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As soon as the news was definitely ascertained His Worship, Mayor Smith proclaimed holiday in Revelstoke and at his call all Revelstoke turned out to suitably celebrate the occasion. A procession was arranged which, considering the short notice, was an excellent display. First came the flag that has braved the battle and the breeze in every quarter of the globe with behind it, guardians of its honor, the Revelstoke company of Rocky Mountain Rangers accompanied by the Revelstoke brass band. Following them came the hope of the country, the rising generation, and if any patriotic sentiment was wanting our boys and girls eager faces and steady deportment easily supplied it as they marched along in hundreds with flags and banners waving. If the kindergarten did fall out on the hill it wasn't because the "tots" were unwilling; it was only weariness that they will overcome when a little older. Next came the vehicles; the first containing Mayor Smith and ex-mayor McCarty. Then came one, Bourne Bros., filled with rough riders and on a pedestal Czar the bulldog underneath the now familiar motto: "What we have we'll hold." After that appeared several carloads of our prominent citizens and a rig of mascots with banjoes and musical instruments. Having marched from the school house down town and then back past the starting point to the station the procession returned to the band stand where a banner flew—"God Save the Queen." Here the company fired a feu de joie, the crowd bared heads and the National Anthem rose in the air and with a good old fashioned cheer, and a tiger, the interesting celebration that proclaimed victory and perhaps peace to our arms came to an appropriate close.

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General Election In June

(Special to the MAIL.)

VANCOUVER, March 16.—Premier Martin states general elections will take place June 12th. He leaves here for a tour of the upper country today. Kellie will leave Victoria this evening.

For Fair Wages.

Hon. Mr. Mulock, acting for Hon. Mr. Tarte minister of public works, has given notice of the following resolution in the Dominion house of commons:—

"All government contracts shall contain such conditions as will prevent abuses which may arise from the sub-letting of such contracts, and that every effort shall be made to secure payment of such wages as are generally accepted as current in each trade for competent workmen in the district where the work is carried out, and this house cordially concurs in such policy and deems it the duty of the government to take immediate steps to give effect thereto. It is hereby declared that the work, to which the foregoing policy shall apply, includes not only works undertaken by the government itself, but also all works aided by a grant of Dominion public funds."

Fouling the Nest Already

Referring to the political situation and noticing the conservative convention called for Saturday, the Ferguson Eagle screams, "The constituency remains as before, so that the Lardeau people are left with the same old sore." It goes on to speak of sending delegates to this convention who leave "with the avowed intention of getting what they want—the nomination of Tom Taylor." "Otherwise," it shrieks, "there will be trouble brewing." It will be interesting to see if the convention submits to such intimidation, especially as it is further threatened that if he does not get the nomination "he will be asked to run as an independent supporting Cotton's leadership and the provincial party." It looks as if Mr. Taylor was to be nominated in any event as a follower of any old kind of politics. Well! that's not all that is wanted; as the insulting threats and language of the wing-flapping Eagle will soon find out for him.

The Rossland Mines.

The Le Roi, War Eagle and Centre Star mines, which for a time have been completely shut down for machinery and repairs are now ready to resume operations. They have decided to use the contract system in future, to pay by the quantity of work done instead of by the day. The men were informed of the new arrangement. Contracts will be let from day to day until the mines are in full operation. The miners have so far refused to take contracts and did so today, Tuesday, pending consideration of the matter in meeting.

It's the Wearing of the Green tomorrow, St. Patrick's Day. It took the Irish to fix the Boers.

Steyn Denounced As a Coward.

(Special to the MAIL.)

LONDON, March 16.—Lord Roberts cables from Bloemfontein having despatched from there General Reginald Pole-Carew with 2000 men of the Guards brigade, with two guns and a small party of mounted infantry to join General Gatacre and General Clements in their northward march. They made three train loads, in rolling stock captured at Bloemfontein through a plucky act of Major Hunter Weston and a party of ten men of the Royal Engineers who had traversed the Boer lines and blown up the railway north of Bloemfontein.

A despatch to the Standard says the Free State authorities decided on Monday to surrender. At a stormy meeting Fraser, leader of the opposition denounced Steyn as a coward, but the president could not be persuaded to stay and at the end of the meeting left for the north. The inhabitants had been for days in fear of Transvaalers' violence and welcomed the British as a relieving force.

Secretary Reitz's rejoinder to Lord Salisbury's refusal of suggested peace is published. He repeats the argument that the Transvaal armament was for defence only and said the demand for the removal of the British troops was not necessarily intended as a message of war. Both the army and ultimatum were protective measures, subsequent to raid and discovery through concealed cables that British ministers were implicated in an attempt to filch away the independence of the republic.

Montague White's threat that Johannesburg will be razed is not taken seriously, but the Times suggests that the burghers should be warned that their farms will be taxed to repay any damage done to British property.

The Railways and the People.

The railways as the modern highways of the nation, are so important to every useful activity that their influence may become more important than that of the government. They can impose import taxation for the benefit of home industries and the result as in the case of similar taxation levied by the government is injurious to the general community. They can impose export taxation to force the local manufacture of various lines of raw material, thus favoring certain industrial processes at the expense of others. They can encourage one line of industry and discourage another by a simple change in the classification of freight, and mining, smelting and other industries may be encouraged or suppressed at will. They can force the export of wheat in the form of grain or in the form of flour and can determine the point at which the grinding must take place. They have the power to determine the location of many other industries. They can move industries from one location to another by altering rates and can determine the limit and location of agricultural settlements. There is no result obtainable by taxes or bonuses, local, provincial or federal, that cannot be obtained by the simple device of railway discrimination, although the power of the railway corporations may be more limited." All of which goes to show the urgent necessity for a strong railway commission with definite and sufficient power to insist upon the proper regulation of the policy of the railways in the interests of the people.

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FRIDAY, MARCH, 16, 1900.

MR. MARTIN has given a platform to the people. He had better give them an early opportunity to tell him what they think of him. They cherish more than he thinks, perhaps, that system of representative government built for them by a freedom loving ancestry, and all his demagogic platform-making wont save him from ruin utter and complete for keeping so long unchallenged from them the power put in his undeserving hands. His evasion of the test of public opinion, so that he may find himself a following, will avail him nothing; and the power he now holds by virtue of seeming favoritism and political treachery will, it is to be hoped, leave him forever when the people have the chance. His platform is sufficiently indicative of the man to damn him politically. It reeks of his treachery, speaks of his opportunism and everywhere of that unbounded conceit which makes co-operation a thing impossible with him. He stands, indeed, having regard to his recent political history, a splendid application of that character described by the discerning Psalmist:—"He hath put forth his hands against such as be at peace with him; he hath broken his covenant; the words of his mouth were smoother than butter, but war was in his heart; his words were softer than oil, yet were they drawn swords." Having asked his party in caucus to judge him he refused their decision, and by vote and influence schemed for the defeat of his selected judges. Loudly affirming his allegiance to the same principles, he brought about the defeat of "such as be at peace with him," saying, this "if not victory, is yet revenge." And how did he do it—the written agreement tells us—"he hath broken his covenant." Standing with political enemies he cast vote after vote against the Semlin government defending itself from "want of confidence" motions on matters of policy that he had been associate in and adviser of; like, for illustration, an absconding member of a business firm who would not alone leave the remaining partner meet the obligations he had incurred but, out of reach himself, would harass, and make it more difficult for the one redeeming the firm's honor to meet its responsibilities as an honest man, should. Such a man may talk of principles—the devil can, we are told, cite scripture for his purpose—but his sincerity is fairly open to suspicion. And while there is much in the platform that is smoother than butter and softer than oil to us there is nothing in the conduct or character of their author that merits our confidence in his sincerity or ability of execution. They are mostly principles taken from better men than himself and better men we hope to find to give them voice and force.

THERE is one way, however, by which Mr. Martin may, if not retain power in British Columbia, at least secure sufficient support to wreck yet another government, and make confusion worse confounded: That way, is by the introduction of party lines. One would think that in Mr. Martin this country could find a common foe, and one worthy of their fighting powers, without a splitting up forces to snatch some cheap party advantage. What is party where country and progress are at stake? Conservatives and Liberals alike owe it to their common country to ignominiously eject from the undeserved position he now occupies that great disturber and champion of unrest Premier Martin. It is not true that he has the cause of Liberalism in his keeping in this Province; we have disowned the man, and when it comes to meeting our Tory friends in party fight we will have champions as able and more trustworthy to carry our standard to victory or preserve it unsullied in defeat. We ask our independent Conservative friends in this riding, and there are many who will not bow the knee at the Wilson shrine, to make common cause with us in selecting a man pledged against Party and Martin, and representative of the progressive ideas and sound development of our district and province.

OUR remark on reading the Herald's opening plea for party line politics on Friday last was "the creature is at its dirty tricks again," and we smiled as we followed its simple argument remembering how we "watched its smoke" as it made its contemptible and disgraceful flop to the Turner government prior to last election. Its just the same old smoke this time but if anything a little thinner. Its reasons for coming to the party line conclusion begin with the downfall of the Turner government two years ago, yet later it daubs Mr. Turner with the same brush it applies to Mr. Semlin. Poor old Herald! time was, and not so very long ago either, when it repudiated party lines at any price as meaningless and inapplicable. We remember how we applauded sincerely one of its very earliest expressions on the subject which was "The crying need of this province is a clear and capable administration, and no person or paper that is a real friend of British Columbia will care to run the risk of wrecking so desirable a result on the rock of rabid partizanship."

And again: "This province has been run long enough for the benefit of a little clique at Victoria. It is high time it was administered for the benefit of the people. Surely this is a basis of a programme on which we can all work together without lugging in party names which are rapidly losing all meaning even in Dominion politics."

As a final answer to its latest somersault we ask it to turn to its previous statement: "Some people are very anxious to see our provincial politics run on party lines, which never had any meaning in provincial politics and are gradually ceasing to have any even in Dominion affairs. The Herald has yet to learn of any solid reason why this province should conduct its next election on a dividing line of matters with which no province by the British North America Act has anything to say." There was no Joseph Martin to fight then, no unrepresentative government like this now in power, wherefore the change then. Has the Herald followed the Wilson creed—"when the fight is fairly on, any individual opinions will be set aside for the good of the party"—so blindly that its individuality has been lost in servile following of party interests? That is now no creed for British Columbians and if we do not mistake it is one they will utterly repudiate in the coming elections. Party lines may perhaps come by and bye, some like the Herald are forcing them on, but the time is not yet if we can help it.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Bourne are talking of a trip abroad and expect shortly to leave for a look at that place called "the old country."

Mrs. E. L. Kinman, and child, of New Bloomfield, Mo., arrived Tuesday evening to join her husband here. They all moved to Trout Lake City today.

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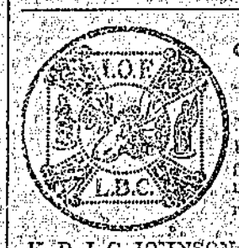

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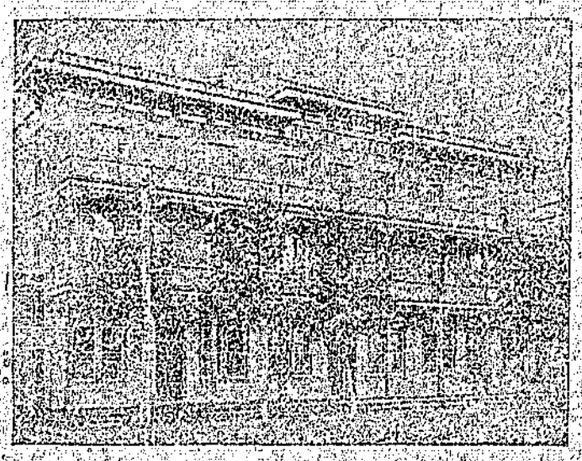

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"A visitor, Jabez."

Old Farmer Smith rose from the dinner table and picked up his hat from the side of the chair.

"Who is it, wife?" he asked.

"A young man," she replied.

The farmer's lip set tight as he witnessed a glance which passed between his wife and his daughter.

"I understand," he said severely, with a determined look at the anxious face of the girl—"that London chap, Leslie Austin."

"Yes, father," she replied.

"I'll settle his business for him." And Farmer Smith strode into the parlor, his heavy boots sounding a deathknell to the faint hopes in the sinking heart of pretty, winsome Alice Smith. "So you're here again, eh?"

The brusque interrogatory did not seem to crush the courteous, handsome young man, who arose and faced the farmer.

"Yes, Mr. Smith," was his reply.

"And on the same old errand, I suppose?"

"Yes, sir. I came to ask your consent"—

"You can't have it!" interrupted Farmer Smith savagely. "Alice ain't going to marry you or anybody else just yet."

"But time"—

"You've heard me, Mr. Leslie Austin. You can't have my daughter!"

"I love her, Mr. Smith!"

"Nonsense! She's too young to know her own mind. I have said my say, and the harvest hands are waiting. Good day, sir!"

Under such determined resistance Leslie Austin retreated. He bit his lips angrily as he walked rapidly down the road to the village hotel.

"It's a shame," decided his friend, Bob Townsend, as he heard the disappointed lover's story.

"We think so much of each other," murmured Leslie mournfully.

"You ain't going to give up this way, are you?" asked Bob.

Leslie looked up inquiringly.

"What else can I do?" he asked.

"Marry her," said Bob.

"Her father won't consent."

"Suppose he don't."

Leslie started, but shook his head slowly.

"I know what you're hitting at, Bob—an elopement."

"You're right."

"But it could not be."

"Why not?"

"Because Alice is bound to obey her father, and I am, too, for that matter."

Bob scowled impatiently.

"Nonsense!" he aspirated angrily. "See here, Leslie. If you were the irresponsible chap old Smith thinks you, I'd hesitate, but you ain't. You're an honest, well to do lawyer, respectably connected and only laboring under a prejudice on the farmer's part that because Neighbor Jones' girl married a worthless man from the metropolis all such matches must end similarly."

"Granted."

"Therefore, being in the right and the old farmer being in one of his mad moods, I'd outwit him."

"How?"

The query was encouraging.

"Run away with Alice," said Bob.

"I can't."

"Why not?"

"Her father watches her too closely."

"That's the only reason, is it?"

"I believe so."

"She's willing?"

"Presumably."

"And you?"

"Oh, Bob, you're talking nonsense! I might as well go back to London and wait until Mr. Smith changes his mind."

"And let some other fellow have Alice? You're a brave lover!"

Leslie was despondent.

"I have a plan, if you're plucky enough to follow it out," suggested Bob.

Leslie's face grew expectant at the hint.

"What is it?" he asked.

"Listen."

What Bob told the discouraged lover need not be repeated. The subsequent acts of the conspirators afford a sufficient explanation.

It was the next day that faithful Bob reconnoitered the ground and found that Farmer Smith had indeed taken due precaution to prevent his daughter meeting or running away with Leslie.

But Bob managed to get a letter to the fair prisoner—a letter after reading which secretly she manifested her acquiescence to its contents by an intelligent nod to the messenger.

It was the afternoon of the day following, just as Farmer Smith had sent his boys to the town with a load of potatoes and was seated, resting for an hour or two, on the front porch, with Alice industriously sewing by his side, that a vehicle driven by a single occupant came down the road.

Old Jabez looked in profound amazement as the vehicle came to a stop. It was a kind of skeleton wagon, with a double seat, and behind it was attached a small rubber hose, with several wheels distributed here and there near the axle.

"In the name of wonder, what have we here?" he said as he walked to the gate.

The driver sprang down.

"Jabez Smith?" he asked.

The farmer nodded a dignified assent, little dreaming that the bearded stranger was Bob Townsend in disguise.

"I learn from inquiries in the village that you are quite a scientist, Mr. Smith."

Science, of which old Jabez knew nothing, but affected much, was his salient point. Flattered by the stranger's words, he replied pompously:

"I reckon I know something about it."

"I have come, Mr. Smith," said the stranger, "to show you a new motive power for hayrakes."

The farmer's face fell.

"A patent right!" he muttered. "I don't want to buy one," he said aloud, turning to re-enter the house.

"Buy one!" replied the stranger. "This is not for sale, sir," declared Bob, with quiet dignity. "I desire your opinion as a scientist in regard to the principles involved in its construction and operation."

The farmer's face grew pleased again.

"Happy to give it, sir. If I can be of any use to the world at large by my knowledge of science"—

"Or make your fellow beings happy, you're ready to sacrifice your valuable time—eh, Mr. Smith?" insinuated Bob.

"Certainly, sir."

"You can—you can believe me, sir," asseverated the wicked conspirator, earnestly and truthfully. "Have you a rake?"

"Yes."

"I'll help you bring it out here, and we'll make a trial trip of this wonderful machine."

A few minutes later the farmer's hayrake was brought out. Bob made much ado of fastening it by a rope to the rear of the vehicle, and the farmer watched him curiously as he turned the wheels and adjusted the hose to what he called position.

"This hose is an airbrake, sir. The idea is, if we can make it do so, to have the rake operate as usual. The airbrake might offer a resistance to the ground, push forward the front vehicle and ventilate the hay. Man and brute creation demand air, why not vehicles?"

"Quite true," replied Jabez, somewhat dubious and perplexed over the apparent uselessness of the machine.

"Utility and noninfragibility, Mr. Smith," rattled on Bob recklessly. "The hypotenuse of the curve of the diameter of the axle, you perceive, has a circumferential effect upon the spheroid concavity of the brake. You will understand these terms, Mr. Smith, as a mathematician and scientist. All ready?"

Farmer Smith, overcome by the lofty words, obeyed mutely as Bob requested him to get into the rake seat.

"I'll drive the preliminary vehicle," explained Bob, with a serene chuckle at the fun of his oratory, "and you will watch the effect of the airbrake—if the friction of the wheels generate air—over yonder stretch of meadow. By the way, is one of your hands around?"

"They've gone to town," replied Jabez gluomly.

He had a vague consciousness that the stranger was a charlatan, for he could not for the life of him see what possible use the clumsy combination of wheels and hose could be.

"Ah, there's a young lady! Your daughter, Mr. Smith, I presume?" said Bob, raising his hat politely. "There must be more weight on the seat of the front vehicle. If you'll let her take her seat beside me in the interests of science, Mr. Smith?"

He almost lost his dignified gravity as he saw the suspicious look on the old farmer's face.

The last words, "in the interests of science," however, decided Mr. Smith.

"Jump in, Alice!" he said desperately.

The stranger whipped up the horse. Old Jabez, in the rake seat behind, clung on wildly as the horse was driven briskly. He almost fell forward as there was a break caused by the rope parting. Bob had deftly cut it with a knife.

"Hold on! Hold on!" cried old Jabez as the new motor power vehicle dashed forward.

He stared blankly as it traversed the field, made a sharp turn to the road and, gracefully rounding a curve in the highway, disappeared from view.

What did it mean? The boys had taken the horses to town, and he could not start in pursuit, but he grew white as he discerned a fact:

He had been tricked!

He had cooled down considerably when, at nightfall, a carriage drew up before the gate.

He looked grimly up from beneath his shaggy eyebrows as Leslie Austin and pretty, blushing Alice came forward.

Bob, following them, was the first to speak.

"The new motor power took up a new passenger down the road, Farmer Smith," he said styly. "You wanted to make mankind happy, neighbor. You've done it."

Jabez made a feint to declare hostilities then and there against the conspirators, but he sank back, disarmed, in his chair as the gentle voice of his wife said pleadingly:

"Forgive them, father. They are so happy!"

And Farmer Smith had not the heart to say nay.—Chicago Times-Herald.

She Was Immune.

Shortly after the death of Robert Ingersoll a little party were discussing the man and his life in a private parlor. Finally, after much talk, a rigid church member exclaimed: "Oh, isn't this wave of doubt sweeping over the country a dreadful thing? Do you not shrink from the attacks of this horrible agnosticism?"

"Pshaw, no," replied a gentle little woman. "I have been exposed to everything and never took a disease in my life. No, indeed. I would not be a bit afraid of it if it broke out here."—Louisville Times.

A Cautious Approach.

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Andy Craig of Thomson's Landing is in town today.

Mr. Stewart of Illecillewaet is visiting town this week.

The Revelstoke mills moved into its new offices today.

Constable McRae was hurriedly called south this morning.

Last night's No. 1 was the first through train since Friday.

Mrs. G. S. McCarter expects to soon pay a short visit to friends at Banff.

G. B. Nagle was slightly under the weather this week, but is now better.

Hon. Smith Curtis, minister of mines in the Martin cabinet, went south this morning.

Part of the lumber is on the ground for H. A. Brown's new building on First street.

D. J. McDonald, Dominion homestead inspector of Kamloops, was in Revelstoke yesterday.

The great Noble Five slide in the Slocan has again come down and claimed three more victims.

Recent arrivals from the south are F. C. Elliott, Trout Lake City; R. P. Pettipiece, Ferguson; and Dan Currie, Comaplix.

J. J. Banfield, the popular coast insurance man was in town yesterday and went the rounds with his local agent F. Buker.

Dr. Carruthers moved into his new residence, Dr. McKechnie's late home, yesterday, and from today will be pleased and ready to receive all his patients there.

R. Gordon was the only name put in nomination Wednesday for the aldermanic vacancy in ward two, and was therefore declared elected. His paper was backed by H. J. Bourne and G. S. McCarter.

T. Taylor, mining recorder of Trout Lake City arrived in town Tuesday night and will remain over for the Conservative convention on Saturday at which his name will be placed in nomination as candidate for this riding.

Mrs. C. Wilkes has now got the Kindergarten running and begins with a very good attendance. All parents wishing their youngest to receive the benefit of this useful educational course should pay the school a visit and then send the children.

The board of license commissioners met Wednesday evening to decide upon the Brown-Corning transfer and the Corning application. Commissioners Smith (mayor) and Nettle were present but Ald. Newman was absent. At Mr. Brown's request the commissioners kindly adjourned the meeting for one week to permit of Commissioner Newman's presence, Mr. Brown wishing to have a full board to hear the matter.

Mr. W. J. Thompson, manager of the Kootenay Mail, Revelstoke, is visiting the city.—Vancouver News-Advertiser.

Rumors are current about town of an attempt at firing a business house on Mackenzie avenue yesterday. The attempt was seen and frustrated.

The aftermath of the patriotic celebration yesterday was a speech by Mr. Tapping on Britain's war history, and a bonfire near the school house.

A pauper from Vernon shipped to Montreal was put down here and Chief Bain and Dr. McKechnie had him promptly returned to Vernon.

All the slides east and west of the early part of the week are now over and traffic is again uninterrupted. The C. P. R. is about the only thing on earth, this part of it at any rate, that can buck a snowslide successfully.

The Dominion government has appropriated $20,000 for a public building at Nelson and a like sum at Rossland. The board of trade threw away our chance of one some time ago. They didn't want a building as they couldn't agree where to put it.

Earl Macgowan of Molsons Bank has received a promotion to the Calgary branch of the same institution and left for his new field today. Mr. Macgowan's loss will be felt by a large circle of local friends and his place in Court Mt. Begbie will be hard to fill.

Rev. T. Menzies will be here for but two more Sundays his call to Comox having been approved by Presbytery. Mr. Menzies has labored earnestly in his field here and has made many devoted friends who will regret his departure and wish him joy and fruits of service where he goes.

J. O. Piper, of Trout Lake City, is in town from the capital of the Lardeau on business matters. He tells a sad tale of loss of life by snow slide at Five Mile creek. One poor fellow, Billy Flobeck, was instantly killed, and his two companions, after suffering terrible hardships, reached Trout Lake City in an exhausted condition.

Crown vs. People.

British Columbians can hardly afford at the close of the nineteenth century, to submit without a protest to personal government. Long ago it was settled that the ministers of the crown must have the approbation of the people, as expressed through their representatives in parliament, and British Columbians will show themselves strangely inappreciative of the constitutional victories gained in past struggles if they humbly accept the limitations now proposed. Let them consider the proposition even briefly and they will see what it means. A man who has not the slightest claim to their confidence or support is thrust upon them by the representative of the crown and they are told that they must endure his administration for months to come. They must leave the public property and all public interests at his disposal, subject to no check but that which it may please the lieutenant-governor to impose. If the people ponder over the situation at all they must see how intolerable it is. If they have any regard for their rights and interests they will insist on the immediate submission to the popular vote of the question whether this ill-starred government is to retain control of public affairs. They will make it clear that they wish to keep the power of choosing their rulers and that they resent the implied assertion that the lieutenant-governor is at liberty to foist upon them for an indefinite period an administration obnoxious to nine-tenths of the population. They have the same means of expressing their opinions to which English speaking people have always resorted when the crown attempted the suppression of parliamentary functions. They can talk to the governor through the medium of public meetings, and they should lose no time in talking so that their voice will be heard and heeded. Whatever the character of the government is to be, it must be a government approved by the people, and not a government upheld by the representative of the crown in contempt of public opinion.—*Province.*

The Westminster Convention.

Mr. Martin's attempt to capture the People's Party Convention at New Westminster on Friday, was but another sample of that gentleman's unscrupulous political methods. The convention was called for a definite purpose, antagonistic to his leadership. Neither he nor any of his friends were invited to attend, yet we find him with eighteen of "de gang," forcing his way into the convention and interrupting proceedings in his usual boisterous, truculent style. Happily Mr. Martin's bellowing has ceased—to intimidate British Columbia audiences, and the only effect it had on the New Westminster convention was to fill the delegates present with disgust of the man whom an injudicious Lieutenant-Governor has placed in the anomalous position of a premier without a cabinet or following.—Nanaimo Herald.

Under Which Flag?

Sir Hibbert Tupper—"But conservatives are not united for the coming campaign, and now that Martin is in the field should party lines be adopted by some of the conservatives and not by others I am afraid that Martinism with all its horrors would prevail for a short time in this province."

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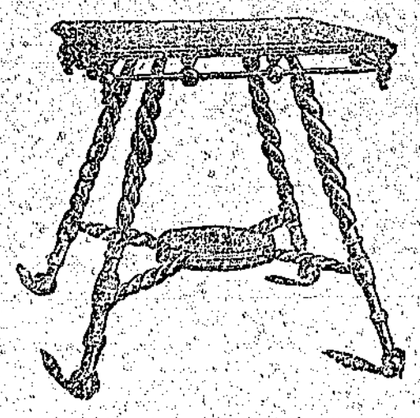

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