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SIFTON'S RESIGNATION.

The Herald's Ottawa despatches and private advices to the editor of this paper confirm the report of Hon. Clifford Sifton's resignation from the federal government.

Mr. Sifton it is alleged, objected to the perpetuation of separate schools in the new provinces of the North West, and having fought against the establishment of such a system in Manitoba, he is not inconsistent in his present attitude.

The resignation of the Minister of the Interior will create somewhat of a political sensation in Canada, and the ultimate result is rather difficult to forecast. He is recognized as a powerful factor in the west, where his personal and political influence, and ability at organization went a long way towards securing a great government victory in the last general election. In his official position he has been largely responsible for the effective immigration policy of the government, and his strength as a member of the Laurier cabinet has been recognized and admitted by even his political opponents, who now that he has parted with his leader and colleagues will doubtless find many honeyed phrases for him. Instead of the grave accusations they have made against his political and private character. No more will Mr. Sifton be held up in the Tory press as a man who has grown suddenly rich by exploiting his political position, but he will be canonized as Mr. Tarte and Mr. Blair were when they retired from the government.

No doubt many of the members of the Liberal party will agree with Mr. Sifton in his stand on the school question, and perhaps the government may seriously reconsider the provisions of the autonomy bill to which exception is taken. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, however, only purposes to perpetuate a system which has been in force in the North West for thirty years, which had the endorsement of Parliament, and against which there has been practically no complaint.

What of Mr. Sifton's future? Will he join the opposition, or will he practically retire from political life as Mr. Tarte and Mr. Blair have done? These are questions that will be asked by people all over Canada. No doubt Mr. Sifton will oppose what he considers an objectionable feature in the autonomy bill in Parliament, and perhaps may be able to rally some support from the Western members.

Evidently the country is face to face with a serious question, which will develop as bitter feelings as were aroused during the discussion of the Manitoba Remedial legislation.

GOOD LUCK TO HIM.

It is always a matter of regret when our young men find it necessary to leave home and seek their fortunes abroad, especially if they decide that their future shall be cast in a foreign country, but the parting is lessened when the exodion decides to continue his citizenship in another part of Canada. The Herald has in mind a young Frederictonian who will be leaving next week to take up his residence at Calgary. W. P. Taylor is a young man who was born, grew up and was educated in Fredericton, and has practised his profession here, and whatever he has achieved is due very largely to his own industry. That his integrity and ability are appreciated outside his native city is evidenced by the attractive offer he received and has accepted from the prominent law firm of Loughheed, Bennett and Allison of Calgary, whom he joins in a confidential capacity at a lucrative salary. The junior members of the firm are New Brunswickers who are making their mark in the west, and Mr. Taylor under such eminent auspices will no doubt be heard from in the future. Although Mr. Taylor is not of the Herald's political faith,

we are glad to have an opportunity of saying a good word for him, and of wishing him every happiness and prosperity in his new home.

THE QUEEN.

Ever since she came to England from her Danish home nearly forty-two years ago, Alexandra, then Princess of Wales and now Queen of England, has been a persona grata with the British people.

This feeling of love and admiration for a worthy woman, has strengthened and increased with the flight of years, and as the Princess proved her deep interest in all that is best in family, social and official life in her adopted country, in her capacity as Queen she has shown even greater concern for the happiness and welfare of her subjects. She is a woman as well as a Queen, a tender, matronly woman, with the finer feelings of her sex, a friend of the poor and distressed, yet withal a dignified sovereign, whose many virtues are the pride of her people.

An evidence of her Majesty's great popularity in the old land is evidenced from an article which appeared in the London Daily Mirror the day following her recent public appearance at the opening of Parliament. The Mirror says:

"The Queen! There she sits—that lovely lady who is smiling at us. That is the Queen. Isn't she a real Queen!"

When the huge glittering sphere of state on wheels that takes our King and Queen to open Parliament came rolling into view everybody, between their cheers, said something like the above, ending with "queen." The word "queen" must have been pronounced many hundreds of thousands of times yesterday during the half-hour in which eight cream-colored horses drew the glittering sphere from Buckingham Palace to Westminster. The word was pronounced in a hundred thousand different tones and accents, all at one, however, in admiration and loyalty.

That was the keynote, the "motif," of the great assembly, the word "queen." The assembly had come to see the Queen by the side of the King; to cheer her; to fondly imagine that her sweet smile saw and marked the enthusiasm of each unit of it.

There she was in her coach of gold.

Over her shoulders her dainty cloak of ermine. On her head her dainty crown set with diamonds. And in her eyes the smile that has won the hearts of her people.

A "living picture," too, for our Queen is bountiful in her recognition of her people's admiring cheers. "She would give a separate bow to everyone of us if possible," said one of her people. "How tired it must make her and how good she is to keep on bowing."

From the other side of the carriage, the King—he was bareheaded—acknowledged the cheers that came thundering from the other side of the roadway. Those who missed the Queen's smile were compensated by the King's smile. The double throng shouted for Queen and King, and saw in the kindly smile of each an acknowledgement of the homage paid to both.

The Queen, "God bless her." What a worthy successor to Victoria the Good. What a noble example to the women of the British Empire. What an inspiration to the mothers of Great Britain.

Esquimalt naval station was formerly abandoned Tuesday by the British admiralty, when Commodore Goodchild hauled down his flag. The Bonaventure, the only remaining cruiser, will leave for the China station.

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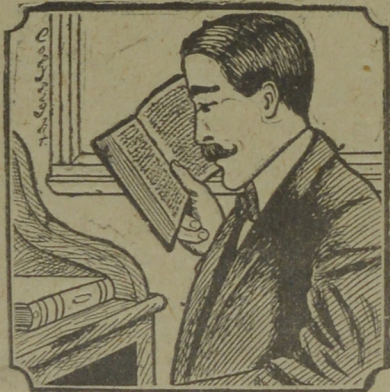
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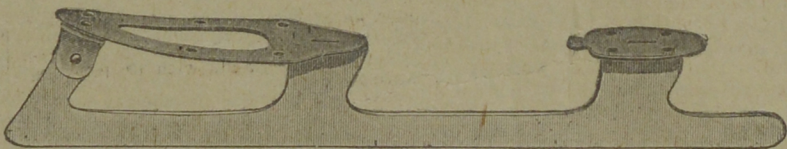
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SPECIAL VALUES THIS WEEK ON FURNITURE

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1 Morris Chair, Oak Frame,	was \$8 50, now \$5 50
1 Sleepy Hollow Chair,	do 9 75 do 4 25
1 Upholstered Chair	do 6 25 do 4 95
1 Oak Arm Chair	do 7 25 do 3 50
1 Sofa Velour Upholstering	do 9 50 do 5 95
1 Couch	do 20 00 do 14 00
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Common Wood Rockers	do 75 do 50
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Also a number of others. See the prices.

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Our annual sale of Lace Curtains will be held Saturday, March 11th.