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AN UGLY CASE.

The staid old Montreal Gazette, a strong Tory paper, under the heading "An Ugly Case," says:

The evidence obtained in proceedings at St. John in connection with a claim of the contractor, Mr. A. R. Gould, for money due him on account of the construction of the Valley Railway, a local road in New Brunswick, reveals a state of political rottenness of which, fortunately, there are few precedents in Canada. The story, as related by Mr. Gould on the witness stand, is short and sordid. We quote from the evidence:

Q.—When was the \$100,000 paid?
A.—In the spring of 1912.
Q.—Before the local general election?

A.—Yes.
Q.—Where did you get the money you gave to Mr. Flemming?

A.—I got it from the trust company and handed it over to Mr. Flemming.

Q.—You have said it was your own money; was that because you regarded the debt to the bank as a personal liability?

A.—Yes.

Q.—The trust company gave you the money out of the proceeds of the bonds?

A.—I don't know where it came from.

Q.—But the bonds had been deposited with the trust company?

A.—Yes, long before that.

Q.—This \$100,000 referred to in the bill of particulars is the balance of the loan out of which you paid Mr. Flemming?

A.—It would be about that amount.

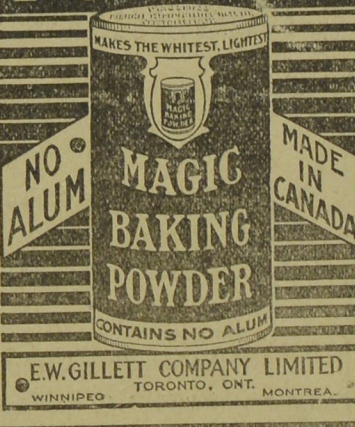
The gist of the evidence is that the government of the province, through the then Prime Minister, undertook to guarantee second mortgage bonds of the railway to the extent of \$10,000 a mile, that a prominent trust company advanced the contractor \$250,000 on account of these bonds, and that out of this sum \$100,000 was paid into the provincial campaign fund of New Brunswick in 1912. No denial of the evidence is yet forthcoming; none may be made. On its face, the transaction is almost unique in the annals of political corruption. The Premier of that day is out of public life. The contractor continues to press his claim for compensation of expenditure upon the Valley Railway, and from his claim there should be no hesitation in deducting \$100,000. With some politicians the sin of commission is less than that of being found out. In this instance, the province appears to stand the gainer financially, and it may be hoped also in respect of political morality.

The Gazette is wrong in saying that the then Premier of the day is out of political life. He was forced out of the government and resigned his seat in the Legislature, but was immediately nominated as the Conservative candidate for the Federal parliament in Carleton and Victoria. Some time afterwards his friends and former supporters in the Legislature who benefited from the boodle fund, presented him with a coat of whitewash. At last accounts Flemming was still in good standing in the Conservative party, and unless some provision is made for him he will be the "win-the-war" candidate against Mr. F. B. Carvell at the next election.

VALUE OF WATER POWERS.

The inestimable value of Canada's water power resources is being more and more emphasized, and the large amount at present developed and utilized is attracting much attention out-

MAGIC BAKING POWDER



side the Dominion. A recent article in a New York technical journal pays a high tribute to this wealth, stating that, while electrical central station managers in the United States have been rather restive since the war was declared, wondering how they would weather the approaching storm, Canadians have passed through the crisis unscathed. The principal difficulties feared were that of financing and of securing coal. In Canada, however, as almost all the electric energy is generated from water power, the scarcity and high price of fuel have not affected the industry materially. The low hydro-electric rates prevailing are a strong incentive to industrial extension and the per capita consumption of electricity in Canada is enormous. While the manufacture of munitions has helped to swell the figures, the total, exclusive of munition manufacture, is still very large.

High prices of food stuffs says Conservation, are due, partly, to waste in handling and, partly, to manipulation of the markets and to speculation. It is estimated that 80 per cent. of the Canadian farmers sold their wheat last fall at \$1.40 per bushel. Who received the difference between that price and \$2.80 per bushel, the price which recently prevailed? Here is work for the food controller or a food dictator. The people are becoming restive respecting the speculation in wheat and would be glad to see the elimination of the speculator. Wherever profits are abnormal and unreasonable they should be confiscated.

Gifford Pinchot, one of the foremost conservationists of the United States, says of that country: "The clear duty of the nation is to guarantee the farmers a fair price for their crops when grown, and a reasonable supply of labor at harvest. The clear duty of the farmer is to raise food enough to win this war for democracy against Kaiserism." This applies with equal force in Canada.

When Grant was campaigning in the wilderness there were times when it looked as if the wall before him could not be broken. But, like Haig and Petain, he kept on; and history records the result. It is an encouraging parallel.

It is a notable fact that many loud-mouthed Tory heeblers who pretend to be red-hot for conscription, have sons and other near relatives of military age who have thus far shown no disposition to don the khaki.

Through Our Sieve

Rain—and then some!

But then nothing goes through the sieve like rain!
Charity begins at home—and gets such a bad start it stays there.

More attention to hoses, less to hose, has been one of the results of the war.

Occasionally you meet a fellow who will marry a chicken and then be surprised to find himself henpecked.

Solomon was the richest because he was the wisest guy of his time—he married 'em all and saved breach of promise suits.

Occasionally the busy man pauses in his work long enough to wonder how the society editors discovered that Cupid's first name is Dan.

People who have no sense of humor are often the funniest—if you don't live with them. If you do, they severely strain your sense of humor.

Germany would dearly love to have peace thrust upon it while it still holds a stack of chips won early in the game when it had dealt all the aces into its own hand.

SIR LOMER GOUIN PRAISES QUEBEC

Montreal, Aug. 23. — Denying that Quebec was the disloyal province that it was pictured in many parts of the country and declaring that from the beginning of the war it had shown every desire to fight the battles of the empire as its very own, Sir Lomer Gouin was warmly applauded at the dinner tendered Mr. J. W. Levesque, M.P. for Laval here Monday night.

"Despotism made the war and democracy will give us peace. That democracy Canadians have and let us while giving to Caesar what belongs to Caesar keep this democracy and let us tell the Ottawa Government to leave to the people what belongs to the people."

Sir Lomer said that at the beginning of the war when the first thirty thousand men were raised so rapidly no one raised any discussion in the province as to taking part in the war. All went well until the return of Premier Borden to Canada from Europe last spring when it was learned that everything was going badly and that conscription was the only remedy. The present Government which was in power by toleration wanted conscription and it was evident that the people were to be divided on the issue. Sir Lomer Gouin questioned if some of the present members of the Commons would have been elected on a conscription platform.

"Would there have been a majority at Ottawa," asked Sir Lomer, "if all the vacant seats had been filled? Was it just that the destinies of the country were to be settled by a small majority? Is there no province more loyal than the old province of Quebec as in fact the people of this province are as patriotic as of old but the people want to be consulted. It is by a criminal act on the part of a few malefactors that a whole province should be judged as those criminal acts were opposed by the people of the province."

SUNDAY SERVICES

St. Paul's Presbyterian.

Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Rev. Jas. R. Kerr will conduct the services. Sunday school at 2.30 p.m. All are welcome.

Methodist Church.

Preaching at 11 a.m., and 7 p.m. Preacher, Rev. James F. Rowley. Sunday school at 2.30. All welcome; seats free.

Brunswick Street Baptist.

Rev. G. C. Warren, B. A., B. D., pastor. Services at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Bible School at 2.30 p.m. All are cordially invited to these services.

Reformed Baptist Church.

Rev. H. C. Archer, pastor. Preaching on Sunday by the pastor at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Prayer and social service at 10 a.m. Sunday school at 2.30 p.m. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. All are welcome.

[The Daily Mail makes no charge for publishing church notices, but it requests that they be written out and sent to the office before 10 o'clock on Saturday morning.]

W. A. DOUGHERTY WOUNDED IN FOOT

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Dougherty, of Fredericton One of Three Brothers Serving Overseas.

Mrs. Hugh Dougherty of this city, this morning received official word from Ottawa to the effect that her son, Sergt.-Maj. William Albert Dougherty, infantry, had been admitted to the 6th Casualty Clearing Station with a gunshot wound in the foot.

Sergt.-Maj. Dougherty is one of three brothers who are serving with the Canadian Expeditionary Force. He enlisted in the West and had been in France for some time. His brother Charles, who left as a sergeant with the 104th Battalion has been commissioned as a lieutenant since his arrival in England. Another brother, John, who enlisted in the West, also is overseas.

Week-end Market.

There was a good sized market this morning and country produce was in keen demand. Eggs sold at from 45 to 50 cents and butter at 45 cents. Potatoes were plentiful at \$8 per barrel which is a drop of a dollar from last week. Lamb sold at \$1.50 and \$2, veal at 17 and 20 cents, carrots, beets and onions at 5 cents a bunch, cabbages at 30 cents a dozen, cucumbers at 25 cents a dozen, corn at 25 cents a dozen, ripe tomatoes \$1 per basket, green tomatoes at 30 cents a peck, blueberries at \$1 per pail.

Visiting Old Home.

Mr. Andrew L. Richey of Haverhill, Mass., and his sister, Miss Louise Richey, are in the city, guests of Mrs. James Maxwell, University avenue. They are son and daughter of the late Mr. Marshall Richey of this city, who was for many years a prominent figure in civic politics. Many old friends are extending to them a hearty welcome.

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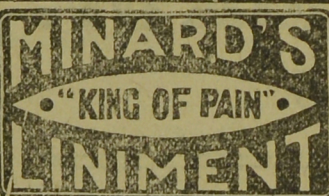
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