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THE HAPPY FAMILY.

There are rumors of war in the Conservative camp. The deep friendship between the party leaders was four years ago strikingly illustrated by the disruption which occurred a few months before the general elections of 1896. The whole story, which culminated in the disruption of the Cabinet, has never been written, but sufficient is known to throw a stain upon the party leaders which it will take years to wipe out in the opinion of the honest men of the country.

In December, 1894, an anonymous letter was received by the Conservative Premier charging Sir Adolphe Caron with having accepted a bribe of from fifteen to twenty thousand dollars from the Belt Line Railway Company of Montreal to promote certain legislation. The letter seemed on the face of it so reasonable that the Premier handed it over to Sir Adolphe Caron. Again in the November following another anonymous letter, similar in its charges, was received by the Premier. Sir Adolphe Caron, it appears, suspected two of his colleagues in the Cabinet, the Hon. Dr. Montague and the Hon. John Haggart, of being the authors of the letter.

On Jan. 8th, 1896, the Hon. N. Clarke Wallace first referred to these anonymous letters in the House of Commons, stating that Dr. Montague, his colleague, was trying to throw the suspicion of having written the anonymous letters on him (Wallace) and protested his innocence. Dr. Montague in reply stated that he himself had been charged by a member of the Cabinet with having written the letters and described the matter as a "foul and dirty conspiracy to ruin him." He denied having asserted that Mr. Wallace wrote the letters but accused him of having hawked them around Toronto, and that Mr. Wallace had accused him (Montague) of writing them. On the 14th of January, 1896, N. Clarke Wallace again brought the matter up before the House, stating that the "Mail and Empire" had accused him of being the author, and informing the House and the country that Sir Adolphe Caron, in order that there should be no doubt in the matter, sent the anonymous letters and six others known to be written by Dr. Montague to a writing expert in New York who had unhesitatingly pronounced them all to have been written by one person. Needless to say such disclosures of underhand attacks between members of a Cabinet have never been known before or since in the history of a responsible government.

Such happy relations had been engendered between the members of the Cabinet by their mutual relations and such unfortunate re-

sults had occurred from the Tory standpoint in the political action of the people of Canada in the closing days of 1895, that it was not long before a final split came. On December 24th the staunch Conservative riding of Cardwell elected a Liberal in the by-election by over 300 majority. Three days later a Liberal was elected in Montreal Centre by a majority of over 300, where a Tory had been elected at the previous election by over 500 majority. In December the old Tory riding of Jacques Cartier also elected a Liberal by over 500 majority. The happy family could not stand three such blows within one week.

Parliament met on January 2nd, 1896, and the speech from the throne was read, whereupon the House adjourned to meet again on the 7th. On January 7th Sir Adolphe Caron, the temporary leader of the Government in the House of Commons, announced that seven members of the Government had sent in their resignations, and Mr. Geo. E. Foster, who acted as the leader of the conspiracy, read a carefully prepared statement, which has been pronounced by both parties to have been the most cold-blooded utterance ever made in a British Parliament. In the Senate Sir McKenzie Bowell made the statement that had been made in the lower House by Sir Adolphe Caron, and in the course of his remarks gave vent to the following enconium on his colleagues of the Government: "I have been living in a nest of traitors," and it has been acknowledged that no truer words were ever uttered by a public man. The nest of traitors referred to deserves to live in history and their names will bear repeating as a potent example of what men can be when they forget their private honor and public responsibility. The following are the names of the seven bolters:—Hon. Geo. E. Foster, Hon. Sir Hibbert Tupper, Hon. A. R. Dickie, Hon. Dr. Montague, Hon. John Haggart, Hon. W. B. Ives, Hon. John F. Wood.

Sir McKenzie Bowell, the Premier, who had been termed by the bolters "a stubborn old nuisance" refused to be turned down, and when the conspirators realized that his stubbornness made it liable that the whole Government would fall and that they would lose their offices and salaries, they began to bethink themselves and decided, in order to hold on to their emoluments, to eat humble pie. In nine days, as one speaker stated it, "the cats came back," and the happy family were once more re-united.

We have not space to print the comments of the Liberal and Tory press on one of the most degrading exhibitions of political immorality that Canada has ever witnessed. Sufficient is it to quote the reference of one of the leading Conservative journals which stated that the seven bolters were "a gang of cut throats and rebels."

The same men who formed the Cabinet in 1896; the very individuals whom the late Premier termed a "nest of traitors" are to-day seeking from the electorate of Canada the bestowal of their confidence in them, and yet to-day after four years having passed, no single act of condonement has been made, not even a single apology uttered, for one of the most diabolical conspiracies ever hatched. On the other hand history is likely to repeat itself, and it is not beyond the mark to say that 1900 may see a repetition of the disruption of the happy Tory family. Already there have been rumors of serious dissension and the outspoken challenge by several of the leading Conservative members of the House of Sir Chas. Tupper as their leader shows a growing feeling in that party that they cannot hope for success with the aged egotist in command. Hugh John

McDonald has been frequently mentioned with approval as the man who should be in command of the Conservative party, and the numerous opponents of Sir Chas. Tupper, fearing the lash of his still vigorous tongue while he was present with them in the flesh, have taken the occasion of his absence in England to renew the clamour against him. As a result perhaps of this, and knowing the men with whom he has to deal and the staunch loyalty which has been revealed by them in the past for their former leader, whom they betrayed in 1896, Sir Charles determined to cut his visit in England short and will sail for home on the 9th.

It would be indeed interesting if Sir Chas. Tupper were to find the tables of 1896 turned upon himself in 1900. We would advise our Conservative friends, however, not to fight over the bone until they get it, for like the dog in the fable, in fighting for the shadow they are likely to lose all chance of the reality.

THE EDITORS TABLE.

The Montreal Herald very aptly quotes the great Cardinal Newman's description of a Conservative. "A Conservative in the political sense," said Newman, "means a man who is at the top of the tree and knows it, and means never to come down what ever it costs him to keep his place there. It means a man who upholds government and society, and the existing state of things, not because it is good and desirable, because it is established, because it is a benefit to the population, because it is full of promise for the future; but rather because he himself is well off in consequence of it, and because to take care of Number One, is his main political principle"—and adds: There it is as neat as can be. It is only necessary to fill in the clothes, beard, pigtail or other distinctive ornament and we have before our eyes Sir Charles Tupper, Uncle Paul Kruger, Prince Tuan, Mark Hanna, any one of a dozen who in our generation and in one country or another stand for all that is representative in political conservatism. With a leader at hand cut out by nature for the purpose, how absurd it is to talk of supplanting him just because he happens to be old and a bit crusty.

A big Liberal demonstration is to be held at Springhill, Cumberland County, N. S., in honor of H. J. Logan, the talented young member for that constituency. The following speakers will address the meeting: Hon. D. C. Fraser, M. P., of Guysboro, Hon. H. R. Emmerson, Premier Murray, E. M. McDonald, M. P. P., for Pictou, and Firman McClure, M. P., for Colchester County. This array would be hard to beat in Canada to-day.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier is to be present at the great Acadian Convention at Arichat, Cape Breton, on the 9th instant.

The Moncton Times is trying hard to retain the supremacy in prevarication and altho' hard pressed by Ananias Scott, of the St. John Sun, still holds the palm. The Times latest is that not a single Liberal will be elected in either New Brunswick or Nova Scotia. Mr. Boyd had better take a good look at Westmoreland for it is to be one of 'em Liberal seats when the vote is counted.

The Toronto World (Conservative) edited by a Conservative M. P. sees a little farther than either of those ardent patriots, Mr. Geo. V. McInerney, M. P., or Mr. H. A. Powell, M. P., in regard to the

truth of the present I. C. R. management by Mr. Blair. "The World attaches more importance to the maintenance of the independence of our national railway (the Intercolonial) and its gradual extension westward than to any other thing in connection with railways and railway reform in Canada. The Canadian Pacific Ry. is no lover of these new ideas in regard to the national railway. It would like to acquire it, and failing that it would like to 'sew it up' in a deal by which it would lose its freedom and become a leased line of the C. P. R. system. Mr. Shaughnessy is now threatening to make Boston, instead of St. John his winter port if the Intercolonial is not given over to him. Let him do so if he will—notwithstanding that Canada has embarked millions and millions in the C. P. R. to make of it a national highway. But let us keep our own railway and run it to suit ourselves and to build up a Canadian seaport. It is a national crime that the two great trunk roads of this country, the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific, should make their Atlantic terminals on the ports of the United States, Portland and Boston. The way to change all this is not by surrendering the Intercolonial to these rival roads, but by extending it alongside of them.

"Now that this dispute is on we trust the Government will make a straight fight for the national highway. Let Mr. Blair take the public into his confidence and they will support him if in earnest."

HERE AND THERE.

The inability of the officers of the allied forces in China to agree upon a leader reminds us of a group of children who cannot agree to play baseball together because each one wants to be batter. Only in China it is having serious results to the hard pressed embassies in Peking. We would suggest that the British force might move at once on Peking and let it be a race of honor who should occupy the post of honor and of danger.

Speaking of republics, it would seem just now as though the freedom of the great republic to the south was degenerating into licence for crime when we read the resolutions of the Anarchists meeting in Patterson, N. J., applauding the foul murder of the late King of Italy. If titled monarchs have fallen by the assassins knife in the past half century, the murder of two Presidents of the American Republic and of one of the Presidents of France indicates that anarchy has not lived up to even its own base conclusions.

The surrender of General Prinsloo with over 4000 men to Gen. Hunter would indicate that even if the back of the rebellion in South Africa has not been broken, at least the claws of the Boer have been successfully clipped.

Those who have been taking alarm at the fear of French domination should sleep peacefully after reading the result of the Ottawa Journal's figures on the proportion which the minority race has borne from time to time to the whole. In 1769 it was 90 per cent., in 1791 it had dropped to 70 per cent., in 1812 to 60 per cent., in 1837 to 46 per cent., in 1841 to 44 per cent., in 1861 to 33 per cent., in 1871 to 31 per cent., in 1881 to 30 per cent. and in 1891 it was 29 per cent. French domination in Canada is one of the nightmares which politicians are apt to conjure up to suit their selfish ends at election times.

The German Emperor must have an American strain in his blood, for he certainly possesses the national attribute of a little gas on the brain. His bloodthirstiness coupled with his readiness for Biblical quotation would also make him a keen rival of Oom Paul if he were only an Oom instead of an Emperor.

"There are more things in heaven and earth, Than are dreamt of in your philosophy." is what Sheng, the Chinese Director of Railways said to the European nations while he humbugged them by fake messages for two weeks.

It will be time for another Peace Conference when the Boer War is finished, the Chinese exterminated a la German style and the Allies get through fighting over the division of the spoils. In the meantime all the world except W. T. Stead, of the Review of Reviews, forgets the good resolutions of The Hague.

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mire Col. Bryan, the Democratic nominee for President, for his consistency in maintaining in 1900 what he maintained in 1896. It certainly is not a national characteristic.

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WEDDED BY TELEPHONE.

BINGHAMPTON, N. Y., Aug. 3.—Miss Edith Graves, of Boston, and P. R. Lambert, of St. Louis, were to have been married at the residence of the bride's aunt here by Rev. William Graves, father of the bride. At the last moment it was learned he was very ill and could not attend, but arrangements were completed whereby a telephone was placed near his bedside and the marriage, transmitted by wire, the bride and bridegroom alternately answering the questions that made them man and wife. That no question might arise, a second ceremony at which a local clergyman officiated was performed.

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Hon. H. R. Emmerson left Winnipeg for home Saturday night.

SUICIDE AT SEA.

NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—There was a dramatic incident aboard the big liner Deutschland two days out on the run that ended here this morning. Fourth-officer E. Thiel blew out his brains after having been found asleep on the bridge. He was a handsome, sprightly young fellow. He entered the company's service on the Deutschland's maiden trip. In the officers' mess he was called the ship's baby, and they joked him about one day rising to be master of the great vessel. Thiel had ambition. He had studied seamanship and left his home in Hamberg in high hopes. A trifling accident dashed all his hopes to the ground. The second day out it was his turn to watch on the bridge. The air made him drowsy and he fell asleep at his post. Capt. Albers came upon him, ordered him to take off his coat, the ship's badge of office, and lent him to his cabin. The lad went down in disgrace. Five minutes after the door closed behind him a shot was heard and when it was forced open the body lay on the floor with a bullet in his brain.

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PAINFUL AND FATAL.

WOODSTOCK, N. B., Aug. 6.—Stephen Sullivan, an employe of Fred. Moore for the past twenty-three years, met a sad death on Saturday. He was engaged in haying on Mr. Moore's farm and had just done with stowing away a load in the barn. The team had left the barn and Sullivan was about getting from the top of the mow to the floor. To do this he brought his fork into use, but in making the jump missed the mark, and the fork penetrated into his bowels, terribly cutting him. With great pluck, he pulled the fork out himself. As soon as possible he was removed home and all surgical help possible was given to him, but to no avail more than to alleviate his sufferings, for he expired on Saturday evening about dark. He was forty-two years old, and leaves a widow, a daughter of John Cogger, of this place, and three small children.

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