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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1903.

Looks like snow, and it cannot come any too soon to suit the demands of business in city and country.

The civic authorities are giving us a long moonlight schedule this month in the street lighting business.

It is said that Mayor Palmer will offer for re-election, and at present it does not look as if he would have opposition.

General Patrick A. Collins is again mayor of Boston by the substantial plurality of 27,000, the largest vote ever given a candidate for the office in that city.

Ottawa speculation gives the governor generalship of Canada to Lord Dundonald on the expiration of Lord Minto's term. The appointment would be a popular one.

A couple of bye elections in England have gone for Chamberlain and his fiscal policy, and that gentleman is encouraged to promote his campaign with greater fervor than ever.

Mr. D'Arcy Scott, whose prospects for election as mayor of Ottawa are considered promising, is a son of Hon. R. W. Scott, Secretary of State, who was chief magistrate of the capital, then By Town, in 1852.

A lady correspondent requests the Herald to publish more of "Some Things we Know." Sorry, but there is so much in that line available, that neither time nor space permits a resumption of hostilities at present.

Nobody has suggested that Mr. Foster should be offered a nomination in Kings or York, or St. John or North Ontario. The ex-finance minister has explored all these electoral fields and has no desire to risk defeat in any of them.

If it is bungling that is responsible for Fredericton streets being in darkness for several weeks, the electors will have a nice account to settle with the city fathers. It is a shame that such conditions should prevail for any length of time.

There is no reaction against the local government. A bye election occurred yesterday in Madawaska, and the government candidate was returned by acclamation, no friend of Mr. Hazen putting in an appearance to contest the election.

Mr. Harvey Atkinson, a former prominent Moncton lawyer, and ex-mayor of that city, now resident at Victoria, B. C., writes to a Moncton friend that every British Columbia constituency will return a Liberal to the House of Commons in the next election.

Politics is so hot in North Renfrew, Ontario, that the office of the Pembroke Observer, organ of the Liberal party, was broken into the other night, the press disabled and the type "pied." The Observer had been particularly vigorous of late in its attacks on some local Conservatives.

The Anglicans connected with St. Paul's church, Halifax, opened a new parish hall the other night and invited clergymen of all denominations to assist in the ceremony. The invitation was accepted and there was a very pleasant interchange of compliments from the brethren of the cloth of all creeds. It was a pleasant sight, but there are places in Canada where it will never be duplicated. Why?

The Telegraph says that the appointment of Mr. John L. Carleton, K. C., to the county court bench in place of Judge Stevens, superannuated, has been definitely decided on, and if congratulations are in order the Herald wishes to be understood as offering John L. the glad hand. He has plenty of ability and dignity for the position, and has been a very active worker in the Liberal ranks. His appointment too would be deserved recognition of his coreligionists, who, since Mr. Justice Landry's promotion to the supreme court, have not been represented on the county court bench.

The Transcript thinks it rather remarkable that the medical staff recently appointed to the new Moncton hospital does not include the name of a single Liberal physician, although there are at least two medical gentlemen of that party quite competent to serve, one of them having an experience in his profession of twenty-five years. If politics was at the bottom of the slight on the Liberal doctors, it was certainly politics of the meanest known variety, and the Transcript's protest is quite within its right and duty.

The Canadian government, having had conceded to it the right to name a Canadian officer as commander-in-chief of the militia, it should seriously consider the advisability of appointing more young Canadian officers to the permanent force. A large proportion of the present staff consists of young Englishmen who are all right, if the positions are not wanted by Canadians. We have been quite generous in giving John Bull a preference not only in our markets, but in military appointments.

The Conservatives of Westmorland propose meeting in convention Dec. 29 to select a candidate for the House of Commons. There is nobody particularly clamoring for the doubtful honor of leading forlorn hope against Mr. Emmerson, but it is probable that Mr. Powell will be induced to once more sacrifice himself with the hope of favors to come, a supreme court judgeship perhaps, when his party returns to power in the dim and distant future.

Mr. Foster is trying to galvanize himself into political life in Canada by clinging to the coat tails of Mr. Chamberlain, but even the great fiscal reformer of England would find difficulty in selecting a constituency that would be dead sure for the ex-finance minister. Mr. Foster, as a lecturer whether on temperance or imperialism, is a great success, but as a statesman—well, Canada has no use for him.

The Gamey business will be well threshed out in the North Renfrew local bye-election now proceeding with unusual warmth. Hon. J. R. Stratton, the minister whom Gamey accused, and the notorious conspirator himself are both addressing meetings in the constituency, although the latter is there against the earnest protest of several self-respecting Conservatives.

Mr. Willard Kitchen has returned from a business trip to Quebec.

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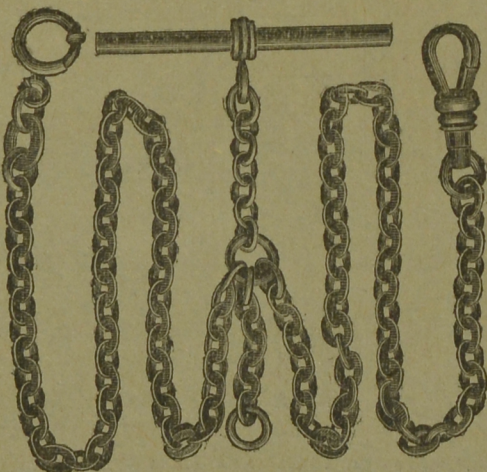
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