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American Policy as to China. The immense size which the Chinese problem has assumed, and the gravity of the situation which now confronts the European powers, causes the subject to be studied in its various aspects, and in a little while the more intelligent of the reading public will have question. The United States is often

to say in the settlement. In the same issue of the North American Review, there is an article on America's treatment of the Chinese, written by an American, Charles F. continental line, every bluff and bushy bound for Brazil. He landed there is an article on Mackenzie Government for the transporting The Holder. He, of course, has no blas clump is red with raspberries. The and the vessel returned home, but what against his own country; but in giv- Doukhober women have made big mo- became of him subsequently nobody Holder. He, of course, has no blas clump is red with raspberries. The ing a brief sketch of the history of ney picking them for shipment to the knows. Of course he may still be livthe relations between the two coun- Winnipeg market, and in the Swan ing in the wilds of South America, but tries, he allows facts to speak for River district thousands of boxes were the royalty has sometimes vanishthemselves. His account of the dealing shipped. A dollar a pail has been paid, ed mysteriously. During the war beof America with Chinese laborers shows and though the demand has been great, tween America and Spain an officer was wounded belonging to the Ameri-

is anxious to avoid the partition of

Door. Russia is on the frontier of

China now, has taken risks, and suf-

however, we may speak again. for which other nations had to fight, in that line. and which America could not have got if other nations had not fought and paid for. That was no doubt clever diplomacy, but we do not think that it should be set us as philanthropy. This read: "Mr. Cushing had large discretionary powers, and after assuring the emperor that America was not in sympathy with the attitude of Great Britain in seizing Hong Kong, he negoti-

ture is a matter of history, and it was strengthens rather than weakens her commendable from a diplomatic and position. humanitarian point of view. We were | China is a really ancient empire. Age of grass and learned to tie a knot. He invited by the powers interested to and tradition are deified there. Ances- could not have foreseen then how make common cause with them against tor worship is a part of their religion, great, how far-reaching in its influ-China, but we declined, and sent a spe- and reverence for age a supreme vir- man race was that discovery. Could cial envoy to inform the emperor that tue. That may have its good side, we, if we had been in his place? But we were not in sympathy with the ac-tion of the powers. Our position was be in this new land too much craving to show his father and his mother the new trick. Perhaps it was he, and not criticised by England, whose wits ex- for young men in important positions, they that first made use of it when pressed the opinion that America de- but the other extreme is not desirable. they sent him out for firewood, and he clined to join the war as a matter of Many think that in England an infu- tied the stick stogether that he might economy, but sent a fleet up the Pei Ho sion of younger blood into Government have them in one bundle We may as- spindle and a spinning wheel—a wheel, ple's affairs and helping them out of economy, but sent a fleet up the Pei Ho sion of younger blood into Government sume that man's greatest invention, in short. Think of what the wheel difficulties. the use of fire for heating, lighting and means to civilization, and remember People we in the wake of the ships of France and and Administration was already made.

England, and secured all the commercial just now. But at any rate one can cooking, was already made.

Sticks he might bind together, but benefits without corresponding ex- see that in China government by the pense." This was certainly a cruel thing old is a strong support of tradition and how about coccanuts, or clams, or any for the "wits" to say about the guile- prejudice, or, in other words, the stiff- been tied it was easy enough to go less Yankee, but our historian continues est Conservatism. A nation thus be- on tying knots till there was a rude net had made it worth while to go upin serious mood: "This was to a cerin serious mood: "This was to a certain extent true; as, after this war, we new conditions. In China, as elsewhere, ents how much more he could carry obtained our second treaty with China. Reed, obtaining with them the right too stiff to help in the solution of the of trade and residence."

Again, we must admit that the diplomacy was smart, but we think that the humanitarianism is a doubtfut quantity, unless it can be shown that France and England needlessly fought and paid for what they could have obtained by gentle persuasion. This, however, is not maintained. The position seems to be that it was a wrong, cruel thing for Britain and France to force open the to their own. The British may have door, but it was a humanitarian thing many faults, but when people get into for Americans to follow close on their heels and sit down in the house. Now, justified. it is almost certain that those who are going to wield large influence in the settlement must take a fair share of responsibility.

Laurier, a united Canada, and a unit-

Praised After Death.

Let it not be forgotten when you read

speeches by Opposition stump orators, bitterly traducing the Ministers, that even worse things were said of Hon. The amount saved to the people in 1899 was \$3,689,625; in 1898, \$1,805.331, Alexander Mackenzie by his political and in 1897, \$1,263,362, or a total of \$12,antagonists, while he was in active harness. When he was no longer in the fray, the men who belied his reputation Some Strange confessed that he was an honest, conscientious statesman. In Mr. Mackenzie's time, his dead predecessors were lauded to the skies by the Opposition political partisans, in order that they might the more effectively besmirch lauded by his former assailants, in or- a long one, and includes the names der that they may set up a compari- of some who has gained notoriety in son to the statesmen in power today. many walks of life. a more all-round, if necessarily a These rib-stabbers do not seem to have we had an instance brought forsomewhat superficial, view of this great change their tactics to any great ex- cibly before our minds. Just a little tent. There can be no doubt that if either Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Hon. David with a party of friends for the Klonrepresented as the Simon Pure among Mills, Sir Richard Cartwright, Hon. Mr. dike. When nearing Dawson City he the world powers. All others may be Tarte, Hon. Mr. Silton, Hon. Mr. Field- strayed from the camp and never resuspected of land-grabbing, but the ing, Hon. Mr. Blair, were to pass out turned, nor were the search parties American power is assumed to stand simply on the side of larger commer
ing, Hon. Mr. Blair, were to pass out of public life today, in an incredible short space of time—as in bygone days —the Opposition vilifiers of living Lib—miles from where he was last seen, cial freedom and a higher civilization. eral statesmen would discover in any he is still in the land of the living or Hence some American writers suggest or all of them every virtue that they not is unknown, though it seems unthat America is the natural leader in now profess to find lacking; and in likely that he will ever be heard of the present difficulty. Mr. J. Barrett, the way of the hungry Oppositionist, abilities as an aeropaut, started on a formerly United States Minister to all the faults that they now daily aver balloon expedition about twenty years Siam, says: "I do not mean that the are to be found in the Government now ago, and disappeared. Doubtless, he United States shall go out of its way in power at Ottawa. In the estimation met with an accident, probably over to assume responsibilities, to arrogate of these assistants every living Liberal those of his balloon were ever brought to itself leadership, to take ostentati- statesman is a bad man; every Liberal to light. The instance is only parallelously the burdens of the world on its statesman who is removed from the ed by that of Andree, who went up in shoulders. Rather shall it simply per- arena by death or otherwise, at once a balloon to attempt to reach the North Pole some four or five years ago form its plain duty, as an officer in a comes from under their ban. The but from that day to this nothing has battle standing in a central command- animus of such criticism must be ap- been heard or seen of him and his ing strategic position holds the fate of parent. We are aware, however, that companions, and whether he perished his regiment in his hands, and deter- the persistent resort to such tactics in- far away from any human habitation mines victory by combining discretion jured Hon. Alex. Mackenzie, some answer yet. with heroism." We are afraid that in worthy people giving heed to the per- But love of exploration can claim this passage, as well as in some other sistent output of the slander-mill. In parts of this article (North American those days the public were not so well Review, August), literal accuracy is acquainted with the methods of the Opsacrificed to the exigencies of rhetoric, position campaigners. Today they have that he must have met with his death and we do not think that the European no such excuse. Even the least-in- from the relics that were subsequently powers would admit without challenge formed in the community must have the claim thus advanced. It is well long since seen through the expedients known that Britain does not wish ter- of these traducers of their betters. ritorial aggrandizement in China, and

Fruit in Manitoba.

that empire, and to secure the Open Manitoba, according to a Dauphin correspondent, is turning out a veritable adrift. Whether he eventually touchland of milk and honey. This year, as ed land and lived in some unknown fered losses, and will have something generally, in the region adjoining the we shall never know. In the same issue of the North Am- Northern Railway, which follows for mind a problem which yet remains to at America has not always acted in so plentiful is the crop that thousands a fair and friendly fashion. Of that, of bushels have rotted on the ground. Prince Lowenstein, who had Yet some declaimers against this new peared from home some time before Reading the history thus given by an province have said that it is no place American, certainly leaves the impression that America, by posing as the lucations resphereics if it grow no other sion that America, by posing as the luscious raspberries, if it grew no other friend of China, has got concessions fruit, and it does, is doing very well nito until his death.

The Chinese Old Man.

The Chinese statesman, Li Hung Chang, who some time ago passed was set upon by his enemies lying in is the way in which these transactions through Canada, asking people, "How old are you?" is not by any means a by evidence of a struggle having tak youth himself. He may be called the grounds, but the guilty ones were Grand Old Man of China, though never captured, nor, indeed, ever thought by many to be a grand old the lassitude of the Chinese police. ated the treaty of Wang Hiyd, which humbug. We are told on good author- One of the Turkish sultans was once constitutes the first act of official in- ity that he is shifty, greedy and cruel. spirited away in a similar manner constitutes the first act of official in-tercourse this country has had with The fact that we are concerned with murdered. He was found of disguising China. The treaty, which has always now is that he is an old man who himself and walking in the streets, been of great benefit to us, gave Amer- hangs on to life and power with won- fad which cost him his life. But teans the right of residence at the derful tenacity. In this he is typical, heinous as the crime was, no trace It is not a matter of the climate or of could be discovered of him or his captors, though it is certain that the un-Again we read: "The concession of his constitution. It is deeper than that. fortunate sovereign never left the city Hong Kong to Great Britain was but China is pre-eminently the country of alive. a sop thrown to delay the inevitable, the old man. They do not there recogand seventeen years after the opening nize any "dead line" of fifty or sixty. What the First of the doors of China we find England The Dowager Empress, or whatever and France allied for the purpose of else may be called the flerce, bigoted prying the Chinese oyster still wider." woman who has recently been ruling "The attitude of America at this junc- China, is also pretty elderly, and that

comes fossilized and unable to meet net, which he slung over his shoulder the problem is to blend the new and that way than in his arms. Primitive while England and France paid the ex- old-the life of youth and age. We are pense, their combined fleets forcing afraid that Li Hung Chang has already open six new ports, and our envoy, Mr. played his part, such as it is, and is great problem before the world.

Canada is well satisfied with Laurier.

The Useful Union Jack.

[Brockville Times.] It is a noticeable fact that when the natives of European or American countries get into trouble in foreign climes they make a rapid transit rush for the British consulate in preference a scrape they do love to get under the Union Jack. And their confidence is

> A Few Figures. [Montreal Herald.]

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 1900, the duty collected on goods to the value of \$153,209,273 was \$28,866,968, w 15.57 per cent. The percentage for

the year ending June, 1894, was 18.28. Had the average rate of duty col-lected in the Conservative period from 1878 to 1896 been collected in 1900 the taxation of the people would have been \$6,125,985 greater than it was. 984,303 in four years.

Disappearances.

[London Tit-Bits.]

The list of men and women who have gone out into the world and dishim. Now that he is gone, he is be- appeared, in several cases forever, is

Only during the past few months

is a question without a satisfactory

many more victims. Sir John Franklin, who set sail in May, 1845, was discovered, but for all that his fate

is shrouded in mystery.
Yet another great man, Hendrik Hudson, the navigator, vanished from the world's ken and was never heard of again. All we know is that his crew mutinied, and, putting him and one or two of the officers who adhered to him in an open boat, cast them country, or whether he perished at sea

can army, and afterwards proved to be probability have preserved his incog-

Half a century ago one of the emperors of China mysteriously disappeared and has not been heard of since. He went out one morning for a walk before breakfast in the gardens of the palace, and it is presumed wait for him and carried off to his death. This supposition was upheld

Long, long ago, a boy-I suppose it the sun "fooling" with long strands ence upon the civilization of the hu-

such round things? Once a knot had

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flashed across his mind: "If that were which the engine itself did his work, a finer mesh I could catch many fish and thus the principle of the automatic at once, instead of only one at a time, with my spear or bone hook." Primitive woman sat and stared, and suddenly it flashed across her mind: "If canoe. He could only use the wind to his canoe. He could only use the wind that were made of reeds it would when it was going his way; but it was stand up of itself, and I would have his thought that gave us the ocean a place to put things." Woman has greyhounds that go against wind and made us all tidy and orderly. It was a tide. Nevertheless, still further back

accumulated wealth, capital.

The knot meant the utilization of grass.—Eugene Field, in Success. fibre. One strand is easily broken, but if several are twisted together the cord is stronger. Some people have not yet learned more than to roll the fibres together on a flat surface, but our an-

Fire had made it possible to burn out a hollow log for a canoe, and the working member of the society, and net had made it worth while to go upon the waters, but paddling was weary like basketry, not only was cloth made, but something that primitive man suit or copyright case. could put up for a sail, and rig with Mr. Hawkins believe plaited cordage. Shipping was born then, and how great has been the civi-lizing influence of traffic and travel! to help on the fund which the society But more quickening was the impulse then felt to harness the forces of na- pensions are to be paid to authors ture, or, as Emerson says, to hitch our wagon to a star. Perhaps man had already learned to get power from other muscles than his own. If he had be sure he could not have tamed the first

the knot. That basketry came before pottery is proved by the fact that its ornamentation is copied in primeval pots. Next came not only porcelain and glassware, but iron hollow-ware. The iron teaknow the rest of his story. But lest the tad whose tedious task it was to Post. bird's-nesting. He rigged up an ar- and evening.

man sat and stared, and suddenly it rangement with a piece of cord by was a boy, it's so like one—sat out in the first basket was made, for a base engine move, except the fire, came ket implied something to put into it, from the knot the boy learned how to something stored away for the future, tie, sitting out there in the sun long ago, "fooling" with long strands of

> HOPE FOR THE SEEDY AUTHOR. When you can find an author whose writings are wittily cynical and wordcestors fastened them to a round ly you can generally be sure that he is weight, which they twirled, and so spun spending a great deal of time, in pri-thread. The round weight became a vate life, taking trouble in other peo-

People who read "The Dolly Diathat it is the child of the string, which would never have been but for the Authors' Society, in London, would knot. thony Hope Hawkins. He is a hardwhile he goes through piles of docuon the waters, but padding was weary work. By weaving of fibres together ments to see how the society can help like basketry not only was cloth made.

Mr. Hawkins believes very much in men of letters standing by each other, and he has worked tremendously hard is trying to accumulate, from which whose literary merit has not brought them a corresponding income, and who view increasing years with fear. It is to feared that Mr. Hawkins'

views on this subject send a good many wild horse or the first wild ox without shabby men to his rooms in Buckingham street, by the Embankment gardens, with tales of literary failure told in the hope of getting a few shillings. And although the novelist is too time you see Pueblo Indian pottery in shrewd a judge of men not to recogthe museums mark how its patterns nize an occasional fraud, he is also suggest woven splints. From pottery kind-hearted. There is a story of a man who exclaimed, on leaving Mr. Hawkins with something in his pockkettle, with its lid dancing on the et: "Oh, sir, I fell that Providence pressing steam, set another boy to must have sent me to you!" And the thinking, and his name was Watt. You reply came with a twinkle in his benefactor's eye: "Let us hope, however, the boy that tied the knots get too far that Providence will not acquire the away from our thoughts, remember habit of doing so."—Saturday Evening

turn on and off the cocks that let steam into the cylinder of the first old mine pump when he longed to be off bank Friday and Saturday, afternoon

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