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THE FLEMMING GOVERNMENT AND ITS BROKEN PLEDGES

(Doaktown Gem Press.)

The platform upon which the present government approached the people in 1908 contained many fair promises and solemn pledges.

Among other reforms they promised to cut down expenses in the several departments of government, to make a survey and valuation of the Crown Lands, to appoint an Auditor General, independent of the government, to encourage our own people to settle on the Crown land, and to put up all public work to public competition. To mention all the planks in their platform would be tedious, suffice to say that it embraces all the principles of good government and general reform. It is not necessary to say that with one or two exceptions the whole policy as outlined, in this platform has been either wholly abandoned, or so grossly mismanaged, as to be rendered useless. In the expenditure on the Roads

days work has been the rule and competition the exception. There has been given no more encouragement than formerly, to settle on the Crown lands. The Auditor General instead of being independent has been made a mere dependent of the Treasury Board. No attempt whatever has been made at the promised Survey and valuation.

Not only did they fail to effect any retrenchment in the Department but they have largely increased the salaries of Ministers and officials. In short they have failed, where they might have easily succeeded. Weighed in the balance they have indeed been found wanting. If the chief function of Government consists in the advancement of the interests of all, then this government has signally failed. If we except some little reduction in the price of school books then this government has not corrected a single clause or lifted a single burden, or enacted a single measure in the best interests of all.

But look where we will monuments of their folly and incompetence stand out in bold relief.

It is true that men ought not to be condemned for failing to redeem pledges if good cause can be shown for the failure. But what cause can these men show? No government was ever launched under more favorable conditions. That world wide depress-

AWAIT SHOUT OF "LIAR!" FROM THE JUNGLE

London, April 16—A man who recently arrived from Brazil brings an amusing story of how Col. Theodore Roosevelt was unwittingly made the hero of a carefully stage managed discovery.

Before the arrival of Col. Roosevelt in Brazil his hosts of friends held a meeting and called on the services of the best geographers and explorers with the idea of fixing up a plan so that the Colonel should not emerge from his trip to the interior without discovering something. After many things has been discussed it was decided that a river would be about the best thing to "discover," as unknown rivers are numerous in Brazil, while mountains and other similar things might arouse the suspicions of an astute person like the Colonel. It was also decided that the newly found stream should be christened Teodora, the christian name of both Col. Roosevelt and President da Fonseca of Brazil.

It was arranged that when Col. Roosevelt started for the jungle he was to be accompanied by explorers the task and by easy, natural stages, who had been carefully prepared for he was to be led to the banks of a stream, where the explorers with well feigned emotion were to exclaim:

"This river has never been charted it must be a new stream which you have had the honor of discovering."

Despatches from Brazil say the discovery was made according to the plan, but whether the river was christened "Teodora" or not is not yet known.

ROME OBSERVES

2667th BIRTHDAY

Rome, April 21—Rome kept a holiday celebration of the 2667th anniversary of the founding of the city. Although the year of the foundation of the city, by Romulus, is officially recognized as 3961 of the Julian period, or 753 B.C., recent archaeological discoveries indicate that it should be moved back many centuries.

ion which threatened the financial institutions of every Land, had passed away before they came into power. The money market was easy and interest normal. The Lumbering industry had recovered its accustomed activity, and was yielding the largest revenue in its history. The government's majority in the House was large and its influence in the County great. The party free from the opposition had no political sins to answer for. They were free from those baleful influences which intrigue operating through a long term of years will cast upon the best institutions. The barnacles had not yet attached, the vipers had not yet descended, the years in opposition they had advocated reform. At length their opportunity came. But, strange to say, when those things for which they had long contended were within the hollow of their hands they opened their hands and flung them away.

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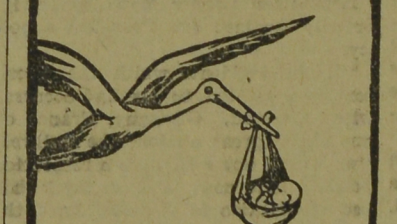
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