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IT HAS WORK TO DO.

The organization of a local improvement association is a step in the right direction, and it is hoped that the gentlemen who are interesting themselves in the matter will hew well to the line, and effect some very desirable changes. In a thoroughly well ordered city there should be no need of such an association; there should be public spirit enough in the city council to beautify as well as govern the city, but unfortunately the aldermen generally are not men of aesthetic tastes, or fully alive to improvement in the line along which the newly formed association proposes to work.

It is to be hoped that one of the first duties the association will feel itself called upon to perform will be the improvement and beautifying of Queen Square. Had the late Mr. Wilmot dreamed that that naturally beautiful spot would have been left until this time in a neglected condition, he may well have hesitated before donating it to the city. The Herald has repeatedly urged the city council to make some effort to improve the square, but beyond lining out a road around it, the work has been entirely overlooked. The trees are old and dying, and should be replaced, the road needs to be grubbed out and completed, and flower beds and perhaps a fountain could be added to the attractions of the place. Will the association be good enough to give its attention to this matter, and remove the present reproach that Fredericton lacks appreciation of Mr. Wilmot's splendid gift?

The care of our shade trees is another object the association should have in mind. These have been ruthlessly haggled by persons apparently under no restraint from the civic authorities, and there are many localities where new trees should be set out to complete uniformity and further add to our reputation as a city of beautiful trees.

The association must have funds before it can proceed to carry out its objects, and these should be provided out of the taxation levied on the whole people and not by private subscription. The Herald would like to see the association incorporated, with authority to expend each year a specified fund from the civic treasury to carry out the very laudable objects it has in view.

This is a good time to start the association. The winter months are ahead of us, not much practical work can be done till spring, but plans can be devised, and other action taken for a useful campaign next spring and summer.

THE MACHINE IN DISGUISE.

The opposition machine in St. John has made matters easy for the convention that is to meet Tuesday evening to nominate candidates for the legislature. Half the ticket is already in the field in the persons of Mr. Hatheway and Mr. MacInerney, the alleged labor candidate, and it is alleged that the other two places have already been assigned by the machine to Mr. Shaw, M. P. P., and Ald. Baxter, so that the entire ticket, if the convention goes as the machine has planned it, will be eminently satisfactory to the Sun clique, composed as it will be entirely of Conservatives.

For the support of these gentlemen appeals are already being addressed to the Liberals of St. John, but it can well be doubted whether the friends of the government will be influenced by the effort that is being made to pull the Conservative chestnuts out of the fire.

In the last local election the Conservative machine, emboldened by the resolutions of the Moncton convention, threw off all disguise and appealed to the

country to defeat the government and install a straight Conservative ministry. That scheme did not work, so now the machine is working by underground methods, pretending to favor coalition while pulling the wires for the nomination of straight Conservative tickets. Conservative as well as Liberal friends of the government will certainly not be deceived by any such cunning tactics. It is a new method, but the same old machine that has its centre in the Sun office is behind the scenes, directing the campaign and wondering whether it can successfully pull the wool over the people's eyes.

TOO EARLY TO BOAST.

Charlotte oppositionists are organizing for the nomination of candidates for the legislature, and we are told in a florid St. Stephen despatch to the Sun that the sentiment in the county "has greatly changed and that there is every indication that Charlotte will return a full opposition ticket." This sounds very much like an extract from the speech of Mr. Ganong M. P., at the Moncton convention in 1898, when that very positive gentleman assured his Conservative friends that Charlotte was solid for the opposition, and was only awaiting the opportunity to elect an opposition four. The result was an overwhelming government victory in which Mr. Ganong and his big four were completely buried. It is a little early in the game to make predictions, but friends of the government in Charlotte believe that the ticket which they intend putting in the field will show that the county is still true to the administration.

WESTERN MISSIONARY EFFORT.

At least three of the great Christian bodies of Canada, have officially acknowledged the enormous growth of population in our great Western Country, and the promise of even greater increase in the near future. The action which the church of England, Methodist and Presbyterian synod, general conference and assembly have taken towards a vigorous prosecution of their work among the new settlers in Manitoba, the Northwest and British Columbia, is proof that the territory embraced therein, is advancing in material progress beyond the fondest dreams of most Canadians. Other churches, no doubt, will follow in the same direction, and we can feel that while the immigrants who come to us from year to year will be well satisfied with their new conditions in a worldly sense, their spiritual affairs will be well looked after by the aggressive churches of the Dominion.

Hon. Mr. Blair will find provincial politics somewhat mixed up when he returns home. As he will soon be here, his friends, Messrs. Tweedie and Pugsley, may wait for a conference before calling on the elections.—St. John Star. [Mr. Blair has often found things mixed in St. John—he found them in that condition before the Federal election of 1900, but the atmosphere was soon cleared and the Star's friends were scarcely visible when the ballots were counted. A few weeks ago the St. John Tory organs were appealing to Mr. Blair to oppose the local government, but evidently their hope in that direction has been abandoned, as the Star expects to see the minister holding sweet communion with the government leaders.]

The scene of destruction in the last eruption of Mont Pelee far surpasses in extent that of the eruption of May 8, when St. Pierre was destroyed, and includes an area in which upwards of 300 persons were killed, as well as Morne Rouge, with a death list of probably not less than 1,100.

The Sun seeks to shoulder the local government with blame for the condition of the Oromocto bridge, and then quotes the engineer with saying that the structure was "absolutely safe." The Sun's position is very illogical.

People of Quebec city, regardless of politics, propose to organize a magnificent welcome for Sir Wilfrid Laurier when he returns next month from Europe.

Mr. Pinder, who was down from Nackawick this week, is said to be anxious to secure nomination on the opposition ticket, but some of his former friends it is alleged, reminded the ex-King that there might be another snow storm about the time of the official nomination. Mr. Pinder's political prestige has disappeared.

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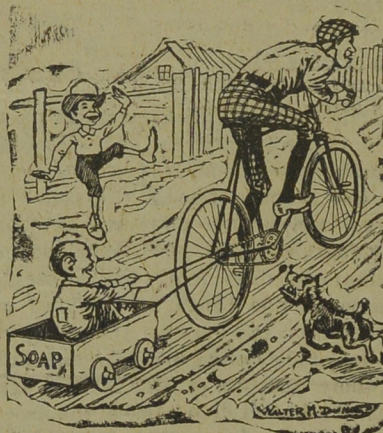
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