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THE OPPOSITION LEADER.

The Conservatives of Halifax gave Mr. Borden, their leader, a very enthusiastic reception last night on his arrival home from his parliamentary labors at Ottawa.

Personally Mr. Borden is quite worthy all the attention his friends can extend to him. He is a gentleman of high character, with a keen sense of honor, and many other personal traits that endear him to those who enjoy the honor of his acquaintance, and politically he is a subject of commiseration. He does the best he can with the crude material with which he has to work, but there is a popular belief that he is not a sufficiently strong man to control the diverse elements that go to make up the Tory party in the House.

There are at least half a dozen self appointed leaders who think they are quite as important as Mr. Borden, and there is quite as much variety in what is called the Tory policy as presented in Parliament. The gentleman from Halifax is evidently not able to curb indiscreet criticism and condemnation of the maritime provinces by some of his colleagues and the observations which some of them, notably Mr. Haggart and Dr. Sproul, made during the recent session in this respect, has aroused a feeling of animosity in this part of Canada against the Tory party which it will be difficult to repress. These small minded Tory leaders have opposed almost every expenditure of money in the maritime provinces, while millions were being voted for Ontario, and their ill bred sneers have suggested that if Mr. Borden ever expects to lead a united party he should take means to suppress the cheap Johns who assume to speak for the Tories in the premier province.

AS A TOURIST ROUTE.

When Mr. Tiffin, general traffic manager of the Intercolonial railway, was in Fredericton recently after his inspection of the Canada Eastern railway, in conversation with the Herald, he spoke most enthusiastically of the route as certain to be come a favorite with tourists, and this feature of the government's acquisition, Mr. Tiffin added will be pushed vigorously forward after the road and its equipment has been put in first class shape. Mr. Tiffin said the press and advertising department of the Intercolonial would send out their writers and photographers to describe and illustrate in the guide books the magnificent scenery along the line of the Canada Eastern and he had no doubt that splendid results would follow.

The editor of the Chatham World, recently made a trip over the road and here is what he says:

"The scenery along much of the new section of the Intercolonial, Chatham to Fredericton, is the most beautiful to be seen from any railway in Canada. It is not grand or impressive, but supremely beautiful—winding rivers, shining sandbars, tree-dotted meadows, and wooded hills, composing a series of changing and ever beautiful pictures. It should, with an improved railway service, become a favorite with tourists."

The route except for some twenty miles over the table land separating

Nashwaak and Miramichi waters, is along the beautiful valleys of those two rivers, and is unequalled for beauty, and picturesqueness in New Brunswick.

ALL TREATED ALIKE.

We can hardly pick up a government paper in these days without finding in it a list of appropriations for some constituency and a comment setting forth that all is due to the sitting member supporting the government.—Sun.

(Our contemporary will also find constituencies represented by Tory members sharing in the money voted by Parliament. There is Colchester, for instance, which is to have the expenditure of \$100,000 for I. C. R. improvements at Truro, and in St. John, where the Sun is printed, and which is represented by an opposition member, the government has been generous. With prosperous times, an abundant revenue, and the energy to advance the country's best interest, the Liberals are able to appropriate large sums of money for the public services, and their attention is not bounded by those portions of the country represented in Parliament by their friends. Wherever there is a public need the government attends to it, and in that respect are in remarkable contrast to their Tory predecessors, who in the last years of their rule at Ottawa were chiefly engaged in cutting each other's throats, while the public interests were neglected.)

A MUCH REGRETTED REMOVAL.

Rev. F. C. Hartley has given fourteen of the best years of his life to the work of the Free Baptist church in this city, and his resignation of his charge is deeply regretted not only by the people of his own congregation, but by all classes of citizens. Mr. Hartley went about his work unobtrusively, but with a zeal which counted for success, and the advance of the church, both in material and spiritual things under his ministrations has been most marked. Combining preaching ability with energetic pastoral work, Mr. Hartley has discharged his responsible duties with great ability and fidelity, and his church and the city will be much the poorer because of his removal. Wherever his future work may lie he will be followed by the good wishes of his hosts of Fredericton friends.

Public sympathy will be extended to Sir Henri Joly, lieutenant governor of British Columbia, in the loss of his wife by death. Lady Joly shared with her distinguished husband the respect and esteem of the people of Canada, and at Victoria, where she has assisted in dispensing a generous hospitality, her death is most sincerely mourned. It is forty-eight years since the marriage of Sir Henri and his deceased lady, who was indeed a help meet in the fullest sense of the term, and who was a strong support to her husband in carving out for himself a public career which has been crowned with honor.

Another plum has fallen to the disposal of the Liberals of Nova Scotia. The collectorship of customs at Halifax is vacant by the death of Mr. W. D. Harrington, who at one time represented that constituency in the legislature.

Some women go to an upholsterer instead of a dressmaker.

City Work.

To the Editor of the Herald,

Sir,—There has been a good deal said about city work. I would join in with these men and say let our motto be "Better city."

Let there be a day set apart for special cleaning once or twice a week; all may join in the work and call it the city's day.

I am informed, but cannot vouch for the truth of the statement, that requests of men and women have been constantly going in to the secretary treasurer of the Improvement Association from all parts of the city asking for help in improvement work, but the handicap of lack of funds prevents this assistance being given as freely as it should be given.

The great opportunity for work and the lack of funds make it necessary to interest men of means to assist if they will; there are men and women of our town who are able to give and would do so no doubt if they were approached by the proper parties. Improvements cannot be done without funds, and people of means must be interested.

There is a decided field for women's work in opening the eyes of the community to the value of cleanliness and beauty in home surroundings.

True our women have never taken up these lines and it is new to them, but it has been done, and very successfully, by women in other places, and our women are as capable as they.

What about the "Council of Women." Yours truly,
F. O. R.
F. O. R., Aug. 13.

The Silver Slipper.

"The Silver Slipper," John C. Fisher's great musical production, by the authors of "Florodora," comes to the Opera House Monday, Sept. 5. This musical comedy had a run of six months at the Broadway Theatre, New York, eight weeks in Philadelphia and four weeks in Boston. The costumes and scenic effects are said to be unsurpassed in the history of musical plays. In retelling "The Silver Slipper" on tour Mr. Fisher did not hesitate at expenses, the company numbering 125 people. The whirlwind-like "Champagne Dance," which is one of the most important features of the production, was one of the sensations of the New York amusement season.—d.

Brakeman Killed.

Moncton, Aug. 16.—Robert MacMurray, brakeman on the Indian town branch of the Intercolonial, was killed while shunting at Newcastle yesterday. He went between cars to withdraw a broken drawbar, when the driver, not knowing of his whereabouts, backed the engine and caught him about the breast crushing his life out. The accident was not discovered till a half hour later. MacMurray was forty-five years of age and leaves a wife and family.

New Fancy Biscuit.

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