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ANOTHER FAILURE

Has Sir Wilfrid Lourier administered a gentle snub to the Hon. Dr. Pugsley? It was only the other day that Dr. Pugsley's friends and representative members of the Liberal party here were in receipt of an appeal from him, urging them to labor for the success of the Liberal convention in this city on April 22nd. Now it is announced that the convention is indefinitely postponed. The ostensible reason is the great need of hurrying along the work of parliament. It had originally been intended, so we are told, to extend the Easter holidays long enough for New Brunswick Liberal members of the house to attend this convention, but so urgent is the need of haste at Ottawa that the holidays are to be shortened, and the house will meet again on April 21st, or one day before the date of the proposed convention in St. John.

That a matter of one or two days, more or less, would make any material difference in a parliamentary session lasting many months, especially when grave party interests in a province are at stake, is not believed for one moment by any person. The real explanation must be sought in some other direction.

No doubt the Sun's assertion that the party was disorganized had some influence upon the mind of Sir Wilfrid. To be told publicly by his own organ, at the very moment the party leaders were seeking to promote harmony and enthusiasm, that there was wrath and discontent in the party ranks was certainly not an encouraging development. At all events Sir Wilfrid fixed April 21st for the reassembling of the house, and to Mr. Emmerson's mild plea regarding the St. John convention the premier pleaded urgency of business.

Was Dr. Pugsley consulted? This is a question many are asking today. If he was not, his influence is of no account. If he was consulted, and consented to the postponement, the fact is an admission that he committed a blunder when he advised the calling of the convention.

From whatever point of view the subject is regarded there is no comfort for the members of the Liberal party. The calling and cancellation of the convention reveals a lack of leadership. To make the whole affair more irritating, the Sun returns to the attack and repeats its assertion that the party is disorganized and in very bad condition for a campaign. We quote from the Sun:

"Though it has been reported in a section of the Conservative press that some Liberals resent the Sun's statement to the effect that the party is dangerously disorganized, that weaknesses exist which must be remedied, and differences which must be healed if it is to present an effectively formidable front to its opponents in the general election, these conditions nevertheless exist. It is the part either of folly or of evil intent to wink at them."

This is the candid friend, with a vengeance. Just what the Sun's object is, it is not easy to perceive. That journal has worshiped successively at the shrine of Mr. Emmerson and Dr. Pugsley. Is it now paving the way for the introduction of a new political idol?

There are of course good reasons why the proposed convention, if held, would have lacked enthusiasm. The provincial elections are not forgotten. The report of the civil service commission is not a document of the sort that inspires enthusiasm in the party responsible for its disclosures. The lack of satisfactory newspaper support in St. John is keenly felt. There are also the usual bickerings about patronage and matters of that sort. Moreover, there was no general response to the call for a great convention, and the effect of a commonplace gathering of persons having axes to grind would be harmful, rather than helpful to the party cause.

The convention is indefinitely postponed. Dr. Pugsley's latest effort to rally the party under his leadership has resulted in failure. Perhaps, as already suggested, he has been gently rebuked by his own leaders. To the independent observer the situation is not without its amusing features, but to the ardent Liberal it must give cause for serious reflection, not unmixed with forebodings.

The important changes in the British cabinet are as follows: Mr. Asquith becomes premier and first lord of the treasury, in place of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman; Mr. Lloyd-George succeeds Mr. Asquith as chancellor of the exchequer; Winston Spencer Churchill succeeds Mr. Lloyd-George as president of the board of trade; Lord Tweedmouth leaves the admiralty to become president of the council, in succession to the Earl of Crewe, who becomes secretary of state for the colonies in place of Lord Elgin; Reginald McKenna leaves the board of education to succeed Earl Crewe as first lord of the admiralty; Walter Runciman succeeds Mr. McKenna as president of the board of education. There are several minor changes. The London press generally speaks well of the new cabinet and it is certain that Premier Asquith will need all the strength a strong cabinet can bring to him, in the task to which he has been summoned.

A western editor—in a strenuous endeavor to be cheerful under difficulties, gives his readers this comforting assurance: "If you have a pain in your head, a pain in your back, or a pain in any old place; if your head aches and your nose is troublesome; if your throat is sore and your head as thick as a forty-shilling pot; if you have any or all these symptoms in more or less aggravated form, so that you neither want to go down town or to stay at home, neither want to go to bed or stay up, do not give yourself any more worry about it than is necessary. You simply have the grip, and you have plenty of company on any part of the continent between Gaspe and Los Angeles or between Nome and Key West."

The school board took prompt action last evening in regard to the safety of school buildings. The citizens will expect the buildings committee to prepare its report without delay and the city council must then get busy. The new chairman of the board is to be congratulated on his attitude upon this question.

There will be a good deal of sympathy with the views of Mr. Monk relative to the bonusing of immigrants and the desirability of greater care in selecting those who are to become citizens of Canada. Shiftless persons and convicted criminals are not wanted in this country.

Upon mature consideration, the general committee of the city council has approved the King Square band stand proposal. It will now be the duty of all citizens to protect the square from vandalism whenever band concerts are given there.

BASEBALL PROSPECTS

Local Teams Are Beginning to Shape Up—Situation is Interesting at Present

Within the next week or ten days things will be pretty well shaped up for baseball in St. John the coming season. There are two ball meetings 10r tonight, and one for tomorrow night.

Tonight in the Exmouth street Y. M. A. rooms there will be a meeting for the purpose of forming a city league. The executive of the Inter-Society League will meet in the office of J. A. Barry, Canada Permanent Building, Prince William street this evening also Wednesday night the Amateur League will meet in J. N. Harvey's store, Union street.

There have been numerous rumors in connection with the situation here. One is that an effort is to be made to have the Inter-Society League and Amateur League Amalgamate, dropping some of the teams. This from present indications is hardly probable. With the Amateur League evidently reorganizing and an attempt being made to form a City League apparently independent of them, the situation takes a decidedly interesting turn. The teams to compose the Inter-Society League will probably be the St. Peters, St. Roses, St. John the Baptist, and Y. M. A. It is reported that the Knights of Columbus are to enter a team also.

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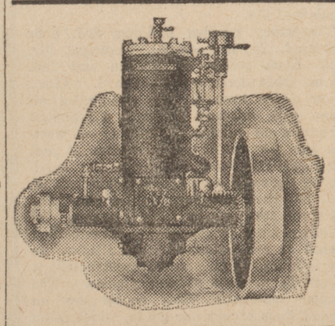
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Strong odors fill the hall.
And day and night we hear him groan,
Since father played baseball.

He's forty past, but he declared
That he was young as ever,
And in his youth, he said, he was
A baseball player clever.
So when the business men arranged
A game, they came to call
On dad, and asked him if he thought
That he could play baseball.

"I haven't played in fifteen years,"
Said father, "but I know
That I can stop the grounders hot,
And I can make the throw.
I used to play a corking game;
The curves—I know them all."
He had the make-up on all right
When father played baseball.

At second base they stationed him,
A liner came his way,
Dad tried to stop it with his knee
And missed a double play.
He threw into the bleachers twice,
He let a pop fly fall;
Oh, we were all ashamed of him
When father played baseball.

He tried to run, but tripped and fell,
He tried to make a throw;
It put three fingers out of joint,
And father let it go.
He stopped a grounder with his face,
Was spiked,—nor was that all.
It looked to us like suicide
When father played baseball.

At last he limped away, and now
He suffers in disgrace;
His arms are bathed in liniment
Court plaster hides his face.
He says his back is breaking and
His legs won't move at all.
It made a wreck of father when
He tried to play baseball.

The smell of arnica abounds,
He hobbles with a cane;
A row of blisters mars his hands,
He is in constant pain.
But, lame and weak as father is,
He swears he'll lick us all
If we dare even speak about
That day he played baseball.

A NOVELTY COMING

The Harder-Hall Stock Company in Musical Comedy Drama Opens in the Opera House Next Week

The Harder-Hall Stock Co. which opens at the Opera House next Monday afternoon and night, April 20th, will be an attraction that has caused more favorable comment for its novelty than any similar attraction launched this season. This organization will offer a repertoire of musical comedy dramas during their stay of two weeks in St. John. The company comes here in its entirety direct from New York City, and consists of twenty-five players, and a "Pony Ballet" of young ladies, billed as "The Dancing Damsels" who will appear in the many musical numbers introduced by the different members of the company.

The business representative after consulting with Mr. Anderson, of the Opera House, has decided on an extra Easter Monday matinee, when the company will present a play dealing with the most picturesque period in American history, in the cotton belt of Alabama, just prior to the civil war, entitled "A Daughter of Dixie."

Easter Monday night the play will be the musical comedy drama "The Girl and the Gambler," a modern play with excellent specialties by "The Dancing Damsels."

MORE EXPANSION

Oak Hall Add New Fixtures to Meet Growth of Hat and Cap Business—Other Improvements.

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Formerly, the show cases for hats and caps were located in the Germain street store, but as the demand for this class of goods increased it has been found necessary to increase the accommodation there and also to provide cases in the main store. They have, therefore, secured and set up in the centre of the store a very handsome sectional cabinet of the very latest automatic show cases for hats.

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The new fixtures and the new arrangement of the show cases add much to the neat and up-to-date appearance of the store.

The office, formerly on the ground floor in the rear, has been moved to the third floor, thus giving more space downstairs for display purposes. The office fixtures, like all the store fittings, are of quartered oak. The partitions are of oak panels with beveled plate glass sections and the desks and other office furniture are of oak.

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