

B. FRANKLIN SMITH THE RIGHT MAN IN THE RIGHT PLACE

Hero of Patriotic Potato Steal Will Fit in Splendidly in the Moribund Local Government--Has Many Claims to Fame--His Logging Operations on the Tobique Indian Reserve are Recalled--A Trouble Maker for the Party.

(St. John Telegraph.)

As it becomes necessary for the local government to take a gambler's chance at some constituency, Mr. B. Franklin Smith is the logical candidate. No one else in the government's ranks so perfectly reflects all that the tottering administration now stands for. It is announced in the government press that Mr. Smith is to lead the forlorn hope, and whatever effect the news has on the government's supporters, certainly all friends of the opposition will hear it with joy. Mr. Smith is just the sort of man the government ought to put forward as its standard bearer if it wishes to run true to form. Everybody knows what kind of a politician he is, and his nomination for a portfolio at this time is a blunt confession by the government that he stands for its ideas of sound and honest administration and political decency. It is well to have this clearly understood.

In welcoming Mr. Smith to the fray under these pleasing circumstances we shall make at present no attempt to go fully into the beauties of his political career or the moving character of his life as a citizen. These are noteworthy omissions, too, for "Deacon" Smith has no commonplace history. His adventures in connection with the patriotic potatoes are fresh in the public memory, and in his own district they still tell with unctious of his displays of deep piety on the occasion of recent revivals at which many erring souls were won back into the fold.

Long before pure patriotism led him into the potato business Mr. Smith had many claims to fame. It was he who conducted the famous lumbering operations on the Tobique Indian reserve. He was to cut burned timber, but he

did not stop at that. A Federal official warned him and ordered him to desist, but Mr. Smith knew the Federal government and went on cutting. An Indian chief who also was cutting contrary to the regulations went to jail for it, but Mr. Smith having a "pull," cut what he wanted, or about all there was to cut, and made an easy settlement later on with the Federal authorities. Hansard contains many pages of letters and discussion concerning this matter, and it makes lively reading. Whatever the color of the transaction was, Mr. Smith, in the language of the street, "got away with it."

Some day the transaction may be reopened.

It is quite in order that the men who nominated Mr. J. K. Flemming for Ottawa, after the Dugal Commission got through with him, should now back Mr. Smith for a place in the local government. These are nominations that the long-suffering public will interpret instantly and correctly. There are political observers who say Mr. Smith, with a portfolio and a rousing campaign fund, can carry Carleton county. We have a much better opinion of Carleton than that.

A reputable man with a portfolio and a campaign fund was rejected in Westmorland very recently, and since that time the government's weakened prestige has fallen still lower. That Carleton county would elect either Mr. Flemming or Mr. Smith in these days is not to be believed; but of course this is a free country, and the constituency, which Mr. Smith's candidacy will put to the test, will do whatever it deems right and proper.

Mr. Smith as a candidate recalls Lincoln's saying that for the sort of people who like that sort of thing,

BRITAIN TO FLOAT LOAN IN THE U. S.

London, Aug. 16.—The forthcoming loan to be issued in the United States for Great Britain is regarded in banking circles as a preliminary move to protect exchange, which recently has been showing signs of drooping.

The amount of the issue is so small, however, that the belief is expressed that a more comprehensive operation, which will include countries allied to Great Britain, may be undertaken in the near future.

Announced in New York.

New York, Aug. 16.—Formal announcement was made today by J. P. Morgan & Co., as syndicate managers, of the new loan to Great Britain, aggregating \$250,000,000 to run for two years at 5 per cent interest. Associated with Morgan & Co. are several of the leading banks, trusts, and banking houses of this city, Boston, Pittsburgh and Chicago.

MISSING BOAT OF THE LETIMBRO.

Driven Ashore on Tripolitan Coast and Survivors Captured by Arabs.

Rome, via Paris, Aug. 16.—The missing boat from the Italian passenger steamer Letimbro, sunk in the Mediterranean a fortnight ago by an Austrian submarine, was driven ashore on the Tripolitan coast, it was learned here today. Eight passengers from the Letimbro who were in the boat were taken prisoner into the interior by Arabs. General Ameglio, Governor of Libya, has sent emissaries to treat with the Arabs for the release of the prisoners.

Probably a sympathetic tear comes as near being a panacea for all feminine troubles as anything on the market.

that's the sort of thing they'd like.

The government is on its last legs. To select Mr. Smith as a candidate and have him beaten would hasten the end, to be sure. But to give him a portfolio and elect him by corrupt means—the only possible way—would rouse the province to anger as almost nothing else. To choose Mr. Smith for a cabinet office now is to slap all of the proprieties in the face. It is an impudent challenge to a decent electorate. It will give the Opposition one more strong card at a time when its hand already looks too good to be beaten.

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SUNBURY CO. LADY MET TRAGIC DEATH

Mrs. J. W. Harpan, Formerly of Maugeville, Victim of an Auto Accident in Quincy.

Maugeville relatives of Mrs. Joseph W. Harpan were shocked to hear of her death in an automobile accident at Quincy, Mass., on Saturday last.

Mrs. Harpan, before her marriage, was Miss Catherine W. DeVeber and belonged to a well known Maugeville family. Her uncle, Mr. Marvin Smith, and his daughter, Miss Mabel Smith, left for Boston on Monday to attend the funeral.

The Boston Sunday Post has the following particulars of the accident by which Mrs. Harpan met her death:

"Mrs. Catherine W. Harpan, of Hyde Park was fatally injured late yesterday afternoon when, after stepping aside from one automobile on Adams street, Quincy, she moved into the path of another auto driven by Arthur H. Hardy. She died at the Quincy Hospital.

"Mrs. Harpan was the wife of Jos. W. Harpan, of 198 Dana street, Hyde Park, who is employed in the typographical department of the Boston Globe. The Harpans have been stopping at Post Island, a summer resort at Quincy, and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Chadbourne, also of Hyde Park.

Dragged 26 Feet.

Late in the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Chadbourne and Mrs. Harpan autoed to Quincy to do some shopping. The car stopped and Mrs. Harpan alighted and went to a store across the street. When she returned to the sidewalk she started across the street, but was checked by an approaching automobile. She stepped back to allow the car to pass and moved into the way of a machine driven by Hardy.

She was dragged a distance of 20 feet and then run over by the machine. She was taken to the Quincy City Hospital, where Dr. W. L. Sargent reported that she was suffering from fractured ribs on the right side, internal injuries, a compound fracture of the right leg and the fracture of smaller bones in the left leg. She is survived by her husband and a son, Charles Harpan, 18 years of age."

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Charles F. Hughes Says He Does Not Shrink From War.

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"I want that made real," the nominee said. "I do not think in making that real that we encounter the danger of war. I would not shrink from it if we did in performing the obvious duty."

EARTHQUAKE IN ITALY.

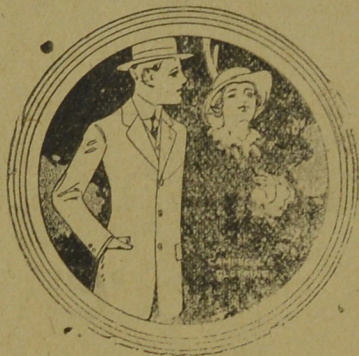
London, Aug. 16.—The cities of Ancona, Pesaro and Rimini, Italy, were shaken by an earthquake early this morning, says a despatch from Rome today. It is feared that at Rimini there has been loss of life.

The married man who waits for the owl is likely to catch it when he gets home.

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