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THE MORNING GUARDIAN

MONDAY, AUGUST 29, 1899.

INGERSOLL AND FAITH.

The communication under the above caption in another column signed "Index" is from a worthy minister of one of the leading Protestant bodies. That is our excuse for publishing it.

"Index" objects to our quoting from Mark 16:16 a passage which he says truly is not found in the earlier manuscripts of the sacred text. This fact is familiar to those who are in possession of the Revised Version. "Index" tells that "Ingersoll did not believe in additions and perversions of the sacred text," and asks, "Was he not right?" Our correspondent's argument is altogether beside the question, Ingersoll did not believe in the sacred text at all; did not believe that any portion of the Bible was of divine authority; did not believe in God; did not believe in Christ. And he taught his unbelief to others. In all this his attitude was directly opposed to the plain teaching of the Bible.

Ingersoll was an apostle of unbelief as Paul was an apostle of faith. No one disputes that Ingersoll possessed a great gift of oratory and that his name may, for that reason chiefly, be quoted when his critics are forgotten, as Index says will be the case. But we fail to see why any believer in the Christian faith should admire and extol the unbelief of the most notorious unbeliever of our time.

Ingersoll did what he could to destroy the Christian religion; to destroy the belief in God and the Bible. Such greatness as he achieved was along this line. He gave to the world nothing new, or valuable, or uplifting. Even in his unbelief he was but a copyist of greater men that had preceded him in the same line. And his life work like theirs, was a failure. In his time Bibles and churches multiplied and the beneficent influences of the Christian faith continued to expand and spread throughout the world. Wherein then was the "greatness" of Ingersoll? We cannot endorse the estimate of "Index" that he was one of the few great men America has produced. Americans have achieved greatness in statesmanship, in philanthropy, in discovery and invention, in literature and along other lines. In none of these lines was Ingersoll pre-eminent or even eminent. His fame such as it is must rest upon the oratory and the energy with which he assailed the most sacred beliefs of men and championed the vulgar unbelief common to all the ages.

We have at present no Attorney General for this Province. The Executive is therefore for the time being without a legal adviser. In some other Provinces, in Quebec and New Brunswick, for instance, where the office of Solicitor General is maintained, a vacancy in the Attorney Generalship for a few weeks or months need not cause any disturbance in governmental affairs. And even here the services of any Queen's Counsel may be commanded at any time by the Government. The Supreme Court will not

meet until October, and in the meantime the salary of the Attorney General is being saved. At present only two members of the ministry, Hon. Messrs. McMillan and McLean, are drawing departmental salaries.

Referring to the Provincial Ministry we think it desirable that the Premier should be the head of a department and draw a salary. The responsibility of the leadership is considerable and no Provincial Premier can very well afford to give the time and the labor which his position exacts of him without a salary. In Nova Scotia Premier Murray is Provincial Secretary. In Quebec Premier Marchand, is Provincial Treasurer. In Ontario Premier Hardy is Attorney General. In Manitoba Premier Greenwar is Minister of Agriculture and Railways. And in British Columbia Premier Semlin is Minister of Public Works and Agriculture. It will be seen that the Premier of P. E. Island is in an altogether exceptional position, being without a department or salary. Mr. Farquharson probably does more departmental work and carries a greater responsibility than any of his colleagues, but does this without salary.

THE GUARDIAN has had occasion to dissent very strongly from the policy of the Provincial Government in its liquor legislation, and therefore we are not specially concerned to see any one of its members promoted, but we think it would be in the public interest to have an entire reconstruction of the Ministry, and that advantage ought to be taken of the existing vacancy in the Attorney Generalship to bring this about. Anything short of a thorough reconstruction will be a mere patching up. The fate of the Government is a matter for the people and the Legislature to decide. In the meantime we believe the efficiency and public utility of the Administration might be increased by a general reconstruction, in which the Premier for the time, whoever he may be, shall be at the head of a department.

OWING to the heavy travel over the Plant line the through double service to Charlottetown, will continue later than originally intended. Steamship La Grande Duchesse will sail from Boston every Saturday, going through to Charlottetown up to and including Sept. 23, and the Halifax every Tuesday up to and including Sept. 19. Commencing Sept. 30 the Halifax will resume Saturday sailings and run through to Charlottetown until close of navigation, about Dec. 1, after which time she will run weekly between Boston and Halifax. Until Sept. 26 the steamers will run as at present from Charlottetown every Tuesday and Friday, and from Halifax every Wednesday and Saturday.—Halifax Chronicle.

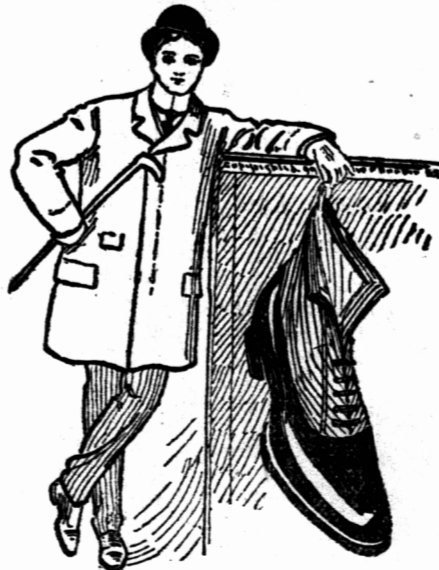
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THE P. E. I. Railway have consented to issue return tickets at one first class fare from all stations east on forenoon trains on Thursday, next, the 31st inst. Parties attending the Liberal convention or East Queens should make a note of this. 29 21

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