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TOO MANY OFFICIALS

Commenting on a statement in the Farmers Sun "that we have such a multitude of officials in this country that one set does not even know what the other is doing" the Sydney Record has this to say:

"The situation today is that there are so many federal officials of one kind and another in the Dominion that they are almost tumbling over one another. It is also true that much of the business which ought properly to be transacted by the government and Parliament is left to groups of bureaucratic officials, and in this fact is one of the reasons why the administration of public affairs is so unsatisfactory, why policy and method so frequently fail utterly to reflect public opinion. This condition of affairs is the cause of much of the dissatisfaction and unrest which exists in the country. Dissatisfaction and unrest will continue to exist until there is a return to constitutional practice of government by the Ministry and Parliament instead of by officials and commissions, and an end of the unnecessary expense which the present un-British system puts upon the taxpayer."

The St. John Standard, which predicted a Unionist victory in Carleton-Victoria, is greatly chagrined over the defeat of its candidate, Colonel Melville. It even goes so far as to scold the returned soldiers for assisting to bring about his defeat. In this connection it says: "Some of the soldiers resident in the constituency themselves circulated stories which did not help Col. Melville's candidacy." That old stuff about "saving the Empire" which the Standard tried to work off on the electors of Carleton-Victoria failed to deliver the goods. The Tories have got to adopt new methods of campaigning if they expect to win any elections in the future. The old flag, save the empire dope does not go down with intelligent electors nowadays.

A Tory graft organ makes a labored attempt to place the blame for the Unionist rout in Carleton-Victoria at the door of Hon. Mr. Carvell. It is hardly necessary to point out that it was at the urgent request of Sir Robt. Borden that Hon. Mr. Carvell became a member of the Unionist cabinet. He joined it for the period of the war and withdrew after a treaty of peace had been signed. It is only natural that the gunmen of the Tory party should be sore on the ex-Minister of Public Works; he positively refused to have any truck with them during his term of office.

Mr. B. Franklin Smith, in his speech at the convention which nominated Col. Melville, is reported to have said: "It should be impressed upon the people that we are out to see what the people as these two constituencies want. There is no question but what Col. Melville can look after the interests of the farmers equally as good as T. W. Caldwell. Colonel Melville can unite all the people, while Mr. Caldwell is standing on a class platform." Mr. Smith's curiosity as to what the people of Carleton-Victoria want has been satisfied. He now knows what they want and what they don't want. Mr. Caldwell made a fairly good job of suiting the voters.

Although the Tory papers confidently predicted that Col. Melville would carry Carleton county by a large majority, he was trimmed in that county by a two to one vote. The vote stood Caldwell 4,662, Melville 2,332. In Vic-

toria county he was beaten by a majority of 1,208, the vote standing Caldwell 1,959, Melville 751. The vote for the united counties stood: Caldwell 6,621, Melville 3,081, a majority for Caldwell of 3,540. The Unionist candidate will forfeit his deposit.

The Standard and Gleaner, though they made a lot of noise over the visit to Carleton-Victoria of Hon. Arthur Meighen and Hon. Gideon Robertson, maintained a discreet silence in regard to the presence in the constituency of Hon. P. A. Blondin, Postmaster General. It remained for Toronto Globe and the Montreal Star to let the cat out of the bag.

The farmers of Carleton-Victoria had prepared a big stick for B. Franklin Smith, of patriotic potato fame, but at the last moment he gracefully sidestepped and passed the buck to the gallant Col. Melville.

But for the rascally campaign of humbug and deception which the Tories put up in 1911, it is doubtful if there would be any farmers' party in politics in Canada today. The chickens are certainly coming home to roost.

Advices from Carleton-Victoria state that the Liberal vote in the two counties went almost solidly for the farmers' candidate, while the old time dyed-in-the-wool Tories supported Colonel Melville.

TWO FACTIONS IN CABINET SAYS A NEWSPAPER

Tory Organ Sore on Hon. Mr. Rowell and Hon. Mr. McLean for Helping in By-elections.

Ottawa, Oct. 28—While the leading Conservative organ the Montreal Gazette is attacking Hon. N. W. Rowell and Hon. A. K. MacLean, two Liberal-Unionist members of the cabinet, for refusing to help in the by-elections decided yesterday and refers very bluntly to "the two factions in the cabinet," Hon. Dr. Reid rises in the house of commons and make a vigorous attack upon the Liberals for meddling things up in respect to the Grand Trunk Pacific and pictures the Tories as "struggling to save something from the wreck that Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his followers made of the railway situation."

The minister of railways says the Grand Trunk Pacific has already cost the people two hundred and sixty millions of dollars exactly twenty times what the Liberal government said it would cost.

"The Transcontinental Railway has cost up to date, including losses, \$250,000,000" declared the minister. "The interest on that even at four per cent means an annual loss of ten millions to this country. In addition to that we are losing six million dollars every year on the Transcontinental in operation. That makes sixteen millions every year which the people of this country are liable for on that one transaction. In addition to that the Liberal party launched out on the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway scheme and forced the road to go through to the coast."

The government up to date has advanced to the G. T. P., \$64,000,000 on account of loans and interest on the same advances by the receiver and so forth. In addition to that there is a balance due to the Canadian Government Railways by the Grand Trunk and the Grand Trunk Pacific, on operating accounts of \$1,040,346.

"The dominion government and other bodies have invested \$260,000,000 in the Grand Trunk Pacific as follows: Dominion government guarantees and loans \$140,684,769 Local governments 16,786,440 Grand Trunk Pacific 72,301,253

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MID-WEEK MARKET

A small country market, about a dozen wagons in all, collected this morning at Phoenix Square with produce. Prices were about the same as last Saturday although lamb went as low as 12 cents a pound. The ruling prices were as follows:

Eggs, 55 to 60 cents dozen.
Butter, 55 to 60 cents per lb.
Beef, 12 to 18 cents per lb.
Veal, 10 to 16 cents per lb.
Pork, 20 to 25 cents per lb.
Lamb, 12 to 20 cents per lb.
Mutton, 12 to 16 cents per lb.
Cabbage, 60 to 90 cents per dozen.
Live pigs, \$2.00 to 4.00 each.
Apples, \$1.50 to \$3.50 per barrel.
Potatoes, \$2.50 to \$3.00 per barrel.
Carrots, \$1.25 per barrel.
Turnips, \$1.00 per barrel.
Chickens, 35 to 40 cents per lb.
Fowl, 30 to 35 cents per lb.

NOTICE OF MEETING.

A special meeting of the Fredericton Labor Council will be held at their Hall, Regent street, tonight (Wednesday), October 29th, at 8.30 sharp. As a matter of great importance to all Union men of this city and vicinity is to be considered, a full attendance is requested.

By order
H. RYAN, President.
PERCY PERKINS, Rec. Secretary.

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TENDERS WANTED

Tenders will be received at the office of the Secretary-Treasurer, County Court House, up to and including Friday, the 31st inst., for the sale and removal from Court House cellar of 3 furnaces (2 coal and 1 wood), about 21 registers and a quantity of tin leads and brick. Same can be examined by applying to the Janitor. Tenders must include removal of all parts connected with furnaces, from said building.

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PUBLIC NOTICE.

Strayed to the premises of the subscriber at Yoho Lake, a two-year-old bull, red and white in color. If this animal is not claimed and charges paid on or before November 15th, he will be sold to defray expenses.

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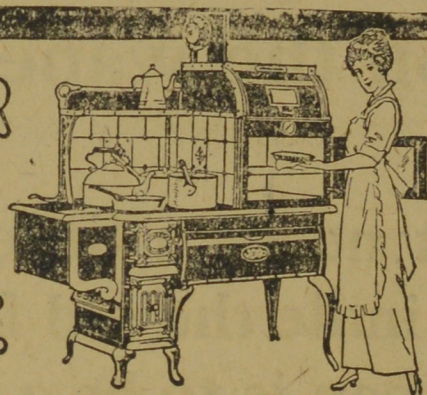
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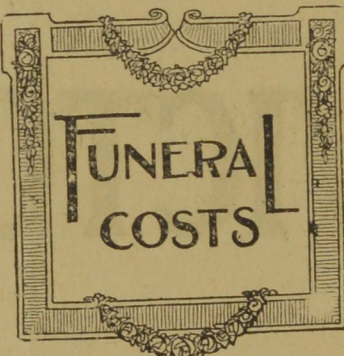
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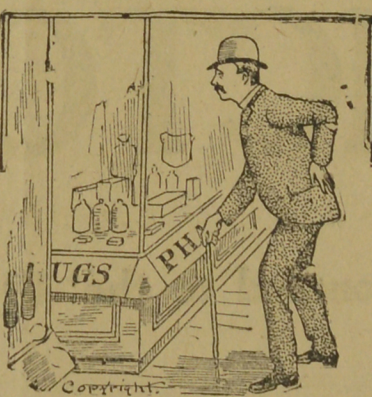
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