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MONDAY, APRIL 8, 1895.

WHAT SIR JOHN THOMPSON THOUGHT.

The opinion held by the late Sir John Thompson as to this infamous practice of bleeding public contracts for party purposes, was clearly enough shown in the law regarding it which he caused to be passed when Premier and Minister of Justice.

The Criminal Code of 1892 was particularly his own work. Now Section 133, of that Code provides, among other things, that:

Every one guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars, and not exceeding one thousand dollars; and to imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year and not less than one month, and in default of payment of such fine to imprisonment for a further term not exceeding six months, who, having any contract with the Government for the performance of any work, the doing of anything or the furnishing of any goods, services, materials, and having or expecting to have any claim or demand against the Government by reason of such contract, either directly or indirectly, by himself or by any person on his behalf, subscribes, furnishes or gives, or promises to subscribe, furnish or give, any money or other valuable consideration for the purpose of promoting the election of any candidate, or of any number, class or party of candidates to a Legislature or to Parliament, or with the intent in any way of influencing or affecting the result of a Provincial or Dominion election.

An additional clause added that, "if the value of the amount or thing, paid, offered, given, loaned, promised, received or subscribed, as the case may be, exceeds one thousand dollars, the offender under this section is liable to any fine not exceeding such value."

Sec. 134, provides that "Every person convicted of an offence under the next preceding section shall be incapable of contracting with the Government, or of holding any contract or office with, from or under it, or of receiving any benefit under such contract."

Could law be writ plain! Sir John was the leader of a political party which must sooner or later appeal to the country; but so far as he could help it—and he armed himself with a law to make his will stronger—that party should not rob the country to fill its campaign treasury. Unluckily for this Canadian people, Sir John Thompson cannot now enforce this law of his own making; and it remains to be seen how his successors will forward the work he began.

The Toronto Globe tells us that Mr. Laurier suggested this provision to Sir John Thompson during the session of '91, which puts behind it the opinion of the Liberal leader as well as the framers of the Code. It must, indeed, embody the convictions of all honest men. This system of squeezing enormous subscriptions out of public contractors has been so flagrantly and indecently manipulated in the past, that it is in the last degree expedient to prohibit by law the very opportunity for its continuation. Now it is simply a matter of law enforcement. The Globe naturally distrusts the probable strictness of this enforcement. It says:

The contractors for all Government works in progress or in prospect have been found at Ottawa recently. They have been found exercising upon them to contribute to the election fund for the by-elections they will have themselves to blame for the consequences. It may be that Government will soon be in power which will put into force every provision of the law against them, including imprisonment, fines and forfeitures of contracts. Special commissions will undoubtedly be established to investigate the bottom of all branches of the law by public contractors.

This is a timely warning, which indicates the policy that the Liberals will most certainly pursue toward the contractors that give comfort to the enemy—whatever they may subsequently do for their friends, should they get in power. It is the hope of the public-spirited, however—and they may soon be numerous enough to make it a command—that the law will be observed for the future by any who may be in power. Could we reach this attitude, public works would become

MANHOOD SUFFRAGE IN ONTARIO.

Ontario like the system of manhood suffrage and special registration as applied to cities, so well that it is about to extend the provisions of her Manhood Suffrage Registration Act to towns. The novel feature of this law is not really the manhood suffrage principle but the "registration" system which provides an easy method for the preparation of voters lists and which is always freshly prepared for every election. No other plan can so effectively disenfranchise the graveyard and limit the field of the "telegraphers" operations. The Federal franchise system has the double defect of costliness and inefficiency; and the man most fearful of the extension of the franchise could not object to the exceedingly slight change that the substitution of manhood suffrage for the present law would make.

Fear has been expressed that registration would not take place under sufficiently responsible direction. In answer to this it may be pointed out that the Ontario Act provides that in county towns the Board of Registrars is to consist of the county judge, the police magistrate, the town clerk, and the County Clerk. In all other towns the police magistrate, the town clerk, and the clerk of the Division Court will constitute the board. Here, surely, is enough official stability behind the system. The county judge is, indeed, the revising barrister under the Federal law in many places in Ontario, and there is little reason to doubt that the work of registration will be done decently and legally done. Of course, the perfect electoral system is yet to appear. It will probably precede by very little the perfect political system. But, in the meantime, economy, efficiency and common sense argue together for a federal manhood suffrage and voluntary registration law.

SECOND BALLOTING IN BRITAIN.

Mr. Dalziel's proposal to introduce the second ballot principle into the British electoral system is a logical result of the division of parties into "groups." Naturally, under present conditions, the Liberals are inclined to favor the existing system, and danger which threatens them in the coming election is the possibility that the appearance of a Liberal and a Labor or Radical candidate in the same constituency may result in splitting the Rosebery vote and giving a Rosebery seat to a Conservative or Liberal Unionist. The difficulty here is that the two latter groups as to the succession in the constituency, the Speaker Peel is about to vacate, may destroy the happy understanding under which they now avoid all collisions; and so make it convenient for them too to have some second ballots in disputed districts. No doubt, the avowed object of any electoral system as to get at the real will of the electors, and if groups are permitted to replace parties in British politics, something like second balloting will become advisable. But it is yet to be seen whether or not the present crop of "groups" is anything more than the inevitable unevenness of formation in moving to new ground.

THE REFERENDUM.

Mr. R. Stanley Weir expounded the principles of the Referendum before the Pleasant Sunday Afternoon Society yesterday. There was a large and interested audience. The speaker dwelt upon the Referendum as an excellent method of Applied Christianity. He pointed out that representative government as it is applied to municipal affairs had proved a failure, as it had none of the checks, which made such government successful. Our council had a second chamber; the Mayor had no veto power and there was no revising board as in England. The speaker applied the Referendum to the Referendum as a check upon the great abuses of to-day, in connection with gas, electric and railway franchises. The people should have the right to say by a vote of the Referendum, with such franchises by voting upon them. The possession of such power would probably make the Referendum a reality. Amendments to the charter should be insisted upon at next session, so that the people should have the means of checking dishonest or foolish waste of valuable city rights. If public franchises were sold at their real value, a great improvement of taxation would be easily possible.

A SERMON ON "WAR."

Rev. D. C. Sanderson, of Centenary Methodist Church, is preaching a course of sermons which are attracting considerable attention. When he preached on "War," he spoke strongly on the subject of imperial unity. Canada and the other colonies ought to be united in the same empire of the empire. With local self-government in England, Ireland and Scotland, and higher law-making powers to be conferred, and which should speak and be representative of even the remotest colony. The position of England in the world and the nations would be much higher than it is to-day. He looked forward to a large and united Empire, in which the nations would be united in the same empire. He spoke of the Anglo-Saxon family, who have an alliance, offensive and defensive, and when the time comes, the nations came these confederated powers would be able to declare that war should cease on the earth.

CAVE-IN AT THE STATION.

Vehicle traffic on Notre Dame street has been blocked at the site of the new C. P. R. Station by the caving in of the bank of the excavation. The work was stopped earlier in the week. This carried away most of the temporary narrow roadway, and the traffic had to be stopped. It is impossible to make a new temporary roadway until the Dominion Transport Commission has been expropriated and demolished.

AN ILLICIT STILL.

Judge Desnoyers went to Ste. Therese on Saturday to hold a Court. The principal case was Henri Sivard, a young man of the country, who was charged with keeping an illicit still. The still had been found in the house of the defendant. The judge gave him the minimum penalty, viz., a fine of \$100 and one month in jail.

FIRE IN A VARNISH ROOM.

At seven o'clock Saturday evening fire broke out in the varnish room of the Canadian Building Co. establishment on Notre Dame street. An alarm was sent in from box 149 and the brigade was quickly on the scene. The fire was extinguished by the fire department. The damage was done on an employee named Lemieux had his arm badly scorched and was taken to the Notre Dame Hospital.

STAINERS' "CRUCIFIXION."

The choir of St. George's Church will this evening sing the sacred cantata, "The Crucifixion," by Sir John Stainer, M. A. The soloists will be Messrs. G. A. Lewis, C. D. White, G. Gray and C. Hillman, and the organist, Mr. Percival J. Hiley, Mus. Bac. The choir will be taken up.

PRESBYTERIAN BOOK OF PRAISE.

THE ARRANGEMENTS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE.

The Presbyteries Have Had the Book Under Consideration—Their Reports to be Submitted to the General Assembly in June.

After the union of the several branches of Presbyterianism in 1875 the books of praise used in the four uniting bodies were used, just as before the union, for a number of years. In 1880 the General Assembly sanctioned and commended the Hymnal which has been in use for fifteen years. Three years ago the Supreme Court of General Assembly instructed its Hymnal Committee to consider the question of enlarging or revising the Hymnal. The first meeting of the Committee, with this end in view was held in Montreal in June, 1892, and this was followed by a prolonged meeting, running over seven days, in Toronto toward the end of the year.

The General Assembly, at the time of giving instructions for the enlargement and revision of the Hymnal, granted permission to the Hymnal Committee to confer with similar committees of other Presbyterian churches in expectation of the preparation of a Book of Praise which might be used in common among the Presbyterian churches in Canada. The immediate outcome of the conference was the passing of a resolution in the following terms:

In the judgment of this meeting it is very desirable to secure a common Hymnal for the churches in the British Empire, and it is recommended that a committee be appointed to prepare a book of praise to be used in common among the churches in the British Empire, and to correspond at once with similar committees of other Presbyterian churches in Canada, and to take any further steps necessary to secure the adoption of such a book.

At the General Assembly of 1893, held in Brantford, the Hymnal Committee reported progress in the work, and asked the Assembly to continue the work. The Assembly accepted the report, and the work was continued. Some of the Committee's proposals were accepted, others were altered or replaced by the Assembly. The work in connection with the Hymnal in 1894, a resolution was passed adopting the recommendations of the Hymnal Committee, and the work was continued. The Hymnal Committee reported progress in the work, and asked the Assembly to continue the work. The Assembly accepted the report, and the work was continued. Some of the Committee's proposals were accepted, others were altered or replaced by the Assembly. The work in connection with the Hymnal in 1895, a resolution was passed adopting the recommendations of the Hymnal Committee, and the work was continued. The Hymnal Committee reported progress in the work, and asked the Assembly to continue the work. 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ST. JAMES STREET WEST WIDENING.

PROPRIETORS PRESENT AN IMPORTANT PETITION.

Asking for an Equalization of the Expropriations of 1880 and 1895—Unjust Preferences Pointed Out.

A large delegation of proprietors interested in the widening of St. James street from the Grand Trunk station, waited upon the Commissioners, Messrs. S. H. Ewing, J. O. Joseph and E. L. de Belleville, this morning.

Mr. C. B. Carter, Q.C., on behalf of 37 proprietors, presented a petition, which set forth that the present expropriation for the widening of St. James street from Cathedral street to the western city limits, was merely carrying out the proceedings commenced in 1880, when St. James street was widened on the south side from McGill street to the Grand Trunk Railway property; that the proprietors on St. James street between McGill street and the Grand Trunk Railway property paid in 1880 the sum of \$20,000 or 70.3 per cent of the total assessment, while the proprietors on the north side of the street paid only 12 per cent of the total assessment; that the proprietors of properties on the south side of the street paid 70.3 per cent of the amount received by them, a difference of 12 per cent in their favor; that in 1880 the city only paid one-third of the cost of the expropriation, while in 1894 the city paid one-half the cost; that the number of lineal feet on both sides of the street in the 1880 expropriation was 3300 feet, while in 1894 it was 5100 feet, a difference of 1800 feet in favor of the latter; that the number of proprietors in 1880 was 30 and in 1894 it was 37; that the Grand Trunk Railway paid a large amount, besides being heavily assessed for the widening of Victoria square and the Pineau Hotel; that the proprietors of the Grand Trunk Railway had been greatly benefited, and asked to pay very light assessments, also supported the petition.

Mr. A. E. Becket, representing the Grand Trunk Railway, said that the much assessed Railway Company had been assessed for the widening of St. James street, and that the assessment was not inequitable and unjust to them; that they had appealed from the award of the commissioners, but the property had derived absolutely no benefit from the widening of the street; on the contrary, it had sustained considerable damage. It did not bear the same relation to the money-making enterprises of the city as other properties and it was immaterial to them whether the street was widened or not. They had no land to rent out or build upon, and the widening of the street had sustained no benefit from the widening of the street. Still, although they had received no benefit from the widening of the street, they had paid \$20,000 towards the cost of it. Another objection was that the commissioners had adopted a uniform depth and no uniform rate of assessment.

The Commissioners adjourned to April 10th at 1 p. m. to hear further objections.

CITY ITEMS.

The third reading of the early closing by-law is expected to come up for consideration at the monthly meeting of the City Council this evening.

At the Temple Eng. Co., Stanley street, below St. Catherine street, Rabbi Veld will speak tonight at 6 o'clock of Passover, a "A Fast Evening" and a "Fast Evening" morning at 10, on "The Civilization of Mankind."

The members of the Montreal Microscopical Society will hold their regular monthly meeting in the library of the Museum, University street, tonight. During the evening G. F. Martin, M. D., will deliver a lecture on "Some Bacteria and their Toxins."

During the progress of the fire at the Canada Rubber Company on Saturday night, Napoleon Angers, son of Lieutenant Angers, No. 10 Police Station, was badly burned about the face and head, and was delivered a lecture on "Some Bacteria and their Toxins."

THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

A special meeting of the Road Committee was held this afternoon to receive the City Attorney's opinion on the payment by the city of \$25,000 for the excavation for the Notre Dame street in connection with the new East End Railway. The City Attorney's opinion was that the City of Montreal should not be liable under the agreement entered into with the city and that it had already informed the Road Department of that fact.

DR. RODDICK ADDED.

The name of Dr. Roddick has been added to the committee in charge of the preparations for the proposed banquet to the Newfoundland delegates.

GONE TO FLORIDA.

Lieutenant Governor Chaplain and Madame Chaplain accompanied by an aide-de-camp left for St. Augustine, Florida, on Saturday evening.

MR. SILCOX IN TORONTO.

The Rev. J. B. Silcox was in Toronto yesterday, where he preached morning and evening in Bond Street Congregational Church.

POPULATING THE DOMINION.

The steamship "Vancouver" brought over forty of Dr. Stephenson's boys for the home

ANOTHER CHARGE OF FORGERY.

Laid Against Sibley When Acquitted On the First.

There was a surprise awaiting W. H. Sibley in the Police Court this morning that he did not anticipate. It will be remembered that Sibley was arrested some ten days ago on a charge of being an accomplice of one Victor Anderson, who was arrested by the Canadian Secret Service while attempting to pass a forged cheque on the Bank of Montreal. From the evidence adduced at the enquiry, His Honor Judge Desnoyers announced this morning to Sibley that he could not convict him, although there had been sufficient proof that he was guilty of pulling the wires in the affair. But continued His Honor, although you are dismissed on the first charge, I hold a warrant for your rearrest on a grave charge, that of having forged the name of your mother on three promissory notes.

The prisoner was then taken back to the cell to await trial, and the court adjourned to-morrow morning. Mr. R. A. E. Green, who was present, stated that Sibley's shields were immediately retained by Sibley to conduct his case.

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MR. R. R. DOBELL WILL CONTEST QUEBEC WEST.

The Irish Liberals Unable to Unite Upon a Candidate of Their Own—Mr. Dobell's Election Address.

[SPECIAL TO THE STAR.]

QUEBEC, April 8.—There is very little appearance of an election in Quebec West, although the nomination takes place to-morrow. It is expected that a liberal candidate would have entered the field at the last moment, but it has now been decided that the Liberals will allow Messrs. McGreevy and Dobell to fight the battle out between themselves.

The constitution has always been represented in both Local and Federal Parliaments by Irish Roman Catholics, and when it became known that the writs would be issued on that point, the names of Mr. Fitzpatrick, Q. C., M. A. Hearn and L. Lynch were mentioned. Mr. Fitzpatrick was unwilling, it appears, that the writ should be called upon to testify in the pending enquiry.

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VENEZUELA HOLDS OUT.

British Cruisers Will Probably Make a Demonstration.

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Venezuela's army on a peace footing does not exceed eight thousand men but it is claimed that she could raise 100,000 troops within sixty days. Many of these troops are veterans.

THE BRITISH SPEAKERSHIP.

Hon. Arthur Wellesley Peel Announces His Resignation to the House.

LONDON, April 8.—Before a crowded house, at 3:30 p. m., the Speaker of the House of Commons, the Right Hon. Arthur Wellesley Peel, M. P., arose and announced his resignation, as a member of the government, on the subject of the Speaker's office. When the speaker arose there was prolonged cheering, and every member present uncovered his head.

The press and other galleries were full.

SHEPARD AGAIN IN TROUBLE.

Arrested at Trenton, N. J., For Obtaining Money Under False Pretences—His Montreal Career.

Word has been received in the city stating that Alford Shepard had been arrested at Trenton, N. J., where he had been running an international law bureau, on a charge of obtaining money under false pretences. Shepard will be well remembered in Montreal.

"Shepard came here to rob people," said Mr. John A. Gross this morning, "we had him arrested under the charge of obtaining money under false pretences. He started a law bureau in Montreal, and he was running an international law bureau in Place d'Armes Square. He had a branch on Chaboullier street, and would advertise in all the newspapers that he had situations vacant for bookkeepers, clerks, housekeepers, cooks, chamberlains, or in fact anything to suit the taste of people who are out of employment. When they visited him he always charged a fee of from one to ten dollars, according to the appearance of his victim, but failed to obtain any positions. Another scheme of his was to advertise for partners to act as bookkeepers, and he would receive several young men as well as married men, from the surrounding country, holding out inducements to them which could never be realized. He would place him in positions as managers, would pay him sums averaging from \$100 to \$500, this giving them the means of a comfortable life of the business. Some of these were sent to Ottawa and as far west as London. The money was paid, and with which they were to go on and make a fortune. He would then come back and work the same game in a number of cities in the United States, and he would come back to Montreal and make a charge," continued Mr. Gross, "Montreal is the only city in which he was ever convicted. He was under arrest at Trenton, N. J., and I wired the Chief of Police this morning telling him that he could get his money back, but I do not think they will convict him."

CANADIAN FAILURES.

Nearly Six Hundred, With Over Four Million of Liabilities During the Past Quarter.

According to R. G. Dun & Co's statement for the first quarter of 1895, the failures in Canada and Newfoundland have been as follows:

Province.	No. Assets.	Liabilities.
Ontario.....	275 \$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Quebec.....	121 2,125,000	2,125,000
Manitoba.....	23 213,296	213,296
British Columbia.....	11 125,488	125,488
Alberta.....	11 125,488	125,488
Nova Scotia.....	11 125,488	125,488
Prince Edward Island.....	11 125,488	125,488
New Brunswick.....	11 125,488	125,488
Newfoundland.....	11 125,488	125,488
Total.....	556 \$3,400,000	\$3,400,000

Newfoundland had 125,488 liabilities.

There was one banking failure in Ontario with assets of \$78,100 and liabilities of \$68,180.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

DRIFT OF THE MARKET.

There was not any great activity in the local shares market this morning, also excepted. There was a slight advance in the price of the local shares, but the market was generally quiet. The price of the local shares was 100, and the price of the foreign shares was 100. The price of the local shares was 100, and the price of the foreign shares was 100.

Nothing like Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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Cure all liver ills, biliousness, headache, 25c.

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE.

Reported by the Montreal Daily Star, April 8, 1895.

Stock.	Apr. 7.	Apr. 8.
Canadian Pacific	100 1/2	100 1/2
Grand Trunk	100 1/2	100 1/2
Montreal City	100 1/2	100 1/2
Bank of Montreal	100 1/2	100 1/2
Bank of Commerce	100 1/2	100 1/2
Bank of New Brunswick	100 1/2	100 1/2
Bank of Nova Scotia	100 1/2	100 1/2
Bank of St. John	100 1/2	100 1/2
Bank of St. Lawrence	100 1/2	100 1/2
Bank of St. Pierre	100 1/2	100 1/2
Bank of St. Vincent	100 1/2	100 1/2
Bank of St. John's	100 1/2	100 1/2
Bank of St. George	100 1/2	100 1/2
Bank of St. Michael	100 1/2	100 1/2
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