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Editorial Notes and Clippings

MAYOR NEWTON AND ILLEGAL GAMBLING.

In his challenge to The News (published in his mouthpiece last night), Mayor Newton is making a bold grandstand play to enlist the sympathy and support of the intelligent and fair minded electors of Prince Rupert, which, through the rankest inefficiency in handling the affairs of the city during the past year, he has most hopelessly lost. To those who have their eyes open as to what is going on in this city the challenge is absurd. Everybody on the street knows that "illegal" gambling is being carried on openly and that nothing is done to stop it.

If Mayor Newton is so blind he cannot see it for himself, it is only another demonstration of his inefficiency and ample proof to the electors that the first plank in his platform, "a strict enforcement of the law," would be the first plank to be broken if the city should be subjected to the calamity of his re-election for another term.

CONSERVATIVE CONDEMNATION.

Evidence continues to accumulate on every hand that the indignation aroused by the methods resorted to in the

Macdonald by-election campaign is not a matter of party feeling. Conservatives are heard giving no less outspoken expression than Liberals to their condemnation of practices in regard to which there is only one opinion that can be entertained by men of honest mind. In the current issue of the Orange Sentinel, the following is the closing paragraph of the letter of the Ottawa correspondent:

"The amendment to the address proposed by the opposition is virtually a vote of censure for the practices permitted in the Macdonald by-election. No one can deny that government supporters were guilty of discreditable conduct in that contest, and it is a matter for regret that the main retort of the ministerial spokesman has been of the tu quoque description. What the Liberals did in Brockville and London, which the Conservatives rightly condemned at the time, has surely nothing to do with the methods employed in the Manitoba contest."

This paragraph carries all the more weight from the fact that it comes at the close of a letter which is undisguisedly friendly to the Borden government. —Winnipeg Free Press.

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POLITICIANS PROTECTED CRIME —CAUSED DYNAMITE MURDER

CLAIMED THAT THE COURTS WERE HINDERED BY LOCAL POLITICIANS IN DEALING WITH BRIDGEWORKER'S UNION AND THE RESULT WAS THE CRIMES GREW INTO MURDEROUS ONES

Indianapolis, Dec. 20. — Politicians standing between the labor unions and the courts" were blamed for the McNamara dynamite plots at the outset of the government's arguments to the jury at the trial of forty accused "plotters." Pronouncing the series of explosions scattered over the country as a conspiracy "more dastardly and more threatening to society than the crime of an individual," James W. Noel, special assistant attorney, told the jury they were called upon to return verdicts in the most important trial in recent years. "Organized crime has been done here in an amazing degree," said Mr. Noel, "and it grew because the local arm of the law failed. Had the local authorities done their duty the conspiracy could not have spread, but it ap-

pears that politicians for obvious reasons stood between the labor unions, the criminals and the local courts.

"The strike of iron workers was called and plain assaults became murderous assaults. Then, unchecked by the local courts and favored by politicians, the criminals grew bolder with dynamite and nitroglycerine.

"The Los Angeles Times building was blown up with twenty-one people and after that reckless disregard of life came wanton desire to take life. Of one hundred explosions that occurred in the United States the government has proved ninety-two explosions were on the property of open shop contractors or firms who refused to recognize the International Bridge and Structural Iron Workers' Union."

A STABBING AFFRAY AFTER CARD GAME

Tacoma Laborer Dead and Seattle Grocer Injured as Result of Dispute

Seattle, Dec. 20.—Michael Chimient, a laborer 32 years old, of Tacoma, is dead, and B. Fallane, a grocer, aged 35, is in the city hospital suffering from knife wounds sustained in a running fight. The two men quarrelled over a card game in a saloon on 6th Avenue south and King St. late last night, and knives were drawn. Witnesses told the police that during the argument over the table and stabbed Chimient in the back. Chimient, though severely wounded ran out of the place hotly pursued by his assailant. After running a block Chimient waited for Fallane, who stumbled as he reached his opponent. Chimient pounced upon the fallen man and stabbed him four times, inflicting two cuts in the head and two in the back, and Fallane retaliated by stabbing Chimient in the groin.

Both men were taken to the hospital, where Chimient died early today.

Mexican Indemnities

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