

# "CITIZEN" HANDS OUT ONE TO THE LOCAL BOODLE ORGAN

To The Editor of The Mail:  
Dear Sir:—

One of the most disgraceful exhibitions of a deliberate attempt to prostitute public interests to personal ends is now being given by the Gleaner. As a teacher of morals the Gleaner has capped the climax of a long career unparalleled in journalism in Canada for vulgarity, indecent assault upon public men and malicious attacks upon all who differ from its standard of selfishness and plunder. Its method is well known. It has persistently stood for elements which degrade the life of the city and has bitterly attacked every movement standing for a clean citizenship, whilst it has lent its influence to a group of immoral interests, which, if successful would turn Fredericton into one of the blackest spots in Canada.

Just now, when the Gleaner is suffering on account of its failure to deliver the goods to its chosen friends in civic affairs it is leading one of the most disgraceful attacks upon the Mayor which is to be found in yellow journalism. And more. It seeks to discredit those who stood for decency in civic affairs. To do its dirty work it must needs slander decent citizens. For the Gleaner to talk about other people's morals and to remove their moral standards, is like Satan trying to cast out Satan. The humor of the situation is pathetic. The morals of The Gleaner. Just think about the bunch which fill its columns with the scum of their foul imaginations! Talking about business, and uprightness, and paying just bills and giving a square deal, why the very idea would make the demons weep for very shame. The game it is playing is too transparent to deceive anyone who knows its history. But there is another side to it. We are having a campaign for boosting Fredericton as a good place to live in and to do business in. We spend some thousands every year in advertising. I doubt if anything exists today which does as much harm to Fredericton as the Gleaner. What it amounts to is this. Let any man come here. If he does not agree with the Gleaner on politics or civic matters he is attacked, slandered and followed to the grave with vile abuse. Let any decent citizen take an interest in public questions and if he does not bow down to the Gleaner he too is slandered. Reading the Gleaner, the outsider would imagine that the present Mayor was fit for the penitentiary, that he was indecent, that he was the embodiment of all those things which constitute the civic reproach, yet he was elected by the citizens. What kind of place must Fredericton be to elect such a man? Yet the Gleaner says by its attitude that the majority of the electors stand for just such standards of life, and no decent man will come here and make Fredericton his home, if he believes the Gleaner. Moreover, the Gleaner is the sworn foe of independent citizenship. It holds the lash over men, and by its vicious attacks tends to drive from public life all who seek to look at public questions from an independent viewpoint. It slings enough dirt in a year to make a monument large enough to entomb the whole editorial staff.

The time is fast coming when drastic measures must be taken to put an end to the wholesale personal abuse and falsehood which daily streams through the columns of The Gleaner. The Conservative party could not render its best interests better service than to repudiate this vile sheet. It would be doing effective work in cleaning its own skirts and conferring lasting benefit upon the country. The business interests of this City must soon be forced to repudiate a sheet which to serve its own greed for power is ever ready with the pen of gall to poison the public mind against every man who is independent enough to stand for what is right. A newspaper has a claim upon the reading public as long as it honestly seeks to serve public interests. When the time comes that a newspaper is ready to sacrifice public interests to its own unrighteous ends it forfeits all claim to support. The question many are now discussing is whether the time has not arrived for a new fight for the protection of the City from the tyranny of the yellow journal.

Nothing shows the motive of The Gleaner more clearly than the attempt to confuse the main interests in the contest over the Mayor's chair. The impudent insinuations that Mayor Mitchell should pay the expenses in connection with this investigation is worthy of the source from which it comes. It is well for the public to remember that this city has its legislation. That under that legislation the Mayor was nominated elected and declared elected. Mr. Farrell under the same legislation failed to win the Mayor's chair, and remains in his capacity as a private citizen. Mayor Mitchell is the City's declared Mayor against Mr. Farrell, but a Mayor against Mr. Farrell, but a question of Mr. Farrell against the City. The City is under obligations, to defend its own legislation, methods and declaration. It is under obligation to defend the Mayor as its own choice, and further to pay all bills in the same way as it always defends its own interests. The attempt of The Gleaner to make this appear as the interest of Mayor Mitchell is not only malicious in its personal abuse, but is directly opposed to the principles of all representative government. It is nothing short of a blow at the fundamentals of responsible government. The Mayor has no more right to pay the costs of this investigation than he has to pay the city's bills for the work done by its solicitor or clerk. The point at issue, is not personal but civic. Does the city stand for and defend its own principles and methods of government, or after electing a man to do its work will it let that man pay its legitimate expenses? The Council ought not to be influenced by the vapors of the Gleaner. It ought to respect itself enough to defend its own business methods. The citizens expect the Council to do the right things and any failure to measure up to the dignity of the life of the city will meet with speedy retribution.

Yours etc,

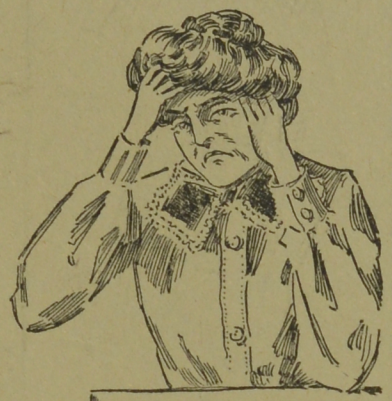
CITIZEN.

Ex-Warden John Scott of Fredericton, N. B., eighty-three years old today.

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## COILED THE SNAKES

Defence in a Negro Charmer's Claim For Wages

That plaintiff had boiled two snakes to death was the defence raised at West London County Court in an action brought by William Smith, professionally known as Togo, a snake charmer, against Edmond Engell, showman, residing at Shepherd's Bush, for £15 wages, alleged to be due under a contract.

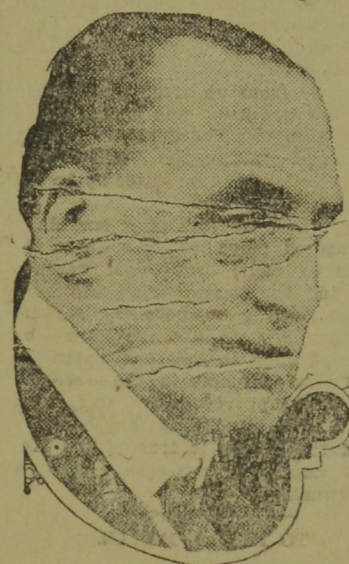
Smith, a black man, who spoke English very imperfectly, said he was sent to Paris to open a snake show there, his pay being £2 a week. A contract to that effect was signed and he next appeared at Grasse, Vienna, Berlin, and Hamburg. When he returned to London he was only paid 25s. a week, and was finally discharged when the show closed on Feb. 28 at Olympia. His claim included his fare back to Glasgow.

Emil Mayer, defendant's manager, stated that from what he saw of Smith he thought he did not know much about snakes. In the first week of the show at Hamburg Smith behaved in a very disorderly manner. He neglected the snakes, and he was discharged because two of the snakes died—he had boiled the "animals" to death. As there were no more snakes he was put on as a tout, he having a loud voice.

"What did you do to the snakes?" asked his honor of Smith.

"The snakes have to get a warm bath three times a week in winter."

His honor thought that Smith was entitled to his fare back to Glasgow, and gave judgment for £1 7s. and costs.



SIR EDWARD CARSON  
the Ulster leader

## Circularizing a Jury

Mr. Justice Bray, at Sussex Assizes, referred to circulars sent to the jury in the recent case at the assizes in which a Hove engineer, Ernest Francis Wilment, was sentenced to fifteen months' imprisonment for an offence in relation to a thirteen-year-old girl named May Preston Boyce. The matter arose in connection with an appeal which it is stated is to be made against the sentence. The judge said it was improper for anybody connected with the case to send these circulars. The jury were bound to disclose nothing, and he hoped that those who had received the circulars would take his advice and make no reply.

## Sleeping-out Record

An extraordinary case came before the Grimsby County Justices, when Thomas Moore, a middle-aged laborer who pleaded guilty to a charge of sleeping out, was committed for the maximum term of three months with hard labor. His record produced to the Bench showed that his sole offences were sleeping out and begging, the former being an overwhelming proportion, and that he had actually served 13½ years' imprisonment for these acts of vagrancy.

## Highlanders Glamor For Land

A meeting of Highlanders held at Inverkelthring passed the following resolution: "That this meeting of landless Highlanders from all parts of the northern counties and the Hebrides employed at Rosyth Naval Base do hereby unanimously appeal to the Right Hon. D. Lloyd George to rescue us and our fellow landless countrymen elsewhere throughout the Gaelic-speaking areas by providing small holdings with ample pasturage to enable us to exist in our native Highlands."

## "Straight" Bookmaker

"Found drowned" was the verdict returned by a jury on Thomas Hindmore, forty-nine, widower, a Working ton bookmaker, whose body was found in the river Marron eighteen hours after he was last seen alive. There was no evidence to show that he had worries, financial or otherwise, and his landlord described him as a man who was always jovial whether he won or lost, and as a bookmaker who was absolutely straight in his dealings.

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