

THE DAILY MAIL

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MUST PAY THE PENALTY

Montreal Daily Mail (Ind.):—"If a party by a mere change of leaders could expiate such sins as those committed by the Roblin administration, party government would be a failure. A party must accept responsibility for the acts of ministers who accept office under its auspices. It cannot purge itself by changing its leaders any more than an individual can square an offence by changing his clothes."

Toronto Star:—"A political party must pay the penalty of bad leadership. It cannot restore confidence merely by changing the leader and passing some good resolutions. The party system involves party responsibility, and this means that when the leaders do wrong the party must accept loss of power and be content to serve the country in Opposition."

The above extracts are commended to Premier Clarke and his associates in the New Brunswick Government and Legislature.

AN APOLOGY DUE

The Halifax Recorder thinks that the Tory press should offer the most humble and abject apologies to "Ralph Connor" and to the Rev. Doctor Chown and offer it quickly. It will be remembered that these clergymen of high ability and equally high character, spoke with deepest moral indignation against the regime of crime under which Manitoba writhed and suffered for fifteen years. Forthwith Sir Rodmond Roblin—Sir Robert Borden's special Knight—and Hon. Bob Rogers retorted in the most malignant manner. Their tirades were printed under approving headlines in practically every Tory newspaper in the country and were even hailed as complete refutations of the charges that were being made against the Manitoba gang. The investigation commission has shown that the half had never been told and that the wildest accusations were mild compared to the reality of the corruption at length unveiled. And the commission which revealed this mass of festering corruption had as one of its members Hugh John Macdonald, son of the great Conservative chief, Sir John Macdonald, an infinitesimally small corner of whose shoes is now occupied by the feet of Sir Robert Borden. Is it not time, therefore, for the Tory press to offer a humble apology to the noble clergy men who dared speak in denunciation of the Babylonian orgies of Tory provincial politics in the great Prairie Province? Time and a Tory commission have proven them right in every respect and if for shame's sake only Tory journalism owes them an apology.

And, in conclusion, it may not be out of place to say that the million dollars of which the Manitoba treasury was robbed merely constitute the money embezzled on a single contract, the building of the new House of Parliament. What huge sums were squandered, misspent or stolen in the course of the other thousand and one transactions of the government will no doubt be shown up in the future.

Mr. A. J. E. Stewart, M.P.P. for Gloucester, had the impudence to go on the stand in Commissioner Chandler's court yesterday and admit that he had made a rake-off of \$300 on the sale of a farm to the government and that he had defrauded the government out of stampage dues. He was willing to concede that there had been "irregularities" and from his statement it is to be inferred that he does not consider himself one bit worse than certain other Tory politicians. Mr. Stewart's interpretation of the word "irregularity" is evidently a broad one. He probably feels that he committed an irregularity when he smuggled an automobile in from the United States a short time ago and had to put up a deposit of \$700 in order to get it released.

"I have come here to talk to the young men. I have only one argument to make with them, and if it does not touch them nothing will. It is that only the brave deserve the fair. If there is a young man who is not touched by that, I despair of him. We do not fight for glory, for booty, but we fight so that Belgium shall be free. France recover her lost territory. Britain retain her proud position, that Germany may learn that treaties must be kept, that the right of small nations must be respected, democracy triumph, and that victory will bring mankind nearer to that goal, always to be sought, of peace and good-will toward men."—Sir Wilfrid Laurier at Napier.

The St. John Globe does not share the opinion of the graft organs of St. John and Fredericton that the Gloucester charges have fizzled out. Commenting on the evidence of Mr. A. J. H. Stewart, M.P.P., it says: "Evidence given by Mr. Stewart, M.L.A., before Commissioner Chandler should be sufficient in itself to end the public career of Mr. Stewart. No longer should the government of New Brunswick recognize in any way his official status and if there is power to deal with his case in a broader way that power should be exercised. Manitoba is showing the way New Brunswick and every other province must follow if clean politics is to mean anything more than a catch phrase."

The Fredericton graft organ tells the St. John graft organ that it is entirely in error when it states that the Clarke government is a Conservative administration. It does not matter a great deal whether the continuation now misruling the province is Conservative or coalition its name will be mud just as soon as the people get a whack at it.

The graft organs announce that Mr. Veniot has utterly failed to prove his charges against Stewart and Robichaud, M.P.P.'s, and they shed crocodile tears over the fact that some expense has been incurred by the province in connection with the enquiry? Now, wouldn't that jar you?

Let us see. Was it not Sir R. P. Roblin, ex-premier of Manitoba, now out on \$50,000 bail, who referred to Right Hon. Herbert Samuel, postmaster general of Great Britain, as "that jelly bag of an Englishman" and if we mistake not, the Tory press all over Canada applauded the remark.

"The main thing" says the graft organ in discussing the Gloucester charges, "is that the province has not in any case been the loser." How about Stewart's unpaid stumpage bills and how about that \$300 rake off which he pocketed on the sale of a farm to the government? Has he since paid back the money?

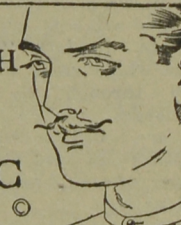
PANAMA PACIFIC-EXPOSITION PAYS EXPENSES

Mr. G. A. Bell, Passenger Traffic Manager of the Grand Trunk System, today received a telegram from the Directors of the Panama Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco, stating that the Exposition is now out of debt. Most of the immense cost of erecting the Exposition has been met by the tens of thousands of visitors who have daily poured through the entrance gates of the grounds. That such an undertaking should have proven a financial success is looked upon as a striking testimony to the wonderful manner with which this greatest of all Expositions was organized. On Friday next a special celebration will be held in San Francisco to mark the occasion.

OPEN AIR MEETING.

Mrs. N. B. Brown of Montreal, who is to address a mass meeting of ladies at the Opera House this evening, has kindly consented to remain over and speak at an open air recruiting meeting on Parliament Square tomorrow evening. Other speakers will include Rev. A. F. Newcomb and Capt. H. H. Smith. The Fredericton Brass Band will render a musical program. No doubt there will be a large attendance.

On SEPT 15TH he will don the GOTHIC the new



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LIST OF OFFICERS OF THE ROYAL REGIMENT

The Royal Canadian regiment, Canada's only regiment of regular infantry, arrived at Plymouth, England, a few days ago en route to France. The first commanding officer of the regiment was Colonel Otter, now Major General Sir W. D. Otter, directing the internment work through out Canada. The next in command was Colonel Septimus Denison, now quartermaster general. Succeeding him was Colonel Fages, who is now on the 5th Divisional Staff, as A.A.G. at Quebec. The fourth and present commanding officer, is Colonel Carpenter, a native of Toronto. To Colonel Carpenter has fallen the honor of taking his famous regiment on active service in defence of the land which it represents so broadly. The present officers are as follows: Lieutenant Colonel A. E. Carpenter, commanding officer. Major J. H. Kaye, 1st major. Major E. L. Dudomaine, double company commander. Captain E. K. Eaton, double company commander. Captain A. A. S. Law, company, 2nd in command. Captain C. R. E. Willets, double company commander. Captain E. B. Costin, double company commander. Captain E. Willoughby, adjutant. Captain F. G. Macculloch, company, 2nd commander. Captain R. E. Balders, company, 2nd command. Captain N. T. Cock, M.G. officer. Captain K. M. Holloway, signal officer. Lieutenant H. B. Poston, assistant adjutant. Lieutenant G. L. F. Grant-Suttle, company, 2nd command. Lieutenant H. M. Logan, company, 2nd command. Lieutenant V. Hodson, company, 2nd command. Lieutenant F. D. McCrea, subaltern. Lieut. W. O. Carruthers, subaltern. Lieut. V. W. S. Keron, subaltern. Lieut. J. W. Coupe, quartermaster. Lieut. G. A. H. Trudgian, subaltern. Lieut. J. H. Wood, subaltern. Lieut. W. J. Saps, subaltern. Lieut. M. J. H. Taschereau, subaltern. Lieut. H. Simpson, subaltern. Lieut. H. W. Davis, subaltern. Lieut. E. J. Cockburn, subaltern. Lieut. C. S. Bates, subaltern. Lieut. W. S. Fenton, subaltern. Lieut. A. Campbell, commanding base detail. Lieut. H. Westmorland, transport officer. Capt. W. L. Hutton, medical officer. Capt. M. A. Fiset, paymaster. Lieut. M. Ryan, bandmaster. In the list of officers are several who have been stationed in Fredericton at one time or another. These are Lieut. Col. Carpenter, Major Dudomaine, Capt. Eaton, Capt. Costin and Lieut. J. W. Coupe.

FRENCH NAVAL PLANES HAVE DONE WONDERS

Paris, Sept. 3.—The French Ministry of Marine gave out today a note outlining the operations of the naval aeroplane squadron since the opening of hostilities.

"The marine aviation service has made continual progress, showing marked development from day to day," the note says. "It has operated not only in France, but in Egypt, where it assisted in the defence of the Suez Canal; on the Syrian coast, where it aided effectively the blockade operations, and in the Adriatic, taking active part in actions in the Gulf of Trieste."

"In the North of France our aeroplanes watch over the shores and sea. Their particular objective has been destruction of the enemy's submarines; also, bombardment of the enemy's emissary bases at Bruges, Zeebrugge and Ostend, and apprehension and destruction of Zeppelins."

"Last week, notwithstanding heavy artillery fire and the glare of rockets our aviators dropped during the night more than three hundred 70-millimetre bombs on German naval bases along the Belgian coast, besides taking an effective part in the bombardment of Monthulst Forest on August 25. All the machines returned, although several of them were damaged severely."

"In Egypt and Syria and at Venice our hydro-aeroplanes have shown great activity. Engagements occurred recently with Austrian hydro-aeroplanes, which were put to flight. One of them was pursued as far as Pola by a French machine."

THE STOCK MARKET.

A marked feature of the New York market today was an advance in Bethlehem Steel to 333. C.P.R. sold at 152½, U.S. Steel at 75½, Studytaker at 117½, Crucible at 90, Dominion Iron at 43½, N.S. Steel at 87½ and Bridge at 134½.

Mr. W. R. Fawcett of Temperance Vale, is in the city. Mr. G. H. Homan of Ottawa, is at the Barker House. Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Christie of St. John, are at the Barker House. Dr. O. E. Morehouse, M.P.P., of Upper Keswick, is at the Barker. Mrs. M. E. Alguire of St. John, is at the Queen.

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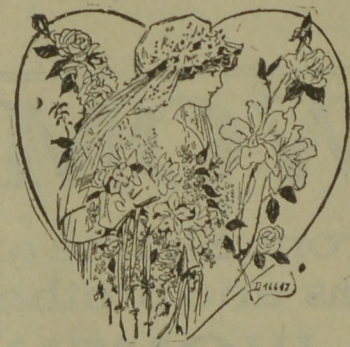
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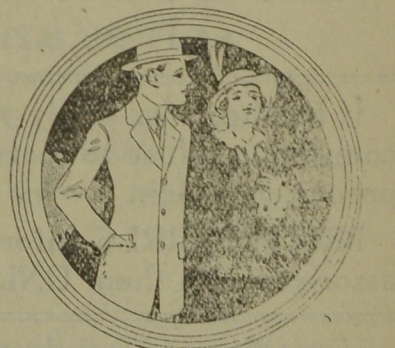
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