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DANGEROUS POWER.

A strong government majority, if inclined to unscrupulous use of its power, is very bad, but when it seeks the adoption of expedients to increase its power by the adoption of the most drastic closure that has ever disgraced a British or any other parliament, free institutions associated with responsible government are practically a thing of the past. If a simple majority without the closure can, as it has done, condone a vicious abuse of administrative power, and justify a colossal steal like the Prince Albert homestead deal, what things will be possible when the closure shall have come into effect? Now the "brute" majority can outvote the minority, and by this outvoting, justify robbery of the public, but the closure will permit not only the out-voting of the minority, but will close the mouth of the minority and prevent even mention of such things on the floor of the House not to speak of a discussion of them in the public interests, or investigation in the public interests.

Hon. Frank Oliver charged in the House that under the administration of Hon. Bob. Rogers, Minister of the Interior, a tract of land of 73 acres, lying within the city limits of Prince Albert, and listed in the real estate market at a value of \$375,000 was granted as a "homestead" for farming purposes to Arthur Donaldson, son of the Conservative whip in the Saskatchewan Legislature, for the sum of \$10, the usual homestead fee. Hon. Mr. Rogers did not deny the fact of this charge, but on the other hand, justified it by claiming that the previous government had done wrong things. He asserted that timber limits had been sacrificed but he had saved them to the country by cancelling that part of the transaction. But when he was called upon to cancel the Prince Albert homestead steal, he was unwilling to restore the stolen property to the people by cancelling the transaction.

Will Mr. Borden clear the matter up by ordering an investigation? Not a bit of it. He knows in his heart that a full investigation into the facts will justify the charges of Mr. Oliver. An investigation would be an awkward expedient; a committee might not be willing to do the necessary white washing, but would expose some embarrassing facts and throw undesirable light on the methods of his "wicked partner," Mr. Rogers. Mr. Borden has an easier way at his command. He has only to "tip the wink" to use the slang that fits the circumstances—and his subservient majority will apply the whitewash and justify the robbing of the people to the extent of nearly \$400,000. If party service is to be rewarded upon so elaborate a scale, even the immense resources of the Dominion will not meet the demand or, else, a few of the faithful will be rewarded and the rest have to go without.

The lesson seems to be that when under ordinary parliamentary conditions an outrage like the Prince Albert homestead steal can be condoned by the parliamentary majority without investigation, what iniquity will not be possible under the throttle of closure that eliminates free speech and gives the majority uncontrolled capacity for arbitrary legislation and administration. The closure is a dangerous power to entrust to any government, but especially to a government that has shown its readiness to exploit its majority powers tyrannically and corruptly.

"THE DEAREST RIGHTS OF THE PEOPLE."

It was Dr. Sproule, the present Speaker, a notable obstructionist himself in 1896 and 1908, who, when a motion was made in 1910 to revise the rules of the Canadian House of Commons, made this plaintive appeal to Sir Wilfrid Laurier, then Prime Minister:—

"Rumors have been prevalent for some time past in the Government press that the rules of the House are to be revised at an early date, and the Government is to introduce what is known as the closure."

I would like to ask the First Minister if that is the intention in the revision of the rules? I would like to say that so far as I can judge the temper of Parliamentarians generally, they regard the freedom of debate as one of the dearest rights of the representatives of the people; and if any attempt is made under the guise of amending the rules to prevent the freest discussion of all public questions, I can only say that, in my judgment, the Government will invite a good deal of trouble."

It was on the same occasion that George E. Foster declared: "I for one have no idea at all of submitting without protest to any of the 'well-defined liberties of this House' as a parliamentary body being 'fringed upon.'"

The "dearest rights of the representatives of the people" are not so dear to Dr. Sproule, Mr. Foster and their associates today. They are quite ready as the Winnipeg Free Press says, to see them butchered to make easier the road of the political machine.

A DAY THAT SHOULD BE OBSERVED.

May 9th is designated as Arbor Day. The observance of this day should be more general and the people should unite in planting trees, shrubs and vines in public places and on private property for the beautification of the towns in which they live.

This is a beautiful as well as a wise custom, and a practice that will add greatly to the comfort of people in years to come. To plant a tree, shrub or vine is a simple thing, and if there were a more general effort along that line on Arbor Day large public good would result.

School children should be encouraged to lend a hand in this work and their efforts should be properly directed. There is room on most school grounds for more trees and shrubs, and wherever there is room for either they should be planted. In a few years the effort will be more than paid for by the increased beauty and comfort of the grounds, while in doing the work the children will receive a valuable lesson in the desirability and worth of public opinion. This is not the least of the benefits to be extracted from Arbor Day in every case where the children become interested.

There should be a general response to the call for planting trees, shrubs and vines on school grounds. The work is not expensive and will pay for itself more than a 100 fold in a few years if properly done.

It is to be hoped that the schools will observe Arbor Day in the manner in which it should be observed.

THE PULPIT'S MISSION.

(Henry Watterson.)

I would have all ministers of religion as free to discuss the things of this world as the statesman and the journalist, but with this difference, that the objective point with them shall be the regeneration of man through grace of God and not the winning of office or the exploitation of parties and newspapers. Journalism is yet too unripe to more than guess at truth from a single side. The statesman stands mainly for political organization. Until he dies he is suspected. The pulpit remains, therefore, still the moral hope of the universe and the spiritual light of mankind. It must be non-partisan. It must be manly and independent. But it must also be worldly-wise—not artificial; sympathetic, broad-minded and many-sided, equally ready to smite wrong in the mighty and kneel by the bedside of the lowly and the poor, the weak and the afflicted.

AN UNENVIABLE QUARTETTE.

When the present Government is forced to the people, four names will be remembered with condemnation from one end of the Dominion to the other. They are W. B. Northrup of East Hastings and Richard Blain of Peel, who moved the resolution on April 9th which applied the gag to Sir Wilfrid Laurier; Hon. J. D. Hazen, St. John, and the Hon. Frank Cochrane of Nipissing, who immediately afterwards moved the resolution which took away from the oldest Parliamentarian and ablest statesman in Canada, the right to offer any amendment to the iniquitous and ill-devised closure resolution.

American consumers will have only 2 cents instead of 5 cents duty to pay on a dozen of eggs imported from Canada after the proposed revision goes into effect. Last year over seven million dozen

eggs were imported into Canada, upon which a duty of 3 cents a doz. or \$226,000 was paid. How much the consumers had to pay in addition to this duty only those know who will not tell.

There is an endless amount of nonsense being written nowadays about the benefits Canada will get in consequence of the lowering of the American tariff. The simple truth is that our neighbors have decided to lower the cost of living by doing away with some of their tariff taxes. It would not hurt Canada if many of our own tariff taxes were abolished or reduced.

A meeting of the Canada West India Company has been called "to consider the affairs of the company." The meeting has been called by Mr. B. F. Smith—the noted empire saver and guardian of the marriage bond—who, it is said, sees a way out of the company's troubles by shipping to the American market the potatoes that did not go to Cuba. Rev. J. B. Dagget, one of the chief promoters of the defunct company, will no doubt be present and take a hand in the "new deal." The Wilson tariff revision will offer great opportunities for these lip-loyalists. Watch them.

The trailing arbutus, more commonly known as the may-flower, has made its appearance. It is said that there is danger of the pretty little flower becoming extinct. This can be attributed to the thoughtlessness and carelessness of people who pluck the blossoms early and in doing so pull up the little scrubs by the roots. All lovers of nature and wild flowers will regret that this beautiful specimen is in danger of being wiped out.

W. W. Boyce of Fredericton has just loaded a steamer with 10,000 barrels of potatoes for the Cuban market. He paid 75 cents a barrel. At the time these were being purchased in New Brunswick, Aroostook county buyers were paying \$1.40 for potatoes for the Boston market.—Hartland Observer.

Protectionist organs are jubilant over the benefits to be derived by their devotees from the Wilson tariff measure. They are gloating over the fact that loyal Canadian manufacturers are to have wider markets, while suspicious characters on the farms will be kept loyal by levy.

The straw hat has arrived, but it is not yet time to hang the overcoat away. There will be use for it before the actual arrival of summer.

The Tory papers talked long and loud on the riot that would take place on the adoption of the closure—Did it take place?

The new library will be FREE. THE TOWN OF WOODSTOCK WILL UNDERTAKE THE COST OF MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION.

And some garden seeds have already been planted right here in this town. Who says it isn't an early spring.

The style of architecture of the Fisher Memorial Library is "severely classical," according to the St. John papers.

Everything Free—Great town this.

BEST OPPORTUNITIES IN THE EAST

A subscriber writing from Edrans, Manitoba, says in part: "My conservative friends are awakening to the fact that Mr. Carvell is an able and powerful man in parliament and thoroughly versed on the naval question."

"I cannot understand why so many farmers sell their farms and come west. A man can purchase a farm in N. B. cheaper than he can homestead in the West today. I have lived in the prairie provinces for 18 years and I know something about it. The St. John Valley is today offering the best all round advantages and opportunities considering everything in general."

Mrs. N. F. Thorne and little daughter Marjorie, are spending a few days in Houlton this week.

Mr. George Hastings has returned from St. John, where he has been ill for some days.

Closure is passed but enforcement has to come.

More like growing weather.

For years in use, 20 years the standard prescribed and recommended by physicians. For Woman's Ailments. Dr. Martel's Female Pills, at your druggist.

The Sentinel's successful Contest of one year ago will be repeated. Particulars next week.

Women's High Boots

In Gun Metal, 16 Buttons, and in Patent Tan with dull Calf Top.

Price \$3.50

Have You Seen Them?

Gibson & Ross

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WOODSTOCK, N. B.

OBITUARY

Joan, the young daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. G. Thompson passed away Thursday night after a short illness from pneumonia. The little girl was four years of age. Of a tender and loving disposition she was a general favorite and a great comfort to her father and mother, who have the sympathy of the whole community in their deep sorrow.

Choose your Candidates for the Sentinel's Voting Contest.

NOTICE OF SALE

To William B. Duffield formerly of the Parish of Wilmet in the County of Carleton and Province of New Brunswick, Farmer, and Annie M. Duffield, his wife, and all others whom it may concern:—

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of a Power of Sale contained in a certain Indenture of Mortgage bearing date the seventeenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eight and made between the said William B. Duffield and Annie M. Duffield his wife of the one part and Lila J. Gibson of the Town of Woodstock in the said County of Carleton, wife of James A. Gibson, of the other part and registered in the office of the Registrar of Deeds and Wills in and for the said County of Carleton in Book P. number four of said records on pages 692, 693 and 694 there will for the purpose of securing the monies secured thereby, default having been made in the payment thereof, be sold at public auction in front of the Law Office of Charles Comben on King Street in the said Town of Woodstock on Tuesday the third day of June next at the hour of eleven of the clock in the forenoon the lands and premises described in the said Indenture of Mortgage as follows:—All that certain piece or parcel of land and premises situate lying and being in the Parish of Simons, now Wilmet, in the said County of Carleton and described as follows:—Beginning at a hemlock tree distant on a course by the magnet south one degree west one chain from the south west angle of lot number twenty eight in the sixth tier of Williamstown thence south eighty nine degrees east sixty chains thence south one degree west ten chains thence north eighty nine degrees west sixty chains to a post standing on the east side of a reserved road and thence north one degree east ten chains along the said last mentioned road to the place of beginning, containing sixty acres more or less being the same land granted by the Crown to Thomas Duffield, Junior, who has since died intestate leaving him surviving as heirs to his estate William A. Duffield and his widow Maria Duffield now Maria Orchard who by deed bearing date the ninth day of September A. D. 1901 deeded the same to the said William B. Duffield, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon and the privileges and appurtenances to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining.

Dated this first day of May A. D. 1913. LILA J. GIBSON, Mortgagee

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Borden-Rogers Outfit Pay No Attention to Economic Questions.

WOODSTOCK, PRICES	HOULTON, N.B. PRICES
THURSDAY, MAY 1, 1913	THURSDAY, MAY 1, 1913
Potatoes per barrel \$.70	Potatoes per barrel \$1.00 and \$1.20
Oats per bushel (34 lbs) .35	Oats per bushel (32 lbs) .45
Hay, pressed No. 1 8.00	Hay, pressed No. 1 18.00

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HURRY UP Removal Sale

which is now going on. Our stock is large, but it is being removed rapidly by satisfied customers.

Read carefully our advertisement in this paper as to Discounts etc. Then come and see the Goods.

We expect to Move into our New Quarters about May 5th.

The John McLaughlan Co. Ltd. Woodstock and Hartland.

Timothy Seed

Buy your Timothy Seed at Yerxa's now while prices are lowest. By doing so you can save money.

No. 1 Government Standard Timothy \$3.25 per Bushel

Fancy Fresh Fruit

50 Cases of Fancy Oranges arrived this week

Delicious Sweet Juicy Sorrento Oranges	only 28c doz
Special price by the Box—100 in a box	only \$2.10
Fancy Large Lemons	only 25c doz
Large Ripe Bananas	25 and 30c doz
Ripe Tomatoes	15c lb, 3 lbs 40c
Ripe Pine Apples	15c each

BROOMS

Come in and see the Brooms we are offering at these prices:

Fine quality 4 string Brooms 25c

Extra good 5 string Brooms 35c

Extra large Brooms 45 and 59c

SOAP

Yerxa's Extra Soap 4c, 7 bars 25c

Asepto Soap 5c, 6 bars 25c

Comfort Soap 5c, 6 bars 25c

Surprise Soap 5c, 6 bars 28c

Pure Castile Soap 5c, 6 bars 25c

Special 25c Values

6 lbs Sulphur 25c	2 cans good Salmon 25c
3 bots Household Ammonia 25c	3 pkgs Corn Flakes 25c
9 lbs Onions 25c	3 " Seeded Raisins 25c
3 lbs Dates 25c	2 bots White Liniment 25c
2 lbs Figs 25c	3 pkgs Jelly Powder 25c
3 cans Lye 25c	3 " Corn Starch 25c

Pure Maple Goods

Maple Sugar, guaranteed absolutely pure,	only 25c lb
Maple Syrup " " "	35c quart bottle
Maple Syrup by the gallon	\$1.25 gal
Maple Sugar in 10 oz. Cakes,	9c cake, 3 cakes 25c

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