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AE EMPHATIC DENIAL.

"In so far as there is a charge that there was an understanding between Mrg. Sbaretti and myself to have the school question considered in connection with the extension of the boundaries of Manitoba, there is not," said Sir Wilfrid, "a shadow or tittle of truth in it. I assert that if Mr. Rogers states that Mrg. Sbaretti did press him to make the suggestion of terms and conditions, which he says he did with my knowledge and consent, he states something which is not in accordance with truth.

"If that has taken place it has been wholly without my knowledge and without my participation, and I never heard of it in any way, whatever until last Saturday, when the matter was brought to my notice by a telegram from the Toronto Globe."

With these emphatic and unequivocal words, Sir Wilfrid Laurier denied in parliament, the truth of the latest Tory yarn, that the papal ablegate, had with his knowledge and consent, sought to bargain with the Manitoba government for the establishment of separate schools in that province on condition that the federal government extend Manitoba's boundaries.

Sir Wilfrid's denial is so complete and conclusive, that even such a hide-bound Tory organ as the St. John Sun accepts it unreservedly, and the bottom of the great Tory concoction to injure the Liberal administration at Ottawa, immediately drops out.

The Papal Ablegate also, in a statement which he has issued to the press, declares that Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his ministers had absolutely no knowledge of his conference with the members of the Manitoba government, and that he was not authorized in any way by Sir Wilfrid to make the alleged offer.

The development of the plot to ruin the federal ministry however, shows that Mrg. Sbaretti should make immediate plans for leaving Canada.

What business is it of his to interfere in the political concerns of this country. No doubt his action will be made known to the Pope, and his recall would seem certain.

Sir Wilfrid's enemies have laid many deep plots to ruin his political influence, but they have miserably failed, as the latest effort will fail.

THE LATE COLOEEL MORRIS.

The many friends in Fredericton of Col. W. S. Morris, will sincerely regret to learn of his sudden death in the northwest, where for many years he has occupied an important command in connection with the mounted police.

Col. Morris during his residence in this city, of which he was a native, was prominent in many lines of activity, and enjoyed a large degree of popularity. Of splendid physique and commanding presence, with genial manners and pleasing personality, he was a general favorite. In sports he was one of the leaders; a clever cricketer, a keen rifle shot and prominent in military affairs.

To his widow, who is a former Fredericton lady with many family connections in Fredericton, and to his family bereaved of a kind husband and father, the sympathy of their friends in this vicinity is sincerely extended.

The Tory ministers of Manitoba, who were evidently anxious to coquet with the papal ablegate in their efforts to gain a political advantage, will have to answer to the people of their province. Their effort to pull Laurier down resulted in an ignoble failure.

On the same outward boat with Sbaretti, the meddlesome papal ablegate, should be shipped all the Tory politicians who sought to use him to cast reproach and ruin on Laurier and the other Liberal ministers.

The firebrands of parliament should be suppressed. Bourassa on one side and W. F. McLean on the other scarcely ever get on their feet without seeking to arouse race and religious prejudices.

Lord Roberts is to open the Toronto exhibition August 29.

Mr. Thomas Dickson Craig, who sat in the parliament of Canada from 1891 to 1900, as Conservative member for East Durham, is dead of heart failure.

The legislature is making such good progress with its work that prorogation is fairly certain to take place next week.

WOMAN OF THE NORTH.

Mrs. Lundquist's Wonderful Breaking of All Women's Records for Travel.

The Dawson News tells an interesting story of a courageous woman of the northland: The Hannah, one of the strangest craft that ever made their way down the Yukon, arrived in Dawson on July 8, 1904, in charge of Mrs. H. C. Lundquist, woman skipper, master, owner and general director. The craft is a diminutive scow, carrying besides the master her little daughter, Elmira, and one man, Carl Swanson, as a crew. The party was bound for Rampart with the intention of eventually landing in Tanana.

Two cows, a calf, three dogs and feed for the animals and supplies for the people aboard make up the freight. The entire outfit is under bond, and will be allowed to pass into American territory free of duty. "Captain" Lundquist has been spending the last several months in Skagway. During the summer she will sell milk at Rampart and Tanana, and in the winter fatten her live stock for the butcher's block.

Mrs. Lundquist is one of the admirable, rugged specimens of womanhood of which old Scandinavia and the new north of this continent boast as a type that does deeds of outdoor heroism and endurance as well as maintaining the accomplishments of life more strictly domestic.

Last winter Mrs. Lundquist broke all records of the world for travel single-handed and alone by a woman in the Arctic regions in the dead of winter. She rushed from Rampart to Whitehorse every foot of the way with her own team, and oftentimes was out when it was 50 to 60 below zero, and it was declared by the miners that during some of the time she was on the trail the thermometer was down to 70 below. The total distance from Rampart to Whitehorse is 1,450 miles. Road houses can be made nightly over the greater part of this route, but on the Rampart-Tanana stretch and on the Circle-Dawson stretch they were not always convenient at nightfall, and several times the traveler camped out alone, sleeping wrapped in her great Arctic dog robes, and with only the thin wall of a diminutive tent stretched between her and the sombre, leaden sky.

At the outset of the trip fourteen were in the party, but they scattered after a time, and as each traveler had his own dog team, and had to manage it, virtually the woman was then traveling alone. After leaving Fairbanks mushers were met by chance at times, but she did not delay if there was no one else with whom to travel. At times the dense fog caused by the extreme cold made it impossible to see ahead of the teams, and the trail was so dim the woman had to tramp before her dogs and break the way. Most of the time it was too cold to ride, and she ran the greater part of the great journey by holding to the handlebars of the sleigh.

On arriving at Whitehorse Mrs. Lundquist had lost twelve pounds from her weight at the start at Rampart, but was in excellent spirits and health, and could have turned back for another long jaunt. The run from Fairbanks to Dawson was made in twenty-six days, and from Dawson to Whitehorse in eleven days. The average daily distance covered was twenty-five miles. The longest distance made in one day was thirty-five miles.

Mrs. Lundquist so values two of her fine malamute dogs with which she made the trip that she refuses to sell them for any sum, and is taking them back to Rampart and Tanana this trip. Mrs. Lundquist is a woman of middle age, robust and hardy, and a distinct type of the daughter of blue-eyed, fair-haired Norse peoples who have done so much to develop the Yukon. The little daughter is a picture of her mother, and is now entering the interior of Alaska for the first time.

Opposed to Militarism.

Col. Sam Hughes, speaking on Imperial defences before the Empire Club in Toronto recently, declared that a partnership union between Great Britain and her colonies in the matter of co-operative defence, vitalized by purely democratic principles, would add untold strength to the Empire in minimizing her cost of defences and creating an indissoluble bond of sympathy. Each component part of the greater Britain would be interested in the other parts. Thousands of positions in the army, navy and civil service would be thrown open to young Canadians and a vast sphere of usefulness thus created for them. He heartily endorsed Hon. S. H. Blake's denunciation of rampant militarism. A well-planned militia system for Canada was, however, the exact antithesis of this spirit. Mr. Blake's opinion did not preclude Canada's having a defensive system of her own when he said Canada should bear no part in sustaining Great Britain's defence. No nation that had any commerce to defend or reputation to uphold should fail to contribute towards the support of a navy. Canada was the only nation that was not paying one dollar for the defence of her shipping and was hanging unabashed to the skirts of Great Britain.

Financial Ability.

"So young Smith has come into a fortune. Do you think he has the making of a financier?" "Undoubtedly. Several of them. And I'd like to be one of the bunch."

Woman's Visual Angle.

"Have you eyes in the back of your head?" asked a country magistrate of a woman, and the woman promptly replied that she had. She was perfectly right. Take any average man and any average woman, question them as to the dress and deportment of the people in any assembly where they were together, and you will find that the woman has seen more than the man, for woman has been compelled to enlarge the angle of her vision and to see all around her hat without shifting an eye.

From an early age instinct tells the girl, and convention seals the instinct, that she must not look directly at the man in the street, therefore the honest woman walks through London looking straight ahead. The direct look at the stranger is forbidden, yet human curiosity compels, so develops and enlarges that angle of vision, for no woman will deliberately blind herself, and therefore by continual exercise those calm conventional eyes that look to the horizon and the infinite have trained themselves to see the world out of the corners—obliquely. — London Chronicle.

Be Ready For the Opportunity.

People are apt to think that, though their actual lives are poor and self centered and such as they are half ashamed of, if some great crisis arose they would be able to gather up their halting will and raise themselves to its height. Yes, no doubt. Only life's sternest calls never come in any such fashion. Things don't arrange themselves for us to gather up our feeble will and settle with our souls that we will be heroes. They come hardy and sharply, testing not what we have resolved to be, but simply what we are. We have a sort of feeling that it is the opportunity that makes the man. Not so. The opportunity only shows him for what he is, and the spirit of prompt duty, of quick, instinctive loyalty to right under whatever temptation may ever come, may be cultivated and grow to the very capacity for heroism even in life's lowliest place and poorest work.

Better Than a Shoehorn.

"Here is something I learned from an Englishman I met while at a friend's house," said a lawyer. "The house was in the suburbs, and we were occupying the same room. I found I had forgotten to bring a shoehorn and asked the Englishman if he had one. 'No, I haven't,' he said. 'Why don't you use a towel?' 'A towel?' I replied. 'Yes, a towel. Here, let me show you. Take a corner of the towel, so; lay the point in the heel of your shoe, so; put your foot in as far as it will go, right on top of the towel. Now, grab the towel and pull up on it. See how easy your foot slides in? It's better than a shoehorn.'"

Pairing in Parliament.

The custom of pairing is quite unknown to the forms of parliament itself. Any mention of it within either chamber would be altogether out of order, but there is a pleasant fiction that it is a purely private arrangement to be made at the discretion of those concerned. This is true enough to a limited extent and for a short time, but pairing on any great party division cannot be lightly carried out, and a member who desires to pair at such a



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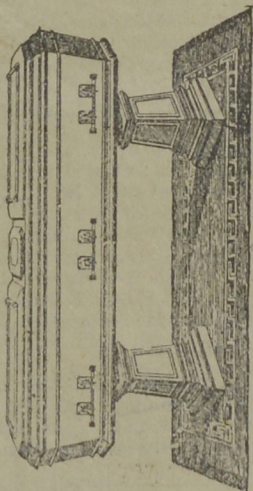
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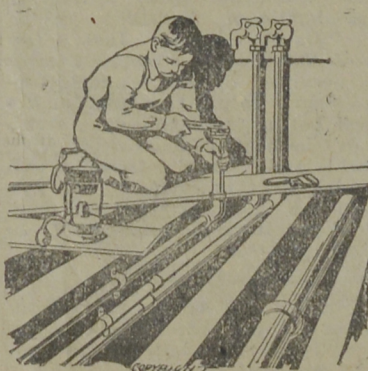
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