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LONDON, TUESDAY, DEC. 4, 1901.

THE COBALT FLURRY.The speculative interests of Cobalt
have been given a hard rap by
the withdrawal of the Guggenheims,
but whether the development and
progress of the camp will be retarded
is another question.The Guggenheims, who are great
authorities in the mining world, pro-
posed to purchase 400,000 shares in the
famous Nipissing mine, (one-third of
the capital stock), at \$25 per share,
making \$10,000,000 in all. The sum
was to be paid in four installments. A
month ago they made the first pay-
ment of \$2,500,000, sufficient to take up
100,000 shares. They received 40,000
shares, leaving 60,000 in the hands of
the vendors, the Nipissing Mining
Company, as security for the payment of
the remaining installments. On
Saturday last they decided not to ex-
ercise their option with regard to the
purchase of the remaining 300,000
shares, and they lose the difference be-
tween \$2,500,000, which they paid the
vendors, and the value of the 40,000
shares which they hold. As the market
price has fallen to \$15 per share, they
are losers at the present moment to
the extent of \$1,800,000, but brokers
and mining men are quoted as saying
that the stock will go as high as \$50
or \$75.The Guggenheims, in the statement
issued to their customers, give no rea-
sons for dropping the option. There is
evidence that it was not due to a loss
of faith in the value of the Nipissing
property. Before making any deal
with the owners of the Nipissing, they
commissioned two eminent engineers
to examine the claim. One of the
experts was John Hays Hammond,
who was implicated with Cecil Rhodes
and others in the conspiracy which
culminated in the Jameson raid. The
engineers' report was so favorable that
the Guggenheims sought and obtained
the option upon one-third of the
Nipissing's capital stock. Within the
past ten days Mr. Hammond paid an
official visit to the mine, and a New
York paper states that his favorable
first impressions were confirmed, but
there is no certainty upon that point.
The most plausible explanation of the
withdrawal of the Guggenheims is that
they were suspicious of the Nipissing
Mining Company's titles. They are
said to have asked an extension of
time in order to inquire into
the matter, which the company
denied them. The directors of the com-
pany say the titles are absolutely clear,
being held under crown patents, and
guaranteed by certificates of the On-
tario Government; but they believe the
Guggenheims were deceived by reports.The president of the Tretheway
Mine, Colonel Hay, makes the sur-
prising assertion that there is not a
mining title in the whole Cobalt camp
that is not subject to dispute. He
condemns the Government for this state
of affairs and says the action of the
Guggenheims will hammer home to the
administration what miners have been
trying to induce them to believe for a
long time. "There will be no stability
in Ontario mining," he declares, "until
mining men are satisfied that good
titles can be held without being dis-
puted. Title is the first and most
essential point."The Government has issued a state-
ment to the effect that the Nipissing
titles have not been attacked. This
does not dispose of the general accu-
sation made by Colonel Hay. The
administration should take steps to pro-
tect the multitude of investors and
encourage development by prompt
decision upon all questions of disputed
claims.**THE POWER BYLAW.**According to the discussion at the
city council last night, the Niagara
power bylaw will be submitted in Janu-
ary next will not bind the city to a
definite policy or expenditure, but will
merely elicit an expression of opinion.
Upon that understanding the bylaw
should be adopted as a basis for prac-
tical measures. It will then be the
duty of the council to ascertain
whether the city can find sufficient
market for Niagara power to justify
it in entering into a contract with the
hydro-electric commission. The city
must be in a position, before making
any such agreement, to quote prices to
power consumers. It will be necessary
to figure out the cost of the local dis-
tribution of Niagara energy. The first
step must be to decide whether to
erect a municipal plant or acquire thatof the London Electric Company, or
arrange with the latter to attend to the
distribution. When all these details
have been worked out, and the propo-
sition is in practical shape, it may be
advisable to take another vote of the
ratepayers.The price of power will be affected
by the number of municipalities enter-
ing the scheme, and until all
have been heard from it will not
be possible for the hydro-electric com-
mission to furnish any city or town
with exact quotations. When the result
of the voting is known, the ratepayers
of each municipality will have more
precise information as to the obliga-
tions they are expected to incur. It is
unfortunate that so little time is al-
lowed for discussion of this important
matter, and it would have been better
had the municipalities interested in the
project agreed to have a special bylaw
submitted some weeks or months later
on. The various municipal councils,
however, have been rushed into a deci-
sion to submit the question in Janu-
ary, and if the scheme is not to col-
lapse, it will have to be endorsed by
the majority of the municipalities
which have been grouped for power
purposes.The weakness of the Provincial power
legislation is the refusal of the Gov-
ernment to assume any financial re-
sponsibility. It will not guarantee the
figures quoted the municipalities by its
own agent, the hydro-electric com-
mission. If it should prove that the
estimates of the commission are under
the mark, the municipalities will have
to make up the deficiency by paying
more for power. The Government
should at least protect the municipali-
ties against the possible errors or
blunders of its own commission.**CANADA THROUGH ENGLISH
SPECTACLES.**In his third article in the London
Financier and Bullionist, Mr. R. J. Bar-
rett, editor of that journal, deals with
the Canadian West. He went over the
whole country, studying conditions at
first hand. His conclusions are sum-
marized as follows:That boundless optimism reigns in
the West.
That this is justified by what has
been done in the past and is being
done in the present.That next year will witness the
greatest rush in the history of the
American continent.That every English farmer who is
not doing well in this country should
make for the West.That there is room for all—Now,
but there will not be in a year or two.That the Canadian Northern Rail-
way, in opening up this wonderful
wheat-producing country, has done
great work, not only for Canada but
the empire.That some of the towns in the prov-
ince of Alberta and Saskatchewan are
destined to be great cities in the
future.The silver is still at Cobalt, no mat-
ter what becomes of the stock.The coal strike at Lethbridge has
been settled, and Westerners who were
in danger of freezing to death don't
care by what means the settlement was
arrived at.The international waterways commis-
sion proves what diplomacy can do
when it hasn't to go through the cir-
cumlocution office.The president of the Canadian Manu-
facturers' Association harbors a dark
suspicion that the new tariff is the old
one in blue goggles and false whiskers.The Rev. Richard Hobbs has been
again denouncing amusements, includ-
ing some features of Y. M. C. A. work.
If the reverend gentleman is so down
on amusements, why does he furnish
so much entertainment himself?The city council of London, when its
term expires, will have run along for
six weeks with only eleven members.
Ald. Garratt, who was granted leave of
absence two weeks ago, will not offer
for re-election and will be out of the
city for a year. The vacant seat in
the council belongs of right to Mr.
Alex. Stuart, K. C. It is very evident
that small politics is responsible for
his exclusion.The students of the Ontario Agricul-
tural College have again carried off
first prize in the judging contest at the
live stock show in Chicago. The O. A.
C. may fairly claim to be the best of
its kind in the world. It is to the
credit of the present Ontario Minister
of Agriculture that he never joined in
the petty partisan attacks upon the in-
stitution, but has followed the policy
of his predecessor.**DIDN'T HAVE A FAIR CHANCE.**[Chicago Tribune.]
"Webster," asked his intimate friend,
"did you declare yourself to Miss Peacham
last night, as you told me you were going
to do?"
"No, Hayne," said the rising young
statesman, flushing with indignation. "She
applied the gag rule before I had been
talking two minutes."**THE BIBLE TEXT A STANDARD.**[New York World.]
Most of the great orators of England
and America used the Bible as a basis
of their style. Brougham, Macaulay, Web-
ster and Garfield knew the Bible better
than most ministers. Lincoln's literary
style was formed largely by study of the
King James version. When Macaulay,
who began his literary career by learning
to read at 3 years of age, wished to ac-
quire a new language—and he learnedmost of the principal modern languages—
he bought the Bible in that language, and
his familiarity with it made his study
easy. Samuel Taylor Coleridge, the poet,
said: "Study of the Bible will keep any
man from being vulgar in point of style."
Kosuth, the great Hungarian patriot, who
electrified American audiences by his elo-
quence, was asked how he had acquired
such a mastery of the English language,
and replied that it was the result of
studying the Bible.**MEN WHO FOLLOW THE SEA.**[Taiwan, in Nomads.]
Shanghai in San Francisco,
And we fetched up in Bombay,
They set us afloat on an old Leith boat.
That steered like a stack o' hay.
We panted in the tropics,
When the pitch boiled up on deck.
We have saved our hides, and little be-
sides,
From an ice-cold North Sea wreck.We have drunk our rum in Portland,
We have thrashed up Bering Strait.
We have toed the mark on a Yankee bark.
With a hard-case down-east mate.
We know the streets of Santos,
The loom of the lone Azores,
And we found our grub in a salt horse
tub
Condemned from the navy stores.We know the track of Auckland,
And the light on Sydney Head.
We have crept close-hauled, while the
leadman called
The depths of the channel's bed.
We know the quays of Glasgow,
And the river at Saigon,
And have drunk our glass with a Chinese
lass
In a houseboat at Canton.They pay us off in London
(It's oh! for a spell ashore),
And again we ship for the southern trip
In a week or hardly more.
It's "Good-by, Sally and Sue."
For it's time to get afloat.
With an aching head and a straw-stuffed
bed,
A knife and an oilskin coat.Sing, "Time to Leave Her, Johnnie."
Sing, "Bound for the Rio Grande."
And again we ship for the southern trip
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"Who takes care of this household ac-
counts, you or your husband?"
"Neither. The creditors to that."**GEORGE'S EXPLANATION.**[Fleegende Blätter.]
Irate Father (to son)—It's astonishing,
George, how much money you need!
Son—I don't need any, father; it's the
other people who need it.**ACCORDING TO UNION RULES.**[Puck.]
The Young Hoosier—Papa, I wish you'd
request the musicians not to play the
dance music so fast.
Her Father—I did, my dear, but the
leader says the union rules call for time
and a half after midnight."**HIS SUGGESTION.**[New Orleans Times-Democrat.]
He—Er—by the way, there's a report
going about that we're engaged.
She—Can't you stop it?
He—Why not verify it?**CAREFUL EPITAPHIST.**[La Caricaturista.]
Sanpantino went to inspect the splendidmonument of a tomb which he had pro-
posed to the memory of his dead wife; but
did not like the inscription: "Here she
sleeps," thinking it said too little. The
sculptor suggested that he might add
something, whereupon Sanpantino said:
"Well, then, put: 'Set! Do not awaken
her!'"**OIL KING COAL.**[Louisville Evening Post.]
Old King Coal
Was a cussed old soul,
And a cussed old soul was he—
He runs a trust,
And he's staidly bust
The whole com-mu-ni-ty.And every dealer
Plays a mighty slick deal,
And a mighty big squeal, squeal we;
But there's none so slick
As can win a trick
From Old King Coal and his com-pany.**A NEGATIVE BLESSING AT LEAST.**[Washington Star.]
"Has your wealth brought you happi-
ness?" asked the philosopher.
"Perhaps not," answered Mr. Dustin
Stax. "But it has at least stood between
me and a lot of annoyances."**ITALIAN OFFICIAL'S COW.**[London Standard.]
Italian officials have a mania for send-
ing telegrams at the public expense. A
sub-prefect in Sicily had his cow stolen
recently, and within a short period 300
telegrams had been dispatched, not only
all over Sicily, but over the Italian pen-
insula. This waste of money was too
much for the Prime Minister, and he has
ordered the sub-prefect to pay the ex-
pense of the wires, amounting to about
£20. The cow has not yet been found.**HIS NEW STUDY.**[Youth's Companion.]
Mr. Jeckyls had just received from his
youngest son, who was in his first year
at college, a telegram to this effect: "Dear
Father, I am about to take up a new
study. Please send me \$25 to pay for the
outfit."
He answered it at once in this wise:
"Dear John—What is the study?"
To the question this rejoinder: "Dear
Father,—It is golf."**LUCKY.**[Harper's Weekly.]
"What day was I born on, mother?"
"Thursday, child."
"Wasn't that fortunate! It's your day
at home."**A RESEMBLANCE.**[Toronto Star.]
Another great chunk of the crater of
Vesuvius has fallen in. By this time the
volcano must look like the ruins of the
Conservative party in 1896.BICKLE'S Anti-Consumptive Syrup is
agreeable to the taste, and is a certain
relief for irritation of the throat that
causes hacking coughs. If used according
to directions it will break the most per-
sistent cold, and restore the air passages
to their normal healthy condition. There
is no need to recommend it to those
familiar with it, but to those who seek a
sure remedy and are in doubt what to
use, the advice is—Try Bickle's Syrup.
Louis XIV. of France brought bil-
liards into favor in the seventeenth
century, because his doctor ordered
him to take exercise after his meals.MILD IN THEIR ACTION—Pamelée's
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stomach or cause disturbances there as
so many pills do. Therefore, the most
sensible can take them without fear of
unpleasant results. They can, too, be
administered to children without impos-
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pills not so carefully prepared.**ARE YOU THINKING OF
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geration to say that in many
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At 25c, 35c, 40c
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DEATH OF MR. F. HARRISONA Popular Young Strathroy Business
Man Passes Away.Strathroy, Dec. 3. — The death of Mr.
Frank Harrison took place at the fam-
ily residence at an early hour this
morning. About two weeks ago de-
ceased was taken down with a severe bil-
ious attack, which finally developed
into meningitis.The news of his death was not only
a shock to his family and relatives,
but to the whole town generally. The
late Frank Harrison was one of the
most popular young men in Strathroy,
and commanded the respect and con-
fidence of everyone with whom he
came in contact. Born in Strathroy, he
entered his father's employ about 20
years ago, and learned the cabinet-
making and undertaking, and had been
associated with his father's business up
to the time of his death.He will be greatly missed in the
Methodist Church, where he was a de-
vout member and a strenuous worker.
In the Sunday school, too, he took an
active part as teacher, and some months
ago was appointed assistant superin-
tendent. The deceased was a member
of the A. O. U. W., and also of Beaver
Lodge, A. F. and A. M.
Besides his father, mother and twobrothers, Edward, of London, and
Thomas F., of Kingston, he leaves a
young wife and two children. The fu-
neral will take place on Wednesday
afternoon at the Strathroy Cemetery
and will be conducted by the Masonic
order.**59th CONGRESS OPENS**Final Session Convened With the Usual
Ceremonies.Washington, Dec. 3.—The fifty-ninth
congress began its last session at noon
today. It took the senate 15 minutes
to arrange its preliminaries and the
house an hour.Senators Penrose, of Pennsylvania,
and Foraker, of Ohio, came forward
with resolutions of inquiry regarding
the discharge of the negro troops of
the Twenty-fifth Infantry. One was
addressed to the President and the
other to the Secretary of War. After
the ripple of surprise had passed and
Vice-President Fairbanks had suggest-
ed that it was unusual to transact any
business until the President's message
had been received, the resolutions
"went over" by unanimous consent.
Senator Dupont, of Delaware, took the
oath of office.
The opening of the two houses was**BABY RINGS**Solid 10k Gold Band 50c
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with three stones 75c
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two colored stones and two
pearls 85c
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and a turquoise, or garnet, set
diagonally 85c
Solid 10k Gold Half-Hoop Ring,
three pearls and two garnets,
or turquoises \$1.25
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graved with one initial 85c
Solid 10k Gold Ring, single
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