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## IT MAKES FOR REFORM

The Times-Star publishes today a very interesting account of a visit to the new prison farm at Guelph, Ontario. The story is worth reading. It proves that a place where a man may get back self-control and self-respect, and at the same time perform useful work.

The city of Detroit has a House of Correction that appears to be a model. It provides prisoners with work that teaches them how to use their hands for self-support, and they are also well-clothed, well-fed and well-cared for. This Detroit institution is not only self-sufficient, but it turns into the city treasury from \$25,000 to \$40,000 per year. The superintendent now proposes that part of this surplus be used to provide for the families of prisoners, who may be suffering because of the detention of their breadwinner. The Detroit press and public approve of this plan, which will doubtless be carried out. It recognizes the fact that the innocent family should not be made to suffer. Commenting on the proposition the Chicago Standard says:

"Now that the people begin to think of it, it is seen that such a simple act of humanity will not materially increase the rate of taxation. It is realized that many of these families become public charges upon the poor fund, except where the hand of charity affords meager and temporary relief. By providing for these families out of the earnings of their natural provider, the poor fund will be proportionately relieved. This movement is a timely awakening to a wrong that should have been recognized long ago."

This matter deserves more general attention in Canada. The police magistrate of St. John would rejoice if New Brunswick had a prison farm or House of Correction conducted on right lines. There would be fewer hopeless drunkards and loafers in the city, and fewer families suffering as so many unhappily suffer now.

## EULOGY ON EARL GREY

Dr. Andrew Macphail had no thought when he wrote for the Canadian Century a review of Earl Grey's career as Governor-General of Canada that his Excellency would remain another year. It is now imperative for the subject of the review to live up to Dr. Macphail's estimate for the remainder of his term. The brilliant writer, whom someone has named as the legitimate literary successor to Goldwin Smith in Canada, is not greatly given to eulogy, but rather to a somewhat vigorous and biting criticism. It is therefore the more notable that he writes of Earl Grey in terms of unqualified praise. His Lordship, he says, "came to Canada at a critical moment, when the provinces were disposed to think rather of their own rights than of their privileges, of better terms for themselves rather than the good of Canada as a whole, to say nothing of the interests of the Empire," and "the wisdom of the new governor and the blithesome joy which he displayed in his office were precisely the qualities which were needed to wipe away the danger of those doubtful times."

Dr. Macphail quotes from speeches delivered by Earl Grey in different cities and provinces, to show how fully he entered into the minds of the people of each; how admirably he gained their confidence and esteem; and how faithfully he set before them the larger issues and the higher ideals.

"Not infrequently," says Dr. Macphail, "Lord Grey has enunciated political principles as pregnant with meaning as the maxims of Burke. One of these was embodied in an address at Toronto: 'If it was the mission of the last century to establish the principle of individual rights, it is the mission of the present century to teach the lesson of individual duty, and the subordination of personal advantage to the more commanding interests of the public good.' At other times his thought has risen to a high sense of public morality."

Dr. Macphail credits Earl Grey with having contributed immensely to the growth in the minds of Canadians of the sense of their Imperial responsibility. How

the Governor-General evaded political party entanglements with wondrous tact, and how he won the people of the United States by his rare diplomacy, is well told by Dr. Macphail; as well as the story of his earnest efforts to compose sectional and racial differences in Canada. Reference is made to his support of movements for the social good, as the campaign against tuberculosis, and the promotion of the great Quebec bazaar; as well as to his encouragement of literature and art. In conclusion the reviewer says:

"I should say that the career of Lord Grey in Canada might well be summed up in words which he himself employed to characterize another great English public servant:—'He was impetuous and untiring in the pursuit of his country's good; he always acted as he felt to be right with regard to custom and without fear of consequence; his constant prayer was that the blessing of God might rest upon his endeavors to serve his country faithfully.'"

## THE RESULT

The victory of Johnson over Jeffries has done more than many seasons to turn the tide of popular sentiment in the United States against prize-fighting. The picture of a black man, the son of a slave, standing unscathed and triumphant over the almost inert form of the white champion is not one to be viewed with complacency by the people of a country where the lynching of negroes is regarded with much favor. Race feeling and the gambling instinct were the most notable influences in bringing about the contest at Reno. The pitiful exhibition made by Jeffries, after all the boasts in the press for months past, and the unequal character of the brief contest, make it impossible for even the gifted press correspondents to make the battle appear Homeric. Mr. Jeffries did not "laugh at that con," but was himself ignominiously beaten. In the light of the event of yesterday, the prominence given to the affair by the American press for many months past can only be regarded as an exhibition of folly that is not likely to be repeated. Mr. Johnson applied the remedy.

It is nevertheless true that there was a very widespread interest in the outcome of this contest. The Times-Star issued an extra last evening, a little before nine o'clock, giving an account of some of the rounds and the final result. Over three thousand five hundred copies of the issue were eagerly purchased by the crowds on the streets. This morning's paper, with a fuller report, had an immense sale. Now that the affair is over and the public mind may reflect upon the whole business, including the money stake for the fighters, the enormous sums lost in the betting on Jeffries, and the general character of the crowd that assembled at the ring-side, there will be a revulsion of feeling against the prostitution of the so-called "manly art." It should be much easier hereafter to secure legislation prohibiting such exhibitions in every state of the union.

Harland & Wolff find the Courtenay Bay site suitable for a dry dock. Their engineers have so reported.

Race rioting in the south followed Johnson's victory in the prize-ring reform.

The Globe sends a deep and darksome shadow in the desire of the Grand Pacific to secure New England connections. This was to be expected of the gloomy Globe.

The Standard has a Montreal despatch stating that the Van Horne interests have secured control of Grand Falls development. Premier Hazen is represented as "successful in making the arrangements." The despatch was doubtless written in St. John. It will be interesting to learn the details of the deal.

The Toronto World issues this note of warning:—"Special warnings are being issued by the health authorities with respect to the danger of the common house fly. It is called 'typhoid fly' because it carries the germs of the disease on its feet, and infects milk and other articles of food on which it alights. It is the cause of the death of thousands of infants. It is not the best but the fly that causes summer complaint and similar maladies. Get the flies out of the house and keep them out and leave no dirt or garbage about in which they can breed."

About a year and a half ago, while L. M. Raynor of Riverhead, L. I., was walking in the woods a twig lifted his watch out of his vest pocket. Raynor did not discover his loss until he reached home, and then he had no idea what had become of the watch. He again took a stroll through the woods a few days ago and was surprised to see his watch hanging on a twig above his head. The watch was apparently unharmed by its long exposure and started ticking when Raynor moved it.

George Lewis, the recently appointed inspector of weights and measures in Columbia, Ind., has just completed his first inspection of the retail merchant's scales and reports that among all the inaccuracies he discovered there was not a case where the scales favored the merchant. He found in several instances that merchants were cheating themselves to the extent of an ounce in five pounds.

A relief map of Uganda made for the English government is said to be the biggest map of its kind in the world. This map contains 2,000 square feet.

## GOOD ENOUGH FOR ME

The world, they say, is getting old, and weary as can be, But write me down as sayin', it's good enough for me!

It's good enough, with all its grief, its pleasure and its rain, And there's a ray of sunshine for every drop of rain!

They stumble in the lonesome dark, they cry for light to see, But write me down as sayin', it's light enough for me!

Over the old world's wallin', the sweetest music swellin', In the stormiest night I listen and hear the bells—the bells!

This world of God's is brighter than we ever dreamed or knew; Its burdens growin' lighter, an' it's love that makes it so.

An' I'm thankful that I'm livin', when love's blessedness I see, 'Neath a heaven that's forgivin' when the bells ring home to me.

—Christian Guardian.

IN LIGHTER VEIN APPROPRIATED.

Just fer keepin' of the cow They chuckled the chap in prison. Seems like they oughtn't done it, eh? Well, but the cow it wasn't his! —Browning's Magazine.

A COMPLIMENT.

"I wonder what the teacher meant about the singing of my two daughters?"

"What did he say?"

"He said that Marie's voice was good, but Marjorie's was better still." —Catholic News.

"I don't like your heart action," said the doctor, applying the stethoscope again. "You have had some trouble with angina pectoris."

"You're partly right, doctor," said the young man, sheepishly, "only that ain't her name."

A MODEL Hired MAN.

"Well, yes; I'm looking for a man who can do the chores, sweep, clean the rooms, be polite, and never be impudent."

"Say, missus, you're lookin' for a husband." —Success Magazine.

KEPT QUIET.

A man who had purchased a fine-looking mare discovered, after driving the animal for a week, that she was blind. Shortly afterwards he succeeded in disposing of her, as the defect did not lessen her speed or detract from her general appearance.

The next day the owner of the mare appeared.

"I say, you know that mare you sold me?" he began. "She's stone blind."

"I know it," replied her last owner, with an air.

"You didn't say anything to me about it," said the purchaser, his face flushed with anger.

"Well, you see," replied the other, "the man who sold her to me didn't tell me about it, and I thought, perhaps, he didn't want it known."

MEN.

Some men have the talent, some men have the gall, Some have too much money, some have none at all.

Some men are good looking, many men are not. Every man thinks some man has a happier lot.

Some men work for glory, some for daily wages, Some men keep slipping backward, some men get ahead; Some men deem their honor of all dear things the first, Some men think the best thing is a constant thirst.

Some men sit in darkness, some achieve the heights, Some men's wives are beauties, some men's wives are frights; Some men useful knowledge all their lives pursue, Caring not for riches—they are mighty few.

Some men like to lighten other people's woes, Some men live to plunder, some men live to pose; Some men have the talent, some men have the gall; Each man thinks his hardships heaviest of all.

—S. E. Kiser.

DECIDE BIG CLAIM IN RUSSIA'S FAVOR

Suit Arising Out of the Japanese War Involving \$2,000,000

Berlin, July 1.—The high court specially summoned at the instances of the foreign office to determine the question of jurisdiction in the steamer Anhalt controversy, has returned a verdict declaring that the German courts could not issue an execution of judgment against the property of a sovereign foreign state. This has been the contention of the Russian Government, whose funds in a German banking house had been levied against by the German claimants.

The foreign office announces it will present the claim of \$2,000,000 to the Russian Government, and in the event that payment is refused international law will be examined for a form of redress.

In the closing days of the Russo-Japanese war the Russian government purchased the German-owned steamer Anhalt and loaded her at Hamburg with artillery to be delivered at Vladivostok. On the voyage the Anhalt lay over at Tsingtau, China, awaiting an opportunity to get through the lines of the Japanese fleet. Meantime peace was concluded and the Russian Government refused to accept the cargo at the high war risk rates.

Capt. Von Helffeld and the syndicate which supplied the cargo thereupon brought the German consular court at Tsingtau before the vessel and held her. The litigation accompanied with diplomatic exchange continued, and last December a Berlin court authorized the seizure of \$1,250,000 from the Russian Government's deposits with the Berlin banking house of Menckels & Co., in satisfaction of the claim allowed the syndicate by the Tsingtau court.

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Keen Bidding at London Art Sale—Some Declines, Though

The collection of important modern pictures of the late Sir F. T. Mappin, of Thornbury, Sheffield, was sold recently at Christie's, in London. The outstanding feature was a keenly appreciated canvas by Constable, of Stokes-by-Nayland, Suffolk, which was in the field sale in 1879, and then not highly valued. There were two landscapes and two portraits by Gainsborough, and all of these were in the Wynn Ellis sale in 1879. There was applause when the Constable picture appeared on the easel. The opening bid was 3,000 gs., but the second, higher called "3,500," and immediately there was a third offer of 5,000 gs. Then, by a few additional bids, the sum of 8,800 gs. was finally registered, the purchaser being Mr. Sully. In the field sale, 1879, this picture was sold for 740 gs., thus growing in value in the course of thirty years to the extent of 8,000 gs. The sum of 8,800 gs. constitutes an auctioneer's record for a Constable picture.

Soon after the sale of a Constable, a pastoral scene by E. S. Cooper, which, in the former sale, 1879, sold for 700 gs., was knocked down for 305 gs. Another decline was Cresswell's "Mountain River Scene," which went for 21 gs., as compared with 230 gs. in 1879. Fael's "Tun O'Stane" fetched a decline from 240 gs. to 105 gs. Frith's picture of "Amy Robart and Janet," sold for 78 gs., as against 1879. In 1879, there was little enthusiasm over a Gainsborough picture, "The Gypsy Encampment," for which bidding commenced at 100 gs., and by slow offers there was a final call of 1,050 gs., as compared with 250 gs. in the Wynn Ellis sale

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B. Crone subject, went for 55 gs. This picture aroused a great deal of interest, seeing that in the Wynn Ellis sale it was sold as a Turner for 220 guineas. Webb's more than in 1891. A picture atter's "Roast Pig," which in 1872 realized 50 gs., as much as 3,500 gs., sold for 220 gs.

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