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## KEEPING OFFICES VACANT.

It is now several years since there became a vacancy in the office of collector of customs, Montreal, and the government has just announced that it is not yet filled. The question may reasonably be asked, if the custom house of Montreal has got along these past years without a collector, why appoint one at all? There is absolutely no satisfactory reply to this question.

Apparently the work in the office is done by subordinates, and the collector's most important and trying duty is to sign periodical cheques and draw his salary. We consider that this is a perfectly outrageous state of affairs. We pretend to have no room in Canada for privileged persons, and in the face of this there is not a government, Dominion or Provincial, which has not its quota of parasites, who live off the life blood of the public.

The collectorship at Montreal is simply one in a hundred cases. These offices are shamefully manipulated in the interests of the party in power.

It is this that constitutes the strength of the Patrons of Industry. If the two old parties did not have a sort of understanding that "to the victors belong the spoils," there would be no room for another element; but, without doubt, there is such an understanding, and for this reason, a new party, if it only endures for a season, is a worthy element in our political life.

## BIG WAGES.

Mr. Mulock is again before parliament with his bill, providing for the reduction of the governor-general's salary from \$50,000 to \$25,000. The bill, should it become law, will go into effect after the expiration of the term of the present incumbent, Lord Aberdeen.

It will be remembered that Mr. Mulock tried to get such a bill passed last session, but it would not go. It is not likely it will go this year, but for all that the proposition is one well worth consideration. It appears that parliament can regulate the salary it pays to the governor-general, as well as to the lieutenant-governors.

Certainly \$50,000 a year is a large salary for a country like Canada to pay, particularly so, when we compare ourselves with the United States and find that the president of that country receives just the same allowance as our governor-general. And, the president, be it remembered, is a working official, while the governor-general's duties are mostly automatic, and consist chiefly in visiting charitable institutions, and making pretty speeches. There is no possible objection to the chief magistrate performing the above social functions, and any influence in the way of culture which he may exercise should not be undervalued. Still, \$50,000 is big pay for what he does.

The vice-regal office is largely one of honor, and has certain advantages for those who hold it. It has more than once been a stepping stone to higher things, such as to the governor-generalship of India, or to high diplomatic posts. Noblemen who have held it, in most cases have had ample means. Twenty-five thousand dollars would seem to be quite a large enough sum to pay the governor-general, and a corresponding cut in the pay of the lieutenant-governors should be made at the same time.

Canada pays the governor-general \$50,000, the lieutenant-governors of Quebec and Ontario \$10,000 each; the governors of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and British Columbia \$9,000 each; Prince Edward Island \$7,000; Manitoba \$9,000, and Northwest Territories about the same, which makes a bill of nearly \$150,000 for figure heads. Altogether too much.

## PROHIBITION COMMISSION.

After many years of patience the public is rewarded by the appearance of the report of the prohibition commission. There is nothing very startling in the report, excepting the bulk and the expense of it. So far the newspapers have received two huge volumes containing the evidence taken in Quebec and the maritime provinces. There is much more to follow.

Even the most ardent temperance man might be excused for feeling dry before he got all through with these volumes, and it would be dangerous for a man with a weakness to tackle them at all.

The report is very much what everyone expected when the personnel of the commission was made known, but perhaps the opinion of these gentlemen might have been obtained in an ordinary newspaper interview without the expenditure of \$100,000.

Royal commissions are becoming more of a laughing stock than anything else, but it is a costly laugh this time.

## The Dyke Burst.

A large district in France has passed through a terrible experience by the breaking of a dyke, as the following dispatch dated April 28th indicates: The fatalities caused by the breaking, yesterday morning, of the great Bouzy dyke, Epinal, district of the Vosges, increases every hour. One hundred and fifteen deaths have already been reported, but only 50 bodies have been recovered. It is believed that the death list will be greatly in excess of the figures above given when all the districts devastated are heard from. It is supposed that many of the dead were swept into isolated places where it will be a long time before the bodies are found.

The whole region over which the thousands of tons of water swept in a resistless flood is strewn with every sort of wreckage, and the whole country presents a most dreadful appearance. In many places the crops were swept clean out of the ground, and the losses thus incurred will be very heavy.

Six brigades of gendarmes have arrived and they have been detailed to act as guards. Every attempt is being made to re-organize the districts, but this is rendered difficult by the waters. The Aviere, a small narrow stream, is now in some places a mile and a half wide. The railway, especially in the vicinity of the D'Arneilles station, was torn up, rails and ties were swept away and the embankments destroyed. Nearly every bridge on the line of the flood was either destroyed or so badly damaged that they will have to be rebuilt. The construction of the dyke or dam was commenced in 1878 and finished in 1884. In 1889 it was greatly strengthened. It was of heavy masonry, 550 yards long, 66 feet high and 66 feet thick at the base. The masonry was carried into the ground to a depth of 30 feet below the level of the valley, into which the reservoir discharged its waters. It was built against a vertical face of solid rock having a maximum height of 18 feet. The base rested on a sandstone bottom of the natural formation. The massive construction of the dam was considered to be a guarantee that it would hold back any weight of water that could be brought against it. Until the strengthening of the work in 1889 it was subjected to the full pressure of the water which it was built to hold.

Alexander Dunbar & Sons have bought the foundry and machine shop lately owned and operated by Hayden & Dunbar, and are running a good business. They are rebuilding two steam engines of 150 horse power each, into which they are placing new cylinders. One of these engines is for Messrs Shaw Cossitt & Co's Hawkshaw tannery and the other is for Fred Robinson's mills at Blaine, Me. They have two clapboard machines and two clapboard planers in course of construction, one of the planers is for Fred Hale. They are building 500 champion grinders for Kennedy & Burns of Fort Fairfield. They are at present running over time to fill orders. They make large quantities of machinery every year for the American market.

## Painful Accident

Charles Bates met with a very painful accident early Monday morning. He went to work in Monson's mill, sawing shingles and only been at work but a short time. He was placing a shingle bolt in position, when his right hand slipped, coming in contact with the saw, completely severing his little finger, third, second, and forefinger as far as the knuckle. He will be laid up a long time.—*Leader Fort Fairfield.*

The reputation of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, as a blood medicine, is maintained by daily cures.

## A Worthy Cause.

Subscription lists have been opened at the different branches of the Bank of Nova Scotia in aid of Miss Sterling's Home for Destitute Immigrant Children, at Hillfoot Farm, Aylesford, N. S., which has recently been destroyed by fire. This is a most praise-worthy charity, which should be supported by philanthropic people everywhere, more especially when such a calamity has overtaken it.—*Ex.*

A mild laxative—do not sicken—the best family medicine

## Beach's Stomach

& Liver Pills Small, Sugar coated, vegetable

## Tobacco Factory Burned.

The tobacco factory of W. C. MacDonald, of Montreal, was burned on Wednesday last, the estimated loss being half a million of dollars. The employees escaped with difficulty and one at least has died from injuries received.

## Feet Fitting.

One sees every day many people crawling about with sore feet, caused by ill-fitting shoes.

J. D. Dickinson & Sons pay special attention to fitting feet so accurately that their shoes are a constant delight.

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## Fresh Seeds

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Woodstock, April 1st, 1895.

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April 17th, 1895.

E. M. BOYER, AGENT.

Woodstock, N. B.

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The Tenement on Queen Street over THE DISPATCH office.  
R. K. JONES.  
April 9, 1895.

## TO LET.

The store on the North Side of King Street, for many years occupied by G. W. Slipp as a grocery store. Apply to G. W. VANWART, King St., Woodstock.

## To Rent.

The Hall in the Connell Brick Block now in the occupation of the W. C. T. U. Apply to A. B. CONNELL, AGENT.  
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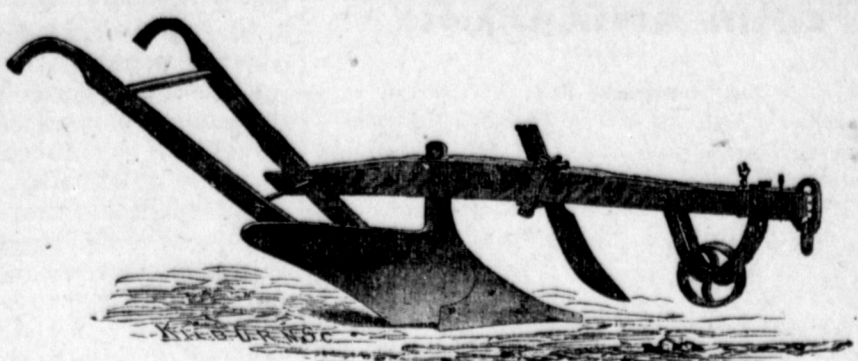
## Sad Drowning Accident.

A sad drowning accident took place on Friday a short distance from St. John, in which two little girls, aged six and seven respectively, daughters of Mr. John McCavour, lost their lives. They left the city with John Wells, and on reaching Gondola point Wells got out of the carriage to ring the bell for the ferry, in order to get to the other side of the river. The horse dashed into the river, and both were thrown into the river and drowned, as was also the horse. The funeral was held on Sunday and was largely attended.

## Babies.

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horse flesh in  
working poor  
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Come and get one of our

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WOODSTOCK, MAY 1, 1895.

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