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CLERGYMEN IN POLITICS.

The Fredericton Herald mentions the fact that one of the Nova Scotian ministers in attendance at the Free Baptist conference at Marysville has recently been elected to the house of assembly as a liberal. The Herald should repeat to him the admonition given to Dr. McLeod against ministers of the gospel taking part in political contests.—Sun.

The Herald is quite ready to do so. It believes that clergymen who enter the political field are very much out of place. If they want to become politicians let them first discard their clerical robes and employment. The spectacle has been witnessed of a clergyman addressing a political meeting with a grist of misrepresentations one evening, marrying a couple the next, preaching a funeral sermon soon after, and all the time conducting a political canvass in which the acts and personality of his opponents are criticized in anything but a Christian spirit. The Herald believes, and has no hesitation in saying, that when a clergyman gets down to the position of misrepresenting and falsifying and deceit and much more that marks the course of the ordinary politician, he is out of place in a pulpit preaching righteousness and truth to his fellow sinners, and if he thinks he is called to preach the gospel, he should maintain the dignity, conversation and character fitting the sacred profession, and leave politics to the politicians. The pulpit may instruct the people in their duty on public matters without taking up the role of partizanship, it may impress the lessons of purity, patriotism and other desirable attributes, but when a preacher joins this or that party and becomes a party candidate in an election, he steps out of the place to which he professes to have been called, does violence to his sacred calling, and discounts its success.

These are the Herald's sentiments in the matter, and we make no distinction between a Liberal and a Conservative clergyman—whether he runs elections in Nova Scotia or New Brunswick. Have we made the matter clear to the Sun?

THE KHAKI TROUBLE.

The South African veterans who reside at Ottawa, paraded in khaki to receive their medals from the Duke, in spite of the orders of Gen. O'Grady Haly to the contrary, the men at Winnipeg did the same, and the Fredericton veterans propose to follow suit. The order in the first place, was a very foolish one, and whether it was the Minister of Militia or the Duke himself who sat forcibly on the General, the thing was quite in order and has been much applauded all over Canada.

The Sydney Post in discussing the matter, makes a very good point when it says: "It will be remembered that those boys were not recognized as belonging to any military company when they enlisted—they were volunteers, and as such are beyond the pale of that military rule, Gen. O'Grady-Haly appears to exercise. In South Africa they fell under the command of British Generals, and on their return home were discharged from service. These men are free and can act accordingly—they can appear in any uniform they please. Even if they did belong to a company at home, this service was a volunteer one altogether beyond that military jurisdiction that O'Grady-Haly presumes to exercise."

The General has persuaded the militia department to appoint a commission to enquire into the disobedience to his

order, but any such tribunal will be powerless to punish or discipline the men in khaki who are not members of any militia corps. At the head of this commission is our old friend Col Vidal who from some mysterious pull at Ottawa seems to bob up in all directions, and secure whatever is going in his line. The men in khaki will probably snap their fingers at Gen. Haly's commission and its august head Col Vidal, and continue to earn their bread honestly while the big wigs of the military will try to discover who struck Billy Patterson Haly.

SHOULD BE ADVERTISED.

The local government has well advertised New Brunswick as a country of big game throughout the United States, and every year the number of American sportsmen who visit this province is increasing, and as a consequence the number of game licenses sold relatively increases. There is another field however, in which some judicious advertising would result in an increased revenue from game licenses. Very few Englishmen come to New Brunswick to hunt big game, and few other Europeans, men of wealth and leisure who enjoy hunting, ever reach our shores. The sportsmen from the other side of the Atlantic generally find their way to the Northwest or to Newfoundland, evidently unaware of the fact that New Brunswick is the hunter's paradise.

If this class of people could be reached by literature or other means setting forth the value of this province as a field for big game, the result no doubt would be satisfactory to all concerned.

These thoughts were suggested by reading the following from a Montreal paper: "Canada furnishes the best big game shooting of any country I know of." So said Count d'Oultremont, of Belgium, yesterday, and what the Count does not know of hunting is not worth extensive mention. He is on his way to Brussels, having left the Marquis de la Gaudara and the other members of the party in the North-West Territories. In five days' shooting," he continued, "we secured five bull moose and a black bear. The moose are among the most magnificent specimens I have ever seen, two of the heads measuring at least sixty inches. I shall return to Canada next year, for in no other place that I know of can a man obtain such magnificent shooting."

It will be observed that the Count d'Oultremont made no mention of New Brunswick, and it is doubtful if he and any gentlemen of his class have ever heard of this province and its big moose, caribou, bears, etc. Perhaps Mr. Duff Miller, the New Brunswick agent in London, might be induced to interest himself in this matter when he returns to his duties in the old country.

Sousa with his big band has made quite an impression in London. At one of his concerts a remarkable scene was witnessed. The band played "The Star-Spangled Banner," and the entire audience rose. It is the custom to rise when "God Save the King" is played, but never before has an English audience risen to the strains of a foreign national anthem. Almost all those in the hall were English. Sousa began with "God Save the King," and all the Americans rose, as they always do. "The Star-Spangled Banner" closed the performance, and when the few Americans present rose, the thousands of Englishmen and women, joined them and started cheers that lasted for several minutes.

President Roosevelt has such a large family that plans are being prepared for the enlargement of the White House. The White House never before sheltered a family with as many as five children. The White House is short in bedrooms, nurseries, playrooms and other delights of the infantile-mind, and the nation will have to provide the necessary accommodation for the scions of the House of Roosevelt.

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The Sun seems to possess "sources of authority that are strictly inaccurate." Yesterday it announced that the Chief Justiceship of the North West Territories had been offered Mr. Madore, M.P., but the report is officially denied from Ottawa.

A train to leave St. John for Fredericton, say at 11 o'clock on the night of Thursday next, would accommodate a lot of Fredericton people who want to see the Duke and Duchess, but cannot spare the time to remain in St. John over night.

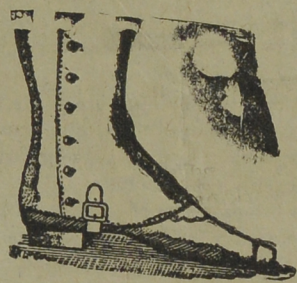
PROCLAMATION.

The executive committee of the Provincial Government having in charge the arrangements connected with the coming visit of their R. H. the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York, deem it advisable that the people of the Province generally should be afforded an opportunity of being presented to their Royal Highnesses, at the reception at the Exhibition Building in the City of St. John, on the evening of the 17th instant. And they respectfully invite the people generally to apply in writing before noon of the 15th instant to the secretary of the committee, George Robertson, M. P. P., St. John, for invitations to be present.

It is necessary, of course, that all who propose to attend should comply with the Court restrictions as to dress, etc., and be provided with two visiting cards, one of which will be presented on entering the building and the other handed to the aide-de camp before presentation.

It may be added that the dress on this occasion will be, in the case of ladies, half mourning, that is to say, black, white, lilac or grey, and for gentlemen, evening dress.

L. J. TWEEDIE,
Provincial Secretary.
St. John, 2nd Oct., 1901.
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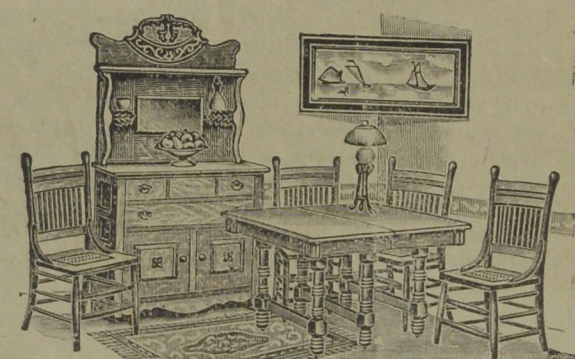
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