Oh, I'm here to walk up and down, stand at attention, wink at the girls, look after Sergt. Murphy's bit of garden and see that nobody steals his spades; to see you ain't about when

But that was as far as he got --

Marked Down.

"Why do you suppose Alice marrie that .poverty-stricken count?" 'Got him at a discount, I guess.

Would Want More.

She-What would you do if some He-I suppose I'd begin to realize

low little a hundred thousand really

Heard on the Train.

"They say celery is a splendid thing

to market.

Not Refusing Quarters.

Bix-Wasn't it Admiral Porter who

Proof Of It.

She-Men aren't any brainier tha He-Well, doesn't that show

A Fortune Hunter.

"So Jack's going to marry that loud

'It isn't her stripe, it's her father's

The Other Side of It.

"You don't seem enthusiastic abou 'No," said the theatrical manager. he more depressed the box office seems

Two Regrets. "I s'pose John is still takin' life

"Yes," answered the woman who was carrying a bundle of clothes. John has only got two regrets in life One is that he has to wake up and up eatin' to sleep."-Pearson's Weekly

How It Was. "Did you have a fine auto trip?"

Made in Cambridge.

Because he goeth from bush t

Paid for His Whistle.

Joe Coyne tells a story about "Ah, sir," he said sadly: "I've seen

"What was the slip?" I asked. in a death certificate for a patient cause of death."-Tif-Bits.

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who had died, I absent-mindedly "Well, sir," he replied, "in filling signed my name in the space headed

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