

THE DAILY EXAMINER.

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THEORY AND PRACTICE.

It is but a few days since the Mail and Empire published an article speculating upon the course which the new government would pursue, presuming, of course, that they would practice the doctrine they preached. Here is an extract from the article in question: "Mr. Mulock made a speech in Parliament on June 24 of last year, in which he declared that we have too many cabinet ministers, and that their salaries were too high. His view was that as in the United States there are but seven members of the cabinet, there should be no more at Ottawa. Mr. Mulock dealt with the question of salaries. He admitted that \$7,000 a year might have been necessary twenty years ago, but he added, '\$4,000 should be considered an ample allowance now; \$4,000 would procure to-day more of the necessities of life, or the ordinary supplies required by a member of the cabinet, than \$7,000 twenty years ago.' "I believe the Ministers of the Crown can well afford to submit to a reduction so as to meet the demands of the people of this country for a general reduction all round.' The Liberal policy, then, is seven ministers at \$4,000 each, instead of one at \$8,000, ten at \$7,000 and three at \$5,000."

THE GOVERNMENT'S TRADE POLICY.

The New York Tribune, a paper which gave Mr. Laurier the most enthusiastic support during the recent election, is out with a declaration that it is not the intention of the new Government to make any important changes in the tariff. The Tribune says: "The one great issue of the campaign after the Manitoba schools, was tariff reform. The Liberals pledged themselves, if not to actual and immediate Free Trade, to the nearest possible approach thereto. Mr. Laurier has, however, promptly decided to shelve that whole question indefinitely, by submitting it to a commission, to be appointed in the course of the month. This disposition of it will cause no surprise to the readers of the Tribune, who have already been informed of the two great influences at work to compel his Liberalism to take such a course. One of these influences is the banks of Canada, which have told Mr. Laurier plainly that the tariff must not be disturbed under penalty not only of loss of their support, but also of such serious embarrassment as they could, by open hostility, cause the government. The other is the Frenchmen of Quebec, upon whom the new government is absolutely dependent for its majority, and who are protectionists to the core, of the most uncompromising kind. What can a free trade minister do when he has a protectionist majority at his back? "The fact is the issue of provincial rights was that which the Liberal party, it, and it alone, brought the French Catholics of Quebec, and thousands of independent voters, and even Conservatives, all over the Dominion, to Mr. Laurier's support. So intent were the people on that that they paid little heed to other issues. Now they see that while they have saved and vindicated provincial rights, they have put protection in jeopardy. Accordingly, they are rallying with might and main, in support of the latter cause, and are actually organizing to prevent their own government from executing its own programme. That they will be successful is not susceptible of serious doubt. They are already successful. Mr. Laurier's Government will not bring in free trade or anything like it."

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

At Winnipeg Premier Greenway's name is freely mentioned in connection with the interior portfolio, which is vacant in the new cabinet. "It was rumored about Ottawa on Tuesday that Hon. Mr. Laurier had sent a commission to Mr. Greenway requesting him to come to the capital. If this report be true, two motives may have led to this course of action, one being to secure Mr. Greenway's advice respecting a Manitoba representative on the federal cabinet, and the other to talk over the school question. "The Mail and Empire concludes a review of the political history of each member of Mr. Laurier's cabinet as follows: "Mr. Laurier has drawn his cabinet assistance from the very worst elements in his party—the dangerous element in Quebec, the extravagant element in the other provinces, the free traders, the commercial unionists and secessionists. He seems to have formed a cabinet of all the evils."

NEWS NOTES.

The recent elections in Belgium give the Liberals a majority of 58 votes. There were 214 fresh cases of cholera in Egypt on Monday, and 334 deaths from that disease. The steamer Hope, with the Psylla ex-terminator on board, sailed from London, C. B., to-day. The government of Costa Rica is issuing decrees withdrawing the present system of currency and establishing a gold standard. It is reported from New York that Corneilus Vanderbilt, sr., has been stricken by paralysis and that all of his family has been summoned to his bedside. There are 202 miles of street railway in Detroit, and the city has just secured a three cent fare, the first municipality in the United States to secure this low rate. On Tuesday morning the army moved from North Leominster, Mass. Millions of grass went into a three acre field of heavy grass on Lewis Phelps' farm, and a few hours everything was devoured. The Liberals of Halifax County have called a convention to be held to-day to nominate a successor to W. S. Fielding in the local legislature. It is generally understood that M. E. Keefe will be selected. Liverpool has a city ordinance forbidding the use of the streets by vehicles displaying advertisements. A man who undertook to show an advertisement on a bicycle was fined recently under this law. Washington advises that J. P. Turner, Secretary of the National Committee of the People's Party, has issued a manifesto advising all populists to ratify the nomination of Bryan at the populist convention in St. Louis, July 22nd. Dr. David Jacobson, a New York City physician, was divorced from Nora Jacobson, at Perry, Oklahoma, on the ground of abandonment. The complainant claimed, among other things, that his wife loved people dogs better than herself. One California man has sued another for \$300 for saying that he didn't know how to play whist. The number of persons who could make out a case of slander on such a charge is very small indeed as compared with the large number of persons who think they can play whist. During a thunder storm at St. Andrew's, N. B., on the 11th inst., a house was struck by lightning, which entered the roof close by the chimney, down which it fell into a bedroom, tearing away the wooden sheathing and severely shocking a young woman, who in falling out her head on a trunk. According to a late Washington despatch the marine hospital bureau is receiving full reports of the progress of the yellow fever, cholera and smallpox epidemics progressing in various parts of the world. While these show a heavy mortality for the hot months, the ravages are not such as to cause fear so far as this country's concerned. A fine portrait by Romney was sold in London last month for the remarkable price of 10,500 guineas. The subject is a group of the sisters Caroline, Viscountess Clifden and Lady Elizabeth Spencer, typifying "Music" and "Painting." One lady is playing the harp and the other is making a crayon sketch. The buyer was Charles Wertheimer. The Westminster Gazette publishes a despatch from Athens saying that Russia is prompting France to occupy Crete and hold the island during the Greek Cretan tenure of Cyprus and Egypt. The Greek Government has become alarmed at this, and is endeavoring to induce the Cretans to accept the terms of the Porte. British fleet has been so strengthened in Cretan waters as to almost blockade the island. The Flying Bluenose, carrying passengers for St. John, Yarmouth and other points, met with an accident at Wolfville on Tuesday afternoon. The Bluenose was ahead of time at Wolfville, and into the station and crashed into an engine of a freight train which was being shunted. Both engines were badly damaged and several drivers injured. None of the passengers were injured, although they were badly shaken. Rev. Peter MacDonald, D. D., of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Boston, died at his residence in that city on Monday from heart failure, caused by over-exertion on Sunday, when he preached three times to his congregation and in the evening inhaled rather freely of cold liquor. He was a native of Cape Breton, and was about 55 years old. Dr. MacDonald was to have sailed for his native place on Tuesday on a prolonged visit. News of the utmost gravity has reached Balwynay from Mungwa and Tai districts. It is to the effect that a rebel impi has taken up position on the Tai road, about 25 miles south of Balwynay. Faka, one of the most noted of the native chiefs, has joined the rebels with reinforcements, and ordered the construction of forts on the Tai road. The Makalagas are already in great force in the northwestern part of the Tai district. Fighting is expected to take place immediately. The danger of permitting lapdogs to kick and caress those who fondle them has been again brought to the attention of dog lovers by the sudden death of a young girl in Moscow. A pretty little pet dog, named in the same way as the victim, was made much of during the journey, the thoughtless girl kissing and playing with the dog until its mistress reached her destination. The next day it bit the girl in the same way, and in twenty hours, after a painful suffering, she died, the physicians claiming, from a malignant disease contracted from the lapdog's kisses. This is worse and quicker than dynamite or nihilism.

WHAT FREE SILVER MEANS.

Probably every newspaper in Canada has been asked by its readers to explain the silver question, and to point out what would be the result of free coinage. It is easy enough to explain the meaning of free coinage at the ratio of sixteen to one, but not so easy to forecast the results of such a policy. On the last point opinions differ. If the platform of the Chicago convention were adopted by the nation, every man who had silver in any form could take it to the mint and get it coined into money. The government would take this silver, whether it were in the bar or in silver spoons, and would give the owner all the coined money that it would make. It would be provided that the silver dollars and smaller coins would have the same value in gold that they have now. That is to say, any man could get a wheelbarrow load of silver spoons coined into gold dollars such as are now in circulation, and five of these would be worth one five dollar gold piece of the present weight. This means that sixteen ounces of silver coined into dollars would be worth one ounce of gold. And as coinage would be free and unlimited, sixteen ounces of silver in any form would be worth an ounce of gold. So far all is plain sailing. At the present prices it takes about 30 ounces of silver to buy an ounce of gold. Silver is sold every day in the open market for less than seventy cents per ounce. Gold is worth twenty dollars per ounce. Of course if the silver miner could do as he pleases with the silver, and get it coined into the kind of silver dollars that are current he would never sell it for seventy cents per ounce. There is silver enough in an ounce to make a dollar piece and a twenty five cent piece, and he would have these two coins made. But at present the government buys the silver at the current price and makes the profit out of the coinage. At present also the government coinage is limited in quantity. And if it happened that silver spoons are sold for less than their weight in silver dollars. But now we come to conjecture and opinion. Under the proposed system all the silver in the United States and silver would be the real standard. Silver would be mined and smelted with as little labor as now. It would be procured from abroad in exchange for the same commodities as now. It would seem that a man who now exchanges a bushel of wheat for an ounce of silver would still do so. The difference would be that whereas he now considers that the wheat or the silver is worth seventy cents, he would then claim that either was worth one dollar and forty cents. He would have cheap money or dear produce, but so far as the barter was concerned he would come out about the same as before. But if he owed money borrowed under the old system he would gain. He would pay with an ounce of silver or a bushel of wheat for two ounces, or two bushels bought years ago. The mortgage of a thousand dollars would become a mortgage of five hundred dollars. The debtor's gain would be the creditor's loss. This explains why the financial centres, the banks and the creditor states are opposed to free silver, while the mortgaged communities are all in its favor. We would also expect to see the pensioner, the savings bank depositor and all persons who have fixed incomes opposing the degradation of money.

EXAMINATION OF CAVENTISH SCHOOL.

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Dear and Respected Teacher,—Having heard of your intention of leaving us, we as scholars cannot permit this opportunity to pass without expressing to you how deeply and truly we regret to hear of your departure, and how grateful we are to you for all that you have done for us. Since we would wish you to believe that we have not forgotten you, we have written you many letters, and you have become our teacher, you have striven earnestly and faithfully to do your duty by us. You have left us a teacher and a friend in every true sense of the word, and that you have a firm and lasting place in our affection and memory. Our best and most earnest wishes for your success and happiness go with you to your new sphere of action. May your work there be crowned with as assured and deserved success as it has been here. We shall always be pleased indeed to hear of your advancement and well doing. We, whom you leave behind, will not soon forget your teaching, and we will not soon forget the lessons, far beyond those of book and pen, which we have learned from you. Your name will ever be that of a dear and honored friend, and we will follow your future career with all the interest of grateful and affectionate pupils. And now, dear teacher, we must say farewell, a hard word to say; and never was said from scholars to a teacher with all our feelings of regret and sorrow than 'is said by us to-night. For three happy and prosperous years we have known and loved you, and now, when the hour of parting has come, we realize more keenly than ever how much we are losing in your departure. Farewell, dear teacher! With ever you go and in whatever circumstances you may be placed, the assurance may be yours that we will be more than glad to see you again, and we will continue to pray for your welfare and success than we your pupils of Cavendish School, will be. We bid you good speed, and once more say that saddest word in our language—farewell. Signed on behalf of the scholars, KATHIE MCNEILL, EDITH M. SPUR, LAURA MCKENZIE, ELLIS LAIRD, ZACHARIAH DOYNE, CHARLES BROWN, FRANK MCNEILL.

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LATEST NEWS FROM OTTAWA. Hon. Mr. Patterson Will Run for Saskatchewan. The Controllers Not Members of the Cabinet—The Militia Camps.

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MONTRÉAL, July 16. Hon. Mr. Tarte is having much difficulty in getting a seat. Richard, of St. John and Ibeville, has notified him that he cannot retire, and now the eyes of the wanderer are turned to Drummond and Arthur'sville, it being proposed that Lavergne shall be appointed to a judgeship.

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LONDON, July 15. The Pacific cable conference has been postponed till October, primarily because Mr. Chamberlain thinks the attitude of the Liberal Government towards the Imperial projects should be fully known before further progress is made.

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