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A GOOD MOVE.

Mr. Osman is to be commended for his notice of motion in favor of re-establishing an official residence for the governor in Fredericton.

It was a mistake to have abolished Government House. It was done by a new administration which had promised much and performed a great deal in the way of reform, but we believe that the people of New Brunswick scarcely demanded that for all time the governor of this province should have no place to lay his official head except what he might be able to rent as any other tenant looking for a home.

The Herald is not a stickler for precedents, and old time arrangements, pomp and splendor in connection with government house, but it believes that the first gentleman of New Brunswick, whoever he may be, should have an official residence at the capital and should be required to reside in it.

It may be that old government house is too antiquated and too expensive an official residence for the governor, and if this is correct, a less pretentious residence could either be purchased or erected for the official headquarters of the chief magistrate of the province.

In no other province in Canada has government house been abolished and it does seem a reflection on the people of New Brunswick that we should have no official residence for our governor.

The Herald does not know what will be the fate of Mr. Osman's resolution in the legislature, neither are we informed as to the government's attitude on the question, but the matter will soon develop and the members of the House should be able to justify to their constituents a favorable view of the motion.

MR. RUTTER THE MAN.

While there may be other applicants besides Mr. H. C. Rutter for the position of chief engineer of the fire department, no person yet mentioned for the office in opposition to him has the claims or qualifications of the present acting chief.

Mr. Rutter has served the city faithfully for very many years as a fireman and as a captain and for a long period as assistant chief of the department, the citizens have full confidence in his integrity, zeal and judgment as a leader, and the council will do a popular thing in appointing him chief.

The Herald has nothing to say against Ald. Stockford, who announces himself as a candidate for the vacant position. No doubt he has qualifications for the place, but only a few weeks ago he was unanimously elected to the council, and should not be so ready to throw that trust back in the face of his fellow citizens for office and emolument.

Under other conditions and with an opponent lacking the superior qualifications of Mr. Rutter, the Herald might be disposed to view Ald. Stockford's application with greater favor. We know he has rendered good service as a fireman, but the citizens will be better satisfied if he withdraws his candidacy for the position of chief and continues to serve them in his present capacity. Some other time perhaps the place, or an equally good one will be open to Ald. Stockford for whom the Herald is in common with people generally entertains a very kindly regard, and we shall be glad to assist him, but for the present we feel we are only voicing the general desire of the community when we advance the claims of Mr. Rutter for the chieftainship of the fire department.

A TORY BIGOT.

The Hamilton Spectator in its zeal for the present race and religious cry raised by the Tories, declares that Sir Wilfrid Laurier will be the last French Canadian who will ever be permitted to occupy the premiership of Canada. The Spectator also meant it to be inferred that no other Roman Catholic shall ever be permitted to hold the office.

Isn't it scandalous that any Canadian newspaper should so lower itself and so malign the fair play feeling of this country as to make an assertion of that kind?

Has it come to this then with the Tory party that the altar at which a man kneels shall be taken into account when he aspires to a public position.

And yet it was not so many years ago that the Tories followed a Roman Catholic premier.

The Spectator's crazy declaration is the legitimate outcome of the race and religious agitation raised by the Tory leaders in parliament and which will yet prove a boomerang to them.

A CROOKED COURSE.

For startling inconsistency on public questions, the Hon. George Eulas Foster takes the palm.

During the some twenty-three years since he entered parliament, he has swallowed himself many times, but perhaps his most notable somersault, always excepting his sudden turn on prohibition, is in his changed attitude towards the rights of minorities in educational matters.

In 1896 Mr. Foster, who was then a member of the Tory government which tried to force separate schools on Manitoba, pleaded for the rights of minorities, and was able to summon the constitution of Canada as adopted by the Confederation fathers to his support.

In his address on the remedial bill Mr. Foster, contended that under the clause referred to, whatever rights and privileges the minorities had at the time of confederation should be maintained in statu quo, and should not be changed. The construction which Mr. Foster then placed upon the clause was that it was not confined to the original provinces, that it had been broadened to include all the provinces entering into confederation, and all rights and privileges which Protestants or Roman Catholics possessed at the time they entered.

Eight years later, however, Mr. Foster declares that there is no obligation under the very same clause to establish and continue separate schools in the new provinces, and asserts that the clause only apply to the two Canadas.

Thus within eight years Mr. Foster has completely changed his attitude on the rights of minorities and he expects the public to follow him in his crooked course.

GAMEY'S LAMENT.

Probably Mr. Gamey had more to do with seating the Whitney Tory government in power in Ontario than any other one man, not excepting Mr. Whitney himself, but in the bestowal of favors after the party came into office the Man from Manitoulin was forgotten. There was no cabinet position for him, and he evidently feels the slight that has been put upon him.

At a Conservative convention in Centre Toronto last week to nominate a candidate for the Commons, Mr. Gamey was one of the speakers and he relieved his pent up disappointment in this way:

"I appreciate," said he, "the opinions of the masses far more than those of the classes. There are men among the classes, some in the Conservative party and some out of it, who seem to feel that to some extent they will use me to get what advantage they can politically. But when it comes to what regard I am to get—because, after all, we are somewhat selfish—when it comes to that point some of the classes are not so much guided by merit, and have not such warm friendship for me as the masses."

Mr. Gamey during the recent election campaign was wildly cheered by the masses of Ontario Toryism; and he mistook this for evidence that he would be among Mr. Whitney's advisers when he formed his government. The classes have disappointed Mr. Gamey. He was good enough as the show man of the Tory machine during the election contest, but when it came to a division of the spoils of office he has been rudely thrust aside, except for the promise of a purse of money which up to date has not reached very generous proportions.

SHOWS GOOD JUDGMENT.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier evidently believes in the wisdom of summoning journalists to his council. The members of that honorable profession necessarily must be well informed on public questions, and if they unite with their culture, ambition and force to serve in the parliament and government of the country, they generally prove themselves valuable men.

At the present time three prominent members of the federal ministry are men who are trained journalists, Mr. Fielding, Mr. Oliver and Mr. Templeman, and the two first mentioned hold two of the leading portfolios.

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EDMUNDSTON ELECTION.

The first town election in Edmundston was held Monday and the new mayor is Samuel E. Burpee, who defeated Fred LaForest, ex-M. P. P. T., by 100 majority and carried his whole ticket. Aaron Lawson, barrister, formerly of this city, is one of the new aldermen.

A Roman Butcher's Shop.

The Museum of Antiquities at Dresden has an interesting marble relief from Rome which represents an ancient butcher shop of oblong shape divided by a pillar into two unequal parts. In the greater stands the butcher, with a high chopping block resting on three substantial legs before him, while behind him hang the steelyard and a cleaver, he himself being occupied in dividing a rib of meat with another cleaver. On the wall above him, just as with us, is a row of hooks near to each other, on which hang pieces of meat already dressed—a rib and a leg of meat, a pork joint and udders (a tidbit of the Romans); also lungs and liver, and last of all the favorite boar's head. On the left, in the smaller division of the shop, the wife of the butcher sits in an easy chair, with an account book on her knees, engaged in assisting the business of her husband by acting as bookkeeper.

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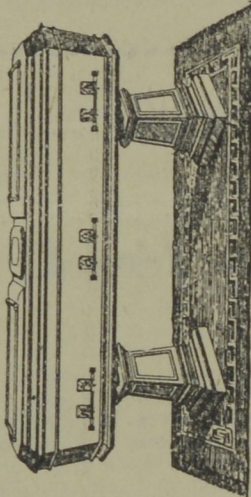
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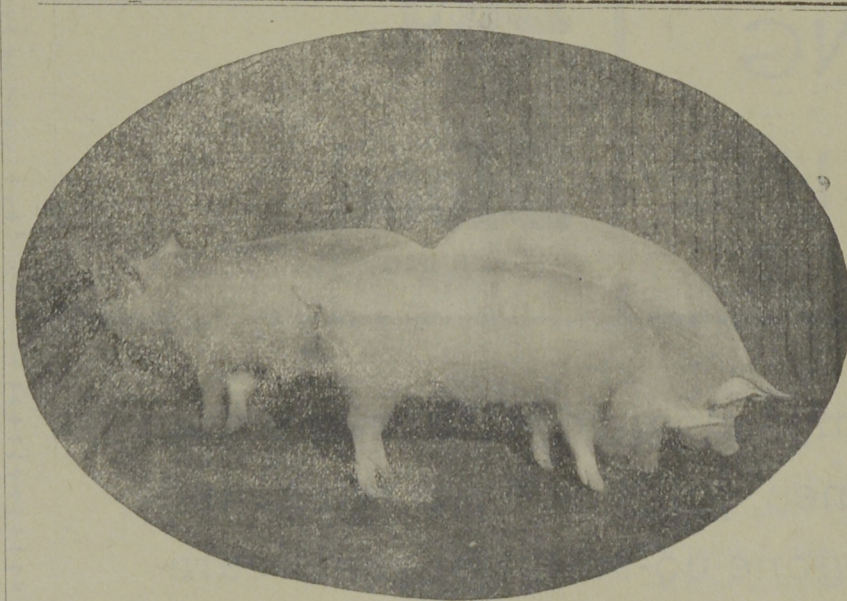
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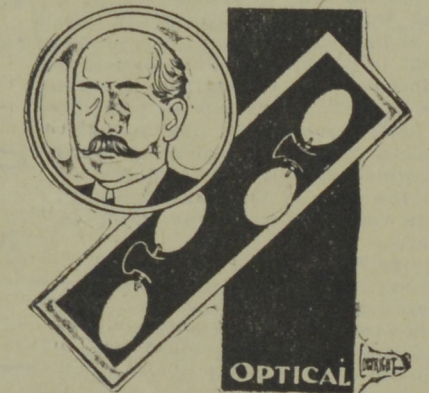
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