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A STUNNING BLOW.

Details of the drowning of Mr. Alex. T. Wilson published today show that he met his tragic death in the discharge of his duty. No event that has occurred for many years has so shocked this community as the news of Mr. Wilson's death. The deceased was a popular young man of sterling personal qualities, of splendid ability and great promise in his profession. In his home he was the idol of his father and sisters, and their sorrow at his death is simply overwhelming.

Judge Wilson was very proud of his son, of his fine manly qualities and his splendid prospects of success, and the blow has fallen on the bereaved father with terrible force.

If the sympathy of the people can in any measure assuage Judge Wilson's great grief, he may rest assured that he has that in abundance.

It is announced that the body of the young man has been recovered, and his family will have the satisfaction of laying it in a known grave, thereby paying the only tribute of devotion possible under the circumstances.

MCLEAN'S FADS AND FANCIES.

On Saturday we gave a somewhat extended extract from a speech delivered at Wexford, Ont., a few days previous by Mr. W. F. MacLean, the clever, ambitious, but erratic M. P. for South York. The keynote of his deliverance is the weakness of his leader, Mr. R. L. Borden. He belabors friend and foe alike but seems to be entirely unable to see the causes that brought about the conditions that exist in his own party of which he complains.

Why is Mr. Borden a weak leader? Because the party behind him is disorganized. And why disorganized? Because a little knot of Ontario politicians, of which Mr. MacLean is one, insists upon projecting into Canadian politics an issue of the most irritating and dangerous character, which, if carried to its logical conclusion, means the breaking up of confederation. Does Mr. MacLean think for a moment that any leader or any party can carry on the government of Canada upon a basis that shuts out of its councils and tramples upon the conscientious convictions of forty-five per cent. of the whole people? If he does, then he and those who think with him are living in a fool's paradise. When the fathers of confederation framed the constitution of Canada they had to deal with the question of race and creed, which then, as now, existed, and they did so by putting into its provisions by which the conscientious religious views of the minority in each province, whether Protestant or Catholic, should be respected and protected. Without such an arrangement confederation would have been impossible. But Mr. MacLean and the Ontario firebrands who share his views ignore all this, and go around stirring up racial and religious strife, just as if the questions they profess to discuss, and do discuss in the most intolerable and insulting manner, were open questions to be settled by legislation, instead of having been settled by the constitution when he was but a small boy.

And why is the Conservative party not organized? Because any attempt to adopt a platform would break the party into two parts, just as it was split by the division on the autonomy bills, only more pronounced and of larger dimensions. The party has no policy and the discordant elements in it forbid any hope of agreeing on one.

The want of organization and a policy naturally bring about the other results of which Mr. MacLean complains. The grand old party becomes a drifting hulk, and so helpless that Mr. MacLean himself admits she was seized by a band of swindlers who took full charge of her and ran her on the rocks on Nov. 3rd, last. Let anyone recall the skyrocket campaign of last fall, when Conservatives as well as Liberals were asking each other what it all meant. The object of the plotters is not mentioned by Mr. MacLean, but it is well known to have been for the purpose of getting control of the building of the Transcontinental Railway and thereby enriching themselves at the expense of the country. The bondholders invested some \$200,000 in this province with the result that by the

"buying and selling and bribery" of which Mr. MacLean speaks, the River counties were induced to vote against their own best interests as a most critical period in her history. Should Fredericton be side-tracked we shall know who is to blame.

Mr. MacLean's statements as to his having caused the resignation of Mr. Sifton, of the helpless condition of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and that the indemnity bill was a consideration for the passing of the autonomy bills, are too silly for serious consideration and are rather the vaporings of a mind oppressed with visions of French domination and papal supremacy.

When the Conservative party is able to call a convention and kick out the Ontario fanatics and the Graham-Russell boogie gang, and formulate a platform upon which the Canadians generally, without distinction of race or creed, can stand, and in the best interests of the people, they can then indulge in the hope of occupying the treasury benches some time in the future.

The attention of Ald. Barbour, chairman of the water committee, is directed to the fact that for more than a week, the water supply has been cut off from the Temple fountain, to the great inconvenience of a great many people. The pipe is evidently plugged, and it is the duty of the civic authorities to remedy the defect at once. The fountain is a great convenience and should not be permitted to remain another day in its present useless condition.

Premier Haultain of the Northwest Territories who has been at the head of a coalition government for some years, is not favorable to a straight division of parties in the new provinces, because he is pretty certain to be in the minority after the approaching provincial elections. The Liberals are dominant in the west and it is expected will control the governments of both the new provinces.

Mr. Levi Thompson, barrister of Wolsley N. W. T., who has been nominated by the Liberals of that constituency for the legislature is a son-in-law of Senator Perley, formerly of Margerville, and a very promising young man. He and his father-in-law do not agree in politics, the Senator being a very active and uncompromising Conservative.

The governor general in his cruise in New Brunswick waters only touched the fringe of this province, making brief calls at Chatham and Dalhousie, but the people of both towns gave him a kindly reception. Later His Excellency will make us another call when it is hoped he will honor Fredericton with his presence.

The conference between the aldermen, hospital trustees and board of health should result in stopping the hospital sewage from reaching the source of the city's water supply. Better far to empty the sewage into a cesspool than to run the risk of contaminating the water supply.

It is stated that the office of Superintendent of the Intercolonial railway vacated by the death of Mr. J. E. Price, may be amalgamated with the position of engineer of way and maintenance so ably filled at the present time by Mr. T. C. Baupée.

Not much is expected of the peace conference about to open at Portsmouth, N. H. It is believed that the Japs will propose terms that the Russians will decline to accept, and the present prospect is that the war will continue.

A FUGITIVE MAYOR.

Chief Citizen of Paterson, N. J., An Embezzler.

Paterson, N. J., Aug. 8.—Active search is being made by the police for Mayor Wm. H. Belcher, and descriptions of the missing man have been sent to every city in the country and to all foreign countries with which the United States has an extradition treaty. Belcher became a fugitive from justice yesterday, when John C. Ree, President of the Manchester Building & Loan Association, acting under advice from Prosecutor Emley, made a specific complaint before Recorder Noonburg against Belcher for embezzlement of one thousand eight hundred and twenty-nine dollars of the Association's money.

From examinations already made it is said that the amount will reach \$15,000. The police notification that Mayor Belcher is missing, after describing him as "He is wanted for embezzling some of money from the Association amounting to over \$8,000.00. The specific charge on which the complaint is issued is the embezzlement of \$1,300.00 sued is the embezzlement of \$1,300.00."

Mutual Distrust.
"A genius," said the young man with long hair and eyeglasses, "usually regards the world as a bumpy hule."
"Yes," answered Miss Cayenne, "and the world usually regards a genius as a horse that is trying to run away."

BITS OF NEWS.

Items of Interest Culled from Our Exchanges and Other Sources.

Official Yellow fever at New Orleans report up to 6 o'clock p. m., Monday was:
New cases, 32; total cases to date, 565.
Deaths 8; total deaths to date, 113.
New sub-foci, 4; total sub-foci to date, 97.

The British privy council has sustained the Chinese government in its libel action for \$450,000 against the Canadian Pacific Railway for the loss of the Chinese warship Hwang Tai, which was sunk by the Steamer Empress of India about two years ago off the Chinese coast.

John (Tip) O'Neill, formerly of St. John, is out of the ball game for the rest of the season. While playing with the Milwaukee in the western league he made a slide for third base and broke his ankle. The accident took place on Tuesday last during the second inning of the game with Louisville.

A careful examination of the Nova Scotia apple bearing districts by men interested in the transportation of the fruit has just been completed. As a result of their work they announce that the crop this year, which should be 600,000 barrels to be up to the mark, will not be more than 250,000 barrels.

There is an epidemic of cerebro spinal meningitis in Lunenburg County, N. S. It appeared in the town some time ago, and is now prevalent in Bridgewater and vicinity. All the victims have been boys. It is children who have been attacked, except in two cases, one a youth of about fifteen and the other a man of thirty-five years.

The Steamer Kite, returning from Rossell's Harbor, Northern Labrador reports sighting on Aug. 3 a large three masted slate colored steamer, with funnel abaft the mainmast, in the mouth of Makavitch Bay, steaming north with numerous icebergs in the vicinity. It is believed she was the Peary Steamer Roosevelt.

W. O. Robson, supreme secretary of the Royal Arcanum, announced Monday night that the supreme council will meet at Put-In-Bay, Ohio, on Aug. 30, to consider the developments growing out of the establishing of new rates. Forty-two representatives from the grand council have signed a request made to Supreme Regent Wiggins that a special session be held.

A hailstorm did considerable damage in various parts of Manitoba and Eastern Assiniboia on Friday evening. Glenboro, Arnaud, Lyleton, Moosomin and Broadview all report loss, although confined in each case to comparatively small areas. At Arnaud 500 acres were totally destroyed. Near Moosomin a strip nine miles long and two miles wide was badly hammered, but may be worth cutting.

Boxed.
They were returning from a husking bee.
"And were there any red ears?" asked the friend.
"Oh, yes," responded the girl in the gingham dress. "I had two when pa caught that city fellow kissing me."

Industry in His Calling.
Father—And so you want to marry Mr. Brown, my dear. Well, now, do you think he shows proper industry in his calling? Daughter (indignantly)—I should think so. Why, he's called nearly every night for a month.

Love's Glowing Fire.
"Wasn't Jack Stone an old flame of yours?"
"He was as long as he had money to burn. After that I fired him."

Reputation.
A reputation once broken may possibly be repaired, but the world will always keep its eyes on the spot where the crack was.

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TENDERS FOR DREDGING

Tenders addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for dredging at Sand Point Slip," will be received up to and including August fifteenth, 1905, for the dredging required at Sand Point Slip, St. John Harbour, St. John County, N. B.

Specifications can be seen and form of tender obtained at the Department of Public Works, Ottawa, at the office of E. T. P. Shewen, Esq., Resident Engineer, St. John, N. B., tenders to include towing of plant to and from the works. Only dredges can be employed which are registered in Canada at the time of filing of tenders. Contractors must be ready to begin work within thirty days after the date they have been notified of the acceptance of their tender.

An accepted cheque on a chartered bank, payable to the order of the Honourable Minister of Public Works, for twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00), must accompany each tender. The cheque will be forfeited if the party tendering declines the contract or fails to complete the work contracted for, and will be returned in case of non-acceptance of tender. The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By Order
FRED. GELINAS,
Secretary.

Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, July 29, 1905.
Newspapers inserting this advertisement without authority from the Department will not be paid for it. Aug. 5, d31.

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Hair Brushes.

We have today in stock the largest and best assortment of Hair Brushes ever shown in Fredericton.

See the goods and prices—they run from 25c. to \$3 each.

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