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THOSE ABANDONED ELECTION PROTESTS.

After the late Dominion election more than one fourth of the members elect throughout Canada were petitioned against, in somewhat equal proportion on both sides. The sitting members were in these petitions charged with all the illegal practices that are possible in elections—bribery, intimidation, corrupt treating, personally and by agents. Recently some sixty of these petitions have been abandoned—"sawed off" as the saying is—one against another.

Very probably in the sweeping charges made there were many that could not be proved, that were, in fact trumped up in preparation for the saw-off that has been effected. The saw-off is the one weak link in the chain, which destroys its value. The controverted election law is just and wise in most of its provisions, and its penalties against unlawful practices, and its definitions of what constitute offences are correct enough, but the one defect is that by agreement between two or more members of opposed parties, who have been corruptly elected the object of the law is defeated.

This condition of things is deplorable, inasmuch as not only are flagrant law-breakers enabled thereby to obtain seats in Parliament and make our laws, but it operates as a direct incentive to the continuance and extension of the corrupt practices complained of. Where the petitioner must in the first place put up at thousands of dollars in his petition the way is made hard, and where but one or fifty petitions come to trial who need fear the election court? Obviously the inducement is for the candidate to secure the election at all hazards and by any means, whether lawful or unlawful.

As it works out, the most wholesale bribery may have been practised but if the members of Parliament will by continued and corrupting or they may have been floated in an agency in elections will practically a sea of whiskey, but the facts will have free course.

AMENDMENTS TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION.

The constitution of the United States as first adopted was subject to frequent amendments in the earlier days of the Republic. No fewer than ten amendments were adopted down to 1791 and the eleventh in 1798. Another, regulating the election of the President and Vice-President, was adopted in 1804. Then for sixty-one years there was no further change.

Following the Civil War three important amendments were passed, the 13th declaring the abolition of slavery, the 14th, called the reconstruction amendment, and the 15th declaring negro citizenship in the words: "The right of the citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by any State on account of race, color, or previous condition of servitude."

The opening meeting of the District of Queen's was held at Irishtown on Monday evening. It was largely attended and the half dozen speakers representing the two parties got a good hearing. The Patriot says, "the people of this poll will remain steadfast to the Liberal party, which has done so much for the advancement of the Province." The Examiner says the voting "told heavily against the Government and its candidate."

It is given out from Ottawa that, owing to the serious illness of Madame Brodeur, Hon. L. P. Brodeur may not be able to leave on the 25th to attend the Imperial Defence Conference along with Sir Frederick Borden. We think it would have been well if Sir Wilfrid had followed the example of Australia and invited a member of the Opposition to attend the Conference with the Ministers above named, in order to show the unanimity of the Canadian people on the subject of defence. R. L. Borden has already sailed for England, but he has gone without any official invitation.

never be brought to light and these criminals in high places are whitewashed and accredited as spotless by the convenient process of the saw-off. Smith, Liberal and Brown, Conservative, are both charged with illegal practices. Each knows himself and the other guilty. They proceed to do what two thieves or embezzlers though less guilty cannot do. They agree to swap off their crimes against each other, and presto, the petitions are both withdrawn and they hold their ill-gotten seats for five years.

It is a crying national disgrace that such things can be done, have been done and are being done in Canada by wholesale, election after election. It is not by accident, but by design of the majority that this loophole was left in the federal law, which renders it wholly inoperative. It was not by accident, but by design of the majority in the Provincial Legislature that a clause was added to an otherwise mainly good election law, under which it becomes necessary to prove that a member's entire majority was corruptly obtained in order to unseat him.

Here there is an equal incentive to the briber to bribe extensively and make his majority large. If it is reasonably large he is safe, no matter how his majority was obtained. Our legislators have not been honest with the people in enacting the laws for preventing and punishing corrupt practices. These laws as they stand and as they are administered actually provide an incentive to corruption while preventing hazards and by any means, whether lawful or unlawful. If the people are content to suppose bribery may have been practised but if the members of Parliament will by continued and corrupting or they may have been floated in an agency in elections will practically a sea of whiskey, but the facts will have free course.

A LITTLE STORY.

"We always wondered a little how Amos Dore and his wife got along really," Aunt Em Macomber said frankly. "Some in the neighborhood said they'd never overheard a single loud or cross word on either side. Aunt Liza Daniels always stuck to it that Amos was as mis'able at home as a man could be."

"He never spoke right out till Amos died, and Mrs. Dore went back up country to her folks. Then he let out."

"What?" queried Aunt Em's visitor.

"Well, Amos worked logging alongside of Lizi every winter, and summers they hayed together most all ways, and it seems," said Aunt Em impressively, "that Amos complained of his shoes hurting him about all the time. Finally Lizi asked why he wore tight shoes."

"Why don't you get a pair big enough?" says Lizi one day.

"Well, I'll tell you," Amos says; "When I wear tight shoes I forget all my other troubles."

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"G. H. Taylor is sending another shipment of old silverware to be repaired. All those who would like plating or bronzing done should take advantage of this chance. 6-2242t.

"Nothing quite so important to complete Milady's wardrobe as the glossy lace waist, to slip on for dinner, party, and opera wear. We have just received another lot of Ebru and Cream Waists, lined with transparent silk. Prices from \$3.50 up to \$7.50.—Frowse Bros Ltd. 6-2242t.

Not Dead Yet. The Long Glove. The Lady that will wear short sleeved waists will want them. We have provided for her. We have a full stock of cotton, kid and silk. Have a look at our stock of short gloves in lisle, silk and kids. JAS. PATON & CO

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Cottage and Land For Sale. In Charlottetown on Sydney St., between Great George and Prince Sts. Owners left the Island. A bargain many be expected, Inquire of JOHN NEWSON, City 6-16d2w.

Political Meetings. The undersigned will meet the electors of the First District of Queen's County at the following places. Long River, Irishtown Hall, Monday June 21st. French River, Tuesday, June 22nd. Clifton, Wednesday, June 23rd. Hope River, Thursday, June 24th. Granville, Friday, June 25th. Springton, Monday, June 28th. Bradalbane, Tuesday, June 29th. Fredericton, Wednesday, June 30th. Emyvale, Thursday, July 1st. Kelly's Cross, Friday, July 2nd. Bonshaw, Saturday, July 3rd. Crapaud, Monday, July 5th. All meetings at 7.30 p. m. JOHN MYERS, C. W. CROSBY, 6-17dr11thmwf3d&7t.

The proof of a beverage is in the drinking. This test we reveal to you in the most satisfactory way, the superiority of our crown Ginger Ale. Its fine aromatic flavor never fails to please and has made it a worthy leader of the half score or more carbonated beverages put up by us. G. H. SIMMONS Ch'town. dtf

A Generous Offer. To any Islander wishing portraits of themselves or departed friends, I will make the following offer for the spring months. Life size portraits in oil 25x30 \$50.00. Same size in pastel \$25.00. Same size in fresh and crayon \$10.00. The above quoted prices are just one half my regular rate. The crayons are strictly freehand and are not made with machine or of lamp black. Those who do not wish any portraits but know someone whom they think might want one, will learn of something of interest by writing me. A. ALEX MACLEOD, Portrait Artist, 208 W. 15 St New York 3-9drtf

Shingles Boards Plank and Deal Now in Stock. *As to arrive in a few days a full load of 7x9 foot cedar posts, which will be sold at prices to suit all. Come and save your money by dealing with us. Terms cash. Morris & Fye Stanley Bridge 6-17d1w

Notice. I beg to inform the Public that I intend carrying on the business of the late John Connolly until the stock in trade is disposed of. From now on, the buying public will do well to watch this ad for snaps in general groceries etc. Everything will be sold at cost and for cash only. Parties desirous purchasing picnic supplies should consult our prices before buying elsewhere. We have large quantities of assorted drinks, cigars, confectionery and biscuits just suited for the picnic trade. MARY T. CONNOLLY Admin. to the estate late John Connolly 6-16dmw3t

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