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An Outrageous Scandal.

It is seldom indeed, it falls to the lot of a journalist to have to charge a public institution with a more grievous offence than we have to-day to lay to our Normal School institution. We all have so long been led to think this institution perfection itself, that an uncovering of rottenness and fraud must take the public by the ears.

Let us commence this story: The Normal School proper is composed of five teachers of which Mr. Crockett is head or Principal. Before a student teacher can become eligible for examination for license he must pass through the hands of each teacher. If when the term's work comes to be summed up by the Principal, the candidate falls below a certain mark, he (or she) is deprived of working the examination papers for a license. But there is also another department which through sarcasm or sport is called the "elocutionary" department, presided over by a lady. Any student teacher who does not come up to certain grades of classification in reading, is deprived of applying for a corresponding license. Thus if this lady class a student as 3rd class in reading, said student can't work other than third class papers. In some cases students are "plucked" for any class though said student at entering had passed the reading test, which is fixed at third class. But we ask, what will the public say when they learn that this teacher of reading receives pay from student teachers for private lessons.

How are we to know this teacher doesn't say, "Come to me and pay five dollars for private lessons, or you will get plucked: for I will not classify you?" How are we to know that Dr. Rand himself is not into this circle to wring money from students for this purpose,—this virtual buying and selling of licenses. Indeed we are told he recommends the practice. And while on this subject, one is almost constrained to turn to back numbers of the *Globe*, and read as truth what has been denounced as false on a similar illegal interest in school books? How are we to know that every teacher in the Normal School does not each hold private classes, and grant standing to students for a five dollar bill? And let not the public look lightly at the matter: we have directly charged it against this institution.

Here is a teacher with power to say "If I don't classify you in reading, you will not be allowed to work the papers; but if you take private lessons from me, you will get through all right." What student will not pay \$10 to get such a classification, especially when he remembers that *no student who has taken the private lessons have been plucked*, while many of those who have not taken the lessons, have been disqualified, some even for *third class*; and bear in mind, at entering the institute all passed the third class test.

But some one will say, it is no harm to teach private lessons; this is done the world over. We grant this, but we distinguish:

Suppose the reading teacher were to give private lessons in a different branch taught by another teacher in the same department, there would not be much harm in it. But a teacher with power to withhold a license, to take pay for private lessons qualifying for such license is an outrage. Before this teacher came to the Normal School there were fewer "plucked" than now, and all passed examination before Dr. Rand. Those who are plucked now don't take the private lessons: the conclusion is irresistible that Dr. Rand did not know a good reader from a bad; or that this teacher disqualified because said students don't pay her a private fee. It was a current saying among many teachers the past two terms. "We must take those private lessons, or

rather hand over the fee, or we shall surely be plucked." None of them, few at any rate, believed they benefited much by the private lessons, further than to have purchased their classification. And this is the institution which our country has left in the hands of Dr. Rand for so many years, to pervert or corrupt as he pleases. If the cloak were pulled off, how many other such scandals might not be revealed. Remember we distinctly charge this teacher with receiving the pay for private lessons, and all its unfair consequences.

We now call the attention of the legislature to it; we call for an investigation deep and searching; we desire to know the feeling of our legislature and our people on it; and in the meantime we shall be gathering further facts to lay before our readers.

Parliamentary Etiquette.

No matter how sweet the music, if too long continued, it becomes monotonous; though the roaring of a mighty cataract takes the ear by storm with its din of wildering noises, yet it becomes flat after long listening to its hoarse fall. But to the Eolian harp whose chords are ever smote in varying order, we can listen for ever, for the variety makes it sufferable. Let us apply these cases. The member who talks too much, who jumps up and has his say on every motion and every measure soon loses weight in the house and bores his hearers. Even this is true of speakers who have much ability but little variety. The weightiest speakers are those who speak seldom, but who, when they do speak make themselves felt. There are two or three notable cases in our legislature which will exemplify what we here state.

He who makes long speeches should excel in repartee or in brilliant rhetoric. It sometimes happens that Beaconsfield has occasion to talk for several hours, his discourse becoming from the spicing of figures necessarily dry. Some Hon. gentlemen begin to yawn, or lapse into apathy. The keen eye of the Israelite sees it, and without rupturing the sentence he slyly asks, Can my Hon. friend, the external volcano of Kent, or Surrey deny this? or can he whose thunder is merely but noise, gainsay this statement? Every ear is pricked up and the Earl has a close hearing till apathy again sets in, when he again "fires their flagging zeal."

Some speakers are complete nuisances. They are not mannerly enough to sit down though they see every member leaving his bench; they pain the audience, they trouble the reporters who try to get the wheat from the chaff, without glorifying themselves.

Take Mr. Elder. He is a man of much ability, and is seldom heard speaking. But when he stands up every eye is on him, every ear is open. His words fall with weight and carry conviction. Besides this he carries the weight of his outside profession inside the doors by upholding the respectability of both in the latter.

Take Mr. Willis. His paper contains many excellent articles, but how is it possible to believe the Hon. Mr. Willis their author and listen to him on the floors of the House? He carries no weight at all, because he is not listened to because no member—but himself—thinks there is anything in what he says. This is because Mr. Willis talks too much. Were he to talk less he would be a power no doubt.

We have singled out Messrs. Elder and Willis to exemplify excellence and defect, because they are the two most public men in the House. We do not say there is no weighty member in the House but Mr. Elder, or no frivolous one but Mr. Willis.

He who talks too much is no better than the dummy who never opens his mouth. Let every hon. gentleman bear in mind that—
 "Words are like leaves, and where they most abound,
 Much fruit of sense beneath is rarely found."

An Overwhelming Tax.

We are in favor of the principle of Protection, but we are not in favor of a tax that virtually stamps any business out of existence. Several newspapers in this Province, affected as other enterprises by the hard times, have found it

impossible to continue business the old way: they, therefore, made arrangements with a Newspaper Union in New York to print part of their papers there, thereby saving from \$15 to \$45 a week. Under the old tariff customs' officers regarded these prints as "printed matter," and they came in for 5 per cent. But what do they find now? A duty of six cents per pound, or sixty per cent., twelve times what it was under the old regime. It is usual in making up these papers to pack them firmly, so that the old wrapping paper, weighing about 12 lb., brings six cents per lb. duty upon the rest.

What does the Finance Minister mean? Surely he does not want to turn half a dozen newspapers out of the business. Supposing there are other such "unions" in the Dominion, which we are unaware of, is 60 per cent. a fair rate of protection? Mayhap the officers are misconstruing the law: Let us hope the Finance Minister has not committed the blunder; and if he has that he will lose no time in setting it right. We think at any rate he has made a mistake all round in the stationery.

If we are not mistaken the principle of the new tariff is to protect home industries while putting a light duty on exotic wares to raise a revenue. Clearly those "prints" are exotic, and to tax them so unreasonably is contrary to the spirit. And may we say the letter of the tariff. The fact of the business is, we can't understand it.

It is perhaps all right that Mr. Barbare's bill on geese, &c. should pass, but we do not think it should have. In fact the mode of capturing these birds, and against which the bill provides, is about the only way a wild goose can be got at all. This mode is as legitimate as any other. Will any honorable gentleman say it is a greater offence to take the life of a goose in the night than in the day? And since goose murder is goose murder, what is there wrong in the *modus operandi*? Laws to protect the bird at a certain season, are in force, and it is right they should. The next Bill we expect to see brought in is:

"Be it Resolved, That no gamester shall shoot at any wild goose or other duck with other than a flint musket at any time, nor with any musket, gun, pistol or cannon between 9 a. m. and 6 p. m. in any day.
 And be it further Resolved, that no shot but No. 4 shall be used for the female geese, and No. 5 for the male geese.

And it may be that a clause will be inserted providing for shooting at said birds with both eyes open.

Our Press.

The New York *Herald*, not by any means a reliable paper, makes fun at the expense of Canadian papers, whose appearance, &c., it describes in this wise:—

"The newspapers of the Canadian cities are old-fashioned sheets, like our *Journal of Commerce* and *Evening Post*, and in times of excitement they devote the greater part of one or their ample folio pages to heated political editorials."
 They are reliable at any rate, and not huge chroniclers of sensation and nonsense, as the *Herald* is.

It is written that every now and again the Mamelukes go out on a "well fought field," and kick up a hullabaloo or war dance to celebrate it; the Iroquois warriors too would sing their war song every moon and dance on the field where the Manitou gave them the most scalp locks. Our temperance people had a meeting last night in their rooms, doubtless to celebrate the victory they claim to have gained at the "permissive" election. They had no war dance or bowie knives; they just made speeches and rejoiced in the civilized order.

Sitting Bull, it appears, will soon again visit the hunting grounds of his tribe. General Sherman has received information that as soon as the grass grows on the praries Sitting Bull will collect his braves and a number of friendly tribes, and attack Forts Tolten, Stephenson and Bufort. He has already sent braves to learn the strength of these points.

It is not too bad that Canada should frame a tariff without consulting the British Government? Why, we will soon begin to think ourselves a free people, and enjoying Responsible Government. Where will this all end?

We are pleased to observe that Mr. Gillespie, acting upon our suggestion, has framed a resolution of enquiry into the proposed action of the Government in all roads or branches to which subsidies have been granted or promised. We believe we have not a railroad Government, and this resolution will reveal its position to the country.

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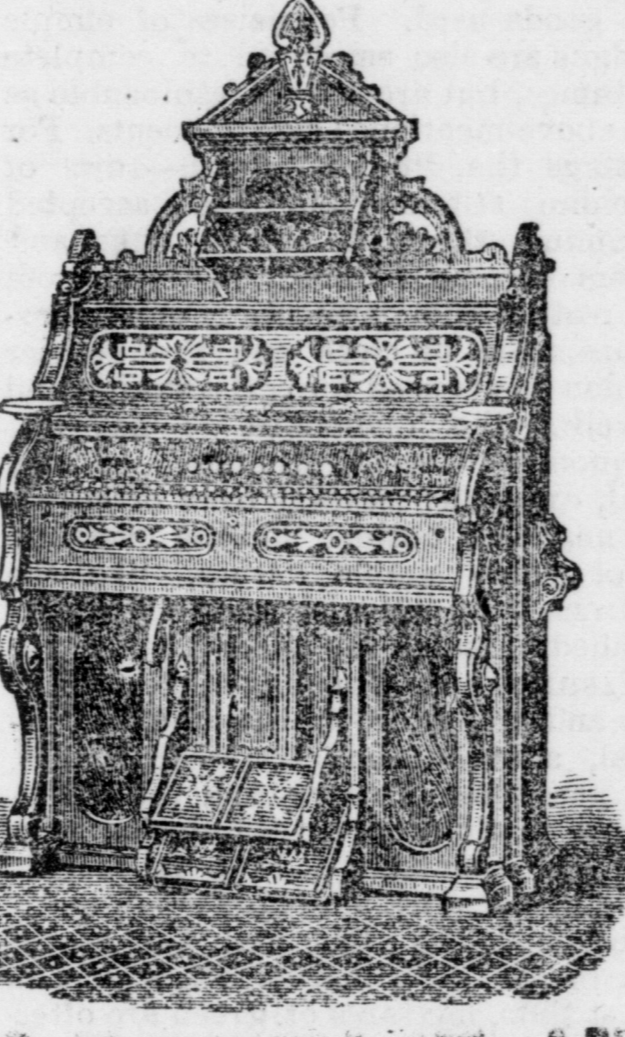
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