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CHOOSE CANDIDATES

The Times, despite certain omens and activities which are thought by some to portend great things, begs to repeat what it said yesterday: The work of organization in every ward in the city should be proceeded with at once, in order that in each one a strong and capable man may be nominated and elected to the city council.

This is the business now before the citizens. Whatever distracts their attention, or leads them to believe that by some providential deliverance by way of city hall or the opera house the whole problem of civic government will be solved, will simply tend to make matters worse. The time is short. Whatever is to be done in the matter of securing strong candidates must be done quickly. It is perhaps characteristic of St. John that the present confusion and ill-directed agitation should divert attention to some extent from the really important matter—the selection of good candidates; but the atmosphere will be clearer tomorrow.

SAN FRANCISCO'S SHAME

The grand jury in San Francisco have returned seventy-five indictments charging bribery of the board of supervisors with very large sums to secure special privileges for railroad, gas, telephone and other corporations. Sixty-five of the indictments are against Abraham Ruef, the "labor boss." The New York Journal of Commerce, which is opposed to civic control by labor organizations, makes the San Francisco revelations the subject of the following bitter attack:

"It is an amazing story of bribery and of immunity of the bribed which is told in the indictments found in San Francisco, mostly thus far against Ruef, the boss of the labor party which has ruled that unfortunate city for some years past. It is said that practically all the members of the Board of Supervisors who accepted the bribes have confessed under promise of immunity from prosecution, the object being to get the strongest evidence against the chief political grafters, Ruef and Mayor Schmitz, and against the representatives of the public service corporations for which this latest bribing was done.

"The charges remain to be proved upon the trial of those indicted and yet to be indicted, but taking them as they appear, supported by the confessions of the corrupt supervisors, they indicate a state of rottenness unexampled yet in the long story of municipal corruption and franchise buying. The infamy of it is aggravated by the fact that advantage was taken of the earthquake to loot it of its franchises by flagrant bribery of those entrusted with the power to grant them and for the profit of the head of the administration and the 'leader' of the party by which it was controlled. This comes on the top of former indictments for selling privileges and immunities to criminals, purveyors of vice and lawbreakers generally.

"The supervisors who voted franchises and permits and sold indulgences to traction, gas, electric and telephone companies and to a 'trust' of prize-fighters appear to have been the wretched tools of the 'labor boss' and the mayor, who pocketed the bulk of the loot. They owed their political lives to these men and did what they were ordered to do for a small share of the plunder, but mere exposure is an inadequate punishment for them, though the immunity promised in return for their evidence may be justified if conviction of the chief offenders is thereby insured and could be obtained in no other way.

"The 'reputable' men of the community, the capitalists who paid money to corrupt officials and politicians for franchises in order to rob the city of them, are deserving of the severest condemnation and ought not to escape the direst penalty if the charges against them are proved. But morally the whole city is under indictment. It is governed by organized labor. Whether that includes in its ranks a majority of the voters we do not know, but the unions, which have established a trust or monopoly in most lines of skilled and unskilled labor and have gained an ascendancy in local politics, have shown themselves more greedy, selfish and unscrupulous than the worst minions of corporate rapacity. In their ranks there seems to have been no moral revolt or exhibition of independence or manhood. Nor has there been any assertion of virtue or dignity worthy of the name on the part of the 'better class,' but instead there has been a craven submission to the vulgar kind of tyranny. Decent public opinion has been cowed into silence."

United Canada of Ottawa, which claims to be "the leading Catholic Weekly of the Dominion" has this paragraph in its "seasonal notes." "It is predicted that the bye elections in Wellington, and Northumberland, in Ontario, and St. John city in New Brunswick, will be hard fought whenever held. It is proposed to nominate Independent Irish candidates in all three constituencies as a protest against a continuation of misrepresentation in the cabinet at Ottawa."

Judging from the tenor of the discussion in parliament yesterday we may assume that Sir Wilfrid Laurier will attend the colonial conference. He desires to go, and Mr. Borden and Mr. Foster express a desire to do all in their power to facilitate his movements. Mr. Borden is even willing that the house adjourn for a sufficient period rather than that Canada should not be represented by the premier at this

conference. It is not likely that today's discussion of the Fowler incident, to be introduced by Mr. Bourassa, will change the conditions in any way. The feeling of the people of Canada unquestionably is that Sir Wilfrid Laurier should go to London early in April, and parliament will govern itself accordingly.

Merely as a useful hint to the public the Times quotes the following from the New York Evening Post:—"The Pennsylvania legislators who would make a newspaper attack sufficient defence for assault upon the editor, have evidently forgotten John Phoenix, and the terrible execution he wrought upon an assailant, by holding him firmly upon his own stomach, and inserting his own nose between his opponent's teeth."

Roumania, on the Russian border, has what almost amounts to a rebellion of the peasants. The movement is not specially directed against the Jews, though they largely suffer. The peasants want better conditions of living, and they have so far impressed the government that though the troops have been called out there is also a promise of a policy of agrarian reform.

Mr. Willison said to the Canadian Club the other night that Canada should have a fast Atlantic passenger service, on the ground that it would not only be convenient but the finest kind of an advertisement. Mr. E. S. Clouston, manager of the Bank of Montreal, who came out to Halifax in the Victorian, also declares that a faster steamship service is needed.

The subject of provincial subsidies was discussed in parliament yesterday. Meantime British Columbia, according to the Victoria Colonist, is as much dissatisfied as ever with the proposed re-adjustment of subsidies, and will not accept it, so far as that province is concerned. But what can British Columbia do about it?

That a man's furniture should be removed and his wife and children forced to sleep upon the floor because he could not get steady work to support them and pay for the furniture, is surely a pathetic story to be told in the city of St. John. There should be some kind of employment bureau in this city for the special benefit of persons seeking work.

France has ordered ships and men to Morocco, not as yet in force, but sufficient to emphasise her demands for reparation for the murder of a French subject and the punishment of the turbulent rebels.

With the occupation of the capital of Honduras by Nicaraguan forces the little Central American war will probably end for the present. Richard Harding Davis should find in the affair material for another novel.

Mr. J. J. Hill once more warns Wall Street to reckon on "a recession." The great railroad man regards as inevitable a slackening in the onward movement of industry and commerce.

The restoration of the accommodation train service between St. John and Moncton will be a great service to patrons of the I. C. R.

Possibly one of the causes of reluctance of young men to enter the ministry is the danger of being penalized by the brethren for speaking their honest thought.

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IN STRENUOUS FAIRVILLE

Policeman Lawson, Fairville's solitary patrolman, had his hands full last night when he gathered in six prisoners. Robert Robertson, a Scotchman, and his companion, who is an Irishman, were run in for wandering about and being unable to give a satisfactory account of themselves; Andrew Doherty was arrested for drunkenness and Harry Dunham was locked up for assaulting Constable Albert Taylor.

A young man named Shannon was arrested but on his father's solicitation was allowed to go. Charles Humphrey called upon the officer to take his son in charge and thus the Fairville lockup was in unusual demand.

A HARD LUCK STORY

A Frenchman with a hard luck story applied for assistance at the central police station last night. He said he came from the North Shore a couple of months ago, to work in one of the cotton factories. About a fortnight ago, he added, work gave out and his furniture, on which he had paid \$8.20, was seized by the dealer because he could not continue the payments. His wife, and the two children, who were sick were at home and had to sleep on the floor.

Some of the policemen made up a little money for him and he started out with the intention of seeing the alms house authorities.

The executive of the United Baptist Association of the Maritime Provinces met a week ago and the chairman and secretary were directed to communicate with institutions in England and the United States with the view of getting ministers to meet the scarcity in New Brunswick. Rev. Dr. Manning states that many shrink from the hard life of the country minister. Another reason for the scarcity of ministers is that the remuneration is very poor and the direct cause is that fewer young men than in former years are entering the ministry.

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I'm not afraid. Do I appear to you as if I were in fear?

That's utter stuff and nonsense! Pooh! I do just what I want to do.

To yield at times I will consent. Because it saves much argument.

It's easier at times, I say, To let a woman have her way.

I think myself a man is wrong To bully just because he's strong.

And it is noble to refrain From acts that cause a woman pain.

I know that I might storm and frown At her and put my foot right down.

I might, I say. But what's the use? I'd sooner think up some excuse.

Well, I won't say for sure. I'll see. But don't you fellows wait for me.

—Chicago News.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

ACCURATELY STATED.

"Here's another battleship talked of."

"Ah! What displacement?"

"Ten million dollars."

THE CUCKOO CLOCK.

The Visitor—"Yes, my husband is very 'andy.' He mended the cuckoo clock the other day; but it ain't quite right yet. It oos before it cucks!"

ALL THE ATTRACTIONS

"Are you going to Florida this season?"

"Not necessarily. I've had my house fitted up with potbed palms, a new steam-heating plant, and a roulette table."

EASILY RECOGNIZED.

"See anything familiar in that man's face?"

"Yes, a twopenny cigar."

"Shorry I'm sho late, m'dear," began Dingle, apologetically, "but shome fresh jokers stopped me an' wouldn't lemme go."

"Indeed?" interrupted his wife. "Why didn't you take the brick out of your hat and hit them with it?"

GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN.

"She has but gone before," said the minister "and when you arrive she will meet you with the old sweet smile."

"on't you mean the old, hard rolling pin? I don't remember any smile," added the bereaved.

COMING HOME ON A VISIT.

"I sent John to the home school to get the foundation of larmin," said the old man "then I sent him to college to get polished."

"What are you cuttin' them hickories fer?"

"Well, you see, he's comin' home on a visit, an' these air to take the polish off him!"

SEEING ELYSIUM.

We encountered many celebrities in the course of our journey, and among them Petrarch.

Of course the fellow with the megaphone would have his joke.

"The melancholy gentleman to your right," he said, "is Petrarch, the poet who loved Laura. Some say Laura did not love him, but I don't believe that. At all events, she must have liked him. If he wasn't the poet Laura liked, how came he to be the poet laureate?"

The sally provoked no little merriment, for a number of our party were from the country. There was especially a new bride, who thought it perfectly killing.

JAMES BRYCE ENTERTAINED

British Ambassador the Guest of Honor at Union League Club Dinner Last Night.

NEW YORK, March 25—British Ambassador Bryce was the guest of the Union League Club at a dinner tonight, when he met 600 prominent men in American political and public life. Former Ambassador to Great Britain, Joseph H. Choate, accompanied the ambassador to the dinner, where he was received by a company which included General Grant, commanding the department of the East, U. S. A.; Rear Admiral Coghlan, commanding the Brooklyn navy yard; Admiral Lord Charles Bessborough, of the British navy; Senator Spooner, of Wisconsin; Governor Hughes, his military secretary, and Adjutant General Henry, and many others prominent in official and private life in the United States.

McLEAN CAN'T GET AWAY

Halifax, March 25—It was expected that W. F. McLean, M. P., would be one of the chief speakers at the annual dinner of the Nova Scotia Mining Society on Wednesday night. He was advertised as an attraction, but he has telegraphed that owing to the parliamentary situation at Ottawa it will not be possible for him to come.

At the advanced age of ninety-one years, David Kirkpatrick passed away on Saturday evening after a short illness. Deceased came from Donegal (Ire.) when thirteen years of age and was one of eight brothers who settled in this province. In 1850 he was married to Miss Ruth Gibson, daughter of Edward Gibson, of Quaco, who survives him. He also leaves two daughters and two sons. He was a deacon of the Methodist church.

At the special service usually held in Holy week and which will take place tomorrow evening in St. John's (Stone) church, Mendelssohn's Hear My Prayer, and Stainer's The Crucifixion, will be sung by the choir under the direction of D. Arnold Fox. Gershon S. Mayes will sustain the bass role and will also render the recitative and aria, For Behold Darkness, from Handel's Messiah. Service will commence at 8 o'clock; doors open at 7.30.

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