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NORTHWEST APPLES $5.60 A BOX IN EAST

Enormous Profits Made by Wholesalers and Retailers

Apples that brought around $1 a box f. o. b. at northwestern initial shipping points are retailing in New York at $5.60 a box. Of course, consumption at that figure is reduced to the minimum.

The intensely important facts that are immediately to follow are given the Spokesman-Review by Charles A. Bingaman, who represented the Pullman Fruit Growers' association at Monday's conference in Spokane.

Before starting for the convention Mr. Bingaman telegraphed a trustworthy correspondent in New York asking him to report by night letter the exact condition of the market for northwestern apples. The reply came on Saturday morning that dealers were paying the following prices for northwestern apples running from 88 to 112 to the box:

Spitzenburgs, $2.50 to $3.

Winesaps, $2.50.

Newtowns and Jonathans, $3.

Rome Beauties, $2.75.

Wageners, $2.75 to $3.

These apples, the correspondent reported, were retailing at from 50 to 90 cents per dozen.

From these figures Mr. Bingaman finds that the average price received by the New York retailer is $5.60 a box; that the average price paid by that dealer is $2.75; that his profit is $2.85, or 103 per cent on his investment.

"Assuming that the grower received $1 per box," said Mr. Bingaman; "that the freight rate was 50 cents, and that the storage charge is 20 cents—a total of $1.70—we can readily see that the commission man's profit is the difference between $1.70 and the price paid by the dealer of $2.75, which is $1.05, or 62 per cent on the investment.

"Both of the above profits are on short-time investments, and as a grower myself I can authoritatively state that the producer is doing mighty well if his crop will net 15 per cent on the value of his orchard, which is a 12-month investment every year and requires constant attention and expense.

"We can regulate prices all along the line if we will, and as an illustration I have worked out the following, in which I endeavor to show conditions as they are and as they should be, based upon a shipment of about 1600 cars or 1,000,000 boxes, and assuming that freight and storage rates can not be reduced."

	Per Box		Per Box	
1,000,000	$1.00	Grower	.65	650,000
		Packing house	.35	350,000
		Central ass'n	.10	100,000
500,000	.50	Railroad	.50	500,000
200,000	.20	Storage	.20	200,000
1,050,000	1.05	Wholesaler	.20	200,000
3,850,000	2.85	Retailer	.50	500,000
5,600,000	5.60		2.50	2,500,000

$5,600,000

$2,500,000

$3,100,000 saving to the consumer and no loss to the producer.

In the foregoing tabulation Mr. Bingaman has allowed the grower 65 cents a box at the orchard. The remainder of the dollar goes for packing, wrapping, paper, boxing and putting on the car. By allowing present charges to the local or central association, to the railroad and to owners of storage houses, and then by cutting the wholesaler's profit of 50 cents a box, the product would go to the consumer at $2.50 a box, as against $5.60 under present conditions.

These impressive figures, based upon 1,000,000 boxes, become appalling in in magnitude of profits when they are applied to the 12,000,000 boxes, that were produced this year in the Pacific northwest. If the entire crop were retailed at $5.60 a box the consumers would pay an aggregate of $67,200,000, divided as follows:

Growers, f. o. b at shipping points	$12,000,000
Railroads	6,000,000
Wholesalers' profits	12,600,000
Retailers' profits	34,200,000
Total	$67,200,000

Probably the conditions reported by Mr. Bingaman's informant are extreme and abnormal. No doubt a large part of the northwestern crop is going to the consumers this year at prices considerably below $5.60 a box. They illustrate however, the evils that beset the apple under existing methods of marketing and emphasize the urgent need of a strong central selling agency that will cut out the speculators and unnecessary middlemen and put the product to the consumers at prices that will not exceed an average of $2.50 a box.

In point of fact a large part of the Wenatchee Valley Fruit Growers' association by more direct methods worked out by W. T. Clark, is reaching the consumers at prices that will fall a little below $2.50. Trial sales earlier in the season, made under this system, put the apples to the consumer at $2.25 a box and returned an average of $1.09 to the growers. The $2.35 was divided substantially as follows:

Grower	$1.09
Local association	.10
Freight rate	.50
Storage and icing	.20
Wholesaler	.11
Retailer	.35
Total	$2.35

Alf. Cockrell returned to Creston, last week after several months sojourn. He is now cooking at Burton's camp.

—Registered Yorkshire White Boar, Oak Lodge Duke of Agassiz—36278, bred by the director of the experimental farm Agassiz B. C., is for service at Valley View ranch, on Alice Mine Trail, rate $3

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Trotter of McLeod, Alberta, are visiting at the home of Wm. Trotter.

W. B. Forward arrived from Southey, Saskatchewan, on Monday, to spend the holidays at his ranch here.

—Full line of Mackinaws and socks for the 'Lumber-jack.' The Cash Store.

Miss Jessie Cameron, of Spokane, is spending the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. W B Forward.

—Buff Cochin Bantams for sale, $7 50 a trio. Geo. Meade. 17-3t*

Mrs. J. W. Dow leaves today for the Old Country. Mrs. McKelvey will accompany her as far as Minden, Ont., where she will visit her parents.

—Have your picture taken while in Creston. Studio behind the bank.

LOCAL NEWS

C. C. S., SIGNAFIES CRANBROOK CO-OPERATIVE STORES.

E. C. Hunt went to Spokane last Sunday for the Christmas holidays.

--WANTED. application to rent the lands of the Alberta and British Columbia Exploration Co., Ltd., near Creston, B. C., known as the Kootenay Reclamation Farm Lands. Application to be lodged with the company at their office at Kaslo, B. C., not later than 31st of December 1912.

Leslie Timmons, who is attending the Gonzaga University at Spokane is spending the holidays with his parents.

—We pay the freight, and if you are not satisfied with the values received from us, we will pay the freight back and refund full amount of your purchase. C. C. S.

Mrs. Rex Case joined her husband in Creston, Monday

—Stanfields underwear at the Creston Mercantile.

Miss Howarth went to Vancouver, Sunday.

—Try a package of our Table raisens They are fine.—The Cash Store.

Mrs. Gibbs and Mrs. Leslie Mawson of Canyon City have been spending the week at Tom Mawsons.

—For Sale—Three heavy young horses. Apply A B care Review.

Mrs. Fred Coffee of Cranbrook visited Geo. Johnsons last week.

FOR SALE—Four thoroughbred black field spaniel puppies, 5 weeks old. Apply Dr. Primrose Wells.

Mr. and Mrs. Alec Hunter of Edmonton, Alberta, who have been visiting at the home of Dr. Henderson, left Sunday for Los Angeles, Cal.

—LOST—Ladies Japanese Belt Buckle. Kindly leave at Review office.

Will Smith of Lacomb, Alberta., arrived in Creston, Tuesday. He will remain here for the winter.

—Latest styles in photos. Studio next to Garage.

COURT OF REVISION TO BE HELD AT CRESTON

Notice is hereby given that the Court of Revision and appeal under the Taxation Act, and Public Schools Act, for the Nelson Assessment District, respecting the Assessment Rolls for 1913, will be held as follows;

Court House, Nelson, B. C., on Wednesday the 22nd Day of January, 1913, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Court House, Creston, B. C., on Friday the 24th day of January, 1913 at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Dated at Nelson, this 23rd day of December, 1912.

C. R. Hamilton,
Judge of the Court of Revision and Appeal.

Mr. and Mrs. McIlquham of Pincher Creek, Alta., are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. McMahon.

—70 inch all linen tabling for 50c Very special at the Mercantile.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Burton of Cranbrook were in Creston Thursday to attend the wedding of her sister, Mary Ryckman.

Mrs. C. O. Rodgers returned from Spokane, Sunday, her son Floyd, who is attending Gonzaga University accompanied her.

—LADIES, call at our store and look over our supply of McCalls patterns just received. S. A. Speers.

Ed Mawson of Weyburn, Sask., arrived in Creston, Monday.

—Send for our prices on furniture, we pay the freight. C. C. S.

J. Bown Wells, who is working for the C. P. R., at Bull River was home for Christmas.

HERE and THERE

The Forest Branch of the Department of Lands is undertaking a survey of the Province of British Columbia which will give definitely information heretofore incomplete and scattered. There are twelve parties of reconnaisance men in the field, in the valleys of the Adams, Salmon, Nicola, North Thompson, Omineca and Columbia Rivers, around Hable Lake, and along the Route of the G. T. P.

The surveyors will note every natural feature, the topography, bodies of water (including water powers) all the agricultural areas, down to 40 acre tracts, the nature of the soil, and in a general way the amount of timber standing. It is expected that the reports which these men will make will prove a revelation to the public. Undoubtedly there are many tracts of land which will produce good crops lying idle because their location is not known accurately.

The difficulties of carrying out this survey are very great, particularly in view of the season, but the ground is being covered as rapidly as possible, and the complete map will be compiled in the course of a few months.

WEDDING BELLS

Young---Leach

Christmas was doubly celebrated on Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Leach in Canyon City when their only daughter, Mary Ellen, was wedded to Hilton Young. The house was tastefully decorated, the bridal couple standing in a beautiful bower of evergreens. The bride was charmingly attired in blue silk with the customary veil. The ceremony was performed at noon, immediately after which dinner was served. Only the relatives of the contracting parties and the minister's family were present. A notable feature of the day was that it was the 30th anniversary of the wedding of the bride's parents. The event also took on a Masonic flavor in that all the gentlemen present, the groom, the bride's father and the officiating clergyman, Rev. W. G. Blake are Master Masons.

The happy couple left on the evening train for the West. They will reside in Canyon City where they are well known Many friends wish them the brightest of futures.

Darlington---Clarke

Miss Beulah Embree Clarke of Boston Mass., and Henry Townsend Darlington, Professor of Botany at Pullman, Washington, were united in marriage Christmas morning at 10 o'clock at the home of the brides sister, Mrs. E. Penson, by Rev. M. F. Eby, formerly pastor of the Creston Methodist Church.

Only a number of close friends were present. A combination wedding and Christmas luncheon was served under decorations of evergreens. The couple left on the noon train for Spokane, Seattle and Portland. They will be at home in Pullman, after February 1st.

Crisler---Ryckman

On Thursday December 26, Miss Mary Culp Ryckman of Creston and Ray Corydon Crisler of Kamloops, B. C., were united in marriage at the Church of England, by Rev. P. C Hayman. The bride is a popular young lady of Creston and her many friends join in wishing her a long and happy wedded life. The young couple left on the afternoon westbound train.

Miss Webster of Aggazis, B. C., has been engaged to teach the higher grades in the common school in Creston. F. McDonald of New Norway, Alberta, is taking Mr. Dexter's place at the Alice Siding school.

—A full line of guns and ammunition at the Mercantile.

E. Mallandain, general manager of an irrigation project at Windermere, is in Creston this week.

—LADIES, call at our store and look over our supply of McCalls patterns just received. S. A. Speers.

W. Carver and family of Lacomb, Alberta have moved to Creston and have taken up their residence in the W. K. Brown house.

J. Searson and Geo. Benny, bridge and road superintends for this district were in Creston Thursday on a visit of inspection.

Rancher Makes Appeal For Government Loans

As a farmer it is encouraging to note the interest displayed by the press and public in the subject of financing the farmers. But, observed from impartial point of view, it is as natural as the laws of gravety which causes water at the higher elevations to seek its level.

Of the many forms and methods employed by other nations to solve this problem, none appears to be the ideal system, adaptable to our Dominion, in many respects so different from other countries; and, as the appreciation of scientific methods for progress in all other industries has taken such an impetus of late, the problem of satisfactorily solving the financing of our agricultural requirements of today, must be found based on economy for practical solution, such as is applied to other industries in our advanced modern civilization.

First of all let us observe that the farming industries is the fundamental basis upon which all other industries are built and maintained. This being so, is it not clear to all that its healthy condition is of the greatest importance to humanity at large?

Let us also observe that farmers as a class have a pride of independence foreign to other industrial classes, in as much as their main source of upkeep is derived from nature and its laws of opperation on the soil which they till, whereas most of the other industrial classes derive their main source of upkeep from humanity at large in all its walk.

We also desire to let be understood that farmers wish to retain this independence and will squirm under any other system or method that has a savor of charity privilege, or encroachment upon his fellowmen in other honourable occupations.

What we want is an arrangement whereby we can pay our own way, paddle our own canoe over the course of least resistance. To accomplish this we need the kind assistance of both the dominion and several provincial governments and their legislators to pass a few common sense laws sheered of all technical loop holes the breeding places for leaches, lawyers and litigations.

The first and most important movement for solving the financing of our farmers and fruitgrowers, is the adoption of a means whereby the farmers will be drawn together and amalgated for the common good to themselves and the country.

For enlitenment on this subject let us invite criticism and clear answers on the following questions;

1. What objections would there be to our several Provincial governments to request our Dominion government to act as a sort of a clearing-house for the issuing of "Dominion Agricultural Bonds" in amount and denominations as required from time to time by the respective provincial governments?

2. What objections would there be to the provincial governments guaranteeing the respective bonded requirements of each province?

3. What objections, if any, should there be to each province passing legislative acts stipulating that any agricultural community wishing to avail itself of loans from this fund,

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Injustice

By Arthur Applin

Ward, Lock & Co., Limited
London, Melbourne & Toronto.

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Francks turned away with a smothered sneer, then he hesitated. What about that money I offered you; hadn't you better take it and clear up your debts?

There was silence. Scribner found it difficult to refuse the offer. He knew it would be no easy matter to win Iris de Fontaign, and marriage was the only chance of getting a penny out of his aunt. Clear of debt, he could hold on for another year or two, get another advance from Aaron Roberts. It seemed mad to refuse, money was no object to Francks. But gambler though he was, with a pretty tough conscience, Fred Scribner still had a sense of honor left, a sense of decency.

No, thanks, he said thickly. I'll muddle through on my own, somehow. So long, old man.

Leaning against the railings, Francks watched him walk away. He waited until he was out of sight, then avoiding the lift, he climbed the staircase to his own flat. He entered the drawing room, and switching on the lights, looked slowly round the room. It mocked him, it seemed empty and barren as a prison cell. He stumbled into the dining-room and seated himself before the bureau. There was a little of bills and papers there, plans for the alterations and improvements of the country house at Pinner, estimates, receipted bills, sketches of the new stables, the grounds, the rose garden. He took them all up, tore them to pieces and flung them in the waste paper basket. Presently he unlocked a drawer and took out a letter headed Reuben de Fontaign, read it carefully, then drawing forward a sheet of note-paper commenced to write rapidly.

Early next morning, dressed in a sober suit of grey, Captain the Honorable Fred Scribner took the first train to Scribner Towers. He did not telegraph to announce his arrival and her ladyship's ancient dog-cart was not at the station to meet him. As a rule he loathed unnecessary exercise but this morning he stepped out briskly on the four mile walk.

Once or twice he paused to take deep breaths of the sweet country air. He had never noticed before what fine pasture land there was, the amount of beautiful timber, the hedges sweetly scented with spring flowers. The air was filled with the song of bird and the hum of bee. Butterflies flitted to and fro in the sunshine. Undoubtedly life was worth living and love was its chief asset.

He passed quietly through the lodge gates, and walked quickly up the long drive. A few deer were browsing in the park. Beyond, on the right, a blaze of color announced the gardens, Lady Mary's chief joy. A long stone balustrade guarded the upper terrace. The great stone building was almost smothered with red and white roses. Scribner mounted the steps, walked quietly along the terrace, then entered the open windows of the dining room. As a rule he respected the conventions and feared his aunt.

But the dining-room was empty, breakfast had been cleared away. Scribner was about to ring the bell, when he altered his mind, and stepping on to the terrace again he searched the garden. Presently he saw a small brown object huddled against a blaze of scarlet geraniums. A curious smile crossed his face as he descended the steps again and walked across the lawn. Lady Mary did not hear him coming. She was on her hands and knees before the flower bed by her side a small barrow which emitted a horrible odour. Trowels, forks and rakes surrounded her, and in a large basket by her side, plants waiting to be bedded out, and cuttings.

Scribner stood beside her, grimly watching her while she worked. She wore a pair of earth-stained gloves; beneath her old and weather-worn skirt, protruded a pair of elastic side boots. The breeze blew wisps of her grey hair across her face, small wizened, a mass of wrinkles. Now and then she muttered incoherently. She was not talking to herself, but to her beloved flowers.

Helio, Aunt Mary!

She did not start, she did not even raise her head. Yet for a moment she paused in her occupation, then continued to scrape little holes about the plants, and filled them with manure. Scribner held his breath until he had lit a cigarette.

Up early, aren't you? Lady Mary said in a dry, brittle voice. Haven't been to bed all night, eh? Did you fly here.

No, caught the seven-forty-five from Euston, walked up. Glorious morning, isn't it. What's that evil smelling stuff in the barrow? If you're not careful you'll die of typhoid.

Lady Mary lovingly dug her hands into the evil-smelling stuff and scattered it about the flower bed.

Don't flatter yourself, I'm not going to die yet. If you don't like the smell of manure, you'd better go away. You won't get a penny from me.

Scribner laughed and seated himself on the handle of the wheelbarrow. For the first time in my life I haven't come to beg.

Lady Mary looked up. In spite of the dry, withered skin, the countless wrinkles, the short grey hair, her face was ageless, her eyes were as bright and piercing as those of a bird. Her ancient old-fashioned gown emphasized the fact that her body was just skin and bone.

What have you come for?

I really don't know, he repeated frankly. I received a bit of a shock yesterday, which was also a bit of a surprise; altered my whole outlook in life. Fact is, Aunt Mary, I'm in love.

I suppose love has sent me down here to get a breath of fresh air—and to look at you.

Well, I ain't much to look at, I ain't lovely, and as I said, I ain't going to die yet, so you'd better go back to your wicked grubby city and earn enough money to escape the Bankruptcy Court. If you don't you'll find I've left all I have to the botanical Gardens, and the Horticultural Society.

Scribner smoked in silence for some time. Presently Lady Mary rose, took the great basket under her arm, held the rake and trowel in the other and stalked across the lawns.

You can wheel the barrow.

Scribner lit another cigarette and obeyed. He followed her to the rose garden and waited until she was again extended on all fours.

I'm in love, he repeated.

In which music hall does she perform?

Practically she hasn't a penny in the world, but if I can pay my debts, and she'll have me, I'll marry her and live in a cottage on crusts and kisses.

The Gaiety or the Alhambra?

Her name is Iris de Fontaigne.

Lady Mary sat upright and looked at her nephew. Say that again.

Scribner repeated the information.

Umph! Too good for you; quite a decent family. Good looking, too, ain't she? I saw her once. So that's what got you out of bed at seven o'clock. Go and fetch the pitchfork.

When Scribner returned, Lady Mary rose to her feet and commenced to dig violently. When's the wedding?

I haven't proposed yet. Don't you read the newspapers?

No, I have some self-respect left. Well, she won't have you; she's engaged to a fellow called James Francks, a self-made man, Lady Mary snapped.

The engagement's been broken off. I think she'll have me; there's a reason.

Some devilment, I suppose.

No, I love her. That's one reason, and that's good enough.

Lady Mary was on the ground, digging a little hole, Scribner dropped on his knees beside her and commenced to do likewise.

Aunt Mary, you believed in love once, didn't you?

Don't destroy the roots of that tree and give me some manure.

He obeyed. Love works miracles you know.

It will have to, if you are to be saved.

I'm going to give up all my vices. I was offered five thousand last night from a friend. I'm on my last legs, but I refused it.

Lady Mary rose to her feet, took off her gloves and handed them to Scribner. You never told me a lie, that's why I've tolerated you, Fred. Come into the house and talk it over.

Scribner passed that night at Scrivener Towers. He had spent the day wandering about the estate admiring Lady Mary's dogs, taking an interest even in her cats, in her fruit and flowers and vegetables. That interest was not assumed, though new born it was natural and honest. And later on, while he discussed a bottle of the famous Scrivener port—his aunt drank nothing but cold water—she informed him that if he ever succeeded in winning Iris de Fontaigne for his wife, she would settle her whole fortune on them, together with the Scrivener Towers, to be held in trust for their children.

I daresay love works miracles, she said, as he lighted her to her bedroom. But I ain't taking any risks. The only thing you'll have the chance of spending will be the income. But I don't think she'll have you, Fred, the de Fontaignes are proud.

Wait and see, he smiled.

The first thing he did on returning to London was to visit Mr. Aaron Roberts. The feeling of remorse when he entered the moneylenders office was stronger than ever.

The last time Fred me boy he said to himself as he heard Faber's voice booming in the distance.

(To be Continued)

A really good craft is, after all a hard thing to find, and when found is generally working.

DISFIGURED WITH ERUPTIONS ON FACE

Body Covered With Running Sores. Could Not Sleep from Itching and Pain. Cross and Fretful. Tried Fifty Remedies Without Result. Cured in Nine Days by Cuticura Soap and Ointment.

30 Champagne St., Montreal, Quebec.—"I have a five-year-old boy who was suffering from what the doctor said was "la gratelle." His body was all covered with running sores. The trouble started with pimples and opened up into sores. Of course scratching made it worse. The eruptions appeared on his face and disfigured him awfully. The boy could not sleep at night from the itching and pain, and I did not know what to do with him. It made him cross and fretful. If I have tried one, I have tried fifty remedies without result. At last I got samples of Cuticura Soap and Ointment, and after using them two days I noticed a change. I then bought a full-sized cake of Cuticura Soap and one box of Cuticura Ointment and I used to give the boy a hot bath daily using Cuticura Soap freely, and then applied the Cuticura Ointment. He had suffered three months with the terrible disease before I started to use the Cuticura Soap and Ointment, and nine days after the boy was cured and has not been troubled since." (Signed) E. Cloutier, Dec. 12, 1911.

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BRITAIN'S GREAT MAN

cBritish Pro-Consul Rules Half Million Square Miles That he Wrested From France

Sir Frederick Lugard, the ruler of Nigeria, is the man of whom the French publicists eulogized as one of the greatest Britons. He has fairly and squarely beaten them in the race for one of the greatest prizes remaining in Africa.

His career comprises matter enough for a score of novels. He is a mixture of Clive and General Gordon—with the former's breadth of vision, and Gordon's fierce hatred of cruelty and wrong, his scorn of danger, his tenderness for the weak and the oppressed. He is the only British soldier who has calmly made war in his own name. "These operations (against the Emir of Sokoto) have

SIR FREDERICK LUGARD

been decided upon by Sir Frederick Lugard," Mr. Austen Chamberlain informed Parliament nine years ago, and Parliament, though it grumbled, yet acquiesed, simply because, although it was dangerous precedent, here was a man whose rightness and justice were matched only by his gallantry and clear-sightedness. He had his way and his war, the result was that slavery, the scourge and shame of the land, was smashed, after four-hundred years.

Sir Frederick is a son of an Indian military chaplain, an old Rossalion. He entered the army at twenty and within a year took part in the Afghan war. He served in the Soudan (1885) and Burma campaigns, and, fighting with splendid valor, was several times mentioned in despatches before gaining his D.S.O. A breakdown in health sent him, as it sent Rhodes and Dr. Jameson, to Africa. It is a curious fact that Africa's sick men have been later-day giants of the Dark Continent.

Slavery no longer exists in Nigeria. It has gone, gone with the cannibalism that Sir Frederick suppressed, and now he governs all, and will govern nobly.

BREAKING STICKS ON HEADS OF PRIESTS

Buddhist Solomon Enforces Wisdom by Personal Chastisement—A Strange Ceremony

In Tokio, Japan, a quaint religious ceremony is one in which priests seeking promotion have to undergo a beating with a thick stick wielded by the head of their sect.

The ceremony was the climax of a five days' festival near here, in celebration of the death of Kelzara Daishu, founder of the Soto sect, the principal subsect of the Zens, one of the most important off shoots of Buddhism in Japan.

Zenism, which is said to be the most abstruse and profound of all sects, aims entirely at salvation by the elimination of self and its disciples are called upon to undergo the test of beating to prove their ability to pass through hardships in the cause of Buddha for the development of their endurance and spirit of self-control.

From the fact that the Lord Abbot—as the head of the sect is known—broke twelve sticks in the course of the ceremony, each stick a yard long and as thick as a well-developed thumb, it may be imagined that the test was eminently practical.

The Lord Abbot's arrival, in a gorgeous robe, was marked by tremendous beating of huge drums and the shrill piping of reed instruments, and when he had taken his place in the pulpit, the holiest place in the temple—made from a bundle of stones—the candidates advanced one by one, with bowed heads and submitted to the Lord Abbot questions which had resulted from previous meditations.

The first candidate asked: What would be the color of the maple leaves in the mountains in the present month?

Up went the right arm of the Lord Abbot, down came the thick stick on the shoulders of the candidate.

My son, their color would be redder than the tints of the flowers in May. Up went the arm, down again came the stick, and the candidates retired, gratefully thanking his holiness for the wisdom of his reply.

The second candidate then advanced and bowed before Lord Abbot: What, he said, in a piping voice, should we do to escape the heat in summer and the cold in winter? Down came the stick with a smart crack. Go where there is neither heat nor cold, neither summer nor winter. Candidate number three offered only an assertion: The moon is in the blue sky.

The Lord Abbot laid on with increased vehemence as he thundered: And water is in a jar, and the parting stroke broke the stick in his hand.

The sun may shine tomorrow, but that won't serve as an umbrella today.

Suffragettes hadn't thought of horrifying the men by appearing in their last year's hats.

LITTLE GIRL'S MAMMA SUBJECT OF LAW SUIT

Court Asked to Decide Whether she is Properly Reared or Not—Tracked by Detectives

In Paris, a rather strange question whether a little girl of 9 had been well brought up was argued solemnly in the Paris law courts on the evidence of sheriff's officers who had been set to watch her manners at meals.

The little girl, Mlle. Gisele, is the daughter of a Paris doctor. He and his wife separated eighteen months ago, and the mother, who was given the custody of the child, has since married again. The father petitions to have the child given into his care on the ground that she is being badly brought up. The officer appointed by the father reported that he sat at the next table at Dieppe. The little girl leaned her elbows on the table, laughed ostentatiously, spoke loudly and made herself remarked by her language and attitude. When her father reproached her she only laughed or made faces at him.

But the officer for the other side found that at a Bois de Boulogne restaurant Mlle. Gisele's manners were irreproachable, except that she sometimes took up her bread and bit it instead of breaking it with her fingers, that she helped herself to the salad with her fingers, and occasionally forgot to wipe her mouth after drinking. She handled her knife and fork properly, sat up well at table never raised her voice louder than a little lady ought to do and always answered her mother with a smile. When finger bowls were brought Mlle. Gisele showed her good breeding by moistening her lips and the tips of her fingers and drying them with her table nankin.

The judges decided to take time for reflection.

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You don't know how to utilize him. I would be tempted to use him as a punching bag.

You are too impetuous. Now, I find Jones a valuable ally. When Binks comes along and starts talking about his baby I wait until he has to draw a breath and then mention chickens. That sets Jones going, and I slip out and let them enjoy themselves. I turn over all bores to him, on the theory that like cures like.

Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows

Advancement

There is a rhyme, you will recall,
Which says the farmer feedeth all,
I know that used to be the way,
But it is not the case today.
The farmer turns the basis in.
And then the monkey shines begin.
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They take the products to the mines,
They take the roots and creeping vines
They grind up rocks and shovel sand
Or anything that comes to hand—
Old bricks, umbrella rims and hats
And speak it softly, alley cats—
Mix with the stuff the farmer brought
If by the government uncaught,
All duly seasoned to the taste,
On this a pure food label paste
And put it in the market place,
Where folks may buy to feed their face.
The farmer legend does not fit,
He is helped out a little bit.

Worms feed upon the vitality of children and endanger their lives. A simple and effective cure is Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator.

They Cost Money

He is getting rich by saving his nickels.
That is the only way.
But too expensive.
How is it?
See how much it costs him to get them.

George never told a single lie,
We know that fact full well,
On one point history seems shy—
What didn't William Tell?

Too Shallow

What ails him?
A college education.
Trying to put a quart of knowledge into a pint measure, I presume.

His Idea of It

Cliffman—You ought to know something about flora and that sort of thing. Tell me, what is a forgetme-not?

Subbubs—Why, it's a piece of string that your wife ties around your finger, when you go in town on an errand.

With the development of the ages we cradle neither grain nor babies any longer.

OUTRAGES URGED TO PREVENT BIG WAR

French Anarchists Issue Bold Manifesto Against International Conflict

In Paris, in order to put a stop to war, should France become involved in an international conflict, the French anarchists have issued a manifesto recommending sabotage in the army. As a consequence M. Jules Lecomte, secretary of the Communist Anarchist Federation, has been arrested on the charge of inciting to theft, pillage and murder. The incriminating manifesto declares:

The Communist Anarchist Federation, which comprises all the anarchists in this country, is preparing in a practical manner the sabotage of the army and of the mobilization in case of war. We shall take advantage of the disarray caused by war to realize the social revolution and to install communism.

They recommend the sabotage of locomotives, the unbolting of rails, the cutting of the telegraph wires, the destruction of bridges and tunnels and the railway rolling stock.

It is pointed out that in the barracks many things can be saboted, particularly the guns. Also the military aeroplanes and dirigibles can be rendered useless and the horses poisoned.

Too Easy for Him

Can I sell you a vacuum cleaner, ma'am? said the agent at the door.

You cannot, replied the lady. If I didn't make my husband beat rugs every now and then he might forget that he is married.

No Skill Required

Litigant—Your fee is outrageous. Why, it's more than three-fourths of what I recovered.

Lawyer—I furnished the skill and the legal learning for your case.

Litigant—But I furnished the case.

Lawyer—Oh, anybody can fall down a coal hole.

Continuous Performance

Wifey—Henry, I will have to have some new clothes this spring.

Hubby—Good heavens, how long is this thing to go on? That's just what you said last fall.

It is distressing to think that a number of innocent babes of today will develop into United States senators.

Proved His Case

Every one knew Jonathan Skinflint as a millionaire with the exception so it appeared, of Skinflint himself. He invariably wore the shabbiest of clothes and is reported to have dined one day on a couple of peas and a grape skin.

One day an old friend endeavored to persuade the miser to dress better. I am surprised, he said that you should let yourself become so shabby.

But I am not shabby, expostulated Skinflint.

Oh, yes you are, replied the friend. Remember your father. He was always neatly dressed. His clothes were very handsome.

Skinflint gave utterance to a hearty laugh. Why, he shouted triumphantly, these clothes I've got on now were father's.

With the Tide

It had been raining for twenty-four hours, and the ground was more like a lake than a football field; but the referee could not see his way to postpone the match.

Surely you aren't going to make us play in this? asked the visiting captain.

Of course you must play, declared the man with the whistle. Now, don't hang about. You've won the toss. Which end are you taking?

Oh, well, came the reply, with a sigh of resignation, I reckon we'd better kick with the tide.

Some Paradox

The aeroplane is here to stay
Would'st know the reason why?
Because—well, written records say
The aeroplane can fly.
The truth is, if it couldn't go
That it would have to, don't you know.

In Olden Days

Old man Aesop had just promised his wife he would be home early.

You don't seem to put much dependence in his promise? remarked the friend.

No, laughed Aesop's wife; I thought perhaps it might be another of his fables.

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Congratulations, old man. How much does your new baby weigh?

A ton.

Quit your kidding.

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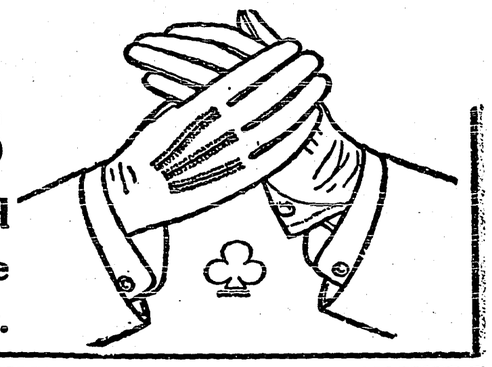

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Crew of French Submarine Has Exciting Experience

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The circle it described gradually became smaller and smaller, and there was immediate danger of the vessel being struck. A serious accident was only averted by the prompt action of the commander, who kept the vessel turning round in the same direction as the torpedo, so that when the projectile struck the submarine it was spent and the only effect the crew experienced was a slight shaking.

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.

Pheasant Visits a Town

A fine plump young cock pheasant which flew into Melbourne street, Royston, Herts, alighted in the roadway, and was promptly captured by a motor scout stationed close by.

Much of the original sin to be observed about us doesn't show many signs of originality.

A bright man will know whether he is guilty or not before a jury tells him.

A Pill for Brain Workers.—The man who works with his brains is more liable to derangement of the digestive system than the man who works with his hands, because the one calls upon his nervous energy while the other applies only his muscular strength. Brain fag begets irregularities of the stomach and liver, and the best remedy that can be used is Parmelee's Vegetable Pills. They are specially compounded for such cases and all those who use them can certify to their superior power.

Beware of the Fan

Elocutionist—Strike! For your altars and your fires! Strike! Till the last armed foe—

Fan—Dat's two strikes, mister! One more an' yer out!

What appear to be idle tears are often the busiest ones.

Many a man who tries to be a ray of sunshine only succeeds in becoming a pest.

The man who lives beyond his means pays for it, if not in cash.

Second Choice

I hear that the Browns are going to lead the simple life this summer.

That is news to me.

That they are to live that way?

No; that Brown is so deeply involved.

Well, Where?

Larry was a cowboy bold
Who went out on a bat.
He whirled his lasso once or twice,
And where was lariat?

An Even Break

The roads today are overrun by automobiles.

Well, the roads haven't got anything on the pedestrians.

Only 1 per cent of the cablegrams sent overseas are concerned with family or private matters. The rest are commercial, journalistic or official.

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In Paris, a very extraordinary old woman of 70 years, who calls herself Mme. Aquatita, but whose real name is Helene Boismael, was arrested by the Paris Police.

She has been an invalid for years and has driven about Paris in motorcars, and before motorcars were invented, in carriages, obtaining small sums of money by false pretences and working eight hours every day at the business.

Mme. Aquatita has been a criminal for fifty-two years. Her method was to drive up to small shops in different corners of the town, make a small purchase, and instead of paying, borrow as much money as she thought she could get, because she had come out without her purse.

Novel in a Nutshell

Nicomedes Mendez who was the former chief executioner of Spain, has died at Barcelona from grief at the death of his daughter, who never recovered from a nervous shock caused by being abandoned by her sweetheart when he learned the nature of her father's occupation.

No Size to It

He is a big man—in his own opinion.

Don't see how that could be.

Why?

Never thought he had the capacity to carry an opinion of any dimension.

Obeyed Orders

I thought I told you not to cut your corns with my razor! thundered the exasperated husband who was trying to lose a few of his whiskers.

And I haven't since you told me you were so particular with your old butcher knife, replied the wife sweetly.

Well, it feels that way.

I did open a can of tomatoes with it. Would that hurt it any? You didn't say I wasn't to do that.

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For years he had suffered from a congested condition of the liver and kidneys, with headaches, backaches, pains in limbs and body. Words fail to describe his sufferings as well as the gratitude he wants to express for the cure.

Mr. Alex J. Stone, West Point, Nfld., writes:—"I suppose you thought I had forgotten all about you when I got Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, but I haven't. You must excuse mistakes, for like many Newfoundland men I have not much education, but I want to thank you many times for your medicine.

"I cannot tell you what I suffered from liver and kidney derangements, indigestion and constipation, nor can I find words to express how much good this medicine has done me. I feel better than I have for five years and have given some of these pills to friends, who tell me they have done them a wonderful lot of good. I want to express my heartfelt gratitude for the benefit derived from the great medicine."

Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, one pill a dose, 25c. a box, at all dealers or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Limited, Toronto.

Playing Even

Can't you get your husband to give up smoking?

I don't want to.

Do you like smoke?

I am not particularly enamored of it, but there are too many things I might have to give up in return.

Fixed for Emergencies

I shall always wear your picture next my heart.

But suppose you should learn to love another?

Oh, that pocket will hold a dozen.

A Hot Time

What is the reason they can't get along together?

A matter of temperament.

Matter of temperature, I should think.

Calendars

Calendars with white figures on a dark background are more easily read in an insufficiently lighted room than those with black figures upon white paper.

Glass Windows

Glass windows were first used for light in 1180.

Bread in Germany

The Germans, comparatively, do not eat much bread. On many tables of well to do persons it is never eaten at the principal meal of the day.

Some people can't worry over big things because they are so busy doing a similar service for the little things.

It is comforting to observe that the crazy people always take a view contrary to our own.

The boss isn't round loudly proclaiming who he is.

Don't find fault. You probably couldn't do half as well as the people you criticise.

Every dog has his day, though some of them should be given thirty days.

PEER WHO ROUGHED IT

Earl of Hardwicke Once Worked as a Miner

The Earl of Hardwicke, informed the House of Lords recently that he had worked underground for two years as a miner in Canada. He would hold the title of Baron Morden, in addition to the others which he possesses, but for the fact that his great-great-grandfather Lord Chancellor York declined on his deathbed to authenticate the patent of the peerage conferred upon him on his elevation to the Woolsack, on which he never sat. The second son of Lord Chancellor Hardwicke, he attained his ambition to reach some high office as his father, but survived his appointment only by three days.

The present peer is not the first of his family to have seen the rough side of life. His father who died in

EARL OF HARDWICKE

1909 saw active service as a naval officer in the Crimea; while his grand-father, the fourth earl, was also in the navy and had some exciting experiences in connection with the suppression of piracy in the Mediterranean. An earlier holder of the title was the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland at the time of Robert Emmet's rebellion and his action or lack of action, at the time was the subject of considerable debate in the Imperial Parliament.

KAISER AS GUEST AT WEDDING OF FRIEND

Leaves Berlin for Remote Corner of Europe to Honor Austrian Prince

At Baden, in the presence of the kaiser, the wedding of Princess Leontine Furstenberg, daughter of Prince Max Egon Furstenberg, the emperor's most intimate friend, with Prince Hugo Vinzenz zu Windisch-Graetz took place at Donaueschingen, in Baden, where Prince Furstenberg has his family seat.

The fact that the emperor consented to leave Berlin for this remote corner of southern Germany in time of acute international crisis shows to what extent Prince Furstenberg enjoys the kaiser's friendship and affection.

Never, indeed, has any one, save members of the imperial family, and very few of these, been so close to the German sovereign as Prince Furstenberg, and it is an open secret that were the latter a true-born German and not an Austrian, as is the case, he would stand a good chance of becoming imperial chancellor one day.

The marriage celebration was charming and gorgeous. The municipality had been at pains to decorate the tiny city, which lies in the midst of the Swabian mountains, and there were arches of triumph in every street. The wedding gave occasion to great demonstrations of loyalty on the part of the villagers to the Furstenberg family.

The emperor arrived in Donaueschingen early in the morning, and immediately after his arrival in the old family castle the marriage ceremony was performed in the magnificent ancestors' hall by the burgomaster of Donaueschingen, a simple villager, who seemed extremely bashful in the presence of the kaiser and some 150 German and Austrian princes.

A long procession of motorcars then took the whole company to the small village church, where the religious marriage was celebrated. After the return of the married couple to the castle, all the Donaueschingen peasants were allowed to congratulate prince and princess zu Windisch-Graetz, and were authorized to express any wish they could think of.

The kaiser has given princess zu-Windisch-Graetz some beautiful jewels as a wedding present, and will give her consort a commission "a la suite," in the Prussian army.

Daylight Savings in Schools

In London, the Willesden education authorities have effected considerable economy in warming and lighting schools by an experiment of beginning and ending the afternoon school session half an hour earlier during the winter and have now decided to extend the principle to other schools.

Two-Roomed Palace for King

A comfortable small two-roomed cottage or palace, as it is described by the aborigines is being built by orders of the New South Wales government for the old black warrior, King Boney and his Queen Caroline, at Grafton, N.S.W.

Painting the Town Red

It is stated that recently the London county council suggests to the borough councils that they should paint red those lamp posts which adjoin fire alarms in order that the position of the alarms may be more readily indicated.

In the spring the young man's fancy gets a hunch that he will have to get busy or there won't be any summer clothes for him.

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MOVING PICTURES AID TO ROBBERY.

Novel Swindle Worked by Thieves on Their Too Confiding Victims

Franz Kugler, resident of Berlin, a retired draper, while walking along the banks of the Rhine, near Cologne, was victimized in a curious way by sharpers.

On arriving at a cross-road, Herr Kugler surprised two rough-looking men in the act of robbing a young and elegantly dressed woman.

Alone and unarmed as he was Herr Kugler was unable to interfere, but he coughed loudly, and the men took to their heels.

While he was being effusively thanked by the young woman, a well-dressed stranger emerged from behind a boulder, and stating that he was the manager of a cinematograph company, thanked Herr Kugler for the appropriate part he had taken in the little comedy. He then proposed that Herr Kugler should join the company as a cinematograph actor.

Herr Kugler accepted, and soon after it was his turn to be attacked and robbed by the robbers. Accordingly he allowed himself to be deprived of his watch and chain, his purse, and his pocket book, after which he was knocked down and stunned.

On regaining consciousness and obtaining no answer to his cries he discovered that he had been duped.

No Dream

Suddenly, said the man with a three days' growth of beard and an out of date necktie: I found myself falling 400,000 feet into the depths of a bottomless pit.

Dreaming, I suppose.

No; just getting from under a corner in wheat.

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Ideal Glee Party

One of the items appearing on the program of a charity concert at Lithgow, New South Wales, was a vocal quartet in which the singers were the Anglican minister, the local doctor, the coroner and the undertaker.

Schoolmaster as Mayor

Recently six days leave of absence has been granted by the London county council to Mr. Welsh, a head master, that he may attend functions as mayor of Chelsea during the year.

Hopeless Cases

Speak gently, it is better far,
But with some men you know
You throw a brick to turn the trick.
That kind of argument you pick,
For it is all they know.

A lie will travel faster than the truth, but it will not be the first to arrive at the desination, because it must double on its tracks so often.

Irrigation is more profitable when applied to the soil than to the throat.

Between Friends

St. Paul and St. Peter were strolling one day
Over the stones of the Appian way.
They came to a tavern. Said Peter, methinks,
Twould be well here to tarry and shake for the drinks.
The very first throw Peter threw five sevens.
Paul was surprised and exclaimed: Good Heavens!
That's a wonderful throw! But all the same,
Miracles don't go in a friendly game!

One Man Who Came Back

Two fight fans were discussing the Jeffries-Johnson fight.

It's the old story—they never come back.

Except Enoch Arden, replied the other, and he had to go away again.

The man who waits for opportunity to knock finds the waiting good.

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KAISER IS ASKED TO ACT AS PEACEMAKER

Rulers of Austria and Turkey Appeal for His Friendly Intervention

From Berlin, the German emperor has apparently been intrusted by the Austrian emperor, his ally, and by the sultan, his friend, with a difficult double task, first of intervening in the Austro-Servian difficulty, and second, of obtaining from Bulgaria more moderate peace terms.

Whether the kaiser will be successful in both cases is doubtful, but there are signs that he has set to work with will. In the first instance, the kaiser will. In he first instance, the kaiser used all his personal influence to obtain a promise from the Russian government that Servia could not count on Russian support for her demands, regarding Albania and the Adriatic, and Russia has now given this promise, as is indicated in a semi-official telegram to the Cologne Gazette:

Russian support of Servian policy stops where the Servian territorial claim on Albani begins, says this journal. Russia is not likely to allow the partition of Albania. We have every reason to be sure of that.

The other task which the kaiser has been asked to undertake is due to an autograph letter from the sultan, presented by the Turkish ambassador. The sultan reminds the kaiser of old German-Turkish friendship, and expresses the hope that his majesty's influence in Sofia and his friendly relationship with King Ferdinand will enable him to obtain reasonable peace terms for Turkey, especially terms safeguarding Turkey's dignity as a sovereign power. It is doubtful whether the kaiser will be able to take the initiative of such a personal step, as since the beginning of the war the question has been watched equally by all the great powers. On the other hand, it is obvious that any such step as is demanded by the sultan would be considered in Sofia as unfriendly meddling.

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Handbells at the Graveside

As a sign of respect at the funeral of Henry Hopson, a noted Suffolk bellringer at Beccles, a peal of handbells was rung at the graveside.

John Kuszenoff of St. Petersburg, who was formerly Labor deputy in the last Russian duma, was caught in the act of committing a burglary at a St. Petersburg mansion.

Centenarian's 600 Mile Walk

It is stated that Mrs. Nami Shimooka, certified to be 113 years old, walked 600 miles from her native village of Yamaguchi to Tokio in order to render homage to the new emperor.

$8200 for a Manuscript

In London an old illuminated manuscript of "The Chronicles of England," with ornamental initials and miniatures, was sold for $8200 at Sotheby's yesterday.

Economy

What are you waiting for?

First of July, replied Mr. Smartie.

Why not kill two birds with one stone and wait for Christmas at the same time.

Disposition Faultless

Is she a good musician?

Good musician?

Yes.

You bet. She always stops when you tell her to.

Homemade

He calls this a historical romance.

I believe so.

Where did he get his history?

The same place he got his romance.

Proper Treatment

A big fish has been playing around here for some time, but it is a bad actor.

Give it the hook.

No More Than Natural

That girl may be a popular favorite, but she is entirely too prominent, not to say spectacular.

That's all right. Isn't it right and proper for a belle to have a striking record.

The Limit

I suppose the office furnishes the typewriter's supplies?

Everything but chewing gum, explained the cashier

Made a Good Record

The sympathizing neighbor was condoling with Uncle Gabe.

Your wife, uncle, was a wonderful mother.

She were indeed, suh. See dat li'l chap playin' jes' outside de gate? Well, suh, he's our sixteent'.

Maybe So

She—It is in the spring that the world wakes up from its long winter sleep.

He—And if we knew the truth, kicks because it can't sleep a month or two longer, I'll bet.

The doctor says I have mental indigestion.

What on earth is that?

Seems I'm reading more baseball news than I can assimilate.

Make Him Prove It

Do I look like an idiot?

I refuse to commit myself.

But a fellow just called me one.

Chance of a lifetime. Sue him for libel and see what the jury says.

A hen is a versatile creature. After her lay she chants her lay.

The private opinion is apt to be that the general is an old blockhead.

If a snail could make up to look like a race horse it would find plenty of men ready to bet on it.

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The REVIEW Wishes its readers and friends a Happy, Prosperous New Year

During the past two weeks the Liberal press has been vainly engaged in the daily manufacture of crisis after crisis in the government and within the conservative party. It is a repetition of the silly and discreditable tactics employed during the last session when week after week it was gravely announced that the government was torn with dissension and was on the point of resigning. The tune has changed somewhat this session and there is a concerted cry that the government will be driven to the country upon the naval question.

In the House of Commons the government possess a majority of nearly fifty and it will carry on its naval proposals by that majority notwithstanding the belated effort of Sir Wilfrid Laurier who instead of leading in his party seems to be clinging to the coattails of certain Ontario ex-Ministers who hope to reinstate themselves in public favor.

It is however being whispered to the Liberal party organizations that the Liberal Senators are mere puppets who will dance when Sir Wilfrid Laurier pulls the string and that they will at his command reject the naval proposals of the government. The worst enemy of the Senate would not be prepared to admit that this "puppet" estimate is accurate with regard to any considerable number of Liberal Senators. There are many men of ability, character and public spirit among the Liberal appointees although there may be on the other hand some Liberals in the Senate who would be prepared to resort to the most desperate tactics for the purpose of embarrassing the government.

To imagine that the government will have its hand forced by any such tactics is outside of the pale of reason. It will go to the country in the proper time and in the constitutional way. If defeated upon this naval issue in the House of Commons it would be prepared, no doubt to appeal to the country and would do so for the reason that it would thus command the necessary majority in that branch of the legislature which controls public expenditure and which makes and unmakes governments. An appeal to the country because of the action of a partizan majority in the Senate would not only be foolish but absolutely useless because such an appeal would not in any way affect the situation in the Senate or have any effect on a majority of that body it determined to obstruct. It is believed that any such obstruction would not lead to an appeal to the country but it may lead to a complete and thorough reconstruction of the Senate.

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Department of Lands
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Plans, specifications, contract; and forms of tender may be seen on and after the 21st day of December, 1912, at the offices of Mr. W. F. Teetzel, Government Agent, Nelson, B. C.; Mr. A. G. Gallup, Secretary of School Board, Proctor B. C.; and the Department of Public Works, Parliament Buildings, Victoria, B. C.

Each proposal must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque or certificate of deposit on a chartered bank of Canada, made payable to the Hon. the Minister of Public Works, for a sum equal to 10 per cent. of the tender, which shall be forfeited if the party tendering decline to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fail to complete the work contracted for. The cheques or certificates of deposit of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them upon the execution of the contract.

Tenders will not be considered unless made out on the forms supplied, signed with the actual signature of the tenderer, and enclosed in the envelopes furnished.

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J. E. Griffith,
Public Works Engineer.
Department of Public Works,
Victoria, B. C., December 17, 1912

YAHK ITEMS

The supper and dance given in the Yahk Hotel on Xmas night was a grand success. A large crowd was present first class music was furnished by Mrs. Jas Taylor and Miss Bessie Lythgoe. Everybody seemed to have a general good time.

Alex Rattray of Cranbrook spent Christmas with his many friends in Yahk and took in the dance.

Chas. Nelson was home for Xmas.

Geo. Powell of Cranbrook was in Yahk on business the other day and installed two more of his famous lamps in the Yahk Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lythgoe are giving a card party at their home Friday evening Dec. 27. Everybody is invited to come and enjoy themselves.

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FRENCH GUNS FACTOR IN BALKAN VICTORIES

Most Military Men Except Germans Conclude That France has Best Artillery in the World

The French during the time of the Russo-Japanese campaign Frenchmen backed the wrong horse, and the humiliation of their allies was a sore disappointment to them. In the Balkan war, however, French sympathies have from the start been with the allied states, and their victories have been hailed with jubilant satisfaction. But apart from the pleasure felt by Frenchmen at the successful efforts of the little powers to overthrow the Turk, there is a national pride born of the conviction that the Bulgarians and the Servians and the Greeks have vanquished the troops of the sultan because they learned the art of war in French military colleges and fought with French cannon.

When, further, it is remembered that at Kirk Kilisse and Lule Burgas the French guns were matched against German artillery, it will be conceded that the crushing defeat inflicted on the Turks at these battles is some justification for French complacency. The Balkan war has been very largely a question of guns, and the duel between the French artillery of the allies and the German artillery of the Turks has resulted in the triumph of the cannon made at Creusot.

The selection of French guns by the armies of the allies was not due to accident or hazard. Those responsible for the war material, which was to decide the future of the Balkans knew that they could take no chances, that their very existence was at stake, and so, after testing the material of all the ordinance manufacturers of Europe they came to the conclusion that the Schneider guns were the most suitable for their purpose. That is why General Savoff, who recognized the Bulgarian army, selected the splendid 75-millimeter French gun to annihilate the Turk, and the war ministers of Servia and Greece did the same. Most of their material is comparatively modern and bears the date of 1904, 1905, and 1907.

Most military men—Kaiser Wilhelm's officers excepted—openly admit that the French have the best artillery in the world. It is especially suitable for a campaign in the hilly country of the Balkans, because of its lightness. The nature of the terrain, which has been reddened by the blood of Bulgarians and Turks, precludes the use of heavy, cumbersome guns, and that is why the light, handy field and mountain guns of the allies have proved invaluable. Foreign attaches who have followed the operations in the Balkans during the last few weeks are at one in their admiration of the rapidity, accuracy and murderous effect of the French made guns.

A German artillery officer, who witnessed the battle of Lule Burgas, declared that the day was won not by the rifle fire of the Bulgarians, but by their cannon, the batteries placing shell after shell with astonishing rapidity at points five feet apart. The gunners fired with automatic precision and the officer added that he was convinced that one of the most important results of the present war would be a modification of the German artillery. Krupp guns, he declared, can neither fire so rapidly nor with so much precision as the murderous Creusot guns.

But it is the special pneumatic brake that gives the man who serves the French-made artillery his greatest advantage. When the shot is fired and the recoil takes place, the gun comes back in a straight line, and is ready to be reëlscharged immediately. That is to say, once the gunner has got the range he has no further trouble. He generally gets the range in the first three shots, and he can keep the gun going at the rate of from twenty-five to thirty-five shots a minute. Yet the carriage remains so steady that if a glass of water be placed on the wheel during the firing not a drop will be spilled. On the other hand, when the Krupp gun recoils, there is always a certain amount of lateral displacement, and the cannon has to be resighted every time.

The murderous effect of the allies' artillery was demonstrated during the bombardment of Preschevo, when the Servians had seventy men rendered hors de combat, while the Turkish losses exceeded a thousand. The Bulgarians and their comrades-in-arms never fired at random. Taking his orders from the officer beside him, who through his glasses watches the results of the firing, the gunner lands his projectiles exactly in the zone corresponding to the square marked on the little chart before him. And, whether the enemy be slow-moving infantry, or galloping cavalry, the gunner does not need to wait for the officer's assurance, when the smoke has cleared away, that not a living thing remains in the fatal zone.

The terrible ravages of modern shrapnel can hardly be exaggerated, and remembering how ill-prepared were the sultan's troops—starving, disorganized, and dispirited—to give battle to the enemy, is it any wonder that in the accounts of successive engagements we find the same sad record of what happened to the Turks: Panic broke out in their ranks, they quickly became disorganized, and the defeat became a rout. In every artillery combat since the outbreak of hostilities the ranks of the Turks have been decimated by the swift and deadly batteries of their enemies, and as they watched the broken columns of their foes scattering before their merciless fire, the victors broke into fierce, exultant shouts of joy and the gunners kissed the cannon which had won them conquest and glory.

Vos canons francais sont epatants! (Your guns are astonishing) exclaimed Prince Alexis, cousin to the king of Servia, when speaking to the war correspondent of a Paris paper after the Turks had been hurled from the fortress of Perisovic. He could not have paid a better tribute to the wisdom of King Peter, who learned the art of war as a pupil at the military college of St. Cyr and knew what French methods and French artillery were capable of. The best officers in the Servian army have all passed long periods in the French army and at the Ecole Superieure de Guerre, and when the Greek army was reorganized two years ago that important task was confided to a French mission.

For a score of years the Turkish army was in the hands of Germany's instructors. The Ottoman generals are the pupils of the celebrated Von der Goltz, and their military tuition was received at the Academy of War in Berlin. In the struggle which is now drawing to a close the Turks have relied on German strategy and fought with German cannon. The Balkan troops have put into practice the lessons they learned in French military schools, and their gunners have served French artillery. The duel between Krupp and Creusot has been all to the advantage of the latter.

What is the inference drawn by Frenchmen? A very natural one—that if such admirable results have been attained in the latest contest between French trained officers and French guns when pitted against generals who studied in German colleges and cannon made in Germany, the French army has no reason to fear a war with Germany. The kaiser may pride himself on possessing the most colossal army in Europe, but if the enemy has the best guns in the world, then superior numbers are only so much chair a canon. Dash, initiative and strategy—no one denies these qualities to the French, and when the race from which King Ferdinand sprang asserts that French intelligence has been victorious in the Balkans, and that the triumph of the allies is a moral victory for France, impartial onlookers are bound to admit that events have largely justified their claims.

HEROINE OF SIXTY IN FRONT

Working Eleven Hours a Day Footless in Turkish Cholera Camp

From Constantinople, the Rev. Robert Frew, a Scottish clergyman here has gone to the San Stefano cholera camp, and will remain there, following the example of Miss Alt. So far Major F. S. Ford, an American is the only volunteer doctor working at the camp.

With Hoffman Philip, the secretary of the United States embassy, and Maurice Baring, the well known writer, he goes out to San Stefano each day, and hopes to be able to save a number of lives. The first work, however, consists simply in clearing up the camp.

All who visit San Stefano agree in declaring that Miss Alt, who originally came from Switzerland, but has long been associated with English and American mission work here, deserves recognition of the highest kind.

She is an old woman of over sixty, with bent back, and today she was working from six in the morning till five this evening without food, administering soup and water to the cholera victims and tramping through the revolting filth, heedless of contamination.

An elderly Greek woman has now joined her.

A Scottish woman attempted to help in the work today, but the conditions were so nauseating that she collapsed and was compelled to retire.

Watered Walnuts

In Paris a new method of preventing the fraudulent preparation of walnuts by treating them with salt water, thus adding to their weight, is being considered by the French minister of agriculture. Not only does the customer receive false weight, but the nuts so treated almost always go bad. Over 2000.000 pounds of walnuts have been sold in Paris this year.

Sea in a Cemetery

At Messina, Sicily, in Rome, the sea, lashed by a furious storm, rose and invaded the cemetery where were buried many of the victims of the earthquake in December, 1908. Several bodies were dislodged from their graves and carried out into the sea. A dismal spectacle is presented.

Cross When He Came

Did he come across?
I should say he did.
And shell out?
I don't get you.
Come across with the coin?
No; he came across the street and biffed me one when I mentioned it.

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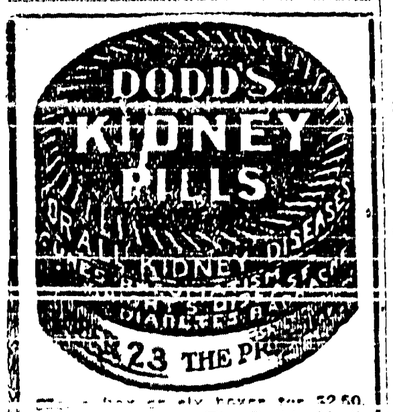

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40 CHILDREN KILLED IN MOVING PICTURE SHOW

Cry of Fire Causes Panic in Which Tots Were Trampled to Death

It is reported that a terrible disaster, in which forty children and one woman were killed, occurred in a moving-picture show at Bilbao.

The building was crowded with spectators, composed almost exclusively of women and children, especially in the galleries and balconies. Suddenly a cry of "Fire!" was raised, and the audience rushed in panic for the exits.

The police and staff of the circus were powerless to check the panic, and more than twenty children lost their lives, being trampled to death or suffocated.

As soon as the news became generally known in Bilbao, crowds gathered outside the building, and heartrending scenes were witnessed as parents and friends recognized the victims.

The cry of Fire! appears to have been raised as a practical joke, which must be considered criminal, for no outbreak seems to have occurred. A large number of people are believed to have been injured.

Only one woman lost her life, but a large number of women were injured.

DRESSED AS MAN TO GET WORK

Sex of Woman Worker In Dockyard Disclosed by an Accident

An accident in London, England, which occurred on the River Tyne brought to light the fact that a workman who was known as George Palmer was actually a married woman.

George Palmer had been working at loading and unloading on a wherry, for six months, unsuspected of being other than a male.

In May last Palmer dressed as a workman, smooth of cheek and ruddy of complexion, applied for work and was engaged.

While she was working in the hotel of a wherry, unloading steel plates from the Consett Iron Company's works for carriage down the river, one of the plates fell upon her, injuring her somewhat severely. Workmen carried her to a shed on the wharf, and Dr. Herbert McAleeman, of Blaydon was called to attend to the injured person, and upon his arrival Palmer requested him to clear all the men out of the shed.

This was done and Palmer then informed the doctor that she was not a man, but a woman. She, however, wished this to be kept secret. She said she was 31 years old, and was married. Her name was not Palmer, she declared, but her real name or any information concerning herself she refused to give, beyond volunteering a statement that her husband was a German seafaring man, and that because of his ill-treatment of her she had to leave him.

In order to get food for herself and her two children she had been obliged to seek employment as a man.

DOG ADOPTS LION CUB

French President Admires Animal Owned by a Woman

In Paris, a lion cub, about thirty two days old, attracted the attention of President Fallieres yesterday, when he opened the International Bird Show at the Grand Palais.

The cub, which has a sheep dog as a foster mother, is the property of a young woman naturalist who keeps all sorts of animals to serve as models for Paris artists.

The president was greatly interested in the lion cub and stroked it for some time while asking questions about it.

The pie crust would retire from the field vanquished and binding up the wounds to its pocketbook were the women to fight it with the kind of pies that mother used to make.

Watch Wizard Burbank make it possible for us to pick figs from thistles.

The change of dietary that comes with spring and summer has the effect in weak stomachs of setting up inflammation, resulting in dysentery and cholera morbus. The abnormal condition will continue if not attended to and will cause an exhaustive drain on the system. The best available medicine is Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Dysentery Cordial. It clears the stomach and bowels of irritants, counteracts the inflammation and restores the organs to healthy action.

King Raises Wages

In London the king has recently granted an increase in wages of 31 cents per week to all the Frogmore garden laborers, in view of the increased cost of living. This increase was made on the king's own initative.

Absent-Minded Bridal Pair

A Geneva couple who recently had arranged for their marriage by the civil and religious authorities at Clarus, Switzerland, failed to appear at the appointed time, having as they declared, forgotten all about it.

To What Base Uses

The very ancient Gothic Priory of Rochefoucauld, France, dating from the year 1000 has been acquired by a butcher, who will use it as a pig-breeding establishment.

Second Thought

She has given up the idea of getting a divorce.
I thought she was determined?
Determined. She had her court dresses picked.
Did he win her back?
No; she heard that alimonies were not being worn as large as formerly this season.

The politician doesn't appreciate persons with long memories.

THE ROOSEVELT DAM

One of the Remarkable Engineering Feats of the Age

The Roosevelt dam in Arizona, the most important masonry structure yet undertaken by the reclamation service, was formally dedicated on the afternoon of March 18 by former President Theodore Roosevelt in the presence of the prominent territorial officers, the government engineers and citizens from all parts of the southwest.

This dam is one of the most impressive irrigation structures in the world, and its construction is one of the great engineering feats of the age. From foundation rock to top of parapet walls it is 284 feet high, its length on crest is 1,080 feet, and its cubical contents are 326,000 yards. Its base covers approximately an acre of ground. The first stone was laid on Sept. 20, 1906, and the structure was finally completed on Feb. 5, 1911.

The Roosevelt dam serves a dual purpose—first as a conserver of floods and, second, to develop power. The storage reservoir created by the dam is one of the largest artificial bodies of water in the world. Spread out a foot deep, it would more than cover the entire state of Delaware.

With the water supply now guaranteed by the Roosevelt reservoir nearly a quarter of a million acres will soon be in cultivation. The annual income from this land when fully developed will be greater than the entire cost of the whole project, which is estimated at approximately $9,000,000. So rich is the soil and so assured and abundant are the crops, it is conservative to estimate that the irrigable area is capable of supporting in comfort and in homes of their own not less than 15,000 families on the farms.

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A Humane Mistress

And are you still rejoicing in that splendid cook, Mrs. Malaprop? inquired the caller.

Well, we are and we ain't, said Mrs. Malaprop. The fact is Mary was so completely procrastinated by the work of my household that I've given her a three weeks' vacination. I was afraid if I didn't she would be invaidated termagantly.

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Heard Him

First Caddie—Billy got a crack on de head dis mornin' but all he said was: My goodness; Oh, sugar! My gracious!. I wonder what's de matter wid him

Second Caddie—He's been caddying fer de past week fer a preacher wot joined de club.

The Deeper Hurt

Blow, blow, thou winter wind!
Thou art not so unkind
As man's ingratitude.
Thy tooth is not so keen
Because thou art not seen,
Although thy breath is rude
—Shakespeare.
Kick, kick, thou soulless mule!
Thou dost not, as a rule,
Hurt half as much, alack,
As he who flatters me
When I may hear and see
And scoffs behind my back!

Honors Even

You are the first man I ever permitted to kiss me.
And you are the first girl I ever kissed. Will you marry me.
I wouldn't marry a liar.
I would.

All In

There was an old man from Lake Moses
Whose ailment was tuberculosis
He slept on the lawn
From sunset to dawn
And called it a bum diagnosis

Whenever the weather man does turn out an article guaranteed to suit some storm or other comes along and spoils it.

Man wants a little here below every few minutes.

It is easier to be foolish than dignified, and sometimes it pays just as well.

The fellow who doesn't collide with some one's opinion every little while is so busy dodging that he isn't of much force.

No man should buy a suit of clothes so loud that his other creditors can hear it calling.

A good man isn't a good liar, which is the difference between a good man and a good fisherman.

To be in It

She reads the sporting page carefully.
Dainty on athletics?
Not at all.
Then why the waste of time?
So that her husbands and sons cannot carry on a conversation at the table in a foreign language.

MUTINY AND MURDER IN A FRENCH PRISON

Chief Warder, His Wife, an Assistant and a Mutineer Killed

In Paris, some horrible scenes of slaughter accompanied the revolt of a number of prisoners in the civil and naval prison of Rochefort.

The mutineers killed the chief warder, his wife, and the chief assistant warder. A number of other people were badly hurt. The mutineers shut themselves into one of the cells, and when they were overpowered one man was killed and the ringleader of the mutiny hanged himself.

The mutiny began at 4.30 in the afternoon, when the prisoners' evening meal was being taken around. It began with a violent complaint against the food by a navy cook, a man named Drahonnet.

The chief warder ordered the man to be quiet, and threatened him with punishment. Drahonnet who had a razor hidden in his right hand, rushed at the chief warder, Archinard, and as Archinard tried to get at his revolver other prisoners dashed at him and Drahonnet cut his throat.

Archinard's wife heard his shrieks as he fell. She rushed into the mob of mutineers and flew at the ringleader. A prisoner tried to help her to seize Drahonnet, but the man, who was a giant in stature and in strength, caught Mme. Archinard by the hair, bent her back over his knee and with one stroke severed her head from her body.

The assistant chief warder, Bonnet, who had been in another part of the prison, hurried up with other warders and a pitched battle began in the corridors of the prison.

Drahonnet had found a long-handled hatchet with which he did terrible damage, and a few minutes after the death of his chief, Bonnet was killed by a crushing stroke of the ringleader's axe which cleft his skull in two.

The fight had taken place on the ground floor of the prison. The noise was heard outside, and a lieutenant of Colonial Infantry, Lieutenant Pernin, who happened to be passing, rushed in to give assistance to the warders. He received two knife wounds in the throat and another in the left side, and is not expected to recover.

Close on the heels of Lieutenant Pernin came the commissioner of police, but the mutineers tore his clothes to pieces, rushed him out of the prison and locked the doors. The warders followed, for by this time the prisoners on the upper floors had been released, and outnumbering their jailors, they expelled them and barricaded themselves in the prison.

An immense crowd of civilians, police, gendarmes and soldiers surrounded the prison. The representative of the government and the commissioner of police took command, and after three hours' seige the outer doors were forced.

The ground floor corridors were dark and silent. The mutineers had cut off the electric light supply. An acetylene lamp was brought and the white walls were seen to be dripping with blood. There was not a mutineer in sight, and in the middle of the corridor lay the bodies of the chief warder, his wife and his assistant. Mme. Archinard's head had rolled down the corridor, and was stopped by the open door of an empty cell.

With every precaution the soldiers and gendarmes and police, with revolvers in their hands, marched up the stairs to the second floor. The mutineers were waiting for them, and when more doors were forced there was a short but fierce hand to hand struggle.

A volley cowed the mutineers. One of them, a sailor named Magnaud, was found dead in a cell. Behind him the dead body of Drahonnet, the ringleader, hung from a nail in the ceiling.

The victims, dead and wounded, were taken to the civil hospital and all the mutineers were safely locked in cells by midnight. Today everything was calm in the prison.

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Feared the Worst

Oh, mother, cried little Benny, breathless to be the first with the news: Uncle George has ate something that don't agree with him.

Say eaten, child. But what of that? Is he sick?

Do you suppose it was Aunt Lizzie or one of the children that he eaten?

Where did you get such an idea?

I heard you tell father that none of the family agreed with him.

Sweets of Unwelcome Love

It is reported that Mrs. Alexander Ross, of Johannesburg, punished a man for pestering her with unwelcome attentions by pouring the contents of a gallon jar of treacle over him, and then, with the assistance of her husband, rolled him in flour.

Empress Approves Deposition

In Peking, in a recent interview with a Buddhist prelate the empress dowager of China declared that the establishment of the republic in China marked the beginning of a bright epoch for all the people of the country.

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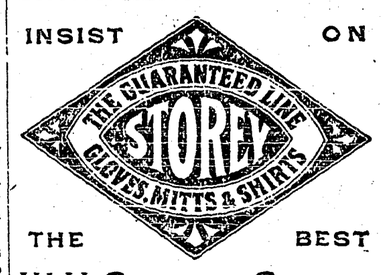

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Economical Wife

Henry dear, the children are needing shoes.

Needing shoes again. Do you think I am made of money. Where are the ones I bought for them just a few days ago? I suppose you have given them to some beggars under the impression that their father's amusement was to buy new ones.

No, my dear, I have not given them away. I have put them through the meat chopper and will serve them tomorrow as hash. Be home early for dinner, dear.

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, &c.

Help for the Dense

That was a fine joke you had in the magazine.

Glad you liked it.

But wasn't there something missing?

What was it?

Don't you throw in a diagram?

The man who is not on good terms with his mother-in-law is not living up to his opportunities.

A stitch in the side is more distressing than a stitch in time.

Give a reckless man rope enough and he will pawn it for a drink.

Every man must put on the boxing gloves with fate, whether he likes a scrap or not.

Good digestion is the main ingredient of a satisfactory dinner but it must have help.

After a few years the storage egg must begin to think that this is a cold world.

THE PEACE MEETINGS

CONFERENCE OF AMBASSADORS HELD IN LONDON

Speech of Russian Premier Promises Support of Russia in Balkan Cause—Believed that the Ottoman Empire is Destined to Disappear From Europe.

London.—The ambassadors of the powers at their meeting confirmed their decision to maintain impenetrable secrecy concerning their discussion, but one of the delegates observed that the secrecy was only apparent as on the present questions the ambassadors would be compelled to consult with the peace delegates in order to ascertain their intentions and the feelings of their countries.

Besides, the same delegate added, it would be useless to maintain secrecy on secondary matters when what is really of capital importance is openly and solemnly proclaimed to the world. He instanced the speech of M. Kokovsoff, the Russian Premier, who spoke before the Duma but, the delegate pointed out, in reality addressed his statement to the whole of Europe in the name of the great Slavonic and Orthodox power.

M. Kokovsoff's speech, notwithstanding the usual declaration of the wish to preserve peace, emphasizes the importance of unanimity of the Balkan people and representing the Emperor, who is the supreme political patron and venerated spiritual head of the Orthodox world, praised the civic and military virtues of the allies, promising them support from the Mother Russia, who so far is glad she has not had to change the calm attitude adopted at the outset.

This, in plain language means that the calm attitude might have been changed in the past and may change in the future if the rights of the Balkan people do not receive due recognition.

However, it is asserted that the Austrian and German ambassadors at the meeting were most cordial, although reserved. When the question of the Dardanelles was raised it is reported that Count Beckendorff expressed the desire of Russia that the straits be declared open only to the Russian fleet and not to the fleets of other countries, as his government wished the Black Sea to remain a kind of internal Russian lake.

Concerning the islands along the Turkish Asiatic coast the opinion prevails that they will remain to Turkey because owing to their proximity to Asia which ever country possessed them would be a constant threat to Asia Minor. The idea is that these islands must belong to the state ruling Asia Minor. Albania is the hardest nut to crack, it being foreseen that whatever solution is adopted will be a future source of trouble notwithstanding the rosy colored speech made in the Italian chamber by Marquis di San Giulano, minister of foreign affairs.

If the Ottoman Empire is destined to disappear from Europe it is out of the question to have the Turks retain any political administrative power in Albania under any form, according to the views expressed here, but it is much feared that even an autonomous and neutralized Albania, owing to racial, economic reasons would be unable to stand without even more direct Asiatic powers than in the case of Crete, which experiment for the powers was enough and they are not desirous of repeating it.

WILL NOT USE PANAMA

Vice-President of C.P.R. Says Railway Will not use Rival Route

Montreal.—There is no necessity for the Canadian Pacific railway to operate its ships through the Panama canal, was the statement of G. M. Bosworth, vice-president of the C.P.R. He declared that the Atlantic and the Pacific steamship lines of the company work in the capacity of assistants to the trans-Canada railway, and if their routes were changed to a direct service through the canal it would seriously affect the railway.

Mr. Bosworth admitted that the attitude of the C.P.R. toward the Panama project is that of a rival and that the route is in a slight measure considered an opposition one. It is stated that Herr Ballin and two other directors of the Hamburg-American line are now in New York en route to Panama and several other ports in the vicinity. In the opinion of this official they are to visit the Canadian west with a view to making arrangements regarding trade between the west and Germany via the Panama canal.

Take Marriage Case Direct to Privy Council

Montreal, Que.—There will be an appeal in the case of Tremblay-Depatie marriage case. Arnold Wainwright has made application before the Court of Review on behalf of Dame Tremblay to appeal direct to the Privy Council from the decision recently rendered by the Court of Review annulling the Tremblay-Depatie marriage because it involved the marriage of fourth cousins contrary to the rules of the Roman Catholic Church. The appeal asked for by Mr. Wainwright is based on the dissenting judgment of Mr. Justice Archibald who holds that because an ecclesiastical court annulls a marriage is no reason why that marriage should be annulled in a civil sense, especially as the church would have recognized the marriage had a dispensation of $5 been paid at the time of the marriage.

Woodrow Wilson May Visit Canada

New York.—President-elect Woodrow Wilson and his family arrived back from Bermuda and were received by a crowd of politicians and friends. There is some talk of Mr. Wilson making a swift tour of Canada before assuming the presidency, in order to gain first hand knowledge of Canada's position on reciprocity in order to use information in formulating tariff proposals. He has admitted that he considers most reports he has so far of Canada's attitude as very partisan and unreliable. If he goes to Canada it must be before he assumes the presidency, as the United States presidents never cross the border.

BRITISH TRIBUTE TO DEAD AMBASSADOR

Sympathetic Reference in House of Commons Made by the Chief Party Leaders

London.—In referring to the death of Whitelaw Reid in the house of commons, Premier Asquith said:

Before proceeding with the order of the day I would ask the leave of the house to give brief expression to the sincere grief felt by the whole British nation at the death of the American ambassador.

The American ambassador to this country has a position of his own which is independent of his status and functions as the diplomatic representative of an external power.

We regard him as a kinsman. He is also an honored and a welcomed guest sprung from our own race, speaking our own language, sharing with us by birth and inheritance not a few of our most cherished traditions and participating when he comes here by what I may describe as his own rights, in our domestic interests and celebrations.

The office has been held and adorned by a long succession of distinguished men, but I am not using the language of exaggeration when I say that none of them more fully entered into the spirit and maintained its special authority than did Whitelaw Reid. He brought to the discharge of its manifold and exacting duties the gathered experience of a veteran in public affairs, the endowment of the highest culture, a social gift of the most genial and generous nature. He was a host in keen sympathy with many sides of our British life, a man always open and receptive and with the warmest of hearts.

We propose to suggest to the United States government that one of His Majesty's battleships or battleship cruisers should convey the body of the late ambassador to his native land.

I am certain I am interpreting the sentiments of the whole house when I venture in the name of the members to offer to the late ambassador's family and to the president and people of the United States our deep and heartfelt sympathy for the loss of one who was a great American, who was none the less at home among us and who in a true and real sense was felt by all of us to be one of ourselves.

Sympathetic hear, hears, from all parts of the house punctuated Premier Asquith's speech.

More Outrages by Suffragettes

London.—After a few days of inactivity the militant suffragettes have renewed their letter box outrages. Outside of attacking a pillar box near the Stock Exchange where 60 letters were damaged by an inky fluid, the outrages were mainly confined to southeast London. A bottle which contained ink was found in a pillar box, labelled "Defiance to His Majesty's Government. Votes for women."

Similar attacks are reported in Edinburgh and Tunbridge Wells.

Three women have been arrested in London on account of the outrage, also another who broke a fire alarm box at Covent Garden, summoning the fire brigade. A more serious outrage, this time by a male suffragette, came before a Wealdstone magistrate, who issued a warrant for the arrest of a man accused of endangering the safety of passengers on the Great Central Railway by setting fire to the compartment of a train in which he was travelling. The accused refused to attend court, and wrote a letter to the magistrate expressing suffragette sympathies.

Mrs. Pethick Lawrence, at a woman's suffrage meeting in London last night, said they must prepare for destruction. They must prepare to smash and be smashed, even if their bodies be made to suffer.

BEGIN GEORGIAN BAY CANAL

Government to Ask Big Vote at Present Session

Ottawa.—That the main estimates to be presented to Parliament as soon as the House resumes after the Christmas recess will contain a substantial appropriation for the commencement of construction work on the Georgian Bay Canal, or what is to be an important link of it, was learned recently.

Last session $100 000 was appropriated for improvements to the French River, which is an essential link in the proposed system. The money, however, was not spent. It is the intention of the Government not only to renew this vote, but to very materially augment it.

Eighty Convicts Pardoned

Little Rock, Ark.—Gov. Donaghey pardoned 36 state and 44 county convicts and in a long statement, said his action was taken as a protest against the system of releasing convicts in vogue in Arkansas. The governor, in his statement, scored magistrates for imposing long sentences for trivial offences and told of what he termed disadvantages of the lease system. As a result of the pardons, three state convicts' camps will be abolished, but several camps where prisoners, working on the roads, are housed, will be continued in operation. Some of the men pardoned were sentenced to terms of fifteen years.

Women Would Make Premier Resign

London.—Persistent rumors are current in parliamentary circles here that Mr Asquith will retire at the end of the present parliamentary session, if the franchise is granted to women.

It is alleged that the prime minister declared that he would never hold office if women were given the vote and a question concerning these reports will be asked in the commons this week.

Terra Nova Goes to Scott's Relief in Antarctic Waters

Christchurch, New Zealand.— The Australia steamer Terra Nova will sail from here to the relief of Captain Robert F. Scott's Antarctic expedition. The Terra Nova will proceed to McMurdo Sound, and it is expected she will arrive at Captain Scott's base at Cape Evans the middle of January.

THE NEW BANK ACT

PROVIDES FOR REFORMS IN CANADIAN BANKING SYSTEM

The New Measure Aims to Ensure Greater Security for Shareholders and Depositors—Extension of Privileges to Assist Farmers and Ranchers in the West.

Ottawa, Ont.—The Bank Act was introduced in the House by Hon. W. T. White and was briefly explained by him—though the explanation was long enough to show that he had given deep study to the whole problem of Canadian finance, and had a thorough grasp of the banking situation.

Hon. Mr. White, in a conservative and cautious manner, is providing for broad reforms in the Canadian banking system, which will place it on an even more stable basis than ever, while providing greater security than in the past for shareholders and depositors.

The most interesting feature of the bill, from a western standpoint, is the provision for loans to farmers on threshed grain and to ranchers on stock. The present clauses are an extension of the privileges now granted to wholesalers only.

The bill, which was introduced, extends the charters of the banks to July 1, 1923. It will go to the banking and commerce committee, after its second reading in the House, and it is not unlikely that there will be various minor amendments in that stage, as the minister of finance stated that he would welcome suggestions that would make the bill more effective.

An important point is the provision for a compulsory external audit. The shareholders of a bank, at the annual meeting, must name an auditor. In the event of the minister not being satisfied with any statement or return submitted by the bank, it would be within his power to have such statements verified by this auditor.

The minister counted much on the moral value of this external audit and stated his opinion that if there had been such an external audit in force before, the Farmers' bank would not have been able to get in the state to which it came.

Hon. Mr. White has made provision for every possible safeguard to subscribers during the incorporation period of the bank. Provision is also made for penalties to directors and officials for false and deceptive statements.

Hon. Mr. White said, under the existing law, it was practically necessary to prove intent, and that there was no criminal liability for negligence on the part of directors or auditors. He had introduced a provision whereby, in addition to existing penalties for wilful misrepresentation, directors and officers were liable to indictment and punishment for negligence in the preparation of false and deceptive statements.

NOT A FORT ALONG MILES OF BOUNDARY LINE

Earl Grey Refers to Century of Peace Between States and Canada

London.—Earl Grey, ex-Governor-General of Canada, was the principal speaker at the Mansion House at a meeting to arrange the celebration of a century of peace between English-speaking peoples. Earl Grey was heartily applauded in his remark that although the boundaries of Canada and America were side by side for four thousand miles, not a sentinel, fort or gun was placed along them. He recalled the visit to Ottawa of Elihu Root and the impression created by his emphatic declaration that peace between the two countries would remain unbroken.

The sum mentioned as indispensable for an adequate celebration was $250,000.

Aid Railwaymen on Election Day

Ottawa.—A bill in the new year legislation will be introduced by the government providing for a franchise for employees of railways, who may happen to be out of the city on election day. The amendment of the election act will thus make it possible for railwaymen to mark their ballots at terminal points if necessary a day ahead under proper regulations.

Marriage Leads to Eviction

London.—At the meeting of Lexden (Essex) rural council yesterday the Rev. R. W. Chilton, rector of Wormingford, in urging the building of cottages, said the rule in his parish was: If you are married out you go!

THE MARKET REPORT

Weekly Grain Letter Supplied by Thompson, Sons & Co., Grain Merchants, Winnipeg.

Winnipeg, Dec. 17.—Another week has gone by without any special development in the world's wheat situation. On the whole there is a firmer tone, which in the United States markets and in Winnipeg, has resulted in steadiness, and a gradual advance amounting to 1c. per bus. on the week. Yesterday the United States Department of Agriculture issued its final after harvest estimates of the production of the various farm crops in the United States, for the crop year 1912-1913. The total estimated yield of the winter wheat is put at 399,919,000 bus. and the spring wheat 330,348,000 bus., together 732,267,000 bus. being the second largest crop on record. The record crop was that of 1906 and the quantity 735,260,000 bus. The final estimate of last year's wheat crop in the United States was 621,338,000 bus., so that this year's estimated yield is approximately only 5,000,000 bus. less than the big yields of the year of 1906, but it is approximately 111,000,000 bus. larger than the crop of 1911. This crop report had no perceptible influence on the markets, its effect having been apparently discounted beforehand. The reports as to the progress of the Argentine crop are of daily interest to the trade at present but during the week they have not been of special import. It is evident, however, that as the season advances there is a tendency to lower the previously estimated yield of the Argentine crop. Two months ago the estimated surplus of wheat for export from the Argentine was put as high as 150,000,000 bus., but gradually it has come down to 112,000,000 to 120,000,000 bus. Harvesting has made seasonable progress in the north and it is said that both yield and quality are very satisfactory. The weather however is intermittently unsettled, and there is danger that rains and storms may be doing damage in some districts. Weather of this kind prevailed in the Argentine in December and January last winter, and caused some damage to quality and great delay in harvesting and threshing and the export movement did not begin to assume new crop proportions until the third week in February, being a full month past the usual time. How it may be this year will still depend upon the kind of weather that visits the Argentine in the next few weeks. After all the Argentine is exporting a round 100,000,000 bus. of wheat for the year 1912, and it seems probable she will have several million bushels more than that to export during 1913. The largest quantity exported from the Argentine was in the year 1908 when it amounted to a little over 139,000,000 bus. Latest current statistics tend to support bullish views on the wheat markets, for last week the United States visible supply increased only 121,000 bus., compared with an increase a year ago of 1,350,000 bus., and the aggregate U.S. visible today is 31,398,000 bus. against 71,738,000 bus. a year ago and this notwithstanding the very liberal movement there has been from farmers' hands in the U.S. during the last few months. For from the 1st of July to the 14th of December, the receipts of wheat at the primary markets in the U.S. have amounted to 221,816,280 bus. against 135,902,435 bus. for the same period in 1911. Of course the export movement has been large, and the milling demand also large. The world's shipments during last week totalled 11,168,000 bus. against 9,120,000 bus. same week last year, but the quantity on ocean passage showed a decrease of 3,332,000 bus. on the week and now amounts to 31,254,000 bus. Last year for same week there was a decrease of 2,336,000 bus. and the total was 29,006,000 bus. Notwithstanding war conditions both Russia and the Danube each exported last week over 1,500,000 bus. but the heaviest part was from the U.S. and Canada 6,248,000 bus. Last week the European visible supply in which is included the quantity on ocean passage decreased 4,008,000 bus. compared with a decrease of 2,700,000 bus. a year ago. The total European visible now stands at 81,804,000 bus. against 85,600,000 bus. a year ago. The World's visible supply according to Bradstreets decreased last week 2,795,000 bus. compared with an increased of 1,302,000 bus. last year, and the total is now 195,010,000 bus. compared with 203,907,000 bus. a year ago. From July 1st to Dec. 14th world's shipments of wheat from exporting to importing countries totalled 300,320,000 bus. against 247,030,000 bus. in the same period in 1911, approximately 53,000,000 bus. more this year than last. As stated above the movement in the U.S. in the same time has been very large compared with a year ago, the primary receipts exceeding by 86,000,000 bus. the quantity last year. In analysing these figures, large crops, large movements and exports and yet smaller visible stocks than a year ago we are liable to be asked: Where has all the wheat gone? The only answer we can give is that a large portion of it must have disappeared into the invisible supplies in the hands of merchants and millers and flour in dealers' and bakers' hands. It seems reasonable that at a time when prices had declined considerably from the higher level they had been on for some years, and when the stimulus of a European war, where actual fighting had begun, was influencing the thoughts and anticipations of business people all over the world, the individual extra purchases to increase supplies on hand in order to have some advantage in view of possible eventualities, have drawn, in the aggregate, a considerable quantity of breadstuffs into the invisible supply and that should ordinary conditions continue in political and business affairs from this time, demand will slacken and prices may not advance much, except through unfavorable conditions developing for the prospect of growing crops. The present prospect for growing crops in America, Europe and India are favorable as a whole with moderate exceptions in Central Europe owing to the war conditions and also through too much wet weather in Roumania having curtailed the wheat acreage by preventing seeding.

In our local market trade is quiet. Lake navigation closed last week and stocks of wheat at Fort William and Port Arthur have been reduced to moderate proportions. On the 13th inst. the total stock of wheat including all grades remaining in terminal elevators after a close of navigation was 3,587,926 bus. compared with 6,886,033 bus. same date last year. A large number of vessels are at Fort William and Port Arthur, where they will lie all winter, and in which grain will be stored ready to move down the lakes as soon as navigation opens in April. These will increase the available storage capacity at the lake terminals to so large an extent, that we expect there will be little if any necessity of shipping western grain to Duluth during winter for the sake of getting storage for it. The movement from the country is beginning to increase again. Today's cash prices are 1 Nor., 79¼c; 2 Nor., 76¾c; 3 Nor., 73c; No. 4 wheat, 67¼c; No. 5, 59c; No. 6, 52¼c; Feed, 48c; No. 1 Alberta Red Winter, 79¾c; 2 A. R., 77c; 3 A.R., 73¼c. Futures closed Dec. 80c; May, 84½c; July, 85¾c.

Oats—

There is a good demand for oats yet in face of large supplies. Today's prices are: 2 Can. West., 32¼c; 3 C. W., 29c; Ex. 1 Feed, 30c; 1 Feed 29c; 2 Feed, 27c. Futures closed Dec 32¼-⅝c; May, 35-¼c.

Barley—

The demand for barley is fair with prices about unchanged. To-day's prices are No. 2 46c; No. 4, 41c; Rejected, 39c; Feed, 38c.

Flax—

The trade in flax is steady at No. 1 Nor. West Canadian 105c; 2 Can. Western, 103c; 3 Can. Western, 86c; Futures closed, Dec. 105¾c; Jan. 105¾c; May, 111¾c.

All prices quoted above are for delivery in elevator Fort William and Port Arthur.

"Under the Mistletoe!"

Kaiser's Fighters Prepare for War

London.—A Berlin despatch to the Express says:

The Minister of War sent a secret telegraph circular to all army commanders last Friday asking whether their troops were ready to mobilize at a few hours' notice. The replies without exception were in the affirmative. The German Government has despatched a special warning through the Minister of Finance to all German battleships, advising them to receive all supplies and pay in notes or silver as far as possible. All government employees have hitherto been paid that way, and there are heavy gold deposits in the banks which are available in the event of war.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

LESSON XIII.—FOURTH QUARTER FOR DEC. 29, 1912

Text of the Lesson a Comprehensive Quarterly Review— Golden Text, John vii, 17—Commentary Prepared by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

Lesson I.—Jesus walking on the sea. Mark vi, 45-56. Golden Text, Matt. xiv, 27: Straightway Jesus spake unto them, saying: Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid. He often sends or leads His own into trouble that He may reveal Himself more fully to them. He is always in prayer for us and always sees our toil and is never unmindful of us. If we had ears to hear we might often hear Him say the words of the Golden Text.

Lesson II.—Clean and unclean. Mark vii, 1-3. Golden Text, Rom. xiv, 17: For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink but righteousness, and peace and joy in the Holy Ghost. It is not the outward that counts before God if the heart is not right. There must be that which men can see, but it must proceed from a new heart and a clean heart, a new birth from God by the Spirit and the word, Christ our righteousness in the heart.

Lesson III.—Mission to the gentiles. Mark vii, 24-30; Matt. viii, 5-13. Golden Text, John vi, 37: Him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out. The stories of the Roman centurion and the Syrophoenician woman take us outside of Israel and carry us back to the queen of Sheba and all kings who came to Solomon because of the Lord to hear His wisdom and to bring Him gifts, for the Lord was heard and worshipped through Solomon.

Lesson IV.—Wanderings in Decapolis, Mark vii, 31 to viii, 10. Golden Text, Mark vii, 37: He hath done all things well. He maketh both the deaf to hear and the dumb to speak. Whenever mouth and ears are yielded to Him He can give power to speak and hear. He said to a prophet at one time: When I speak with thee I will open thy mouth (Ezek. iii, 27). As to the hungry, them He filleth with good things (Luke i, 53; vi, 21).

Lesson V.—The sign and the leaven, Mark viii, 11-26. Golden Text, John viii, 12 (R.V.). Jesus spake unto them saying, I am the light of the world. Bread for the body seemed more real to them than food for the soul. They were unbelieving and therefore more or less blind. Their eyes and ears did not profit them as they should. False doctrine abounded then, as now, and we must take heed what we hear and how.

Lesson VI.—World's temperance Sunday. Hos., vii. Golden Text, Isa. v, 11 (R.V.): Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning that they may follow strong drink, that tarry late into the night till wine inflame them! Hosea was contemporary with Isaiah (Hos. i, 1; Isa. i, 1), and both were faithful messengers of the Lord against the sin of drunkenness without wine (Isa. xxix, 9).

Lesson VII.—The great question. Mark viii, 27 to ix, 1. Golden Text, Matt. xvi, 16: Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. Simon Peter, speaking at one time from God and at another from the devil (verse 33 and Matt. xvi, 17), should make us consider who it is that is using us. While eternal life is the free gift of God, the cost of discipleship is the whole hearted renunciation of self.

Lesson VIII.—The transfiguration Mark ix, 1-13. Golden Text, Luke ix, 35 (R.V.): A voice came out of the cloud, saying: This is My Son, My chosen; hear ye Him. This scene set forth the kingdom in miniature. The Son of Man glorified; the risen and translated saints represented by Moses and Elijah; a righteous Israel represented by Peter, James and John, and at the foot of the mount the devil about to be cast out.

Lesson IX.—The lunatic boy. Mark ix, 14-29. Golden Text, Mark ix, 23 (R.V.): And Jesus said unto him: If thou canst! All things are possible to him that believeth. The whole church is as powerless to bind the devil and cast him out of the earth as were these disciples to deal with that demon possessed boy. But when Jesus shall come in His glory He will cast him into the pit for 1,000 years.

Lesson X.—The child in the midst, Matt. xviii, 1-14. Golden Text, Matt. xviii, 10: In heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven. To enter the kingdom which is yet to be set up and fill the whole earth one must come as empty and helpless as a babe and trusting fully Him who calls us. Then we can never perish and may ever have the guardianship of the angels who behold the face of God.

Lesson XI.—Forgiveness. Matt. xviii, 15-35. Golden Text, Eph. iv, 32, (R.V.): Be ye kind one to another, tender hearted, forgiving each other, even as God also in Christ forgave you. Having become children of God and having in Him eternal redemption, the forgiveness of sins by His precious blood, it is our privilege to enjoy continually the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit.

Lesson XII.—Christmas lesson, Isa. ix 1-7. Golden Text: Isa. ix, 6. Unto us a child is born; unto us a son is given. Encourage all to believe all that is said of Him, and that as truly as He was born of a virgin in Bethlehem so truly shall He sit on David's throne and rule Israel and all nations and establish on earth a kingdom of peace and righteousness.

Laying up for War of World Powers

Berne, Switzerland.— The Swiss government in view of the possibility of war, is augmenting the amount of [illegible] at the command. A consignment of $5,000,000 in gold and silver arrived recently by special train from Paris and was lodged in the Swiss National Bank. The government continues to order quantities of grain from America.

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Levi Bent,
Applicant.

Dated October 1, 1912.

Rancher makes Appeal For Government Loans

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should form itself into a local organization with defined boundaries for operation; and the duly elected and qualified officers or board of directors of such organization should receive and pass upon all applications for loans coming from farms within the boundaries of its operation, before approved of by the government or its agents handling the fund?

4. What objection, if any, would there be to pass legislative acts making the qualified officers of such local organization, the legal representatives of the community in contracting loans for the erection and equiping of storehouses and plants required by the community in marketing, storing or manufacturing the products of the farms and orchards, and such storehouses and plants to become the perpetual community property for agri-

5. What objections, if any, would there be to legislative act to authorize the officers of such local organization

a. To collect the annual rents on the cost of such buildings and plants, as an income tax.

b. To collect the annual amount for the sinking fund for such buildings and plants as a tax at a flat rate per acre on all agricultural land, not held by the Crown and coming within the authorized boundaries of the organization.

c. The upkeep and running expences of such buildings, plants and organization including labor, staff and management, to be met and provided for by the members of the organization only subject to its bylaws.

6. What objection would there be to each province passing a special act authorizing the chartered banks within its boundaries to add to its regular business an agricultural branch for handling the loans—of the funds accrued from the sale of the Dominion Agricultural Bonds—as agents between the farmers and their chartered organizations, and their respective provincial governments?

7. Could the established banks not handle this fund more economically and less politically than special chartered government agents or banking institutions for this purpose?

8. Would not Dominion Agricultural Bonds, guaranteed by the respective provincial governments, and anchored to the sail of our Dominion by mortgages, have a superior value compared with even the regular Government bonds, as neither war or invasion can destroy it?

Farmers and fruit growers of our Dominion, you are all vitally interested in solving these questions! Bring them up for discussion in your locality, improve, or substitute with your own ideas on any or all the questions that we may finally come to united action, and as soon as we are ready let us ask for bids from both political parties if neither have made satisfactory offers before.

Delay is disasterous, if we take note of the doings of our brothers across the line. The proposed amendment to our Banking act by our Dominion government as reported by the press is highly inadequate for the release of the farmer.

Local newspapers and periodicals in our provinces, having the welfare of the farming industry at heart are respectfully requested to copy this.

O. J. Wigen

We are requested to note that we have wrongly named W. O. Taylor, chief tie inspector of the Canadian Pacific as has appeared in several items recently. P. Bain is the Chief tie inspector.

We are told that the bounty has been removed from the large Horned Owl. This owl has been found not to kill birds and fowls as was thought but it rather lives upon field mice and small destructive animals and is therefore an asset to the community.

W. Rodgers of the Canadian Bank of Commerce is spending a leave of absence from the bank, at Cranbrook.

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