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ST. JOHN, N. B., MARCH 18, 1905.

MR. FOSTER AND COERCION.

Mr. Fitzpatrick thinks that he makes a point when he says that Mr. Foster stood for the privileges of the minority in Manitoba in 1896, and is now opposed to federal interference with the Northwest schools. Suppose this is true. Mr. Foster in 1896 had to consider a privy council decision and the historical fact that a confederation compact had been made with the Roman Catholics in Manitoba. He was also assured by the Quebec ministers and members that it was a grave question of conscience in that province.

But what followed Mr. Foster's action in 1896 amply justifies his position now. The country declared emphatically for provincial rights. This declaration has been twice repeated. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Mr. Fitzpatrick and other members of the present cabinet appealed to the people of Quebec against Mr. Foster's position. Quebec sustained them and declared for provincial rights. The principle has been settled in the way that democracies settle questions.

The case for interference in the Territories is much weaker than the case was for interference with Manitoba. That was a case of interpreting a law. This is a case of making one. That was an attempt to settle a long standing dispute. This is an attempt by the government to involve the west in a dispute that will be a source of trouble for all time to come. Mr. Foster may or may not have been wrong in 1896, but the people of Canada said he was wrong. He would certainly be wrong now if he advocated federal interference with the new provinces.

Lord Stanley could never have said, as reported by the press despatches, that the imperial postal revenue would lose \$15,000,000 by the reduction of the postal rates on periodicals sent to Canada to the rate paid on United States postal matter sent to this country. This sum mentioned is far in excess of the total postal revenue of Canada and must be greater than all the postage collected on mail matter sent from Great Britain to other parts of the empire. Evidently there has been some error in reporting or transmission.

A Manitoba grand jury has found no bill against the agitator who got hold of the voters' list before the late election, and doctored the papers by striking the names of a large number of conservatives off the list. It is not quite clear whether the jury approved of this method of stealing a seat, or regards it as a political offense not to be dealt with in the criminal courts. The organizer in question has received a government office, which shows that his conduct is approved by a former attorney general of Manitoba.

We have to remind various contemporaries that winter does not "linger in the lap of spring." A poet once stated that in Switzerland "winter lingers in the lap of May."

THE FALL OF KUROPATKIN.

While there seems to be no doubt that General Kuropatkin has been relieved of his command, we are still permitted to doubt that any specific royal or official declaration has been made signifying that he is disgraced. If such announcement has been made it will not cause Russia to be more respected abroad, nor deepen the loyalty of the subjects of the Emperor Nicholas. For though the Russian commander seems to have failed to take the necessary precautions against the enveloping movement on his right, and while one can hardly find excuse for allowing the Japanese to get ahead of him and beyond the Pass, the fact stands out that Oyama was provided with a much better fighting army. It was not strategy but force which enabled inferior numbers of Japanese to drive in the Russian corps which they met on the west flank after the general engagement. General Kuropatkin has been outfanked and driven back. He has perhaps lost or will lose nearly half of his army. But the Russian admiral lost their squadrons. Aleksei's awful failures at the beginning of the war were worse than Kuropatkin's at the end of it. It will perhaps be time to disgrace Kuropatkin when Linevitch does better, or when some of the Grand Dukes of whose prospective operations we hear so much, shall have shown their plebeian officers how to beat Japan.

The government of Russia may feel the need of a scapegoat. Successive disasters, followed by this last unprecedented disaster, call for some explanation. The easy way is to blame Kuropatkin. Thus the government of Abraham Lincoln during the civil war responded to public complaint by retiring one commander-in-chief after another. At last Grant finished the war, but not until he also had endured a share of reproaches, and experienced some narrow escapes from the same qualified disgrace that successively befell Scott, McClellan, Burnside, Hooker and Meade, his predecessors in the chief command, to say nothing of Fremont, Butler and others in subordinate positions. The demand for a victim has caused the degradation of

many a good soldier, and the English people whose testimony General Buller was far from creditable, are not free from the same weakness which has perhaps caused an injustice to be done to Kuropatkin.

LENT.

'Tis now that the housecleaning fervor Holds sway in the heart of the fair; The world and the flesh and the devil Were dwelling in happiness there.

But lately the ease loving trio Are filled with foreboding and fears; The devil comes home in the evenings. To fall in a bucket of tears.

The world walks unthinking of changes, While into the portal he slips, And promptly, disstrously, over The stool of repentance he trips.

The flesh would fain bask by the fire-side, But still as he steers for the seat, He sits in a scuffle of ashes, And rises no more to his feet.

SATURDAY SERMONETTE.

DISAGREEABLE PEOPLE.

It is not winter's cold and storms and burning heat and dreary rains and moaning winds that make this world sometimes a "wilderness of woe," but it is the disagreeable people. The world would be a very pleasant place if it were not for the men and women who ask impertinent questions, and you have to evade them by telling them what your conscience afterwards tells you was a lie.

Sometimes the question is about your business. Sometimes it is other people's business they enquire about. Sometimes it is your age, or the age of your daughter, who is getting a little sensitive about her age and don't want you to "give her away"—until you do it in church.

The disagreeable man is the one who, when you commence your story either interrupts you to say, "Yes, I heard that before," or waits until you get through and then says, "Oh, that is ancient history."

When you tell your pet joke he laughs in the wrong place or looks bored.

He tells over and over again about his diseases and ailments, gives you a chance to talk about yours, or looks as if he had all of yours, besides his own.

When he listens to the story of your sickness he hardly waits until you have finished before he commences to prescribe for you, and if you meet him again he finds that you have not taken his prescription as he said at you.

He reads your paper before you can, and often commences to read the war news or the political notes to you, when you finally get a chance to read your paper, it seems as if it were a week old. He cuts your magazine and does it so badly that you feel it is last month's number.

Oh, if we could only do something to make the disagreeable man agreeable—or something could happen to him—would not that be a grand thing? He would not have so many homicidal thoughts. But then, if we were to kill him it would be a massacre, for his name is legion.

The disagreeable woman makes home a— Just as her sister, the agreeable woman makes it a heaven.

To say that the gossip-monger's meddling woman is a disagreeable person is putting it too mildly. She is more and worse than disagreeable.

Sometimes the disagreeable woman is perfectly truthful, she abhors a lie, but she never seems to know that the truth ought not always to be told. "Why, it is true," she says. "Why not tell it?" She reads your paper, and if she only knew how disagreeable she is when she said my dress only cost fifty cents a yard, when the dry-goods-man knows I paid half a dollar for it.

She tells her at a glance what my new clothes, furniture and carpet cost, but why should she tell me and my friends that that kind of goods always fades, and there is no wear in them, and that I was extravagant. It was all true, but I don't want to be told about it, especially as I began to suspect it all myself.

Oh, why must saints be sometimes so disagreeable, and sinners sometimes so agreeable?

MASKED ROBBERS FOILED.

CHICAGO, March 17.—Six masked robbers frustrated in an attempt to burglarize the office of the Chicago Tribune Friday afternoon after they had overpowered and gagged two employees of the place, made their escape, but were finally engaged in a street fight with the police.

More than 20 shots were fired by the officers and it is thought two of the escaping men were wounded. The police heard two of the men cry out that they had been shot and the officers believed the wounded men were aided in escaping by their companions.

BIG STEAMER OVERDUE.

BOSTON, March 17.—No tidings have been received from the belated Leyland line steamer Bohemian, Captain Neil McCullum, which sailed from Liverpool March 4, and which was due here Tuesday. It is believed the vessel may have been disabled at sea or that she is rendering assistance to some steamer which has met with an accident.

IS A "BOUNTY BILL."

BOSTON, March 17.—The payment of \$125 to veterans of the Civil War who were honorably discharged is provided for in a bill which the committee on military affairs today voted to report to the legislature. The measure is in effect a "bounty bill," though worded differently from the bill of the same nature which was passed by the legislature last year, but which the supreme court held unconstitutional. This year's bill avoids the use of the word "bounty." It provides that \$125 shall be paid by the committee to each veteran soldier or sailor "as a testimonial of the sense that the commonwealth entertains of his patriotism and faithful service."

Senator Woods of Middlesex, and Representative Cushman, of Somerville, dissent from the committee's report.

HINTS TO PIPE-SMOKERS.

To "break in" a pipe, first dampen the inside of the bowl. Then put in Rainbow Cut Plug Smoking Tobacco, and you will enjoy your smoke.

LOCAL NEWS.

Capt. W. R. Marshall, D. S. A., has been granted leave of absence from March 15th to 21st.

Engineer Bartlett, of the C. P. R., who was injured in the collision of engines at Bay Shore early this week, is still confined to his home, but is improving. It is only fair to him to say that he was not in charge of the runaway engine, but was on the other one, though he had not taken charge of her at the time of the accident.

SHE HAD INDIGESTION.

"I had indigestion and dyspepsia, the doctor said; but I only know that I almost suffered death, especially when at a delicate period my bowels were bad, and I had such pains in my back every morning I could hardly get out of bed. When I had taken Hutch's Cat-cure my stomach, indigestion, I was a new person. These are facts, and my friends can say the same."

WILL ENFORCE THE LAW.

Maine Authorities Raid Drug Store and Get Two Wagons Loads of Liquor.

BIDDEFORD, Me., March 17.—A conference was held today between County Attorney George As Emery, Sheriff Athorne and the deputy sheriffs of Biddeford and Saco, looking to the strict enforcement of the prohibitory law in York County.

County Attorney Emery stated, after the conference, that tomorrow the mayors and chiefs of police in Biddeford and Saco would be notified that they would be expected to assist the deputy sheriffs to the utmost of their power in enforcing the law and if they failed to do so the enforcement commissioners would be appealed to. The county attorney said further that he had some surprises in store, but he would give no intimation as to their nature.

Just at dark tonight three deputy sheriffs started out to visit the drug stores in this city, and from four of them they secured enough liquors of all descriptions to fill two express wagons. The liquors were taken to the storehouse on Elm street and the drug stores were summoned to appear in court tomorrow to answer the charge of illegally keeping liquor for sale. The raids created considerable excitement and tonight it was quite impossible to obtain liquor for any purpose in the city.

TIGER TEA DAYS

Days for drinking Tiger Tea as follows: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday. (Holidays included).

All notices of Births, Marriages and Deaths must be endorsed with the names and addresses of the persons sending same.

DEATHS.

DAVIS—Suddenly, in this city, on March 15, 1905, James Davis, aged 76 years, leaving a wife, two sons and two daughters to mourn their loss. Funeral Sunday afternoon, at 2.30 o'clock from his late residence, No. 9 White street.

McARTHUR—In this city, on March 16th, Joseph McArthur, aged 36 years, from his late residence, corner Main and Simonds street, north end. Service at 2 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend.

O'LEARY—In this city, on March 16th, Mammie E. O'Leary, aged 15 years, and Margaret O'Leary, aged 15 years, daughters of the late Michael Flood, of her parents' residence, 49 Britain street. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

GILLIS—In this city, on March 17th, Mary, wife of Daniel Gillis, and eldest daughter of the late Michael Flood, in the 52nd year of her age. Funeral on Sunday, at 2.30, from her mother's residence, 129 Sydney street. Acquaintances invited to attend.

RALSTON—At St. John, West, on March 17th, William W. Ralston son of Elizabeth and the late Capt. John W. Ralston.

Funeral tomorrow (Sunday) at two o'clock from his home, 21 Lancaster street.

WETMORE—In this city, March 17th, Walter E. Wetmore, son of the late E. Wetmore of Clifton, aged 18 years. He had been a sufferer from spinal meningitis.

Notice of funeral hereafter.

GREY—In this city, on March 17th, Margaret, widow of the late James T. Grey, in the 80th year of her age, leaving one daughter to mourn her loss. (Cleveland, Ohio, papers please copy.)

Funeral on Monday, the 20th instant, from her late residence, 27 St. David's street, at 2.30 o'clock.

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White Cambric, Heavy English Make.

38 inches wide, regular 12c. cloth. Special 10 yards for \$1.00. At the price cottons are selling today this is a bargain. Only a limited quantity left.

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Large size 20x38 inches, all white or red, hemmed ends, 20 dozen of this Special Towel at 15c. each or 2 for 25c.

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY.
Entertainments Last Evening Were Well Attended.

St. Patrick's day was generally celebrated throughout the city. In the afternoon and evening a successful dramatic entertainment was given by the Y. M. S. of St. Joseph in the York Theatre.

The Opera House was packed full in the evening to hear the Irish play Kathleen Mavourneen.

The C. M. B. A. members and guests met in White's restaurant and spent an enjoyable evening. His Honor, Judge Ritchie, presided. Several toasts were drunk and responded to with much enthusiasm.

A number of the A. O. H. enjoyed supper at the Alexandria restaurant, which was prettily decorated for the occasion.

Wm. Thomson & Co. received a cable yesterday to the effect that the stranded Battle liner Paraisilla would be floated in about three days. The ship is ashore on North Capital Island about 300 miles from Manila.

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