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CITY AND COUNTRY ARRAYED AGAINST EACH OTHER.

The reciprocity agreement has brought about a new line-up of people in regard to that measure, both in Canada and the United States. In both countries, the cities and the rural districts are arrayed the one against the other, but with this difference. In Canada the farmers are largely in favor of reciprocity while the cities are against it. In the States it is the cities that are most favorable to the agreement and the country districts that are the most hostile.

THE INTERREGNUM.

When a King or an Emperor dies another King or Emperor succeeds at the moment. Hence the proverbial paradox—"The King is dead. Long live the King!" In Republics a Vice-President becomes President as instantly and automatically when a President dies. But in our little State of Prince Edward Island a strange and unexplained interregnum has occurred. It seems a long time since the fact was proclaimed from Ottawa that Hon. F. L. Hazard, Premier in the Government here, was appointed a Justice of the Supreme Court. It was announced locally, a little later that Mr. Palmer, K. C., had been selected to succeed him by the Liberal caucus.

But a Liberal caucus cannot of itself make or unmake a Premier. It requires the official approval of the Crown, by its representative, the Lieutenant Governor, to give sanction to the choice before a new Premier can replace another. And as neither the Crown nor the Lieutenant Governor has any use for more than one Premier at a time, it has always been customary that a new Premier cannot receive official recognition until his predecessor in that high office has either resigned the position or departed this life. All are pleased to know that Premier Hazard, or Judge Hazard, whichever he may be at this moment, is in excellent health and spirits, and all will cherish the hope that he may long remain so.

This narrows the question to small compass and for days, and indeed for more than a week past, the plain people, and especially those who are concerned with Governmental affairs, have quite naturally been asking of each other such questions as these: Who is Premier? Has Premier Hazard resigned? Is he now Premier or Judge? If he has resigned, when was it done? If he has not resigned, why not? Is Mr. Palmer Premier? Is he, or who is Attorney General? and so on. Then there have been other questions as to when salaries begin or end. Does a Judge's salary begin from the date when the Governor-General sanctions his appointment, or when his appointment is gazetted, or when he receives official notification of his appointment, or when his commission is placed in his hands, or not until he takes the oath of office?

Still other questions have been: Does the Attorney General remain officially in that office and entitled to the salary, until he is commissioned and sworn as Judge? It is pretty generally understood and believed that there is no hiatus between the one salary and the other, and need not be. But all these questions and more have grown up over the rather unusual interregnum. There has been no intimation or suggestion of any wrong-doing. The high character of the outgoing and incoming Premiers quite exclude any question or suspicion of that sort. But there exists the awful possibility that after being almost a Judge and losing the race by a nose-length, the Premier expectant may be again deprived of a prize which for ten days past has been apparently within reach of his hand. This long-drawn and painful suspense is about the worst feature of the interregnum. So far as we can observe, no public interest has suffered. Only the curiosity of the public has remained unsatisfied. But the feeling is general that the suspense should be promptly ended.

AS TO REFORMING THE SENATE.

There has been for years past, both before and after the famous plank of Senate reform was placed in the Liberal platform of 1893, a good deal of discussion throughout the country as to needed reform in the Upper House of the Canadian Parliament. The Senate in 1893 had a large Conservative majority which fact no doubt stimulated the desire in the Liberal ranks to have the Senate improved. Since then so many of the old men in that House have died, and the vacancies have been so inevitably filled with Liberal party men, that party majority has become overwhelmingly great. Today in the Senate the party majority is equal to half the entire membership of 87. In other words, the Conservative and Liberal forces in the Senate to balance each other would require the removal of 44 Liberal members, or the addition of 44 Conservatives. All that has been done by the Liberal Government to reform the Senate has been to increase the indemnity of its members, first from \$1,000 to \$1,500 and later from \$1,500 to \$2,500 each, an increase of 250 per cent. This ought, perhaps, to have given us a higher grade of Senators than has been, but it may be doubtful whether such has been the result. The Canadian Senate has not been in recent years charged with much, if any, serious wrongdoing. The charge is that it does not pay for the cost of its maintenance. The charge has not always been true, for on a few occasions the Senate has shown that it had a mind of its own and saved the country some money by rejecting

legislation passed by the House of Commons, or securing its amendment. Such incidents, however, have been almost entirely confined to such times as those in which the party majority in the Senate was on the opposite side from the majority in the Commons.

The Canadian Century in discussing Senate Reform has this, among other things, to say: "Senators should, if possible, be men a little taller and a little stronger than any party organization. Where it can be accomplished they should be known Independents with known views on all prominent issues. We do not want to put unpledged and irresponsible tyrants over us; but we would like men who can disregard the crack of the party whip." Our system in Canada was intended to produce this very result; but selfishness of partisan aspirants for snug berths has spoiled this plan. When the Conservatives were in power they appointed only Conservatives to the Senate until it became merely a machine for saying ditto to any proposal of the Conservative majority in the House of Commons. When the Liberals came into power they adopted exactly the same practice, and as most of the Senators appointed by Conservative Governments had become very old, death soon laid a heavy hand on the Conservative majority, and for a number of years the Senate has been so preponderantly Liberal that it is considered merely an echo of the Government majority in the House of Commons.

So it falls out that with loud professions of a determination to reform the Senate the Liberal party in fifteen years of power has simply perpetuated all the evils which they complained against their predecessors in office, and the country is paying two-and-a-half times as much for the two-Chamber Government as it paid before and yet gets practically one-Chamber Government. There is and has been no doubt a good deal of humbug in the professions of both political parties, but at this date it would seem the party in power is quite in the lead in that regard. The Conservative leaders may yet perhaps contrive some new devices to make the game more equal.

THAT FUNERAL

MRS. MCKINNON'S FUNERAL—STATEMENT OF REV. MAURICE McDONALD.

To the Editor of The Guardian: Dear Sir:—In Saturday's Guardian, the Rev. T. F. Fullerton states, that when I was at the house of the late Mrs. McKinnon, As I am the priest who attended Mrs. McKinnon in her last illness, I wish to state that I neither saw nor met the Rev. Mr. Fullerton on that date. Furthermore, I wish to state, that when I visited Mrs. McKinnon on Sunday, April 23rd, at one o'clock

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STATEMENT OF UNDERTAKER HENNESSEY.

To the Editor of The Guardian: Dear Sir:—In your issue of Saturday, the Rev. Mr. Fullerton makes some statements with regard to the time and manner of removing the remains of the late Mrs. McKinnon from the house to the church. Being the funeral director in question, I wish to state the facts of the case. (1) On the arrival of the second hearse at the house, I asked the son of the deceased, where did he desire his mother to be buried? and he answered, "Take her remains to the Cathedral and to the Catholic Cemetery, for that was her dying wish." I then closed the casket, and removed her remains to the hearse and left the house for the church at 8.46 according to my timepiece. (2) The ordinary arrangements that I make in the case of funerals to the Cathedral, is to leave the house about 8.45, and in this case, I gave no notice to the press, but followed the ordinary arrangements. (3) I did nothing unusual in removing the remains, nor did I observe anything unusual at the church. ANDREW A. HENNESSEY, Funeral Director for M. Hennessey.

REV. MR. FULLERTON IN REPLY.

(As The Guardian earnestly desires that all controversy on this painful subject shall cease, so far as this journal is concerned, the foregoing letters were read to Rev. Mr. Fullerton over the telephone in order that his answer, if he desired to make one, might appear concurrently with the statements made by Rev. Maurice McDonald and the funeral director, Rev. Mr. Fullerton in reply stated that he had no desire to reply further than to state that his published statement is true and accurate in every particular.—Editor Guardian.)

A CLEAN CITY.

Dear Mr. Editor:—Now that the planting season is at hand it would be well for our citizens to take a pride in doing their share to help beautify our town. We have one of the finest laid-out cities in the Dominion. A little grass seed sown in front of your residence or in the back yard, a generous application of white-wash on your fences or on that old warehouse will all help to make our town present a tidy, clean appearance. Those wooden curbs that are in such a bad condition should be attended to at once by our street committee. Let us not leave all the repairing until the tourist season is on. Everybody get busy. The other towns on the mainland are having a general cleaning-up, why not Charlottetown? Thanking you, Mr. Editor, for your valuable space, I remain, A CITIZEN.

IN MEMORIAM.

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L. H. D. FOSTER.

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