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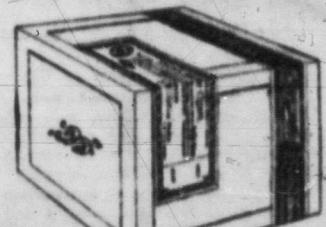
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"Ma'am," said the unshaven boy, "you see before you a poor man who is slowly starvin' ter death."

"Serves you right," answered the heartless female. "You're not fit to die like decent folks."

Current Comment

Mr. Peter B. Whytock, who was last year a candidate for alderman in Ward 3, found it considerable of a handicap to be in opposition to union labor through his trouble with the butchers over the early closing question. This year we are pleased to note that he is now on the list of card-bearer shops.

The Literary Society of Zion Congregational Church, College street, propose spending "An Evening with Trades Unions" on Thursday, December 12. James Simpson, Fred Bancroft, John Tweed, J. H. Rocks and others are expected to be among the speakers. The short notices will be followed by questions and answers. Trades unionists living in that locality are invited to be present.

General President Tatum, of the International Brotherhood of Bookbinders, has resigned from office, taking effect on December 1, at the next meeting of the general executive board of the organization, held at Washington. Robert Gluckling, of Toronto, was elected general president, to take Mr. Tatum's place. Those who are acquainted with "Bob" know he is qualified to fill any position where good judgment and discretion are needed. Mr. Gluckling is in Chicago at present, being installed into office. The election will not mean that Mr. Gluckling will leave the Ontario labor bureau.

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911 was elected as vice-president of the congress.

The delegate who wrote the above was a "white delegate," it being his first appearance at a congress. Old Timer Bourne does not take it to heart so badly, and writes thus: "I must say I never attended a more interesting, instructive and educational, a better congress—at least the latter part of it. There was, of course, some time wasted in the early part of the sessions. This was due, doubtless, to the inexperienced handling of the business. But the last session was busy ones, and the delegates in general were in earnest. The American Federation of Labor was generally commended for its generous treatment of the Canadian congress, and the delegate was royally received." Sam Landers.

The funeral greeting of John A. Plett, the delegate from the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada to the A. F. of L., was full of interest and instruction. From Maine to California, Mr. Plett did well to deal with the territorial areas of Canada, giving the delegates some idea what kind of country Canada is. It is surprising the ignorance exhibited by some of the questions put from time to time by residents of the United States about Canada. The writer has been asked on one occasion, "Is Canada a big city?" Again, "Does the King appoint the aldermen?" and "Does everybody speak French?" General Delegate Plett said, re Canada: "My work remains to be done in order to cover this vast extent of territory, for while we are spread over a land area by about one hundred and thirty thousand square miles, we have only, to your 71 persons to the square mile in the United States, 1.5 persons to the square mile in the Dominion of Canada. You will be able to see from this statement to form an idea of the vast territory we have to cover to reach our organizations. The territory of this country, with its fifty-one sub-divisions of states and territories, aggregating in the neighborhood of eighty millions, compared with our sixteen divisions of provinces and territories numbering about six millions, will give you an idea of our task to reach our people, to carry to them the gospel of trade unionism. The further division of the Province of Ontario, the greater populated of our seven divisions, has an area of about 200,000 square miles, having an extreme length of 750 miles from north to south and a breadth of 1,500 miles, being approximately larger than our nine north Atlantic states by one-third. It is larger than Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio combined; larger than Great Britain and Ireland by 78,000 square miles; it is only 4,000 square miles less than the French Republic, and only 8,000 less than the German Empire. This will give you an idea of the extent of the territory we have to cover to reach our people."

The defeat of A. W. Putte in Wincup will ring down the curtain on the other candidate who allies himself with either of the old parties. Mr. Putte was too much of a Liberal to be Liberal, and too much Labor to be Liberal. He attempted the impossible task of running with the hares and hunting with the hounds. Ralph Smith must be credited with more foresight. He used the labor element as a stepping stone towards his entry into the Liberal party. He got off the Labor perch at the right time. A few years ago, the president of the Dominion Trades and Labor Council, in his opening address, Mr. Smith said: "I have lost faith in the moral and the honor of the members of the Government." Today he finds him elected as a supporter of that Government in which he had so little faith. Ralph is the stuff of which cabinet ministers are manufactured in Canada. Fernie, B.C.—Lodge.

The Garment Workers' Bulletin prints some workmen's fashion notes, some of which are:

If you're wearing coat on a fence, it is fashionable just now to keep your coat on the fence.

Don't wear a dress suit if you are working in a sewer.

Gloves are not to be worn unless you are handling live wires.

It is not necessary to say "Excuse me!" if you fall from a ladder and land on top of the foreman. The foreman will do all the talking that is necessary.

Patent leather shoes are not being worn on scaffolding.

It is the proper thing to use a nail if you burst a button.

Silk hats are not worn in the building trades, as they may be injured by falling bricks.

Bridge-builders are wearing light shirts, so that they can swim before whenever they fall off.

Strong leather belts with steel hooks at the ends are popular among window washers.

Oil-handlers are recommending large bars of soap for the complexion, "sheenies" aprons are longer this year than before.

Steves may be rolled up during working hours.

Half worn shoes may be made quite elegant by the use of iron heel taps.

Four-in-hand ties are not worn in factories this season, as they may be tangled up in the machinery.

It is not good form to put on your coat before closing time, unless the foreman has gone home.

It is unusual at times to read a report of a meeting from different writers as they feel—so. Below are given two views of the Montreal session of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada in the current issue of the Typographical Journal, the one on page 450, the other on page 458, the former by Delegate Chinn of Toronto, and the latter by Delegate Bourneault, of Ottawa. Mr. Chinn says: "The one regrettable feature of the session was the over-optimism of international organizers and business agents. The Canadians will remain loyal to international unionism, as they believe it the foundation of labor's greatness; but they wish it free from the shackles of a compulsory nation. The executive council of the International Typographical Union is to be commended for its action in abstaining from being represented at the congress, and it would be well for other international organizations to take similar action. Mr. Gompers would do well to inform his future fraternal delegates that Canadian organized labor knows no politics, and also that the average delegate to the congress is of so much consequence as an organized or business agent. Well would it be for the congress if all paid organizers were barred from attending the sessions of that body, for they are solely responsible for the feeling among the members of a Canadian federation of labor. Notwithstanding the almost united opposition of these paid labor agents, Secretary Draper was re-elected, and James Simpson (a member of No.

DEPRIVES MEN OF WORK

EFFECT OF INTRODUCTION OF CONCRETE IN BUILDING

Provincial Conference of the International Bricklayers' Union—Large Increase in Membership—Delegates Guests of Local Members.

Several important questions are being considered at the provincial conference of the International Bricklayers' Union which opened in the Labor Temple on Tuesday morning. The delegates were welcomed by Thomas Izzard on behalf of the local union, and short addresses were delivered by Messrs. J. A. Carey, Thomas Batten, J. B. Dickson, L. Thomas and Albert Chamberlain.

Thomas Izzard, the president, in his annual report, recommended that the provincial conference appeal to the international organization for the right to send delegates to the annual convention of the latter. At present Mr. Izzard, who is also a general officer, is the only delegate who represents Canada at the annual convention. Mr. Izzard referred to the substitution of concrete for stone and brick for foundations, and recommended that the conference pass a resolution disapproving of the innovation, because it deprives the stonemasons of a large amount of work.

The secretary's report was presented by H. Rynd, of London. It showed that four new locals had been formed in different parts of the province, making a total of twenty-eight locals, with a membership of 2,300. About 800 new members were enrolled during the year, 300 of whom were initiated in the various districts. Some 250 of these were from Ireland and Scotland and an additional 150 members from Scotland went on to Winnipeg. The local union has a membership of 750.

Twenty-eight delegates attended the meeting of the local union in Birch Hill Hall. Wednesday afternoon the local members, and attended the theater in the evening. The convention closed on Thursday.

The delegates present were: Hamilton, C. Howard; and James Anderson, Toronto; T. Izzard and John Vick; Guelph; G. Johnston; St. Catharines, C. G. Patay; London, H. Rynd and S. Foxworth; Windsor, C. L. Chiasson; St. Thomas, A. Chamberlain and C. E. Heard; Brantford, Thomas Harper; Berlin, Nick Armstrong; Ottawa, A. McFinlay and T. Smith; Galt, W. McGregor and C. Oliver; Guelph, Edward Chamberlain; Midland, V. Cook; Woodstock, E. A. Johnston; Stratford, W. McIntosh; Toronto, J. E. Jones and J. Cross.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.

Those present at the regular meeting of the committee were: Messrs. Gurnett and Hill; Woodrow, Tweed, J. H. Kennedy and Weeks; Harman absent.

Your committee recommends that the Toronto District Labor Council memorialize the executive of the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress, requesting them to prepare a bill abolishing the \$200 deposit in Dominion elections. It is a well-known fact that almost all that the sole object of that law is to prevent, as far as possible, any united effort or action on the part of any affected portion of our people to remedy grievances or abuses which may or do exist from taking independent political action.

We have every reason to suppose that in the last Dominion election, had it not been for the law making it obligatory upon the part of individuals or parties seeking the suffrages of the people, at least one or more parties other than the Conservative or Reform party would have opposed the old line Tory and Grit parties, parties immorally opposed to necessity and essential reform and progress.

In regard to the bill submitted by the Stationary Engineers to the Legislature, known as an act to regulate stationary engineers, we believe that it should lay over until such time as the Legislature convenes.

The necessity of legislation by the Government in regard to this bill (known as No. 114) is made very apparent when we consider the loss of life among the last few days owing to, as we believe, the incompetency of those in charge. Two of these accidents will for the purpose at present.

At the Bonnycastle Mill a competent engineer refused to run the engine and do other work around the plant, recognizing that he could not safeguard the interests of his employers and society if trying to do at least two men's work.

The engineer was discharged, a boy was placed in charge of the engine, the latter exploded and several lives were lost. This was entirely due to the gross of the management in discharging from their employ an efficient workman who knew he could not properly perform work other than the care and running of the engine. At Elias Rogers' coal yard at Port Credit, Mississauga, there were seven men killed in an explosion. Had an inspection been held there is no doubt that the cause responsible for the loss of life there was because an efficient engineer was not employed, which is another reason why this bill was now passed.

In regard to the investigation asked of this Council by Delegate Wilson of the Woodworkers' Local, we deplore the abuse and mismanagement at the Mimico Asylum, according to the evidence offered by Mr. Arthur, we deem it necessary to write to the proper authority at our Provincial Government, asking that an investigation be made in order to determine if the facts are as stated by Mr. Arthur, measures be taken to dislodge those proved responsible for the various outrages and abuses at that asylum, if proven by statements in our opinion. As the statement by Mr. Arthur is more or less illegible and difficult to read, we ask power to have said statement typewritten for future use.

John Gardner, Chairman.

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EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE.

The Educational Committee presented the following report at the regular meeting of the District Council on Thursday, Dec. 1st:

Your committee recommends that the board of directors of the Labor Temple be asked to set aside a room in the Temple for the use of organized labor as a reading room and for general purposes.

It has been brought to the notice of your committee that one of the teachers in the Technical School is supplying the pupils with text books. Your committee feels that there is a principle at stake in this matter, and that all supplies should be handled only by the Board of Education.

We would therefore recommend that a protest be sent from this Council, also a request that supplies be supplied only under the jurisdiction of the Board of Education.

We would also recommend that this Council request the Board of Education to make all changes in text books, and that such changes be made only by their orders, as we understand that such changes have been effected in the Technical School in the past to the great detriment of the individual teacher.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

May Darwin, Secretary.

W. J. Fogarty, Recording Secretary.

John Armstrong, 65 College St.

Chas. Hurst, President.

She—Mrs. Sparrow has done nothing lately but run down her neighbors. He—I bid my wife she ends a gossip.

She—Who said anything about gossip?

He—She is learning to drive her motor car.

Can you guess a bit, ma'am? I say the ragged lot. I'm hungry enough to eat a horse.

I regret to say, replied the land lady, "that we are just out of horses, but I'll call the dog."

Baldwin—The latest discovery is that bees good for mosquito bites. If it is to be used.

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Baldwin—Externally.

Rambo—Shucks!

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