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THE DAILY EXAMINER

MAY 7, 1900

THOSE ARMY COMMISSIONS.

THE GUARDIAN comes to the defence of the Dominion Government's position respecting the British Government's offer of commissions to Canadian cadets. What is that position? The British Government asked their representative in this country to select graduates from the military colleges in Canada to whom commissions in the Imperial army might be given; and the Dominion Government steps in and asks leave to revise the selections,—lest, forsooth, some Conservative should be selected! It will at once be seen that the matter is, essentially, one with which the members of the Laurier Cabinet and officers of the Canadian Militia Department have no more to do than they have with the selection of horses for the British army. The matter is essentially one between the British government and the cadets. No doubt the offer was intended as a compliment to Canada. But that fact does not justify the demand of the statesmen at Ottawa that they shall have the privilege of cancelling the selections that may be made Lord Minto. The stand taken by the Canadian Government was, without doubt, a highly improper one; and the fact that Mr. Chamberlain has suggested that Lord Minto may consult the Canadian ministers about the selections, argues too much consideration on the part of the British government and too evident a desire to "let them down easy."

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

- Great news from the front!
- The Western gold district at Los Angeles, California, shows a steady output.
- Three hundred miles to Pretoria, is a long and hard march. But the British soldiers will accomplish it.
- It seems that we shall not have decent spring weather until after the Farquharson Government has been despatched!
- There will be a total eclipse of the sun on the 28th of this month—visible across the southern extent of the United States.
- Turkey has not yet yielded to the United States demands. The situation as to the payment of the indemnity demanded by the States remains unchanged.
- Major Weeks, at the farewell banquet given at the Hotel Davies, expressed the hope that the Canadians might have a crack at Kruger himself. It now seems likely that the hope will be fulfilled.
- Rates, taxes and prices are going up all over the land! This is a fact which even The Guardian will not have the hardihood to deny. It is the usual accompaniment of increased expenditures and heavier debt.

Advance in Rates.

MONTREAL, May 5.—The Montreal grain merchants were treated to an unpleasant surprise yesterday. The Montreal Floating Elevator Company, of the port, advanced their rate for transferring grain from the river and lake barge to the Allan steamship to a half a cent per bushel, or one-quarter per cent, each to the lake and river transports and to the steamship company, who, however, recovers it from the final purchaser of the grain. The rate last year was one-quarter of a cent per bushel to each of the two parties. The difference in the charges amounts to 20 per cent, or \$100 instead of \$80 upon a barge load of grain of 50,000 bushels. Upon a season's business at this port of say fifty million bushels, the addition would amount to \$50,000 which will eventually come out of the pockets of the farmers.

FOOTBALL practice at the Park to-night at 7 o'clock.

A DRAFT SPEECH.

A DRAFT of the Lieutenant Governor's speech at the opening of the Legislature, tomorrow, has been engaging the attention of a committee of "The Executive." We are enabled, to-day, to publish the following "copy." The reader will not fail to observe that the literary finish of this "copy" is somewhat better than that of the ordinary Lieutenant Governor's speech, and that, besides evidences of an active imagination, it contains a great deal of truth frankly expressed. From these two characteristics, we argue that it is the result of a combined effort on the part of the Attorney-General and the Commissioner of Crown Lands. It is somewhat abruptly ended,—from which we conclude that there is something more to be added. Possibly the Premier will condemn the whole thing"—though we hope not. In case of such an eventuality, we withhold THE EXAMINER'S criticism. The "copy" submitted is as follows:—
Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,—

I have great pleasure in meeting you, for the first time, in your capacity of representatives of the people; and I trust that nothing will occur to mar the apparent harmony which at present prevails between the Leader and other members of my Government.

Your meeting in this the gentle season of spring, when the birds are twittering in the trees and the frogs are singing in the ponds, will, I trust, be productive of great good to the province. As the sower sows his seed at this season, so you will, I trust, conceive great thoughts which will fructify (sic) to the advantage and prosperity of the country.

Since the prorogation of last year my ministers have been engaged in several conflicts with the people,—in all of which they have come out second best.

Their majority in the Legislature, as you cannot fail to have noted, has consequently reached the vanishing point; and they have since been engaged in a grand endeavor to hold on until after the Dominion election.

An effort was made to induce Mr. F. Peters to repeat the trick of last year; but this failed.

More success attended the operations conducted with regard to Mr. Pineau. The power of the law was brought to bear upon him from one direction, and from another there came luring offers of big pay, an easy time and a visit to the Paris Exposition in company with a distinguished member of the administration at Ottawa with which my Government is in co-partnership. It has been reported that a "hitch" occurred at Ottawa and that Mr. Pineau was dropped in Boston; and it is feared that he may even yet appear to claim the seat for which he was duly elected.

The greatest triumph of my government was scored in respect to Mr. Wise whose resignation, accompanied by certain conditions, was placed in the hands of my First Minister several weeks ago. By a clever ruse, Mr. Wise was induced to change the wording of his resignation and so to nullify the conditions upon which it was submitted. My government has thus been enabled to avoid the opening of the district and yet to secure the vacancy of Mr. Wise's seat in this legislature.

So much time has been occupied in these negotiations that little attention has been given to the public requirements and none to the formation of a new policy.

My government propose to go on as they have been going; and several bills have been prepared with the object of enabling them to do so.

You will, I am sure, be glad to learn that the revenue of the Province has been considerably augmented by the operation of the tax imposed upon the liquor dealers of Charlottetown. From the financial and provincial point of view a continuance of this special tax upon citizens of Charlottetown is advisable. But certain persons persist in declaring that the tax involves the principle of "license," that drunkenness is in the increase, and that the political exigencies of my government require a renewal of the Prohibition cry, which is one to be conjured with in Dominion and Provincial elections. A measure to this end will, consequently, be submitted in the hope of again hoodwinking those who desire a higher standard of temperance and morality.

An agreement respecting the construc-

tion of a bridge over the Hillsborough River has, after a long delay, been duly signed on the part of my Government and forwarded to Ottawa for signature on the part of the Federal authorities; but I have not yet been advised that this has been done, and no action has yet been taken towards the letting of the contract.

The accounts of the year ended 31st of January last will, in the course of time, be laid before you. You will see that my Government has in the past year, notwithstanding the pre-election promises, added considerably to the debenture debt.

The estimates of the current year, one-third of which is now gone by, will be submitted in due season; but I cannot, in view of what has transpired in recent years, assure you that they will be adhered to. The expenditures of my government, will, as usual, be governed for the most part by political exigencies and expediencies.

You will, I am sure, regret, as I do, that the legal adviser of the government, the honorable the Attorney General, who continues to be a member of the Cabinet, is not in a position to take a seat upon the floor of the Legislature. In this unfortunate conjuncture, my government has provided for him a temporary office in the Speaker's room, where, supplied with copies of Todd and Bourinot, and a profusely annotated copy of the revised Statutes of the Province, he will be at hand to give you the benefit of his legal lore. I may add that this happily conceived arrangement will not, in any way interfere with the distribution of the "refreshments" usually found in the Speaker's room.

—Cape Town, with troubles of its own has opened a subscription for the Ottawa-Hull fire sufferers. The Australian colonies, Trinidad, and the soldiers at Lagos, in West Africa, among other communities whose homes are far away, are sending their sympathy or their help. We agree with the Gazette that two the facts speaks well for the brotherhood of the Empire, not less than of the swiftness with which the telegraph spreads the news of the world's events.

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