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THE BY-ELECTIONS

Premier Hazen and his colleagues have come to the conclusion that delays are dangerous, and that the longer time the people have to think about these new provincial rulers and their doings the worse it will be for the rulers.

The conditions have changed completely since the provincial elections were held. Then the members of the present government declared that federal lines were not drawn, and they appealed for the support of Liberals as well as Conservatives.

Since then the federal elections have taken place, and the premier and his colleagues threw themselves into the fight for the Conservative candidates. They were so soundly beaten that even in counties where they believed themselves all-powerful the Liberals won the day.

Two of their supporters, who resigned their seats in the legislature to become the Conservative candidates in Carleton and Northumberland were among the fallen. It was a rude shock to the premier, who had been cavorting about with Mr. Borden in other provinces, and was held up as one of the great provincial premiers who were to swing their provinces into the Conservative column in the federal campaign.

Mr. Hazen was not only unable to deliver the goods, but he made a worse mess of it than any of the other provincial premiers. And now he must face the people in two constituencies in by-elections made necessary by the resignation of Messrs. Smith and Morrison.

It is not merely by the alienation of Liberals who supported him that Mr. Hazen has lost ground. His course in the matter of the Mayes affidavit was a shock to great numbers of his formerly ardent supporters. For he has not even yet given one word of explanation or apology for having conveyed to the public through the reading of that affidavit an utterly false impression calculated to do great injury to the reputation of a political opponent.

So grave an evidence of unfairness has created a painful impression in the public mind, for the people had been disposed to regard the premier as one who believed in fair and honorable warfare, and prompt reparation for any wrong done to an opponent. They were the more amazed and disappointed, therefore, when he took himself away from the city after reading the Mayes affidavit, and remained absolutely silent when the matter of the wrong done was exposed. He is still silent, and will have some difficulty in restoring public confidence in his sense of what is fair between man and man in the realm of politics.

So far as the government's record goes, it has been so short a time in office that there could not be a wide range for criticism of its acts, but in a general way the people have been disappointed. The country people, who wanted better highways, and were led to expect them, have seen no evidence that the work will be done, but rather that the conditions will grow worse instead of better. The lumber operators are in doubt concerning the government's policy with regard to that industry. The farmers do not look for practical results from the agricultural com-

mission. There is a general belief that the government's financial statement to the legislature will be disappointing to the advocates of retrenchment and reform.

In view of all this, a strengthening of the opposition by the election of its candidates in Carleton and Northumberland would have a healthy effect. The more thoroughly convinced the government becomes that it must give the province good government or quit office, the better it will be for provincial affairs.

The opposition should at once put strong candidates in the field in the counties named, and conduct a vigorous campaign. The chances are decidedly in their favor, and this should inspire them with confidence and a determination to roll up a large majority.

AN EMPEROR REBUKED

The latest blow for responsible government has just been struck in Germany, and in Europe today the great topic of discussion is the rebuke given to Emperor William by his chancellor in the Reichstag yesterday. The prime minister spoke in measured terms and was as mild as the circumstances would permit, but there is no mistaking the meaning of this statement.

"The recognition by His Majesty of the unjustified misunderstanding of his utterances with reference to Great Britain and the excitement and regret aroused thereby, I am convinced, will lead the emperor in future private conversations to exercise that care which in the interest of a uniform policy and the authority of the crown is indispensable. If this prove not to be so, neither I nor anyone of my successors could take the responsibility."

This is a polite but firm intimation to the Kaiser that in future, if he is to avoid trouble, he will hold his tongue on international affairs, or speak through the agency of his ministers, after due consultation with them. The war lord has been rudely awakened. He is not the state. He is not the dictator of Germany. The cable states that the present incident will precipitate a struggle to alter the constitution and make the ministry responsible to parliament. There is national humiliation when a prime minister must rise in his place and contradict statements made by his sovereign, which is practically what Von Buelow did yesterday. The Germans are a proud and sensitive people, and are therefore indignant over the situation brought about by what the chancellor mildly describes as the emperor's "idealistic thoughts, purposes and efforts."

It is evident that Germany will have enough to think about at home for some time to come, without looking for international complications. The fight against the emperor's notions of absolutism in government will be waged by Liberals, Radicals and Socialists.

The following interesting statement is from the New York Journal of Commerce of Tuesday:—"In the five business days since the election sales of listed bonds have exceeded \$30,000,000, a total that eclipses all records for a similar period, so far as known. Since January 1 the par value of bonds traded in on the Stock Exchange has passed the \$900,000,000 mark, which is virtually twice the turnover for last year, and 50 per cent. more than the corresponding total for 1902. Much of the demand thus reflected has come from individual investors, yet the bond section was not neglected by the influential capitalists who have consistently carried on the bull campaign in stocks. The feature of late has been the absorption of convertibles, notably Union Pacific, 4s, the rise of the stock market having naturally invested this class of bonds with increased attractiveness. The complete returns for 1903 should show that sales of bonds on the Exchange have exceeded \$1,000,000,000."

That the men who go to see a boxing bout want the real thing, with blood in it, is proved by the expressions of disgust around town today over the large size of the gloves used last night and the general tameness of the exhibition. If it were really known beforehand that there would be nothing but a scientific exhibition of the art of boxing, a medium sized hall would hold the crowd and about ten cents would be the limit for admission.

By suspending twenty-three permanent officials of the marine department Hon. Mr. Brodeur gives warning that the government proposes to have clean administration. Hereafter the man who is approached by a contractor will think twice before accepting either a gift or a bribe.

The information which Premier Hazen asks the harbor bridge delegation to get will cost something. Will the government bear part of it?

There is a practical deadlock in Newfoundland. That spells trouble, and perhaps another election in the near future.

Emperor William and the Sultan of Turkey may now exchange notes of sympathy.

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He gets the hero in a plight, but I give forth no reason.
I know that things will be all right when they ring up Act IV.

THE VILLAIN COUNTS HOPE DOOTH WRECK AND PLOTS AGAINST THE GOOD.
But really gets it in the neck, just as I knew he would.
I would that life had such a plot; I think I'd like it more.
If all the rogues their deserts got along about Act IV.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

THE CARPENTER'S SERENADE.
A lath! I quite a door you, dear; I've hallways loved your laughter.
Oh, window you intend to gratify.
The wish my hopes are rafter?

When first I sawyer smile "Was please I wood re-joice to marry.
Oh, let us to the joiner's hie No longer single tarry."
And now that I have axed you, dear, Plumb square, and level, the level, (I've always wanted 2-by-4), Don't spile hope's happy revel.

The cornice waving, Peggy, dear, The gables are all ringing.
Why let me pine—for, oh, you know I'm saddest when I'm singing! —Saturday Evening Post.

WHEN SORROW COMES A-KNOCKING.
When sorrow comes a-knockin' at your door Don't be in too big a hurry, Mister Man; From behind the curtains take a peep before You let her in to plague you, as she can; Keep rememberin' that if you turn the key To let her in she'll hang around and sigh; Like a woman, sorrow rather likes to see How long she still can linger after she Has shaken hands with you and said good-bye.

When sorrow comes a-knockin' don't you run To let her in because it's cold or wet; Make her knock until she's weary; and forget.
Just remember this: If sorrow calls to-day, It is well to keep her waitin', while you can; Put her off until to-morrow, when she may Have urgent calls to turn some other way And forget you altogether, Mister Man. —S. E. Kiser.

IN LIGHTER VEIN A MAN OF LETTERS.

"It is said by some of the critics that Journalism seldom leads to the production of real literature—in other words, that a journalist is not likely to become a man of letters." "Nonsense. Nothing in it. Look at Hearst."

TOOK IT TO HEART.
Jones—Did you deliver my message to Mr. Smith?
Johnny—No, sir. His office was locked.
Jones—Well, why didn't you wait for him, as I told you?
Johnny—There was a note on the door saying "Return at once," so I came back.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

RECONCILIATION.
"Do you think the dispute between those statesmen will ever end in a reconciliation?" "I'll have to," answered the old campaigner. "They may never be friends, but the public will have to become reconciled to one or the other of them."—Washington Star.

A SCOTCH STORY.
A gentleman was travelling in the North of Scotland. When he reached his destination he discovered that he had left his waterproof in the compartment. He hurried back as the train was leaving, and shouted: "There's a black machinist in there!" One of the gentlemen replied: "No; they are all Macgregors."

DO THEY TAKE THEM STRAIGHT?
The Camel (stammered)—Did you hear that the prohibitionists had chosen me as their party emblem?
The Hippo (evidently)—Why should they?
The Camel—Because I can go days without water, I suppose.—Puck.

THE MAN-KILLER.
Few people in Smoke Ridge had ever seen an automobile, so when one of these "red devils" stopped for a few minutes in the isolated village, the curious inhabitants gazed at the sporting demon with a mixture of fear and awe, and the owner, who had entered the one general store to make a purchase, heard one rustic remark: "I'll bet it's a man-killer."

"Of course it is," assured the other. "Look at that number on the back of the car. That shows how many people it's run over. That's according to law. Now if that fellow was to run over anybody here in Smoke Ridge, it would be our duty to telegraph that number—28—to the next town ahead."

"And what would they do?" demanded the interested auditor.
"Why, the police would stop him and change his number to 1,285."—Mobile Register.

CHINESE PROVERBS.
There are many familiar Chinese proverbs which strikingly resemble some of our own. For instance: To cut off a hen's head with a battle axe is John Chinaman's way of saying, Much ado about nothing.

If you don't enter a tiger den you cannot capture her cubs. (Nothing venture nothing have.)
One strand of silk doesn't make a thread (One swallow doesn't make a summer).
The court is like a ship at sea—everything depends on the wind. (Put not your trust in princes).
Sweep the snow from before your own doors and don't trouble about the frost on your neighbor's tiles. (Mind your own business.)
For him who dreads to lie in his property time one day is worth three. (A stitch in time saves nine.)
The teacher should not leave his books or the poor man his pig. (Let the cobbler stick to his last.)

LIGHT IN DARK PLACES
Editor Evening Times,
Sir—The rate payers of Fairville are quarrelling over the lighting of that place. I would advise our neighbors to have a clause put in their agreement for the collection of one dollar per light that is not lighted each night. If such was the rule in St. John our light tax would be much smaller. For instance we have a light at the foot of St. James street, West End, which was not lighted from last April until June and since then it has been lighting a few nights and out a few nights up to the 28th of October. Since that date we have been in darkness until now, the 9th of November. If the dollar per night was collected on this one light the city would be in about \$7. There is a sharp railway curve and a crossing at this point, and two roads using it. There are also deal steps for the continuation of St. James street. This is about the most dangerous place in Carleton. Now this light being so neglected, what about the others which are situated in safe places.

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A RATE PAYER.
Nov. 9, 1903. St. John, West. N. B.

A LETTER OF THANKS
Editor of Times,
Dear Sir—Will you please give this a place in your valuable paper, I want to thank Dr. Christie and Dr. White for their skillful performance of two serious operations on me at the public hospital in St. John. I also wish to thank the nurses of that institution for their faithful and kind attendance to me in my trouble.

ELIJAH ROSS.
St. John, West End.
Nov. 9, 1903.

AN EDITOR DEAD
Buffalo, N. Y., Nov. 11.—Mark S. Hubbell, editor and proprietor of the weekly newspaper Truth and one of the best known newspaper writers in Buffalo, died last night at his home after an illness lasting for nearly a year.

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THE DESTRUCTION OF THE FORESTS

How Forest Fires Start—Campers, Locomotives and Lightning Are Some Agents of Destruction.

Last year's figures, however, give a good idea of the origin of fires. Of the 1,335 fires discovered in the national forests, all of which were checked by the rangers before they had burned over 14-hundredths of one per cent. of the area, campers caused 346, white railroads followed next with 275, lightning came next, with 176; donkey engines used in lumbering operations, fourth, with 65; careless brush burning by homesteaders, 54; fires caused by incendiaries and those set by hardy hunters, 33.

For more than 400 of the fires the cause is not known. This is not strange when it is remembered that a fire may smoulder for days if the air is too thick to permit the smoke to be seen at a distance by the forest officer.

If campers would be sure to extinguish their fires before moving, and if the railroad companies would use efficient spark arresters, it is reasonable to think that the annual forest fire loss could be reduced more than one-half. In the case of lightning, man has no greater responsibility than to put the fire out as soon as possible after discovery. Careless brush burning by homesteaders and persons clearing land is said to be the cause of many of the fires which have started this year, particularly those which have swept over the Lake states.

The ranger force in many of the national forests has been kept busy fighting fires which, if left to run unchecked, would have done incalculable damage. By quickening communication between important points through the construction of telephone lines and building roads and trails, the national forests have been made more accessible during the past two years, and fire fighting has been greatly facilitated.

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