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HONEST AND CAUTIOUS.

The Charlottetown Guardian, an independent newspaper, was not satisfied with Hon. Mr. Fielding's recent visit to that city. It says that the minister was pleasant enough in greeting those who called upon him, but rather chilly to the delegations who were looking for something. In other words Mr. Fielding did not visit Charlottetown with a pocket full of political promises without thought as to whether he could redeem them or not, and this is apparently what displeased the Guardian, which observes that: "Mr. Fielding's remarks were not of the electioneering sort. His worst enemy would acquit him of trying to bribe the electors with fair promises. Indeed if there were anything else but the meeting from which to form an opinion we would be led to infer that the general election is yet far in the distance."

Mr. Fielding is an honest man, and promises nothing that he cannot perform. No doubt he has taken the Charlottetown requests into earnest consideration, and will do what he can to meet the views of the people who were urging the desirability of a certain line of action with respect to public works. More than this he could not promise, as he is only one member of the government, and the Guardian is wrong in imputing Mr. Fielding's caution to chilliness and disrespect for the favors required of him.

It was different with the Tory leaders. They would promise a lot about election times and perform very little. The last time Sir Chas. Tupper visited the island was during the contest of 1896 when he was premier and willing to make any promise or sacrifice to prolong his political life. Sir Chas. promised the P. E. Island seven different railway lines, but of course he never intended to build them. Mr. Borden was on the Island recently on a stumping tour and promised the same roads, but Mr. Borden is in opposition and has no responsibility. It is anything with him to secure votes. Mr. Fielding has something to give—at least he is in a position to meet the reasonable requests of the people for public works. He knows however that he would be expected to redeem his promises, so he exercises caution, but may be counted upon to do what is honest and honorable in the matter.

Mr. Fielding was charged with making an electioneering pilgrimage to the Island but the Guardian's observations rather acquit him of that. He was there on public business, and if he did not commit the country to expenditures merely to make capital for the election, he is all the more to be commended, rather than to be condemned for chilliness and lack of sympathy.

A PROBABLE CANDIDATE.

There is said to be a probability of Mr. Daniel Gilmore contesting Charlotte county as the Liberal candidate, although the name of Mr. R. E. Armstrong is also prominently mentioned in connection with the candidacy.

Mr. Gilmore is the eldest son of the late Hon. A. H. Gilmore, who represented Charlotte in the local house before confederation, was for a short time provincial secretary, sat for his county in the House of Commons for eighteen years, and was a Senator at his death, less than two years ago.

Mr. Daniel Gilmore is a very successful business man, being a member of the well known coffee firm of Chase & Sanborn, resides in Montreal in winter and at his beautiful home near St. George in the summer. He has kept in close touch with the people of Charlotte, having

taken an active part in all his father's campaigns, and is a very intelligent and popular gentleman.

Either Mr. Gilmore or Mr. Armstrong would make a capable representative of Charlotte at Ottawa, and the Liberals of that county are to be congratulated on having such excellent material available. The names of other gentlemen are mentioned in the same connection, and no doubt a selection will be made that will redeem the constituency to Liberalism.

There is a serious split among the Conservatives of Annapolis County over the party nomination for parliament. Mr. John B. Mills, who represented the county from 1887 to 1900, defeating such a strong candidate as Attorney General Longley in 1896, but was defeated by Mr. F. B. Wade, Liberal, in the last election, sought re-nomination for the pending contest but was turned down by the Tory convention in favor of Mr. Shaffner, an untried man. Mr. Mills' friends are very wrathful and threaten to bolt the convention's nomination. In the meantime there does not seem any doubt that Mr. Wade, who has developed into one of the brightest men in parliament, will be re-elected by an increased majority.

Dr. William Osler, a distinguished Canadian physician, for some years past dean of the medical department of Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, recently pocketed a \$10,000 fee for consultation in a case at Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He only saw the patient for about five minutes. That seems to be making money pretty fast, but there are few Dr. Oslers in America, and few patients who could afford to pay such an enormous fee.

A despatch from Rome says that the wealth left by the late Pope, amounting to \$9,000,000, has been formally handed over to his successor, and that an electrician has discovered in the walls of the Vatican \$1,850,000 in gold.

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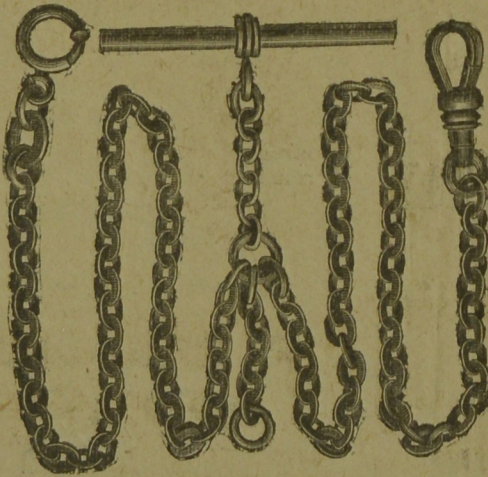
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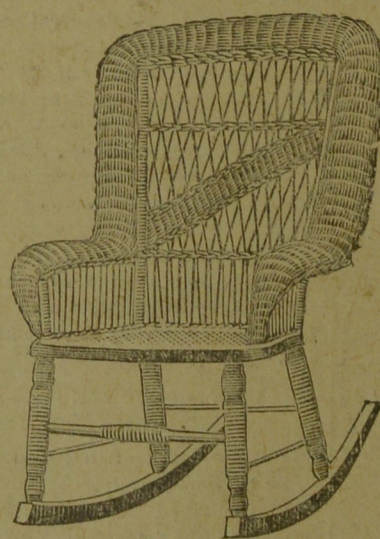
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