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A MISREPRESENTATION CORRECTED.

"The official announcements that are sent to the Royal Gazette at Fredericton are regularly telegraphed to St. John newspapers as soon as the copy reaches the Gazette printer, reporters apparently having free access to that office. Is this the correct thing? We merely call attention to it as apparently irregular, improper and undignified, but perhaps it is in accordance with new regulations."

The above is from the Chatham World, and is without the shadow of a foundation of truth.

The Royal Gazette is printed at this office, and the copy that comes to it is sacredly guarded and none of the contents of the paper are given to the public until the Gazette is published. This occurs on Wednesday evening, and by permission of the government the correspondents of the St. John newspapers are furnished with copies of the Gazette Wednesday evening, so that any important official news it may contain is available for the next morning papers, the Sun and the Telegraph having equal privileges in this respect.

The World's misrepresentation does injustice to the probity of the gentleman in the Herald office who has charge of the Gazette, and is entirely unfounded and inexcusable. Even the Herald staff in the same building are not permitted to gaze on the contents of the Gazette before it is published, much less use any of the matter it is to contain, and we are therefore placed at a disadvantage for the reason that the Gazette is not published until Wednesday afternoon's Herald is on the streets, and therefore the former's news is not available to this paper until the following afternoon.

Mr. George P. Barrett, who is in charge of the publication of the Gazette, is an old and faithful officer, who performed similar duty for many years during the late Mr. Fenety's occupancy of the position of Queen's printer, and would be one of the last men in the world to permit a breach of the trust reposed in him.

The World should withdraw the misrepresentation and apologize to those whom it evidently seeks to injure by imputing unfaithfulness to their trusts and responsibilities.

HAVE CALLED A CAUCUS.

A caucus of the Tory members of parliament has been called to meet at Ottawa, Jan. 10, to choose a leader.

Parliament opens the following day and if Mr. Borden is selected, he will not be able to appear in the House as he has not secured a seat.

There is an impression that he will accept the position and sit for Carleton, Ontario, which has been placed at his disposal by Mr. Kidd, the Tory M. P. for that constituency. There is also another impression that Mr. Borden having been so badly beaten in Halifax and throughout Nova Scotia, would prefer to remain in private life for the present, but is impelled by sense of duty to his party to continue in the leadership, and prevent Tory disintegration as a result of the struggle of other aspiring Tories for the leadership. There is no winking out of sight the fact that strong opposition exists in Ontario against Mr. Borden as leader, and in this province the friends of Mr. Foster, notably the St. John Sun, are hoping that Mr. Borden may decline the position, and thus possibly make way for the ex-finance minister.

Another report about Mr. Borden is that he will remove to Ottawa for the practice of his profession.

A WISE DECISION.

The Westmorland Conservatives met in convention yesterday at Moncton, and decided not to oppose the election of Solicitor General

Sweeney to the legislature—a very wise decision under the circumstances. There were some hot heads who wanted a fight, but the cooler wisdom of the gathering carried a resolution to avoid a contest.

Mr. Sweeney is to be congratulated on his bloodless victory, but had there been a contest, his victory would have been overwhelming. Westmorland, once the preserve of the Tory party, is now strongly in line with the Liberal party, both in the federal and local arenas.

This was nomination day in the county in the bye-election necessitated by Mr. Sweeney's acceptance of office, and the new and popular solicitor general was returned by acclamation.

A PECULIAR CONDITION.

A peculiar situation has arisen in connection with the recent local elections in P. E. Island. The returning officer in the riding where Premier Peters was a candidate, finds the vote between him and his opponent a tie, and has declared both gentlemen elected. A scrutiny, or recount will follow, and if the vote is unchanged thereby, the matter will be dealt with by the Legislature, which however, is said to have no authority to make a decision. It looks as if the law relating to elections in the Island province requires an amendment to prevent such a condition again arising. Evidently the returning officer has no vote in case of a tie, and the difficulty might easily be overcome if that privilege were extended to him.

From a governor of the Yukon to a defeated candidate for parliament, is quite a fall, and that is the fate of Mr. Congdon, who probably regrets that he grasped at the shadow and lost the substance. Mr. Congdon, however, like other defeated Liberal candidates, may have something better up his sleeve. He is a lawyer and members of that profession rarely make sacrifices without seeing better times ahead.

There are two instances in Canada in which constituencies are represented in the federal and local legislatures by brothers. Gaspé has elected Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux to the House of Commons, and his brother, Dr. Lemieux, to the Quebec legislature, and in Colchester, N. S., Hon. F. A. Laurence is M. P., and his brother, Col. Laurence, an M. P. P.

If Mr. Borden gets back to Parliament he will be able to see one man besides himself who hails from Nova Scotia. Dr. Thompson, elected in the Yukon, is a native of that province, as was his opponent, Mr. Congdon.

The young man who writes Fredericton news for the St. John Sun, has evidently not heard that the contract for the erection of the R. C. R. drill hall was let some weeks ago to Mr. C. J. B. Simmons.

A new industry has apparently sprung up in St. John. The Times says that three more baby farms have been discovered in that city.

The imperial dockyard at Esquimalt, B. C., as well as at Halifax, is to be dismantled, and the officials have received their discharge.

BITS OF NEWS.

Chatham ratepayers are taking action towards urging the town to bonus a proposed shoe factory.

At Ottawa a boy badly burned has had his wound covered by a piece of skin ten inches long and five inches wide grafted from his brother's leg. Both boys are in the hospital and doing well.

In the Carleton County Court Monday the grand jury found no bills in the criminal cases of the King vs. H. A. Connell, charged with shooting with intent to kill and the King vs. Linda Drost, charged with concealment of the birth of her child.

Popular Xmas Present.

There is a big demand this week for season tickets issued for the Arctic Rink. Those intending to procure season tickets for Xmas presents should attend to it promptly.—d.

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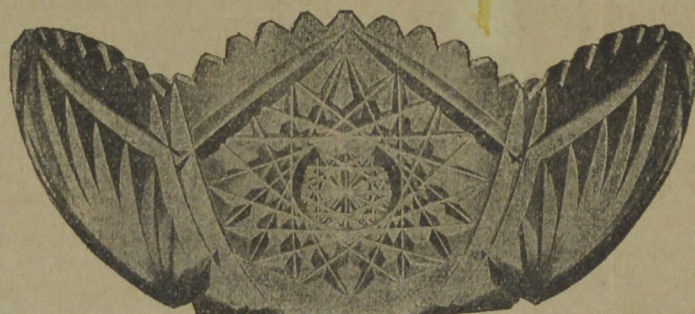
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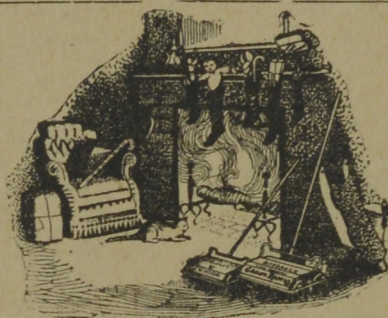
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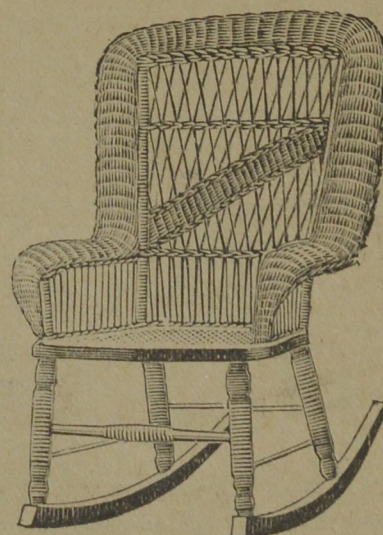
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