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LONDON, THURSDAY, JUNE 6.

## THE WATER SUPPLY.

The water commissioners seem to be less concerned about giving light and leading to the public, preparatory to their plebiscite or "mail order" vote, than in booming their particular scheme. The series of questions addressed to Waterworks Engineer Moore were so framed as to place in the worst possible light the separate high-pressure system outlined by Col. Little, which they regard as the most formidable rival of their pet plan. The wording of the questions was not strictly fair to the engineer, and the commissioners should not place an official of the board in the position of being expected to back up their own arguments. As a sample misrepresentation we quote the following:

"1.—Is Col. Little's estimate of \$225,000 as the cost of the separate fire-fighting scheme approximately correct?"

"Answer.—Estimate dated November, 1906, \$278,000."

Col. Little made no such estimate. In his address before the board of trade he placed the cost at \$300,000, but to be on the safe side, he increased his estimate to \$350,000, or \$72,000 above the estimate of Engineer Moore.

In their anxiety to discredit the high-pressure system, in combination with the meter system, as a solution of the problem, the commissioners have utterly destroyed their own case, as we shall proceed to show.

The maximum daily consumption of water last year, according to their own figures, was 3,700,000 gallons. This did not include 500,000 gallons of river water daily used by the Grand Trunk, which the city might have supplied if it had sufficient spring water. Street watering was almost suspended, and lawn services curtailed during the summer months. The number of water services last year was 11,077, making an average daily consumption of 334 gallons per service. Engineer Moore estimates that at least 663 services will be added yearly during the next 25 years, or a total of 14,075 services. Twenty-five years hence, therefore, according to the figures of the water commissioners, the citizens of London will be consuming 4,701,000 gallons of water—14,075 services at 334 gallons per service—over and above the present supply, providing they still do without street watering for a portion of the summer, curtail their lawn services, and compel the railways to find their own water. Now the water commissioners, in one of their series of letters to the public which appeared in The Advertiser before the last municipal campaign, declared (Nov. 27) that the Komoka scheme would give an "unlimited" supply of water for 25 years, and in the same letter stated that the utmost addition to the supply which could be guaranteed under the scheme was 3,000,000 gallons daily. Accepting their own estimates, there would not be an unlimited supply for more than fifteen years, and for this they ask the ratepayers to spend \$583,000. To make good their promise of a 25 years' supply they would be required to adopt the meter system, which they now denounce.

Our local contemporary parades the questions put by the commissioners, and the engineer's replies to the same, under the heading, "Gives Black-Eye to Little Scheme," and then proceeds to publish a string of the rankest misrepresentations. It says:

"The engineer's estimate of the quantity of water which will be daily saved to the present system by the Little scheme is 600,000 gallons."

"Engineer Moore then makes the astonishing statement that the adoption of the Little scheme will not fully relieve the present shortage. 'Not during dry, hot weather, when lawn services are being used.'"

What are the facts? Engineer Moore estimates that the quantity of spring water which will be saved by a high pressure system is 600,000 gallons, or 10,000 gallons more than estimated by Engineer Chipman. But the Little scheme includes, in addition, the metering of half or all the services, according to necessity. By metering half the services, Engineer Chipman says a saving of 600,000 gallons daily will be effected. By metering all the services the estimates a saving of 800,000 gallons, while Engineer Moore goes further and puts the saving at 1,000,000 gallons. Accepting the figures of Engineer Moore, the saving under the Little scheme, if carried out in its entirety would be 1,600,000 gallons daily, or almost half the present consumption. Neither does Engineer Moore make the "astonishing statement" that the adoption of the Little scheme will not fully

relieve the present shortage. He merely says a separate system would not effect a sufficient saving during dry, hot weather, unless a sufficient number of meters are placed to reduce the consumption of water, or unless further springs are added to the present supply. The Little scheme contemplates the immediate check of waste by meters, and the addition of other springs when they are needed.

Our voracious contemporary also says in one paragraph that "the cost of metering the whole city is placed at \$185,000, and would save on the present consumption 1,000,000 gallons." In the next paragraph it says that the cost of metering every service during the next 25 years would be \$375,000 and a quarter of a century hence the daily saving would be 1,000,000 gallons! If by metering 12,000 services today the saving of water would be a million gallons, the saving would, of course, be more than double that quantity if 14,000 additional services were metered a quarter of a century hence. Our contemporary's misrepresentations are merely stupid.

Engineer Moore's report shows that Engineer Chipman has been exceedingly cautious and conservative. Mr. Chipman estimates that by installing a high-pressure system and metering half the services at least 1,100,000 gallons of water daily would be saved. The saving, according to Engineer Moore, would be even greater. London would then have a fire-fighting system equal to that of any city on the continent, and the supply of spring water for domestic purposes could be supplemented in years to come by the addition of other springs in this neighborhood. Whether the city would find a supply of spring water for an indefinite period or whether it would have to resort eventually to filtered river water, the money spent on a high-pressure system now would not be thrown away.

## RUSSIA STILL TROUBLED.

Evidently the political situation in Russia is in as chaotic a condition as ever. According to a dispatch from London, the congress of Russian Social Democrats in session in that city has decided to break away from the liberal parties in Russia, including the constitutional democracy, which will restore to the extremists the control of the party of reform which they lost last year. Close upon this comes word from the Russian capital that the Government has instructed its consul at London to forbid the carrying back to St. Petersburg by Russian steamship lines of members of the Duma who have been attending the conference in London. This practically means banishment of those members of the Lower House of Parliament who journeyed to England to take part in the discussions of which the decision above stated is the outcome. There is evidently nothing from which the cause of reform in Russia is suffering more seriously at the present time than the absence of coherent party policies. As at present constituted, the Duma is described as being composed of a number of small groups, shading off from extreme radicalism, just removed from absolute terrorism, to the most pronounced supporters of the reactionary policies of the Government. As viewed from this distance it would seem that only through combinations can any distinct policy be established or declared with any degree of force. The trouble is that the existing groups are liable to coalesce or break part without warning, so that in an emergency it is impossible to predict what will happen. French history furnishes evidence of how slow a task party formation is in a revolution-ridden country, and Russia is just now giving further proof. It must be admitted, however, that thus far, there has been advantage in the lack of cohesion between the more radical elements of the opposition in Russia. This has had a tendency to check the disposition toward extremism that, if permitted full play, might ere this have plunged the empire into bloodshed. But it was hoped that the present Duma would show signs of possessing coherent power in the direction of moderation, as neither severe reaction nor ruthless radicalism can solve Russia's present-day problems. The conference in London has simply added one more element of discord, while the Government is certainly not improving matters by this order of virtual exile, the effect of which can only be to intensify the prevailing bitterness.

## IN ERROR AGAIN.

[Chicago Record-Herald.] "Isn't it too bad," said Mrs. Oldcastle, "that such an admirable man as Mr. Watson should have married a hypochondriac?"

"Why," replied her hostess, laying aside her diamond-studded nail file. "I always thought she was a Robinson."

## THE HEALTHY APPETITE.

[The Lancet.] The man who enjoys plain food is miles ahead, physically and physiologically speaking, of the man who would leave his meal untouched if it were not that every item of it was calculated "to tickle the palate."

## BENT AND THE BOERS.

[Montreal Star.] Mr. Thomas Bent, Premier of Victoria, Australia, is reported to have made a very ungracious remark about the British welcome to Premier Botha. He says that in Australia they would not have welcomed

him, remembering their wounded men and starving widows. It is altogether likely that Mr. Bent is misrepresenting the Australians. But if he is not, then he is simply illustrating the difference between empire builders and empire smashers. The Boer population offer us loyalty. To refuse them is to decline a very good chance that they are telling the truth, and are willing to accept the advantages as well as the disadvantages of their new position.

## WANT THE BEST.

[Exchange.] "Why don't you give us a little Greek and Latin occasionally?" asked a country farmer of the new minister. "Why, do you understand those languages?" "No, but we pay for the best, and we ought to have it."

## THEY GO TOGETHER.

[Chicago News.] "Henry," said the young wife, who had taken up physical culture, "how do you think I am built?" "My dear," replied her husband fondly, "you are built like a watch." "Thank you, Henry, and Henry?" "Well," "If I am built like a watch don't you think I should have a few jewels?" And then Henry frowned and said the man who compliments a woman is an idiot.

## "IAN MACLAREN'S" PUN.

[Exchange.] Rev. Dr. Watson, better known as "Ian MacLaren," whose death was announced this week, was capable of a tolerable pun when a suitable opportunity offered. His opportunity occurred at a dinner party to which several other well-known literary men had been invited. When in due time the coffee and cigar stage was reached, the conversation turned on the art of punning. The author of "Beside the Bonnie Brier Bush" ventured to assert that he would undertake to make at least as passable a pun as anybody else in the room. The challenge was taken up. Thereupon "Ian MacLaren" assumed a thoughtful expression and appeared wrapped in thought. "Come along, Watson," exclaimed Mr. Hall Gaine, who was one of the guests, "we're all waiting." Quick as thought the nimble-witted clergyman turned to his brother-author. "Quite so," he returned, blandly, "but please don't be in such a hurry."

## DIETING FOR CERTAIN.

[Chicago Tribune.] "Miss Kitty," said the new doctor, "your trouble is merely indigestion. We can fix that. By the way, have you been doing any dieting?" "I don't know," answered the little girl. "The other doctor has been making me eat all sorts of things that I just hate." "Then you're dieting, all right."

## GOT HIS ANSWER.

[Chicago Tribune.] "You can guess me one more question, perhaps, Miss Bute," said Archie, mortified at her refusal. "Is there any other man?" "There is every other man, sir," she responded, with flashing eyes. "Is there absolutely the last, Mr. Featherfoot?" As there appeared to be no further business before the house, Archie hastily adjourned without form.

## THE RETURN.

[Alfred Noyes, in London Daily Mail.] O, headless white with laughing may, O, meadows where we met, This heart of mine must break today, Unless ye, too, forget.

Breathe not so sweet, breathe not so sweet, But swiftly let me pass Across the fields that felt her feet In the old time that was.

A year ago, but one brief year, O, happy flowering land, We wandered here and whispered there, And hand was warm in hand.

O, crisp white clouds beyond the hill, O, lavender in the skies, Why do ye all remember still Her bright uplifted eyes?

Red heather on the windy moor, Wild thyme beside the way, White jasmine by the cottage door, Harden your hearts today.

Smile not so kind, smile not so kind, Thou happy, haunted place, Or thou wilt strike these poor eyes blind With her remembered face.

## WHERE HE STOPPED.

[Yonkers Statesman.] Redd—Been to the city? Greene—Yes. Where did you stop? "All over. I went in my automobile, you know."

## FRAGMENT.

[Frederic Lawrence Knowles.] It takes two for a kiss, Only one for a sigh; Train by train we marry, One by one we die.

## A BIG FOUR.

[Galt Reporter.] The death is announced in Chicago of William Johnston, job printer, a native of London, Ont., and a leading business man of the western metropolis. The deceased was the real founder of that great technical journal, the Inland Printer, the handsomest publication of the day. Though immersed in business, and in close association with strong Americans, Mr. Johnston never forgot his native land. He was mainly responsible, as a member of St. Bernard's Commandery, for the introduction of the Thirtieth Battalion Band to great audiences in the United States. On two occasions the famous Hamilton organization, through Mr. Johnston's good offices, made an American tour, once taking in Washington, where the Canadians were enthusiastically received. Death has lately been very busy in Chicago in the ranks of Canadians connected with the printing and publishing trade. First to go was E. B. Donnelly, an ex-Hamiltonian, the head of a great institution that issued among other things the City Directory. Then followed John Allan (the lieutenant of a Canadian company that left Chicago at the time of the Fenian raid, animated in their action by love for their native land), an employer of hundreds of expert artisans. Next in line, John Jamieson, managing director of the Western British American, an old Brantford boy. The only one remaining is John E. Jeffrey (a Hamilton graduate), for many years the president and manager of the largest show printing house in the world, now ensconced in government office. Mr. Johnston's death closes out the group, and with our growing Canada, and immense opportunities at home, it is not likely to have a successor in our day. Donnelly, Allan, Johnston and Jeffrey left their mark on the trade in Chicago. They were, in their day and generation, the Big Four on Printing House Row.

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## LAKE BOAT PASSAGES.

Detroit, June 5.—Up: Birmingham, 9 Tuesday night; Parent, 10:30; Morse, Marcia, 11:40; Jupiter, 1:15 Wednesday morning; Sinaloa, Ball, 1:30; Corsica, 2; Clement, 4:15; Presque Isle, 5; Maine and consortia, 6; Watson, 7:20; Craig, Laughlin, Venus, 8; Coulby, Castalla, Pratt, Athens, 9; Lehigh, 9:40; Haskell, Stearn, 10; Russell, Wilbert Smith, 10:30; W. G. Mather, 10:50; Luzon, 1:50 p.m.; Clemson, 2:15; Wolf, 3:20; Schuck, Spokane, 5:30; Buffalo, 6; Stephenson, 7; Goulder, Bunsen, 7:40; Paine, 8:50; Tempest No. 2, Watwam, 8:45.

Down: John Owen, 9:15 Tuesday night; Ionic, 9:30; Holmes, 10; Fitzgerald (new), 10:30; Reed, 1 Wednesday morning; Mariska and whaleback, 2; Pioneer, Chaitanoga, 5:40; Vermillion, Colonel, 6:30; Nimick, 9; Fortage and consort, 10:30; Wilson, noon; Cheumung, 1 p.m.; America, 1:30; Mars, 2:30; Manola, tug McCarty and lighter, 3; Morrell, 3:15; Michigan, 3:40; Leland, 4; Alaska (small), Massachusetts, 4:30; Marina, Reis, 5:30; Angelina, 6:15; Matosa, Imperial, 7.

Sault Ste. Marie, June 5.—Up—Monahansett, 9 Tuesday night; Flag, War-riner, 9:30; John Eddy, Pennington, 4; Hebard, 6; Wallula, 6:30; Zillah, Redington, Jennings, Goshawk, Kennedy, Wood, 8; Western Star, North Wind, Sushanah, 9:40; Langley Boys, 11:20; Chectaw, Hinton, noon; Sellwood, 2:30 p.m.; Huronic, 3; Penobscot, Yuma, 4; Jenks, 5; B. Lyman Smith, 5:40; Anna Minch, John Mitchell, 7:30.

Down: Bradley, Woolson, Brightie, Delaware, 3:30 Wednesday morning; Arabian, England, 5:30; Lake Shore, Hinton, Roman, whaleback, 6; Westcott, 6:30; Earling, Planck, Palmer, Hedger, 7; Wisconsin, 7; Coffinberry, 8; Sonora, Superior, 8:30; Brazil, H. H. Rogers, 9; Philip Minch, 9:40; Trevor, Nantux, 10; Port Huron, 11:30; Manitoba, 1 p.m.; Strathcona, Edenboro, 4:30; Trevor, Nantux, 5; Port Huron, June 5.—Down: Vermillion, 11 Tuesday night; tug McCarthy and lighter, 12:30 Wednesday morning; Nimick, 3; Miller, 4; Wilson, 6:30; America, 7:30; Mars, 9; Manola, Morrell, 9:40; Michigan, 9:50; Massachusetts, 10:20; William Eler, Marina, 11:30; Angelina, 12:40 p.m.; Matosa, 1:40; Whitney (old), 5:20; Victory, Constitution, 5:30.

## SUCCESSFUL SARNIANS

Students Who Passed University Exams in Medicine and Art.

Sarnia, June 6.—Among the successful students in the examination report of the University of Toronto are the following Sarnians: Medicine—R. Y. Kenny and G. C. Gray, fourth year; Harry Cresswell, third year; J. A. Simpson, H. H. Mosher, and J. D. Cunningham, second year; Arts—L. H. Corbett, fourth year; E. Towers, third year; N. L. LeSueur and J. Cowan, second year; F. Hutchinson, first year.

The Ontario Gazette announces the incorporation of The Sarnia Observer Printing Company, with a capital of \$40,000.

The first electric engine to be used for drawing trains through the St. Clair tunnel will be tested at the East Pittsburg shops this week. Five engines of 100 tons each will be manufactured and shipped to Port Huron before Sept. 1. It will require two of these engines to draw each 1,000-ton freight train through the tunnel, but one will take care of an ordinary passenger train.

The residence of Mrs. F. H. Felt, 100 Crawford street, was the scene of a pretty wedding, when her daughter Edna became the bride of Charles L. Beck, of Port Huron. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. W. Baird, of Devine Street Methodist Church. Miss Florence Ackerman and Miss J. C. Oeschler, of Detroit, acted as bridesmaid and groomsmen respectively.

## THE WORLD OF HORSES

(Continued from Page Seven.)

after all our greatest need is not stallions for they have them good enough in the United States, where our mares might be sent, but brood mares. We can't get the quality for the amount we are willing to spend, and interprising young horsemen. Let him take \$50,000 and go to England and pick out half-a-dozen first class brood mares, have them bred to Gallinule, Persimmon, or

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40-inch Shadow Check Red Luster. Regular 50c yard.  
1 piece 42-inch Scarlet Albatros. Regular 50c yard.  
1 piece Brown Batiste, 40-inch. Regular 40c yard.  
1 piece Dark Navy Silk Embroidered Panama, 42-inch. Regular 50c yard.  
2 pieces Navy Sicilian, with white stripe, 44-inch. Regular 65c yard.  
Choice tomorrow.....

Lot Two—45-inch Blue-Pebbled Panama, with white hair-line. Regular 75c yard.  
2 pieces Navy Blue Sicilian, white hair-line and dot. Regular 65c yard.  
1 end of All-Wool Navy Blue Serge, 42-inch. Regular 50c yard.  
1 end Bluette Striped Taffeta Cloth. Regular 50c yard.  
1 piece Leather-Colored Sicilian, 47-inch. Regular 75c yard.  
1 piece Chocolate Satin Cloth. Regular 75c yd.  
1 piece Navy Blue Checked Luster. Regular 75c yard.  
1 piece Castor Crepe de Chine. Regular 50c yd.  
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Ladies' Tan Corsets, steel fitted. A strong corset, all sizes. Special.....47c

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one of half a score English sties that might be named, bring them here and wait developments. There is a chance that he would lose his money, but there is also a chance that he would breed in one year more first-class runners than have been bred in this country, and for that matter in Canada.

It is not scandals that kill racing or anything else. It is the ignoring of conditions that produce scandals that will hurt the turf, and these conditions have been persistently ignored. Then again the sport has had the ill-luck to be mixed up with a number of other questions, such as the liquor traffic and the gambling element of the city. It now appears that the Jockey Club has for years been violating the license act. A distiller is the dominant figure on the running turf; a liquor dealer wins the King's Plate; a

The only turf paper in Canada has been identified with the liquor business, so we have still another connecting link between a business and a sport that have no essential relation. In the agitation against betting, the turf receives many a blow not aimed at it. The pity is that the question of horse racing has so little chance to get squarely before public as a plain issue.

brewer is the largest breeder in Toronto. Any one of these facts isolated has no importance, nor is it suggested that a liquor dealer is not in a perfectly legitimate business. It is argued, however, that taken together these facts show bad luck in identifying the running turf with an industry concerning which the public is divided, and on which many thousands of sport-loving citizens look with disapproval.

The plain fact is that our running turf is not in a very healthy condition. The most respectable element in the community patronizes the races, and against those in control no one suggests anything worse than bad judgment, and perhaps bad luck. No scandal is breathed; no one is ever ruled off; there are no investigations. But talk to horsemen from the other side, and they will tell you that more jobs can be pulled off in Toronto than