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CALLED DOWN.

The Dominion Government has taught Mr. Preston, superintendent of immigration in England, a needed lesson. Mr. Preston, before leaving Canada, was an active politician and he seems to think that he is still expected to do political duty, while occupying an official position, but the government does not share that belief. A few weeks ago Mr. Preston, in a long letter to the London Times, upheld the government's action with respect to Lord Dundonald, and condemned the opposition. Now it is not his business to engage in political discussion and the prompt manner in which he has been called down by the government will probably teach him a much needed lesson.

On Mr. Sifton's attention being called to the Preston letter, he caused a communication to be sent to Mr. Preston, the concluding portion of which was as follows:

"The Minister instructs me to advise you that in the opinion of the government your action is a serious breach of official decorum. I am further directed to advise you that in the opinion of the government the contribution of letters or interviews to the press by a member of the civil service, dealing with or discussing subjects which are matters of controversy between the political parties, cannot be permitted, and the violation of this rule in the future will be accepted as an equivalent of resignation from the civil service."

RELICS OF TORYISM.

The Sun is very much delighted because cause Lord Dundonald has been the recipient of some complimentary banquets, organized, no doubt, by Tory sympathizers. The government's quarrel with Lord Dundonald was over his attempt to override a well recognized constitutional principle by which the administration in authority is supreme in matters committed to its care. The Sun being Tory, is of course a believer in autocracy, which predominated in the days of the family compact and still sticks to the real blue Tory. The Liberal government stands for the people's rights, and thus finds itself at issue with the old Tory doctrines and practices.

A year ago our Tory friends were prophesying a general election before the snow fell, but it did not come. They are at it again, and if they keep at it long enough are likely to eventually hit the mark. In the meantime it is not generally believed that the government has committed to Tory editors the time in which the contest is to take place. Whenever it arrives the Tories will not be prepared, and the longer the agony is postponed the worse it will be for Mr. Borden and his followers. The country is ripe for another Liberal victory, and the government's popularity is increasing in the same ratio as Tory prospects are declining.

Sir Wm. Mulock, minister of labor, at the request of the parties concerned in the Sydney strike, has sent Deputy Minister King to the scene of the trouble, and it is hoped that his good offices may result in an amicable arrangement between the company and the strikers.

It looks now as if Judge Parker, the Democratic nominee for the presidency of the United States, will pretty thoroughly knit all sections of the party together and present a united front in the great battle that ends Nov. 4. Even Bryan, whose silver propaganda was so badly shattered in the last two contests is put entirely out of the issues by Judge Parker's declaration for the gold standard, announces that he will vote the Democratic ticket.

Not even the Russians believe that yarn about 30,000 Jap soldiers being destroyed by the explosion of mines in the vicinity of Port Arthur. If all the false reports of the present war were eliminated from the despatches, there would be little real news left.

Ottawa Events says: The minister of militia told the House the other night that three different British officers reporting on the proper location for a battery at a particular point (which by the way is understood to be St. John) each reported that it should be placed in a different position. No wonder the minister of militia, a civilian, hesitated about acting promptly on recommendations from distinguished officers when they were chiefly distinguished by a difference of opinion as to where a battery should be located best from a strategic and military standpoint.

A prominent north west gentleman, in close touch with the political situation there, while in Montreal the other day, told a newspaper representative that the Territories will go more solid for Laurier than ever before, despite all the talk and the reports published in the Conservative press that at the next election the Conservatives will come out of the west with a big majority. Of all the seats in the Territories, the Conservatives will get but two, and the rest will go for the government by large majorities.

The Toronto World professes to have heard of the formation of an immense Steel Trust which is to absorb the Dominion Iron and Steel Company, the Nova Scotia Steel Company and the Dominion Coal Company, Nova Scotia's three great industries. The World is usually sensational and its most recent discovery will scarcely be credited until confirmed from some more reliable source.

The venerable Senator Work was 100 years and five months old today, and continues to enjoy excellent health.

Ireland declares for union.

Recent showers have helped New Brunswick crops, but they were rather light to meet the needs of the case and too late to be of much benefit to the hay crop. In the sister province of Nova Scotia, the drought has been even greater than in New Brunswick, and hay promises little better than half a crop.

The Boers when they have come to a full realization of the benefits of British rule will curse the day they permitted themselves to be dragged into war by Paul Kruger, who promptly deserted them when the tide of battle commenced to turn against the burghers.

It is expected now that the Dominion Parliament will be prorogued about the first of August.

Call at J. H. Hawthorn's Store

from July 13th to the 22nd and you will there see an interesting display. It consists of the specimens of the premiums given away in exchange for the Snowshoe tags on "Pay Roll" plug chewing tobacco and other plug tobaccos manufactured by the Empire Tobacco Co., all of which bear the Snowshoe tag. The date for the redemption of Snowshoe tags has been extended to January 1st, 1906—July 13, 1904.

New Goods.

A case full of laces and all overs has just been received at E. Gecombe's direct from London. These are assorted in white, cream, Paris, Arabian and black and are the very latest thing in the market.—d.

Call Dick Orum.

At a certain petty sessions the other day a great amount of laughter was created during the hearing of one of the cases. One of the justices of the peace rather pompously exclaimed: "Let us have decorum in the court, please."

An official rushed at once to the door, calling out, "Richard Orum! Richard Orum!"

Needless to say, "decorum" was still wanting for a brief period in that court.—Tit-Bits.



SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Hospital Building, Partridge Island," and "Tender for Detention Buildings, Partridge Island," respectively, will be received at this office until Friday, July 29, 1904, inclusively, for the construction of the above named buildings at the Quarantine Station, Partridge Island, St. John, N. B.

Plans and specification can be seen and forms of tender obtained at this Department and at the office of W. H. Waterbury, Esq., Clerk of Works, Custom House, St. John, N. B.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed form supplied, and signed with their actual signatures.

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The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

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FRED. GELINAS,
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