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POORLY ADVERTISED.

Mr. Court, the genial manager of the illustrated journal Canada, published in England, who was recently in this province, in the course of a press interview expressed his regret that New Brunswick was not better known in the old country. "New Brunswick is known least of all the provinces of Canada, and yet you have the province which is most suited to the settlements of the middle classes who are now looking towards Canada as their future home."

This is rather remarkable, in view of the boasts which the Hazen government have made on the publicity this province was to receive from the government's advertisement in the London Standard of Empire.

The province is paying \$2000 a year for the service, the enterprising agent for that newspaper having caught Mr. Hazen and secured the business only a few days after the government came into power, and yet we are told that the people of the old country know very little about New Brunswick.

Some explanation is certainly due from Mr. Hazen, who apparently has as good as thrown away \$2,000 of provincial money.

The Salvation Army at St. John is to give six hundred poor people their Christmas dinner. That is practical charity.

STRIKE IN COURT.

A strike among court officials is one of the novelties at Halifax, and is a most unusual occurrence.

It appears that the stenographers claim they have not been paid their salaries by the local government, and when Judge Russell tried to do business in the court there was no official present to take down the evidence. His Honor refused to do that kind of work himself, declaring "I decline to act in this court both as judge and stenographer. The stenographers are overworked and underpaid, and I do not propose to stand in with that kind of thing."

The stenographers took a rather summary and effective way of calling attention to their grievance, and must have felt pleased with the distinguished striker who joined their ranks, for Judge Russell immediately adjourned the court, and the wheels of justice ceased to move in the case before him.

A SHARP ADMONITION.

Business men have reason to thank Judge Cassels, observes the Ottawa Free Press, for the timely remark which he made to a witness who, when excusing himself for being an intermediary for a crooked business deal, said: "Bank managers sometimes have to do things which they do not like." Turning sharply to the witness, His Lordship said: "You had better speak for yourself and allow other bank managers to speak for themselves."

We venture to say that any bank manager who feels it incumbent upon him to practice shady tricks, even in the interests of most favored customers, has an entirely wrong conception of his duties and what is expected of him by his employers.

The same thing holds good of men occupying responsible positions in all other reputable business firms.

Thank heaven, adds the Free Press in this country it is not necessary for any man to be crooked in business. The witness in this instance seemed to be making a suggestion that was utterly false and dangerous and the judge's admonition was both opportune and merited.

CURRENT COMMENT.

The rate of taxation at Halifax under the new assessment is \$2 on \$100, or fifty cents higher than the Fredericton rate.

Judge McLeod has dismissed all New Brunswick election petitions on the ground that they were filed too late.

Four local bye-elections in Quebec are attracting some attention, and one was settled this week by an independent Liberal securing his seat by acclamation.

The claim is made that the recent discovery of a silver mine at Musquodoboit, Halifax, Co., N. S., promises to rival in richness and extent the far famed Cobalt deposits.

President-elect Taft of the United States has made a start in selecting his cabinet. His premier and secretary of state will be Senator Knox

of Georgia, a prominent Southern lawyer and politician. The Herald is in receipt of a card of Christmas greetings and best wishes from Lieut. Governor Tweedie, and this paper very heartily reciprocates His Honor's kind message and wishes him and his amiable lady long life and continued prosperity.

In his speech proroguing the British parliament, King Edward spoke of "the affectionate reception given the Prince of Wales by all classes" during his presence in Canada on the occasion of the celebration of 300th anniversary of the founding of Quebec.

Friends of the Hazen government claim that the provincial accounts for the fiscal year, which closed Oct. 31st last, show a surplus of \$40,000, and great credit is taken for this alleged condition of affairs. Well perhaps there is a surplus, and perhaps not. At any rate if there is, Mr. Hazen is entitled to only a share of the credit. The Robinson government was in power nearly half of the last fiscal year. But wait until all the bills for Mr. Hazen's various commissions doing business previous to Oct. 31st are in, and see if the aggregate amount will not more than wipe out the alleged surplus.

PRETTY QUICK WORK

A drunk run in by the police yesterday afternoon had among his personal effects when searched at the police station a flask of whiskey. He informed Chief Winter that he had purchased it from one of the proprietors of an uptown hotel, and the chief on learning this at once got busy and swore out an information against the party. The case was disposed of in the police court this morning on the evidence the defendant was convicted and fined \$50 and costs. The drunk swore that he entered the hotel pretty well shot gave the proprietor the wink whereupon he immediately disappeared and returned a moment later with a flask of liquor. The flask minus one drink, was produced in court and put in evidence. The drunk was fined \$5 but it was allowed to stand against him.

Dr. Wainwright of Stanley is among the visitors to the city to-day.

THE SCRIBE WAS SLEEPY.

And He Repeated Himself Till His Editor Raised a Protest.

Some years ago when Sir Oliver Mowat was on his death-bed, the esteem with which he was held by the public received no better testimony than the fact that the morning daily papers kept small staffs on duty until six o'clock in the morning, so as to be in a position to bring out special editions with his biography, and the announcement of his demise.

It was known to all that he could not possibly survive, but he lingered on unconscious for days. The newspapers were restrained by courtesy from publishing their editorials on his life, and the details of his history until the fatal hour arrived. It was necessary, however, to maintain a "death-watch," as, in the cant of journalism, it is known. That is to say, a group composed of representatives of each paper, and several correspondents of out-of-town papers sat up all night at a nearby hotel, day by day, with arrangements that they should be communicated with as soon as death intervened.

One night one of the out-of-town correspondents, who was a little out of form because of late hours and fatigue, thought he ought to do something to make a showing, and started to send bulletins. "Sir Oliver is sinking," he wired to his paper at Ottawa. Again in fifteen minutes in apparent forgetfulness that he had sent a bulletin, he again wired: "Sir Oliver is sinking." So on through the night from time to time he would file the same message. Finally, the exasperated telegraph editor at the other end of the wire, sitting up all night for a real news message, cut in with the despatch: "Don't wire again until Sir Oliver sinks."

Then, and not till then, did the correspondent wake up to the fact that in his sleepy condition he had filed nearly a dozen messages in the same phraseology.

To Study Schools.

The Hon. D. S. Mackenzie, Deputy Minister of Education for Alberta, has departed for England in order to visit the representative schools and colleges of England, Ireland, and Scotland, and, if time permits, study the system of technical education in vogue in Germany. The Department of Education for Alberta is laying the foundation for a broad educational system, and Mr. Mackenzie's visit is for the purpose of learning the successes and failures of the British systems, in order that the new province may profit thereby. Another object is to become thoroughly conversant with the grading of the British schools, so that the Department will be able to deal more readily with the many applications which are coming from old country teachers for schools in Alberta.

Paper Products.

At a meeting of the jobbers and the papermakers of Canada, held in Toronto recently, it was decided to advance the price of wrapping paper 15 cents per cent. It was also agreed that no one was to be allowed to sell products at a lower price than the advance in price, due to increased cost of production, would have to be made soon.

The reason given for the advance in price was the scarcity of pulpwood, the increased cost of wood, and the increased use of coal for power.

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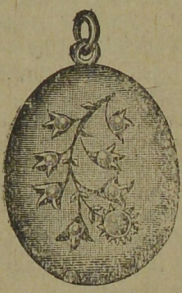
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Emie, the little daughter of a clergyman, raced into her father's study one evening while the reverend gentleman was preparing a lengthy sermon for the following Sunday. She looked curiously at the manuscript for a moment and then turned to her father.

"Papa," she began seriously, "does God tell you what to write?"

"Certainly, dearie," replied the clergyman.

"Then why do you scratch so much of it out?"

"I said nothing about ball games, William," replied his employer, eyeing him sternly. "However, my business

is such that it can wait until some other day. That will be all just now William."

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