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HON. MR. CODERRE TO RESIGN

It is stated, and practically admitted by government officials, that Hon. Louis Coderre, Secretary of State, is soon to resign, and be succeeded by Mr. L. T. Marchal, a well-known Montreal lawyer. It is stated further that the discredited Secretary of State is to be appointed to the bench.

Hon. Louis Coderre was brought into the Borden Government on October 30 last, to replace Hon. F. D. Monk, who had to resign because he could not honorably stay with a government whose course was in direct opposition to the platform on which he was elected. Although Mr. Coderre had also been elected on the Nationalist platform he swallowed the ministerial bait and accepted office. Then he went back for re-election in Hochelaga on November 19th and was returned against the Labor candidate, the Liberals refusing to oppose him.

Immediately after his election, however, ugly rumors became rife that an elaborate scheme of impersonation had been carried on to gain Mr. Coderre's success. On March 17th last, Mr. L. J. Gauthier, M.P. for St. Hyacinthe, from his seat in parliament presented a full statement of the case with affidavits of several men to show they had been employed by Hon. Mr. Coderre for impersonation purposes and had conducted and organized impersonations at his election. Mr. Gauthier also showed that after the election one of these men had been given a government job, and others had been paid sums of money by Mr. Coderre.

Hon. Mr. Coderre contented himself with a blank denial of the charges and declared that the whole thing was a black-mailing scheme. This was

quite sufficient to satisfy Premier Borden—although he is supposed to be a lawyer of parts—and he immediately called upon his followers to whitewash Hon. Mr. Coderre, and they did so with the same unanimity that they exhibited before in whitewashing Hon. Mr. Rogers in the Macdonald by-election scandal.

Mr. Coderre was promptly challenged to take criminal proceedings against the men he had accused of perjury and blackmail, but although four months have elapsed since then, nothing has been done. It appears that the evidence which so easily satisfied the partisan group behind Mr. Borden would not suffice in a court of law and Hon. Mr. Coderre is afraid to face a judge.

This man, elected to parliament, first obtained office by recanting the principles on which he was elected, then when accused of securing re-election by a criminal conspiracy, has so failed to vindicate his honor before the courts that he will probably be compelled to resign office. Can the people of Canada tolerate that such a man should be appointed as a judge on the bench which he fears to face on matters of criminal charges against himself?

France purposes replacing its bronze coinage with nickel. Canada having the largest nickel mines in the world, is likely to benefit by the change.

A gigantic bed of scallops has been found off the Atlantic Coast. Scallops are something you order after you have forgotten that you had tasted them before.

London Opinion congratulates Mrs. Pickles and her son, Mr. Pickles, on successfully crossing the channel in an aeroplane without dropping into the brine.

NOT MUCH ROMANCE CONCERNING LIFE STORY OF HARRY K. THAW

NEWSPAPERMAN WHO COVERED BOTH THAW TRIALS DESCRIBES CANADA'S NEW RESIDENT AS A DANGEROUS DEGENERATE.

The Dominion could have done without this latest addition to the ranks of her millionaires—Harry K. Thaw, the murderer of Stanford White. It seems likely, however, that he will be shortly deported as an undesirable.

"Harry Thaw is insane, and his detention at Matteawan was an act of simple justice and common sense," declared a New York newspaperman who covered both the Thaw trials for one of the big New York dailies and who is in Vancouver on business. "All the romance and glamor which has surrounded Thaw has been

one side, and Thaw and his hired men on the other, it was the possession of Evelyn Nesbit that the prize in the sordid game. Evelyn was a beautiful girl. She never was and never will be an actress. She was simply a chorus girl, and her success on the stage today is due alone to the morbid anxiety of the great American public to see a person who has been dragged down to the depth through the degenerate mentality of two rich men.

"Thaw is a chap of medium height, walking with an erectness which appears to make him bend



EVELYN NESBITT THAW

built on a false basis and every fair minded man who watched him through his New York career, through the murder of White and through his two trials was absolutely convinced that he was guilty of a cold blooded, cowardly murder, and that Justice Dowling observed every provision of the law when he sent him to the state asylum for the criminal insane. "I was fortunate enough to be on the New York American when Thaw was tried for the murder of White, and was assigned to cover both trials. Thaw has been variously described as a handsome young fellow, free with his money and the ideal young millionaire. In fact, the news-paper clan itself has been guilty, to a certain extent, of putting off this false impression, the 'sob brigade' insisting upon building its feature stories on the romance connected with the Thaw name.

"White undoubtedly was richly deserving of all that happened to him, but Thaw was just as deep in the human mire of Broadway, as White. White trampled on what Thaw regarded as his private preserves, and Thaw's maniacal mind planned out the revenge.

"Evelyn Nesbit was the pawn in the game. She is a weak minded, luxury loving little girl. At the time of the intrigue between White and his satellites on

backward. He has a peculiar looking face, with deep features, coffee colored complexion, a weak chin and lips that breathe sensuality in every line. His forehead is low and his hair grows after the style of Bill Sykes, so aptly described in Dickens' masterpiece. His eyes are deep, possessed of a low cunning and continually roving from place to place. He is of a distrustful nature, and was continually in trouble when he was one of the familiar sights of Broadway.

"He was never even what might be termed as a 'good fellow.' He spent money like water, but always to satisfy his own selfish, egotistical desires. He would refuse to give a poor beggar a dime on the street and then tip a head waiter with a hundred dollar bill, just to make a show to the crowds of parasites that followed in his wake.

"The newspaper men learned to thoroughly despise him. He is undoubtedly a paranoiac and I have no doubt regarding the fact that he will kill Evelyn Nesbit if the opportunity ever offers. He will also attempt, if he dares remain on this continent, to kill some of the experts who testified against him, and at least one famous Broadway actor, and an equally famous manager will live in dread until Thaw is safely in Europe."

HALDANE'S VISIT IS TO BE RECOGNIZED

Government Will Welcome British Chancellor on his Visit to Canada

Ottawa, Aug. 18.—The approaching visit of Lord Chancellor Haldane, of England, to Canada, will be officially recognized by the Dominion Government, and Hon. C. J. Doherty, Minister of Justice, will meet him at West Point, where Lord Haldane will inspect the American cadets on August 30th.

Mr. Doherty will accompany Lord Haldane to Montreal. The following day, Sunday, August 31 will be spent quietly in the Royal City, the only function being a private dinner given by President Kellogg, of the American Bar Association. On Monday, Sept. 1, Premier Borden will give an address of welcome in Montreal to the association, and Lord Haldane will also address the association.

On Monday night the Minister of Justice will give a banquet at the Carlton in honor of Lord Haldane, and among the guests will be ex-president Taft. On Sept. 2 Lord Haldane will catch the train to New York, sailing on the steamer on which he will come over. He will be accompanied by his daughter and his secretary, Sir Kenneth Muir Mackenzie.

What has become of the old-fashioned woman who used to do up her hair with the doorknob twist?

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