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ASSAULTS ON MR. EMMERSON.

It is a tribute to the ability, standing and influence of Hon. Mr. Emmerson, that almost daily in parliament and in the press he is made the object of vicious Tory attacks, his sole crime evidently being that he does not waste the time of the House discussing the childish amendments Mr. Borden and his followers are moving to the various clauses of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway bill.

If Mr. Emmerson were of no account think you the Tory orators and newspapers would be wasting their ammunition on him? Not at all. They know the hold he has on New Brunswick, his popularity among the people who esteem him for his sturdy Liberalism and his efforts to serve the interests of this province. The object of the Tory assaults is to prejudice Mr. Emmerson and through him the Liberal government in New Brunswick, but the efforts in that line will disastrously fail.

In the House of Commons Wednesday, the Tories brought all their artillery, light and heavy most of it of very light calibre, to bear on the minister of railways, but their guns were effectively spiked by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, who made a vigorous defence of his New Brunswick colleague. The fire was opened by Mr. T. Chase Casgrain, who aspires to the Tory leadership in Quebec, and who was attorney general in the last Tory government in that province, so overwhelmingly crushed by the electors. The attack was followed up by Mr. Borden and with less dignity by Mr. Ganong of Charlotte, whose utterances are given but little attention, and whose political standing in this province, compared with Mr. Emmerson's, is as chaff to wheat.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier took full responsibility for the defence of the G. T. P. measure, and showed that Mr. Emmerson, instead of making unnecessary speeches in parliament on a question that has been thoroughly threshed out and practically settled, is much more profitably employed for the country in giving attention to the responsible duties of his position as minister of railways.

The Grand Trunk Pacific measure was accepted by parliament last session, and the modifications now under discussion do not materially alter the question. Mr. Emmerson was in the midst of the fight for the bill last year in both the railway committee and the House, and as we have before pointed out, it is largely due to his efforts that the company were compelled to accept the eastern section as part of the proposed transcontinental line. What then could be gained by Mr. Emmerson neglecting his departmental duties to listen day after day and attempt to answer the puerile and obstructive speeches of the Tory opposition.

Mr. Emmerson is doing effective business for the country while Tory talking machines like Mr. Borden, Mr. Casgrain, Mr. Ganong, are simply wasting the time of parliament—talking to the country in view of the general election, in which they are promised a defeat as complete and overwhelming as their party received in 1896 and 1900.

The proposed union of the Baptist and Free Baptists of New Brunswick

will form a formidable body of 90,000 members. Only slight doctrinal differences separate the two churches, and it is pleasing to know that these are not likely to bar the union. There is yet another body of Baptists known as the Reformed church, and doubtless this organization would be gladly welcomed to union with the other two.

AN APOLOGY DUE.

When the temperance delegates interviewed the local government during the last legislative session, the Sun endeavored to prejudice Premier Tweedie and his colleagues by alleging that the delegates had been treated discourteously, "turned down" by the premier. The Herald at the time punctured the misstatement quoting one of the delegates as its authority, and now we have the principal delegate, Rev. C. W. Hamilton, declaring in his address to the official temperance body of which he is the head, that the government gave the delegates "a kind reception and a courteous hearing." It was a mean attempt of the Sun to do the government damage among the temperance people, and it should apologize for its malicious misrepresentation.

PROGRESS OF THE WAR.

The Russians have a very retiring disposition. When they started in this war one of their generals boasted that they would drive the Japs into the sea and dictate terms of peace at the Japanese capital. It is about time they were making some progress towards the end they had in view. Not a single effective victory is credited to the Czar's forces on land or sea since the campaign opened. On the other hand they have been ignominiously defeated by Japanese warships and land forces, and are running to cover as fast as their legs can carry them.

The war so far has given a fearful blow to Russian boastfulness and military prestige, and the immediate outlook is not encouraging to the legions of the Czar.

The rush of American immigrants to Canada is evidently on even a larger scale this season than last. Here is a sample item selected from the many of a similar character almost daily appearing in the news papers. Winnipeg, May 17.—C. Pilling, Dominion Government Immigration Agent at Grand Forks, South Dakota, passed through Winnipeg with a train load of immigrants from Pembona County, North Dakota. The train consisted of twenty-one cars of passengers and their effects, and there were fifty-six persons going to take up land in the Sheho district west of Yorkton.

The attorney general of Manitoba, is announced as favorable to a high license system for that province. In all cities and towns with 5,000 population or over, he would make hotel licenses \$1,000, a move which he thinks would prevent illicit liquor selling.

Scotch Settlement.

(Special Correspondence to the Herald.)

May, 16.—The recent rain has made the ground very wet and farmers are unable as yet, to get any seeding done, although they are quite anxious to get at it.

Inspector Bridges visited our school on Thursday and reports it in a very satisfactory condition. Our teacher has handed in her resignation much to the regret of both pupils and parents. Miss Fowler while she has been with us has ever

been a very pains taking and efficient teacher and we hope she may yet be induced to remain with us for a while longer.

Arbor Day was duly observed in this district on Friday last, the pupils, Teacher, Trustees and several of the ladies met about eight o'clock in the morning and had a general house cleaning day. The result being a clean school room, a neat yard, and several very tired young ladies who are not used to house cleaning.

Mr. Walter Graham bought a very fine colt last week from A. A. Treadwell of Manguerville.

Mr. Geo. S. Hagerman had the misfortune to lose a nice young cow not long ago.

Marysville News.

(By Our Own Reporter.)

May 19.—Mr. Robert Johnston returned home yesterday from Jamaica, where he has been employed by Mr. Frederick Rowley for the past few months. Mr. Johnston's health has been broken down of late and he was compelled to return east. He was accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Frank McLean, who joined him at Boston.

The many friends of Mr. James Lee, formerly overseer of the weave room, will be sorry to hear that he met with a serious loss a few days ago, when his handsome and costly property, consisting of a house, barn and other buildings, were destroyed by fire. It is stated that the fire was caused by the explosion of an incubator which he had well under way for early chickens. Mr. Lee's farm is on the American side of the line and he had only moved there a little while before. He has the sympathy of the whole community, as his loss was a serious one.

A large number from here attended the Free Baptist Union at Gibson last Tuesday evening on which occasion a very profitable meeting was held.

Her Head Split Open.

Halifax, May 19.—Mrs. Katherine McDougall is lying in a precarious condition in Sydney as the result of having her head split open Tuesday night by a hatchet in the hands of her step-father, a man named Shinnars. The latter has been arrested and is now in jail. Shinnars' story is that he was being abused by the woman, and being unable to stand it any longer picked up the hatchet and struck her on the head. The wound is of a serious character, and may possibly prove fatal. Shinnars is an infirm man, having almost lost the use of his legs.

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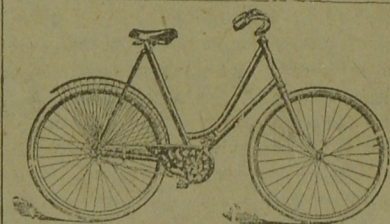
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