TELEPHONE CALLS

Wielding the Axe.

The plea of our local Grit contemporary that license commissioners and inspectors are officials entitled to exemption from the wielding of the axe, as though they were occupied it clerical or routine work, is unworthy of a moment's consideration.-Free

The Advertiser has not censured the Government for appointing Conservatives as license commissioners. This is what was said in these columns the other day

"The supersession of Liberal license commissioners by Conservatives was to have been expected; but the salaried position of license inspector should not be treated in the same manner as an honorary office."

The new Provincial Secretary in seeking to excuse the dismissal of license inspectors said: "The license inspectors are appointed from year to year and we have a right to appoint whom we choose." The Provincial Secretary misunderstood the license law. License inspectors, unlike commissioners, are not engaged by the year, but hold office during the pleasure of the Government and are removable only for cause, as are any other class of civil servants. There is no argument for the dimissal of a license inspector that does not apply to anyone in the employ of the Province. The Whitney Government is making an unjustifiable and unblushing application of the spoils system. The Toronto Telegram, a Conservative paper, raises a protest as follows:

"If every Liberal license inspector in the Province is to be dismissed and a Conservative appointed in his room and stead, the whole administration of the license law is brought into politics worse than it was be-

"Every Conservative license spector will understand that he is only in office so long as his friends "His official life will be at stake in

every election. The motive of selfpreservation will impel all the license inspectors to work for the Whitney Government harder than they worked for the Ross Government.

"If license inspectors and officials could keep a Government in power been defeated. It is not worth while for the Whitney Government to try to please the spoilsmen of its party by conducting a general slaughter of license inspectors. The public opinion that put the Whitney Government in office can keep it there. Hon, J. P. Whitney is strong enough to be just to license inspectors and every other class of public servants on the pay rolls of the Province. The merits that appeal to the power of public opinion are worth more to a Government than the base impulses of hungry partisans who trouble their victors belong the spoils."

The Laurier Government, in 1896, dismissed no civil servants without a full inquiry and valid reasons. The Whitney Government has dismissed a score of license inspectors against whom no charge has been preferred, let alone investigated. Before the election Mr. Whitney adopted a very lofty tone with regard to this question, promising to keep the administration of the liquor laws untainted by politics. Yet he has chosen this department for the introduction of the most barefaced partisanship

A Hero of Labrador.

The life of Dr. Wilfred T. Grenfell is an epic which stimulates and confirms for thirteen years renounced comfort, emolument, society, everything that the average person holds dear, to devote himself to the sequestered fisher folk on the bleak coast of Labrador, and an next five years, through immigration unfrequented stretch of Northern Newfoundland. The Canadian author, Nor- a half. The whole increase, natural man Duncan, says of this unsung

"For thirteen years he has given the folk of some two thousand miles of desperately evil coast practically the only medical attendance they have had; and for that same period he has given them certainly the only hope — the whole people has ever known. In summer, his professional round is made in a little steamer, of the northern peninsula of Newfoundland, of the west shore of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, and of the coast of Labrador, even past Cape Chidley into Hudson Strait; in winkomatik, often making more than two thousand miles in a winter season-a call of 150 miles, in the worst through a bleak wilderness, is a commonplace experience.

"Dr. Grenfell is a robust, jolly, felloves the adventurous side of his career; he makes light of the deprivation and hardship and danger of it; he is not by any means of the sentimental, weak-kneed missionary type, He is indefatigable, devoted, kind; and he is in the best and most efficient way heroic. He does not know is heroic; he hasn't time to his work frequently leads him,

Within thirteen years he has esmay be helped to help themselves. He yond belief, but it is being done by a standing with ecclesiastics. thoroughly capable man, actuated by the finest motives of which the human heart is capable.

In the April number of McClure's Dr. Grenfell furnishes "Some Leaves from the Log of the Lend-a-Hand," the were killed and wounded on both sides "Lend-a-Hand" being his komatik, or realizing what those awful figures dog-sleigh, which has carried him many mean. Here are a few aids to the imaga mile by night and day in the wilds ination. Two hundred thousand cas of Labrador. It is a narrative full of |ualties equal: pathetic interest. On one occasion he was called to attend a dying priest 60 miles from the hospital. He was waylaid on the journey by an anxious Eighty Johnstown floods,

movement as I entered with an assistant, whom I brought that I might leave him in charge of the case when I went on next morning. To clear the floor, get a piece of board, clear the ice off it, plane it and fit it for a box-splint, took us over two hours. It was an hour after midnight, when, at length, we got it ready. Little Johnnie on his bench kept dropping off to sleep all the while, only to wake in a few minutes with a start and cry of pain. For on dozing off a tor? I try to talk him to sleep every

sudden cramp would seize the broken night, and it doesn't do a bit of good." leg, and move it, causing a rack of pain. The father did his best to hold the little fellow still in his strong arms, and soothe his sudden fears each time he started out of sleep. But while we were stitching at th padding I was longing for the deft fingers of the nurses, whom so often in the night watches we have see patiently but swiftly doing just this very work, preferring it to reading the latest novel. Chloroform-that gift of God-made the rest of the work painless, and the tired child passed right on into a natural sleep.

Continuing his journey at daybreak Dr. Grenfell had to turn aside again to attend a sick orphan, whose father had been accidentally shot dead a few days before. In a tiny log hut in the heart of the woods, he found two half-naked He may have a few shortcomings-hu bands generally do—
And he may sometimes sit beaten when he should have triumphed, too;
bor, and under a heap of rags, the bands generally do—
he should have triumphed, too;
But he'll rise with newer courage and new strength is only you patient, a little boy.

"Poor little chap! As he moved th rags and exposed his stark naked body a lump rose involuntarily one's throat. Poor child! He was too far gone to be moved. And here were we, a company of rough men, racing to the dying priest in the south, with absolutely no help to offer. If I could have given a lethal draught it would have saved weeks of inevitable suffering. Thank God, we were able to leave a few palliatives before we passed out again of into the night."

The priest was sinking when Dr Grenfell reached his bedside. "But there was a grateful gleam in his eyes as he took my hand, and I knew I was receiving the good man's blessing. Our presence there for four days was a great comfort to him in that lonely is receiving the good man's blessing. Our pale ones whose burdens kill, or to lift the weary toilers who are stumbling up the hill, great comfort to him in that lonely land. Death seems to leave a larger world sadder if you will—

Don't nag! gap in his wake when he visits us down here, and humanity seems to cling closer together than in the crowded centers of civilization."

These are every-day happenings in Dr. Grenfell's life. The greatest heroes are not those who battle against their Hon, G. W. Ross would never have fellow-men, but for them. Dr. Grenfell mission only because he is in need of funds to carry on his work.

> Mr. Whitney has allowed spoilsmen to spoil his good resolutions.

Hon. G. E. Foster insists that he was right in 1896 on the school questiion, but that he will not do it again.

Colonel Matheson's budget speech leaders with the doctrine that 'to the will be the first case on record where a finance minister will endeavor to

> The Mormons have bought 67,000 acres in Alberta. The planting of another solid colony of these peculiar people in the Northwest is not wholly a matter for congratulation.

> A correspondent of the Pittsburg Dispatch says that Canada is bound to be a great iron and steel producing country, and that Ontario will be the seat of the industry because she has the ore.

It is officially announced that the Intercolonial will have running powers over the Canada Atlantic to Georgian Bay. The Intercolonial is not going to faith in human nature. A young Eng- be put out of business by the Grand lishman, a graduate of Oxford, he has Trunk Pacific, as many argued. There is room for all.

> alone, one million or one million and and acquired, between 1891 and 1901 was only 536,427.

Prof. Adam Shortt scores off Chamterlain when he says the only bond uniting the Canadian and British man. ufacturer is the common desire to sell sympathetic encouragement-the only their wares with a view to making money. Suppose the framing of an imperial preferential tariff were left to with which he reaches every harbor Canadian and British woolen manufacturers!

The Hamilton Spectator says that some of the license inspectors should be gets about by dog-team and dismissed because they are rabid friends of the liquor trade, and would if retained in office "do everything posof winter weather, the way lying sible to prevent Mr. Whitney from carrying out the reforms he has promised" Mr. Whitney is taking steps low, thoroughly interested in life. He himself to prevent any reforms by making the license inspectors political

agents.

The story that Mgr. Sbaretti, the papal delegate, told the Manitoba Government that the boundaries of the Province would not be extended unless pause and reflect upon the dramatic separate schools were restored, sounds quality of the situations into which like a fake of the craziest kind. It is not vouched for by any responsible tablished three hospitals on those person. Mgr. Sbaretti would be a fool barren coasts, and has initiated var- if he said any such thing, and the enterprises by which the people delegates of the Vatican are usually is not only a physician; he is more a past masters in diplomacy. The inti-physician than a preacher, to be mation of Sir Wilfrid Laurier that sure, but he is as much an industrial Keewatin would be a field for the exorganizer as a physician. The writer pansion of Manitoba is the best anvisited his hospitals, and sailed with him for a brief space; and the work swer to the insinuation that the of this mission is not only needed be- Laurier Government had any under-

The Losses at Mukden.

[Collier's Weekly.] We read the report that 200,000 men

Thirty Galveston floods.

The total population—men, women and children — of a city like Minne-

"It was a depressing sight on so bitter a night, for a little boy of 6 lay on his back on a rude bench in the middle, with his leg, which was obviously broken above the knee, lying anyhow across the other. His large inquisitive eyes watched every movement as I entered with a whole power of the British Empire for whole power of the British Empire for over two years.

Wifely Solicitude.

[Chicago Tribune.] "Doctor, my husband is dreadfully troubled with sleeplessness. What is

good for it?"
"You might try reading him to sleep, "What would be the use of that, doc-Don't Nag.

[S. E. Kiser.] If you wish to help the world a little in Your wife, if you're a husband, doubtless has her faults, but—say,

Don't nag! e too busy toiling for you may be too bus To be able to lift others who are in the dust, But you still can help in making the world brighter, if you just Don't nag.

If you wish to give him courage who has chosen you for life,

Don't nag;
ou wish to be his helper—and he'll
need help in the strife—
Don't nag.

All around you there are others who have wounds to nurse Don't nag; Rubbing on the raw has ever and will

Rubbing on the raw has ever and will always make it worse, Don't nag!
You can see your neighbor's foibles—all his weaknesses are plain—
But, then, what's the use of prodding when it cannot bring you gain?
Why add by a look of whisper to the world's supply of pain?
Don't nag.

she has her days for fretting, oh,

patient, then, with her—
Don't nag.
he makes mistakes remember it You may not have strength to rescue the

The Human Nose.

[International Quarterly.] A nose which in any way suggests our apelike ancestors, whether snub, flattened or abnormally small, deemed ugly. Generally speaking, the long nose belongs to the people of Europe, whereas the negroes and Monhas told the public something of his golians have short noses. With the Esquimaux the nose is said to be in many cases so flat that a ruler might be placed so as to rest upon both cheeks without touching it. In man the muscles of the nose have little flexibility except about the nostrils, which visibly dilate and contract under the nfluence of passion, Mantegazza has emarked that among civilized people the nose is nearly always deflected toward the right, which he attributes to the custom of wiping the nose with the right hand, Leonardo da Vinci discovered that there were over ten different varieties of nose, seen in profile, and leven when looked at in front. Charles make things appear worse than they Blanc considered the nose the most characteristic feature of the face, and commended ladies to regulate the style of their dress with reference to its shape: and Lavater went so far as to assert that a beautiful nose was worth more than a kingdom, that it is never

To Wit, To Woo.

associated with an ugly face.

[Harvard Lampoon.] Law Pill once a-wooing went, With his said and foresaid and mucl Through a thick black wood of large extent.

the owls their full-voiced chorus lent, "To wit, to woo." The Law Pill smiled with a vague unrest

With his said and aforesaid and much ado:
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ACTRESS WINS \$500,000

Marie Dainton, Playing in Comedy,

Plunges Successfully in London. London, April 4.—The stock exchange speculations of Sir Charles Wyndham and Mary Moore while they were in America have been quite outdone by Marie Dainton, who is playing the title role in C. E. Hamilton's production of the musical comedy. "Peggy Machree" She began to edy, "Peggy Machree." She began to speculate quietly on 'change on Dec. 27, and those operations which she has just closed have resulted in a gain of exactly \$500,000

She transacted the entire business herself, and her agents were never allowed to act upon their initiative.

The actress did not use her own name, but took these did not use her own name, but took that of the name of the part she assumed in the play, so it was that the name of "Peggy Machree" appeared upon several brokers' books in the city.

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