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IMPORTANT PROPOSITIONS.

That the finances of this Province are in a bad way need not be stated. Everyone knows the fact and everyone is anxious that the impending loss of our Provincial independence should, if possible, be averted.

1. Adoption by the Province of a system of book-keeping similar to that of the City of Charlottetown; and the publication monthly or quarterly of a statement of receipts and expenditures, after the manner of the Dominion Government.

2. Re-organize the public service of the Province upon business principles;—(a) abolition of the spoils system, (b) retention of officials who do their work well, (c) dismissal of all incompetent officials, and all who are not absolutely needed, (d) requiring of the officials needed as many hours of service as are performed in business offices, and paying them accordingly.

3. Restrict the annual educational vote to a certain sum to be divided equitably among the various districts throughout the Province, so that the Government may know exactly what amount must be paid on account of our schools.

4. Place our public educational department under party, and make a charge for the tuition of pupils preparing for the professions or any specific calling. The education afforded at the expense of the people in common ought, in fairness, to be limited to that which is of common utility.

5. The abolition of road supervisors, whose usefulness is gone, and who are but instruments of corruption in the hands of a corrupt government and application of the greater part of the money granted for the repair of highways to the construction of permanent works, such as stone or iron bridges, macadamized roads in the vicinity of the chief towns and shipping places;—the ordinary repair of the country roads to be done by means of statute labor or commutation money contributed and expended under the supervision of an officer of each school district.

6. Equalization of taxation, now scandalously unfair, so that each person shall be required to pay taxes, in the same proportion, according to his ability.

7. Rigid and true economy in the public service; instead of increasing debt and increasing taxation at the same time, as under the Peters administration, a gradual reduction in the public debt and interest charge; and the meeting of each year's expenditure by each year's revenue.

8. Reduction of the Legislature to fifteen members. Our Legislature is now in proportion to population, larger than that of Ontario or Quebec.

9. Adoption of means to prohibit, by fines and penalties, the giver and the taker of a bribe to vote or to abstain from voting, and to enable men of ability other than those who have lots of money to be candidates in elections and available for the services of the people in the Government and Legislature.

10. Rejection of the pernicious system of using public money for the corruption of the electorate. It is to be noted that even now our roads are being almost totally neglected by the Government, in order, doubtless, that there shall be an excuse for jobs on the roads during the general election of next year.

11. Adoption of a system under which public money shall not be used, except in cases of absolute necessity, without a definite vote of the Legislature.

12. Sale of Government Stock Farm and application of the amount realized and to reduction of the Provincial debt.

13. Equalization of the electoral franchise upon a fair basis, and the re-franchisement of those taxpayers from whom the franchise right has been wantonly torn.

14. Re-adjustment of the wretchedly divided districts upon a fair and reasonable basis. These propositions are respectfully laid down for the consideration of the public. We shall not be bound to take the affirmative in respect to any of them. But we hope that each of them will be fully discussed, and we heartily invite expression of opinion to that end.

SENATORS AT THE PROROGATION. The Patriot's attempt to make a point against the Senators because it was difficult to obtain a quorum on prorogation is a point of contempt in view of the fact that the business of Parliament had been concluded on Saturday. Members of the House of Commons as well as of the Senate naturally wanted to return to their homes at the first opportunity. Under these circumstances the Leaders had to arrange for a sufficient number to be present at the formal ceremony of Monday. Mr. Laurier obtained a bare quorum of the Commons and Sir Oliver Mowat was equally successful as to the Senators. Sir Oliver's methods of securing the desired result were public. Mr. Laurier's were private. There was no desire on the part of the Conservative majority in the Senate to shirk any duty, though as each Senator wanted to go home the question was, who was to stay to make up the quorum. That was all about it. The Senators are to be blamed for not remaining in full force for the prorogation, so also are the members of the House of Commons, for the newspapers report that "there was barely a quorum of members present."

NEWS NOTES.

Immense deposits of asbestos have been discovered in the Ferris range of mountains, in Carbon county, Wyoming.

In South Africa the High Commissioner the Governor of Natal and the Agent General at Pretoria are all Irishmen.

Great Britain has a long lead in the export of bicycles. In the month of July last alone over \$5,000,000 worth of wheels was sent abroad from that busy country.

Serious damage by prairie fires is reported in the vicinity of Green Bay, Northport, Regina, Battleford, Calgary and Indian Head. In many instances farmers have lost all their crops.

Over 1,000 ships of all kinds and sizes pass up and down the English channel every 24 hours, and there are scarcely ever less than 200 near Land's End leaving or bearing up for the channel.

Returns so far in from the Florida election indicated that the Democrats will have sixty out of eighty representatives. Returns from thirty-two counties in Georgia show a net Democratic gain of 3,683.

The St. James Gazette publishes a despatch from Paris saying that the performance at the opera house a few nights ago terminated abruptly in the middle of the ballet, owing to the illness of the czar, which, it is said, was occasioned by the bad cooking at the Elysee palace.

According to a special telegram from London to the New York Evening Sun it is learned upon unquestioned authority that Russia has undertaken to interfere actively in Turkish affairs unless the Porte carries out fully the long delayed Armenian reforms. England and France agree to give moral support.

Consent has been given by the Chinese Government for the building of a branch of the Siberian railway across Northern Manchuria, with a pre-emption clause giving China the right of purchasing this branch after thirty years. Permission to construct a branch through Southern Manchuria was refused. Sheng Tael, the Director of Railways, will probably obtain the concession for the Hankow-Peking line.

Memors respecting a speedy report on the Venezuela question excites little attention in England. Public attention there is preoccupied with the Eastern question and new combinations in the European State system. It is taken for granted that President Cleveland will settle the Venezuela question before he retires from office, and especially as Lord Salisbury is bent upon meeting him more than half way, in response to English opinion.

A very clear account of the battle of Dongia and the subsequent occupation of the town by the British is published in the London "Times." For some reason the cable accounts which reached Canada were very meagre and confused. The "Times" despatches make it clear that the battle was a very hard one, and that the British were the victors, and especially as Lord Salisbury is bent upon meeting him more than half way, in response to English opinion.

Some statistics of more than ordinary interest to criminologists were presented at the anthropological congress held recently at Geneva, Switzerland, the subject dealt with being the relation of crime to the trades and professions. For example, in a group of 10,000 farmers it was shown that 9.84 per cent. were criminals; in tradesmen, 1.32 per cent.; in manufacturers, 1.32 per cent.; while in the professions the rate was as high as 2.30 per cent. This last, a seeming paradox, amounts to this: the greater number of criminals are found among those who toil with their hands rather than with their brains. The 2.30 per cent. of criminals in the professions is thus distributed: In a group of 10,000 clerical men, 0.71 per cent. are criminals; teachers, 1.55; physicians, 1.55; chemists and apothecaries, 3.79; Government employes, 7.15; and diplomats, lawyers, notaries, et al., 28.13. The scientific axiom that "the occasion makes the rogue" would seem from these figures to be indisputable.

BEGINNING EPIDEMIC. The Earthquakes Which are Frequent and Severe in Japan.

In the island of Japan, of late, earthquakes seem to have become epidemic. The London Standard, again and again for several years past has this country been shaken, and sometimes the destruction has been very severe. A complete list of these irritations would form a melancholy catalogue of the devastation which has been caused in different parts of the country, and very often in the neighborhood of Tokio. The frequency of the shocks is surprising; in one year, 1885, they amounted to 482, and in the following year they were only 10 less. The loss of life has been on a terrible scale, and the destruction of property enormous. During some of the most severe disturbances bridges were destroyed, railways were seriously damaged, their rails being bent and twisted down and sometimes sideways; landslides were caused, houses, gardens and fields were ruined, and in some cases even the breadth of valleys was said to have been altered. The earthquake recently announced occurred in the north-east provinces of the country on the evening of the 31st August. No details have as yet arrived, but it is said that the town of Rokugo was entirely destroyed, and several others severely shaken, many lives being lost. The cause of these terrible scourges is not easily determined. Explosions of gas and steam at some considerable depth in the crust of the earth have been suggested, and, as Japan is a volcanic country, this explanation might be applied to it, as well as to the disturbance in Iceland, of which Mount Hecla is stated to have been the centre. But we must fall back on something else for the neighborhood of the English Channel. Volcanic action, however, may be connected with movements of the crust of the earth. Japan is also a land of mountain ranges, in which the rocks are often greatly bent and crushed. In the process of folding they are strained and must ultimately break. On rupture, great masses of rock may be violently displaced, and the shock thus caused transmitted to long distances. Such an explanation would equally apply to the terrible tremors which have been felt in the region, and the more violent shocks of a region of mountain-making.

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THE MARKETS.

Cheese.—Toronto advices report cheese firmer, with only a moderate local demand. Choice makes are sold at 10c. to 10 1/2c. per pound. A Brockville despatch says, "The cheese salesmen of this section have the bull by the horns. The deadlock that has existed between the salesmen and the buyers for the past five weeks has at last been broken. After the usual delay of Thursday afternoon the buyers exhibited a desire to come to terms with the men from the country. Their offer for the latter part of August, September and October was taken advantage of by a large number of salesmen. Those who held back got 10 1/2c., a few 10c., and as high as 10 3/4c. was paid for one factory. Some are still waiting for a further rise, and it is thought that the factories contract 10c. will be paid. The Co-operative Farmer remarks: "We sincerely hope for the good of the whole trade and the country that sellers will not hold too exalted ideas, for the minute the normal consumption begins to be checked by withholding sales and retail figures, prices inevitably go back and past experience tells us to ruinously low rates. We hope that no factories will hold for anything higher than the 10c. rate on his fall cheese. Summer holdings would be well cleared at a lower rate."

Oats.—In this Province there is no change to note. The price still rates at 20 cents per bushel. The Toronto Mail and Empire reports: "Demand good; prices vary, according to the quality of grain. Good heavy white oats, middle freight west, for export, will bring 19c., while light white oats sell as low as 18c. choice white, east, bring 20c."

Pork.—The Co-operative Farmer reports that "a very good demand exists for Canadian hams and bacon in the English market at profitable prices to shippers, account sales having been received within the last few days of sales of choice lean cured bacon at 55c. to 55 1/2c. while fat bacon has realized 50c. to 51c. Canadian hams are also getting into wide repute on the other side, and are now called for in the place of the best brands of American hams. The imports of Canadian hams into Great Britain for the month of August were 32,576 cwt. against 14,917 cwt. for the corresponding month last year, showing an increase of over 100 per cent. The latest cables show that the demand from above figures that there is a good healthy demand for Canadian and we should aim to send only that quality that will hold its own in any competition."

Receipts light and prices steady at \$4.75 to \$5 per hundred lbs. for car lots on track, and at \$4.75 to \$5.25 for medium to light weights in farmers' loads. Market for provisions is steady. Present quotations are as follows:—Barrelled pork, shoulder mutton, \$8; heavy mutton, \$11.50; short cut, \$11.50 to \$12. Dry-salted mutton—Long clear bacon, car lots, 5 1/2c; ton lots 5 1/2c; case lots 5 1/2c; lard, 7c. Smoked meats—Hams, heavy, 10c; medium, 11c; light 11c to 11 1/2c; breakfast bacon, 10c to 10 1/2c; 7c; lard, 7c to 10c; picnic ham, 7c to 7c. All lard's out of pickle 1c. less than price quoted for smoked meats. Lard—Tierce, 6 1/2c; tubs, 6 1/2c; and pails, 7c; compound 5 to 5 1/2c.

Butter.—In Montreal good butter is reported steady at 19c per lb.

Eggs.—Eggs are now selling in this market at 11 to 11 1/2c per dozen.

OUR NATIONAL MAGAZINE.

The Legend of Holland's Cove, in the Canadian Magazine for October, will attract attention in this part of the world. The story is exceedingly well told, and the teller and the scene are well known here. The legend is well illustrated and given a prominent place, and is evidently regarded as one of the most attractive features of this particularly attractive number. At times man is more brilliant in his efforts than at others; so it is with magazines. The Canadian Magazine for October is one of the most brilliant numbers ever issued in Canada. Sir Charles Tupper has a short but interesting article on "The Fast Atlantic Steamship Service." This is accompanied by a map. Goldwin Smith has a very important article written in his usually charming style, in which he replies in detail to a number of Grant's article entitled "Canada and the Empire," which appeared in the July National Review. Those interested in Canadian history will read with pleasure Martin J. Griffin's argument in which he aims to prove that Lord Durham, and not Sir Charles Buller, wrote the famous Report on which Canada's present constitutional system is based. The second instalment of Mr. Tyrrell's article on the "Sub-Arctic of Canada" is also very interesting. The instalment of "Kate Carnegie" by Ian MacLaren is the best yet, and the love-story side of this piece of writing is more prominent than usual. Jean Biewitt contributes a beautiful little story entitled "A Farmer's Daughter." Reginald Gourlay has a capital sketch of "The Canadian Girl," and Archibald Lampman has a three-page poem entitled "Chione." Besides this list there are several other contributions which are worthy of attention. The number is brightly illustrated, and its appearance is first-class in every respect.

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TELEGRAPHIC.

SPECIAL DESPATCHES TO THE EXAMINER. NORWEGIAN BARK ASHORE.

The Captain and Nine Men Drowned. Only Two Lives Saved—The Vessel Knocked to Pieces.

During an easterly gale yesterday the Norwegian bark Ariadne was driven ashore at Green Cove, seven miles from here, at 3 o'clock in the morning.

Captain Paulsen and nine of his crew were drowned. Only two saved their lives and got ashore. These were Christian Johnson, second mate, and Johannes Runnbaug, seaman.

The Ariadne struck at a place where a steep cliff rises abruptly from the sea. The ill-fated vessel went to pieces at once. Her captain and crew were drowned or dashed to death on the rocks. The body of the first mate has been recovered. Two other bodies were seen surging about in the water, but the sea was so rough and the approach so dangerous that they could not be reached. The Ariadne was bound for Bay Verte from Greenock, Scotland, in ballast.

ROSEBERRY'S RESIGNATION. Opinions of the Press.

LONDON, Oct. 9. In connection with Lord Rosebery's resignation of the Liberal leadership the St. James Gazette says: "His leadership was a more signal failure than was ever made by any man of equal opportunities and equal promise."

The Pall Mall Gazette says: "Anti-Rosebery agitation has severed the last link that connected them with sobriety and sanity."

The Dublin Independent says: "If Sir William Harcourt shall be Lord Rosebery's successor, the last condition of affairs will be worse than the first."

The Golden Wedding. OTTAWA, Oct. 9. Sir Charles Tupper and Lady Tupper yesterday celebrated their golden wedding. Hundreds of congratulatory telegrams and letters and an immense number of presents were received.

Football at Halifax. HALIFAX, Oct. 9. The Navy defeated the Wanderers in football yesterday, the score being 9 to 0.

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