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SETTLED ON MR. BORDEN.

The Tory members of parliament who are assembled at Montreal to discuss the leadership of their party, find that the easiest way out of their difficulty is to press Mr. Borden to continue in the position, although it is said he is acting against his own judgment in acceding to the demand.

Had Mr. Borden declined, a whole host of difficulties would have been presented to the Tory party. One of the most serious of these would have been the claims of Mr. Foster for recognition. This gentleman is unpopular with his political associates and had he been chosen leader the Tory party would have had a fair sized rebellion on its hands.

With Mr. Borden out of the race and Mr. Foster pushed aside, a lot of the smaller fry politicians would have urged their claims for the leadership, so the party has apparently avoided a serious crisis by persuading the Halifax gentleman to bury the humiliation of his defeat in Halifax and the Nova Scotia Liberal landslide which put his party out of business in that province, and to once more head the party in parliament.

No Liberal will object to the continuance of Mr. Borden in his former position. Personally he is highly regarded by the Liberal leaders, but he will feel decidedly queer when his eye runs over the House of Commons and discovers not a political supporter there from his own province in which he so confidently claimed a majority during the campaign. Mr. Borden is a very badly disappointed man, and the wreck of his party, no doubt bears as heavily on him as his own personal defeat in Halifax.

JOSEPH HOWE.

On Monday next in the city of Halifax, a small measure of justice will be done to the memory of Joseph Howe, the eloquent Nova Scotian, whose reputation as a statesman places his name among the highest in the niche of fame in these Canadian provinces.

A monument to Howe in his native city and province has long been talked of, and its realization is a matter of great satisfaction to every Canadian familiar with the great talents and career of the distinguished Nova Scotian, who was the father of responsible government in the sister province, who was the first politician in British North America to advocate the confederation of the provinces, who was among the earliest to urge the construction of railways as a means for the development of the country, and who talked up Imperial federation long before any other man in Canada commenced to dream of it.

Howe's earliest triumph was won with his pen in the columns of the Nova Scotian, and was the precursor of his entrance into political life, where he soon made a great rattling among the dry bones of the family compact that ruled at Halifax, and had the whole province of Nova Scotia at its feet. Howe defied magistrates, bishops, political leaders enclosed with all the prestige of vested rights, he ran up against governors who tried to continue the rule of autocracy, and finally wrung from the reigning powers rights for the people, both civic and religious, and made enduring fame which is recalled by the raising of the monument to his memory at Halifax.

With but a scant education, obtained mostly in his father's printing office, Howe rose by the sheer force of ability and industry to the foremost places in the land and his name will be revered as long as Canada lasts.

Journalist, poet, orator, politician and patriot, Howe combined all these to a remarkable degree, and he left his mark on the public life of the country so plain and palpable that it can never be obliterated.

UNSOLICITED SYMPATHY.

Senator Dell Perley drags himself out of the Tory smash in the Northwest to lament the Liberal sweep in the East, and to explain why the government carried the West. The Senator confesses to sorrow for the misguided people in the East, but his lamentations are unnecessary and unsolicited. The Maritime Provinces are very well satisfied with the verdict they rendered on Nov. 3rd, and they were quite willing to get along without Senator Perley's expressions of regret. The Senator is we believe, a very successful farmer, but he is a very narrow politician, and his interests have been so long removed from these parts that he could be forgiven were he to confine his political lamentations to his own immediate vicinity. If we mistake not, previous to the elections, he favored the Sun with a very rosy prophecy of certain Tory victory in the West, but of the twenty-eight seats beyond Lake Superior, the Tories carried only six.

Our good Tory friend, the Truro Sun, explains that Mr. Suckling is opposing Col. Laurence, the Liberal candidate in Colchester for the legislature because of the platform of purity adopted by the Tory convention, but from the Sun's own columns, the conclusion is irresistible that Mr. Suckling's presence in the field is due to the successive refusals of Mr. Black, Mr. Gourley and Mr. Stuart to accept nomination.

The Sun quotes Pauline, the hypnotist, as authority for the statement that no politics was talked at the St. Andrew's dinner, but this is poor testimony in the face of the declaration of responsible Fredericton gentlemen who attended the function and remained perfectly sober to the end.

The Tory organ in this city has a slap at Mayor Palmer, whose civic record is criticized. His Worship needn't worry over the matter. If he had supported the Tory candidate in the recent election in York, he would have been considered by the Tory organ an ideal chief magistrate.

BITS OF NEWS.

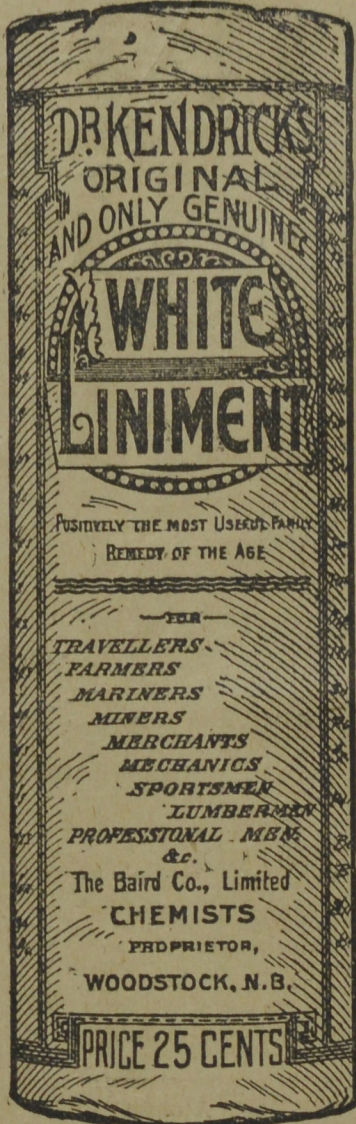
Mr. Hugh S. Wright, a former well known insurance agent of Woodstock and more recently of Halifax, died Sunday in Scotland, where he had gone for his health. He was 49 years old, and a native of Edinburgh. His wife died last May, but several children survive.

The date for the execution of Cammack, at Woodstock, convicted of the murder of William Doherty, Jan. 12th, near Bath, is drawing near and apparently but little interest, as compared with the execution of Gee, is taken in the fate of the unfortunate man. Outside of his sons and daughter, who visit him occasionally, he has but few visitors.

Rev. Dr. Trotter, of Acadia College, has completed his canvas of the First Baptist church for the second forward movement, and when completed, including the bequest received last year, the sum will be \$9,000, a highly gratifying result. Rev. J. T. Archibald, Dr. Trotter's assistant, secured subscriptions from a little country church for \$600. The two will go to St. John to continue the work.

Word has been received at Sackville, of the death in Mexico City last Monday, of Eugene Forsey, Mount Allison, 1899. Subsequent to graduation Mr. Forsey taught in the Sackville Male Academy and afterwards at Acadia Villa, Hortonville, N. S., but failing health compelled him to go south. Something over a year ago Mr. Forsey married Miss Florence S. Bowles, Mount Allison, 1899, of Ottawa, who with an infant child survives.

Mrs. James Barber and her son George, who resided in a house on Spruce street, Galt, Ont., not having been seen since Wednesday last, the police on Saturday night forced their way into the house and found Mrs. Barber lying dead in her bed and the son lying on his back on the floor of his mother's room, also



dead. Coroner Warden ruled that death had occurred two or three days previously, and is of the opinion that it was caused by gas escaping from a coal stove.

Why Men Hunt and Fish.

It has been said that every man has within him something of the savage, indicated by longings to return at times to primal conditions of life. Certainly to many there come irresistible yearnings for the haunts of nature, for the searching of forest and stream for the dainty food, depending on one's prowess for his dinner. In the gratification of this desire there is a zest which makes of a vacation a rejuvenation. If the appetite for this sort of thing be lacking or dormant it should be cultivated or aroused.—Senator William P. Frye in Independent.

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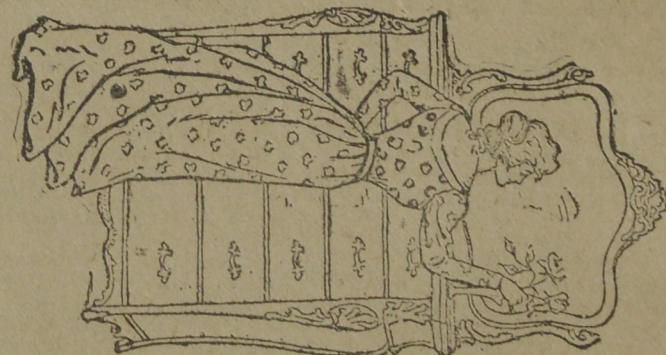
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