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MR. PARKER WAS ANGRY.

Besides being a fiction writer of great power and popularity, and a member of the Imperial Parliament, Mr. Gilbert Parker, the eminent Canadian author, has a keen sense of dignity and respect for good form.

Mr. Parker after a visit to his native Ontario, where he was feted and honored as he deserved, took a run into the United States before embarking for England, and a few evenings ago was a guest at the New York Press club dinner. Mr. Parker's health was proposed, coupled with the Imperial Parliament, and of course he made a speech, discussing among other things the South African war. As an Englishman Mr. Parker declared that the British were right in continuing the war in South Africa, once that war had been begun.

Among the guests was a prominent Irish American politician, Congressman Sulzer who took occasion in following Mr. Parker to make some serious reflections on the British conduct of the war in South Africa, and to assert several other things calculated to make a good Englishman's blood boil. Mr. Parker naturally was quite indignant at being so insulted at a function at which it was intended he should be an honored guest. Mr. Sulzer's friends saw this, and they induced the offending congressman to approach Mr. Parker and make the amende honorable. "Mr. Parker," said the congressman, "I want to shake hands with you, sir. I hope you understand that no offence was intended in what I said, sir. You are a politician. So am I. You understand, of course, how we politicians have to do those things sometimes."

Mr. Sulzer's hand was still outstretched. Mr. Parker put his own right hand easily into his trousers pocket.

"I have no wish to shake hands with you," he said to Mr. Sulzer, and turned away. Mr. Sulzer first grew pale, then red, and his hand trembled. Then, summoning his smile again, he made a bee line for the door. Mr. Parker started up as if to follow him. Mr. Gillig asked him where he was going.

"There are many things I wish to say to that man," said Mr. Parker, "which it would not be proper for me to say to him while we are both guests of this club. I want to talk to him on the street for a few minutes."

Mr. Gillig at length persuaded the novelist that Mr. Sulzer was not worth talking to in any place, and Mr. Parker gave up the idea of a pursuit. But he did say that in a long experience of attending public banquets he had never witnessed quite such a performance as Mr. Sulzer's political assault on a foreign guest.

This incident was not reported in the morning papers' account of the banquet, but it has finally got into print and made quite a furore in certain New York circles. Mr. Parker's friends are confident that the Canadian meant to have it out with the insulting Congressman, and the latter is being jeered for first insulting a distinguished stranger, and then running away from him.

A CANADIAN ADMIRAL.

For the first time in its history, the British Naval Squadron stationed in North American waters is to be commended by a Canadian. The new Admiral is Archibald Lucius Douglas who succeeds Admiral Bedford, and will have his headquarters at Halifax during the summer and autumn and at Bermuda in the winter.

Admiral Douglas is the son of the late Dr Geo Mellis Douglas, inspecting phy-

sician of the port of Quebec. He is 60 years of age and entered the royal navy as a cadet in 1856, receiving rapid promotion. He served as midshipman and lieutenant on the Arrogant in all the engagements of her boats and naval brigade on the Rivers Congo and Gambia on the coast of Africa. He commanded a gunboat on the Canadian lakes during the Fenian invasion. He was selected by the Admiralty to proceed to Japan as commander of the mission to instruct the Japanese navy, 1873. He served in the naval and military operations of the Sudan, 1884, being rewarded with the Egyptian medal and the Khedive bronze star. Subsequently he commanded the Edinburgh in the Mediterranean under Sir George Tryon.

There are several other Canadians holding high positions in the British navy. Capt. Dennison, who commanded one of the enormous warships that escorted the Duke of York to Canada is a native of Toronto, and there is an Admiral Drury, a native of St. John, and connected by blood with several well known Fredericton families.

THEIR NEW POSSESSIONS.

After much diplomacy and bargaining the United States have practically possession of the Danish West Indies, three little islands lying immediately east of Porto Rico, at the gateway of the Caribbean sea. St. Croix or St. Cruz is the largest of the three, and contains 74 square miles of territory, more than five-sixths of which is under cultivation. Its total population is 20,000, most of which is of negro descent.

St. Thomas is the second in size, and is the first in importance because of its situation and fine harbor. St. Thomas also contains the commercial metropolis of the islands, the town of Charlotte Amalie which is better known as St. Thomas. Charlotte Amalie is a town of 12,000 inhabitants, and the total population of the island is only a few hundreds larger. St. Thomas contains but 35 square miles of territory, most of it too rocky for cultivation.

The third island in the bunch for which the United States pays \$3,240,000, is St. John, a little rocky islet on which less than a thousand people live. Although the purchase will add but 34,000 people and less than 110 square miles of territory in the United States.

Signor Marconi, the wizard of wireless telegraphy, is in domestic trouble. His best girl, daughter of a United States judge has jilted him. He made her acquaintance on an ocean steamship, and they said pretty things to each other all the way over, the friendship ripening into love and an engagement. Now the business is off, but it is to be hoped that the wireless telegraphy enterprise will not be retarded by Signor Marconi's domestic disappointment. He said he was well treated in Canada, recently; let the good looking young scientist come to this country and engage himself to a Canadian girl who will prove more constant and trustworthy than the Yankee flirt who gave him the mitten.

Since 1876, liquor licenses in Ontario have yielded a revenue of \$11,517,021, of which the local government received \$5,450,173 and the municipalities \$6,166,848. Since confederation the government has received from woods and forests \$27,720,965. Premier Ross estimates the revenue for the current year at \$4,075,872 and the expenditure \$4,004,228.

Premier Ross of Ontario solemnly pledged himself to introduce a provincial prohibitory law if the privy council should decide that the legislature had the power to enact such legislation. —Sun [Is not our contemporary somewhat astray? Was it not Sir Oliver Mowatt when premier of Ontario, who made the promise imputed to Premier Ross?]

The aldermen should be thinking up the sewerage question. The council meets again a week from Tuesday, and the public expectation is that the plebiscite matter will be brought up then.

The many friends of Mr. Geo. Y. Dibblee will sincerely sympathize with him in his affliction — the loss of his wife whose health has been in an indifferent condition for some time. The deceased lady had a most kindly heart, did many deeds of unobtrusive charity, and was much esteemed in her circle of friends and acquaintances.

Fredericton will have a lot of visitors next week. Judges and lawyers attending Supreme Court and farmers attending the F. and D. Association.

H. M. S. CONDOR LOST.

All Hope Abandoned—140 Lives Gone

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 25.—The steamer Moana arrived last night from Sydney via Brisbane and Honolulu, and with her arrival the hope for the safety of the missing warship Condor with 140 souls on board was lessened, for the Australian liner brought no news whatever of the Condor.

The Condor is defined in the British Admiralty list as a screw sloop. She was built at Sheerness and was launched in 1898. She is of steel and sheathed, and her tonnage is 980. She is 180 feet long, has 33 feet beam, and draws 11 feet 6 inches. Six four-inch quick-fire guns and four three-pounders constitute her armament. Her speed is 13 knots.



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Among the prominent speakers who will address the meeting are Prof. J. W. Robertson, Commissioner of Agriculture and Dairying; Mr. E. W. Hodson, Dominion Live Stock Commissioner; Prof. Ruddle, Chief of Dairy Division, Ottawa; F. C. Hare, Chief of Poultry Division; Prof. Grisdale, Experimental Farm, Ottawa, and Prof. W. J. Kennedy of Iowa.

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