

THE CONTRAST OF THEN
AND NOW.

The muckrake is still doing business at the old Opposition stand judging from the belated "echoes" that proceed from a section of the Tory press. These people must have short memories or must think other people have. Let them look back ten of fifteen years and it will not be difficult to recall the maddened indignation of the electors of Canada over the terrific exposures of the corruption which was then running wild in every hole and corner of the public service under the Tory misrule of that day. To use the comprehensive expression of one notable politician—"It smelt to heaven." The late Principal Grant who was the most eminent independent publicist of his time, declared, "You might as well defend Sodom." And yet those Tories who defended the misdeeds of that and voted the party ticket again and again, notwithstanding the rankness of their mal-administration, would in this later time, have the people believe their consciences are so sensitive and tender, as to recoil from "the appearance of evil." The Liberals had the courage to impeach the Conservative party of "high crimes and misdemeanors," and did it on the floors of Parliament, with the result that Minister of Public Works in Sir John A. McDonald's government was driven from the cabinet and his accomplices were sent to prison. Trusted civil service men occupying confidential relations with their respective departments were openly denounced as grafters and dismissed from their high places. And all this was done while their friends were in power with majorities in both Houses, so unmistakable was the evidence against the culprits and so aroused was public opinion. The situation today is totally different. Sir Hibbert Tupper in the last parliament hurled seven-hour speeches at the Minister of the Interior but he was routed by Mr. Sifton. Hon G. E. Foster followed up the same line in the session just closed, when Mr. Sifton's back was turned,

with the result that when Mr. Sifton took his seat and challenged his accuser to make good his charges, this redoubtable lieutenant of Mr. Borden was forced to the wall, driven to a standstill and made to swallow his own words. The ex-Minister of the Interior completely vindicated in the eyes of friend and foe alike his own record and that of the Government. This great Liberal who by his unequalled labors as Minister of the Interior extended the frontier of habitable Canada west and north and added regions to the Dominion, which the McDonalds and Cartiers never knew, was held up by the men who themselves once made corruption a "fine art" and the name and fame of our country a by-word in the old world and new, only to discover that they themselves—the Tupper, Fosters were black-mailers, who judged the records of other Ministers by their own. The same thing is true of a truckling Tory press, that is now dishing up flouting innuendoes against the Liberal party, knowing these accusations to be without foundation but nevertheless assigning them falsely to the present party in power, with the hope that some stock will be taken in these charges if only they are made often enough. That is the only "occupation" left to the Tory party, in the face of the magnificent success at every point of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's administration.—Exchange

A writer from these parts to the *New Freeman* hints at the probable make-up of the tickets in this county. He says Smith, Fleming and Hartley will be the candidates on the opposite side. We doubt it. Our advice is that Major John R. Tompkins will be on their ticket. As to the government candidates, we think nobody exactly knows who will be put up. At any rate they may be picked from the following names:—Jones, Shaw, Good, Curtis, H. Carvell and Balloch.

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WALLACE-BRICE.

One of the pleasant events of the week was the wedding that took place Tuesday at St. Patrick's Church when John W. Wallace one of Butte's popular young men led to the altar Miss Queenie Price one of most charming school teachers and daughter of the late John Price of Woodstock N.B. Rev. Father Follet performed the ceremony. Miss Elizabeth Price was bridesmaid and Miss Fannie Kelly maid of honor. The bride wore a handsome gown of blue imported chiffon over taffeta and a beautiful lace hat with plumes to match the dress. Her going away dress was gray and green checked voile tailored. The happy couple left for Los Angeles and other points of interest on the western coast. They will be gone a month, after which they will be at home to their friends in the Clark Bldg. *Anaconda Standard.*

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Actress Wanted Governor's Money.

An end has at last been made of the famous will litigation involving practically the entire estate of the late Alexander Dunsinuir, amounting in value to something in the neighborhood of three million dollars. The suit was initiated by Edna Wallace Hopper, the popular operatic comedienne, whose mother Mrs. Wallace, became the wife of the late millionaire in the declining days of his career, after having lived with him for several years.

Alexander Dunsinuir by will bequeathed his entire estate to his brother James, now governor of British Columbia, what were regarded as suitable settlements to his wife being arranged for. After her mother's death Miss Edna Hopper sought to break the will on the grounds of improper influence exerted by the legatee, James Dunsinuir, and irresponsible mental condition on the part of the testator, Alex Dunsinuir, as a result of years of alcoholic debauchery. The case has been fought through all the British Columbia courts, piling up costs estimated in the aggregate at a quarter of a million dollars. At each stage, victory rested with the defendant, Dunsinuir, whose position is now affirmed by the Privy Council of Great Britain, the court of last resort. The case gained added interest and uniqueness in civil jurisprudence by reason of the fact that the defendant's mother Mrs. Jean Dunsinuir, between whom and her millionaire son, a feud has been waged for years, joined with the plaintiff as intervenor in the endeavor to wrest the Alex Dunsinuir estate from the possession of her other son.

U N B Matriculation.

The results in the Entrance Examination to the Provincial University have been given out. The Woodstock students in order of merit are classified as follows:—

DIVISION I.
Amy Sharpe.
Mary McManus.

DIVISION II.
Marguerite Smith.
Hugh J. Stairs.
Eugene H. McKeen.
Clifford Rogers.

DIVISION III.

May Gillin.
DIVISION III. Conditionally.
Aurilla Boyer.
G. Wendell Tracy.

Miss Amy Sharpe stands third in the province, out of 110 candidates. Miss McManus secured ninth place. From these and the other good marks it is safe to say that the local Grammar School seems to be holding its own in spite of the fact that frequent changes in the teaching staff during the year somewhat interfered with the general efficiency.

AFTER TEN YEARS.

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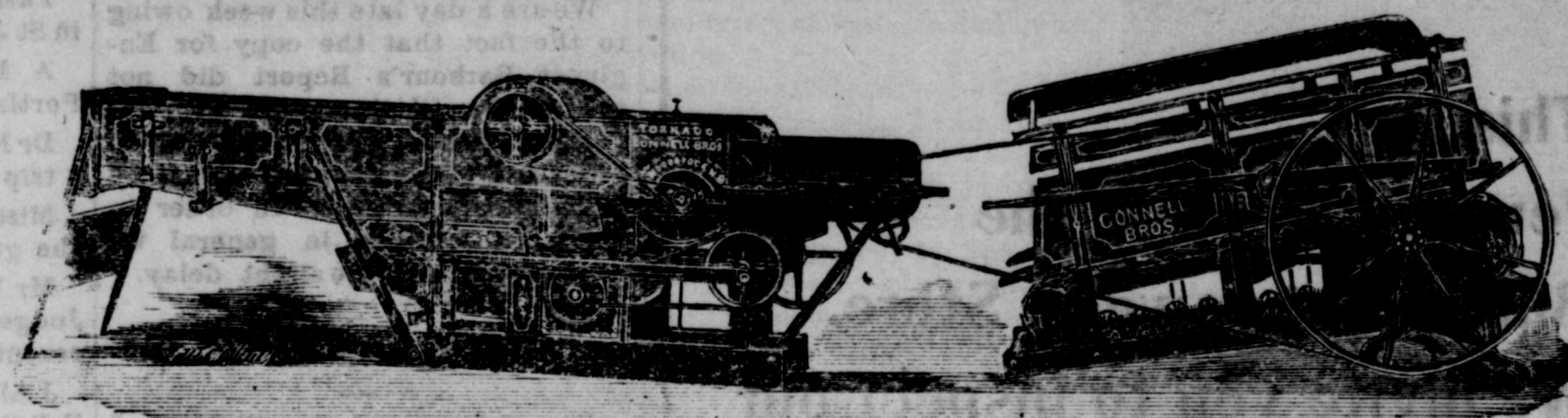
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