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QUEEN'S COUNSEL.

Before the retirement of the late federal administration, Sir Charles Tupper and his colleagues recommended the appointment of 171 additional Queen's Counsel from among the ranks of Conservative lawyers chiefly. This long list His Excellency held for the approval of the incoming government. Sir Oliver Mowat, as minister of justice, has reported to his colleagues recommending that the commissions shall not issue, and as a matter of course these 171 lawyers will not for a time at least, be privileged to write Q. C. after their names, nor will they have the precedence and right of pre-audience in the courts which the title would give them.

Sir Oliver's report cites some important facts. There has been since confederation a long controversy between the federal and provincial governments as to which had the right of appointment. Sir John Macdonald contended that the right rested solely with the federal government. Sir Oliver Mowat held that the provincial government had the exclusive right. Both the Ottawa government under its successive Conservative leaders and the provincial governments that were under Liberal leaders, made appointments of Queen's counsel. This question, as between the federal and provincial powers, will now be submitted to the supreme court for decision.

But, waiving this point, Sir Oliver found other grounds of objection to the list before him. His report shows that the Mackenzie government, the only Liberal administration at Ottawa previous to the present one, had appointed no Queen's Counsel. On the other hand successive Conservative governments at Ottawa had appointed no fewer than 481. If the proposed 173 were added it would make 654 appointed by the one party. As against this Sir Oliver was able to show that England, with many times our population, has only 217 Queen's Counsel in all, while if provincial appointments are counted Canada must now have seven or eight hundred of these silk-robed counsel of Her Majesty. From this it appeared to the venerable minister of justice that the title, once a patent of eminence at the bar, had become unduly cheapened and rendered common in Canada quite out of line with whole-some British precedents. Moreover, he found in the new list many whom he thought not entitled to the honor, while others, (Liberal lawyers of distinction) had been passed over.

On the whole Sir Oliver has made out a pretty strong case. This country needs many things much more than a new batch of Queen's Counsel. We can manage to get along with 500 till the times improve. With oats and potatoes at present prices, if our farmers should happen to send a delegation to Ottawa it will not be because the lawyers are suffering.

Now that the sultan, whom Mr. Gladstone very properly denounces as an assassin, has for long months glutted his fury on the helpless Christians of Armenia, the great Christian powers have sent him a note. It is very brief and this is the text:—"We regret the events. They ought to cease immediately, otherwise they will bring prejudice upon Turkey and upon your dynasty." Gladstone is right. The sultan should be hanged as high as Haman and then be thankful to get off so well. The note of the powers which excuses his awful crimes under the name of "events that may cause prejudice" is a libel upon Christianity and a disgrace to the nineteenth century.

The Charlottetown papers relate that during the recent visit of H. M. S. Intrepid to that port while the men were at target practice, a shell was accidentally dropped near some Indian camps causing great consternation but no damage. Thus almost at the same moment the ubiquitous British warships were shelling negroes in far off Zanzibar and Indians in Canada.

Children Cry for

By the latest vote of Mr. Foster's want of confidence motion about governor general's warrants the ministerial majority was shown to be 34. There were many absentees and two vacant seats at the time—Saskatchewan and Brandon. One of these returned Mr. Laurier and the other Mr. McCarthy at the general election and may now be expected to return supporters of the government. Halifax Herald, (Conservative) estimates Mr. Laurier's majority in a full house, but without the two seats referred to, at 33. This seems to be exactly Mr. Laurier's present majority in the province of Quebec, the remaining portions of our big dominion being equally divided in their representation.

It will be remembered that at the time of the recent ruction in Zanzibar when the late sultan was deposed by Admiral Rawson, he took refuge in the German consulate. The new sultan set up by the admiral now reigns in his stead, but Germany sullenly refuses to recognize him and insists on restoring the other. We do not want to meddle in the affair but we are willing to wager dollars to doughnuts that Admiral Rawson's man will eat his Christmas dinner in his palace while the late insulint' sultan will be eating humble pie or soup kroust at the consulate of Germany. Emperor William may as well know first as last that his threats can't scare THE REVIEW or the British lion worth a cent.

Does the hanging of murderers operate to prevent murder? Those who contend that it does not will find support for their belief in what has just now occurred. Wheeler, of Digby, was hanged for his crime in the darkness of the night a few days ago, and two days later at the same hour, Mrs. Dutcher and her children were murdered and their house burned to conceal the crime at Meadow Brook. After all it seems that such fiends as committed either of these crimes should not be permitted to live.

There is a vacancy in the P. E. Island legislature caused by the death of Hon. Alex. Laird, a member of the Peters government and representative of the fourth district of Prince county. At present there are only two candidates in the field, one a Conservative and the other a Patron. Both are opposed to the local government. The election comes on the 29th instant, and the Patrons, who are strong in the district hope to carry their man.

The historian of the Telegraph who declares that Canada is not a nation should read the speech from the throne with which Lord Monck opened the first dominion parliament. Perhaps that distinguished nobleman, or Sir John Macdonald and his colleagues who framed the speech, were wrong, but their fault in calling Canada a nation has never been seriously rebuked till now. It is sometimes better not to know so much than to know so much that isn't so.

There is now no doubt that the parliamentary session will outlast thirty days and the members and senators will each draw their \$1,000 of sessional indemnity. Few of them will shed tears on that account, though the Honorable Billy Pater-son has added lustre to a worthy family name by giving his thousand to the widow of his predecessor in the representation of North Grey. Presumably she is good-looking and Mrs. P. not of a jealous mind.

It is a singular feature of the presidential campaign that both parties are quoting Li Hung Chang in the silver controversy. The Bryan men quote him as an open sympathizer with their candidate because China is a silver country. The McKinley men quote Li's prediction that "the United States will never authorize the free coinage of silver." Both in the expression of his wishes and his prediction the Viceroy seems to have been for once outspoken and honest.

The speaker of the commons has issued his fiat and the bar of the house is closed. Members who are content to take their sitting now have it brought into the restaurant and those who still desire to take it standing must go a few paces along the corridor to the open senate bar. Best of all the Dominion Alliance is "satisfied" and everybody happy—sometimes hilariously so. Hurrah for temperance!

The Sun argues learnedly that constitutional law ought to bear some relation to common sense, but it doesn't. It's according to constitutional law that "the governor general can do no wrong," but the sense of this old maxim is very uncommon.

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A Friendly Word To Mothers.

Lots of people write to tell us that the best reading in the newspapers is (and has long been) the series of articles of which this is one. We appreciate the compliment, and try to deserve it. It is not that we are wise above all the rest of mankind; but because we say our say in plain English and in a friendly, helpful spirit towards everybody. And it is in this spirit that we now say to all the women in England who are mothers of growing children, that they ought to be more watchful of those children, especially in all matters that concern their health. Too many of the young people of this country are ill—quite too many. And death is too busy among them. There are too many short graves in the churchyards. Come, come now, let's have a bit of a talk about it. And let one good mother speak first.

"In November, 1893," she writes, "one of my daughters took cold, which threw her into a low, weak state of health. She grew to be very despondent, listless, and altogether out of sorts. She refused her food, saying she didn't want it, that she had no appetite. Still she ate something, as of necessity, but did not relish it, and it gave her no strength. Then she would be troubled with giddiness and a rush of blood to the head. At times her head was so bad she was not able to move about and took no interest in anything. We were in hopes that the ailment would wear off, seeing that she was young, and that she would soon be herself again."

"Instead of that, she seemed to get worse, and complained of great weakness. In this strait we consulted a doctor, who treated her for a time, yet none of his medicines appeared to reach the source of her disease. For six months she remained in this condition. We knew not what further to do, and waited with a natural anxiety for any turn for the better or worse."

"It was in May, 1894, that I read in a little book or pamphlet that had been left at our house about Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup, and how many cases with the same symptoms as my daughter's, had been cured by it. What impressed me was the plain, straightforward speech of the letters of people printed in the book. They sounded honest and true, and I made up my mind that the medicine that had been a blessing to other families might prove so to mine."

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"Out of my knowledge of the merits of this remedy I would strongly recommend it to all women, especially to those who are at a critical age, and liable to illnesses which may so easily prove more serious than at first feared. In hope my words may reach and be of use to others, you have my consent to the publication of this hasty letter. (Signed) M. E. Davies, Blackwood, Newport, Monmouthshire, November 28th, 1894."

Main River Notes.

We are sorry to lose Messrs. Polly and Haines as under their management our bridges are in perfect condition. Our genial friend Tony occasionally takes a trip up long lane. Tony we expect a charivari in the near future. Messrs T. Welch and J. Campbell visited this vicinity Sunday.

Miss Maggie Hanrahan, of St. Nicholas River, (late of Boston) has been visiting her cousins, the Misses McLeary.

Our school teacher, Miss Chrystal spent Saturday and Sunday at her home in Harcourt.

The ball given by the Messrs. Graham was a decided success, and we expect another in the near future.

Mr. Wm. Hanrahan paid Main River a flying visit on Friday.

Mr. W. W. Graham returned to Moncton on Tuesday.

Miss Maggie McLeary, of Moncton, is visiting at her home.

Pete got left Sunday, his best girl having taken a fancy to the gentleman with the grey horse.

Some of our young ladies got left the other night, and had to walk home in the rain. Never mind; girls, lanterns are very useful when the young men are absent.

POLLY.

Kent Sunday Schools.

Kent county Sunday School convention met in the spacious Presbyterian church at King-ton, on Wednesday, 8th inst., with a large attendance from the start. It was the eleventh annual meeting. The president was not present, and Mr. Humphrey, of Harcourt, was called to preside. County reports occupied the afternoon. In the evening the Rev. Mr. Hamilton spoke on the county work, its benefits and extension. Secretary Rev. W. F. Murray, of Bass River, read extracts of his report and drew the following comparisons illustrating benefits and growth since one year ago. In 1895, 35 schools 13 of which were evergreen, 1 normal class, 132 teachers, 1,122 scholars, 861 average in home department; 10 scholars joined the church. In 1896, schools 41, evergreen, 16, normal classes 2, teachers 144, scholars, 1,169, average 938; also 125 in home classes, 25 scholars joined the church and a larger number of parish conventions held for the improvement of the work.

This report was spoken of by the field secretary, who paid a tribute of deserved praise to Mr. Murray's work in the county.

After a hymn, Rev. Mr. Vans spoke on The Teachers' Study of the Bible. His excellent suggestions were followed by others. Mr. Murray then spoke about the International convention and its work.

Wm. Marshall read an instructive paper on Home Class Work.

At the third session the following officers were elected: Rev. P. G. Vans, president; Geo. Lawson, Rev. Wm. Lawson and another as vice president, with one also for each parish. Rev. W. F. Murray was re-elected as secretary. The officers were installed and Rev. W. E. Johnson, of Harcourt gave a suggestive address on Qualifications and Duties of a Sunday School Teacher.

At the fourth session Dr. W. G. King, of Buctouche, read a paper on the Superintendent, His Qualification and Duties. At the closing session Rev. Mr. Lucas gave a few normal hints, designed first for scholars present, second for the more advanced Bible students.

The credential committee reported 8 pastors and 53 other delegates registered, besides some 200 visitors who were deeply interested. A vigorous paper on the subject of S. S. Literature was read by Rev. J. R. McClure, and discussed by several others. The chairman asked Mr. Lucas for a few parting words, and after a hymn, Rev. Wm. Lawson pronounced the benediction, closing the largest and it was believed the best convention ever held in Kent county.

Berlin, N. H.

SEPT. 12.—Sometimes some of the Kent Co. boys lose their way and come to our town. At present we have with us James Harnett, of Molus River, Matthew Campbell and John Warman of Bass River, and Mr. and Mrs. C. D. McLean, of Harcourt.

David W. Brown went to Rumford Falls, Maine, where he intends spending the winter.

Miss Lizzie Sullivan is going to return to Bass River next month.

Mr. Gilbert Perry lost his youngest girl with whooping cough. She was over two years old.

The N. H. laws are pretty hard on the manufacturer. Two years ago a stranger went into Berlin Mills Co's. yard to see a friend who was working there and while there got his knee broken between two cars. Last week the county court gave him a verdict of six thousand dollars damages.

The old granite state has two battles to fight this fall, one with the silver men and one with her liquor men. After forty years of prohibition the liquor dealers have called for a license law, of course there will be a struggle abroad.

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