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## TIT FOR TAT.

Hugh Fletcher, of Hamilton, a glassblower, but who learned his trade in the United States, and has worked at it in that country for some years, came home to visit his parents, who still reside in the mountain village. He spent some time around the old homestead, and when he got ready thought he would go to the other side and resume his work. At Detroit, however, he was stopped by a U. S. official, who asked questions, and found that he was a Canadian. As a result Hugh was bundled back into Canada, after the most approved De Barry fashion. Fletcher now wonders why it is that Yankees are allowed to butt in on Canadian jobs, whilst all the while Canada has an alien labor law on the statute books. When you come to think of it, what chumps we Canucks be! Will ever the Government in this country stand up for the rights of the people? Why cannot we have a few De Barry's along the line, say at Windsor, Niagara Falls, Toronto and Montreal? They would soon find work.

## MODERN EDUCATION.

Ontario, apparently, is not the only country in which wonderful advances have been made in education since the days of the old log schoolhouse. It seems that in the United States there have been some who have made extraordinary improvements in the system of education, until it is "the best in the world." The New York Sun says:

When we were mere boys, boys had to do a little work in school. They were not coddled; they were hammered. Spelling, writing and arithmetic were not elective; and you had to learn. In these more fortunate times elementary education has become in many places a sort of vaudeville show. The child must be kept amused and learns what it pleases. Many sage teachers scorn the old fashioned rudiments; and it seems to be regarded as between a madhouse and a circus for a child to learn to read and spell by the old methods. Vast and fruitful intellects have devoted themselves to child study and child psychology. "Visualized" reading and other great inventions have come in. Sociology, the widest-armed of sciences, is sociologizing tremendously; and as a result of all the improvements, there is a race of gifted pupils more or less ignorant of the once-prized simple elements of ordinary education; and now "factors" are turned out by the sociology factories every week.

## GOOD WORDS.

Says the Hamilton Spectator:—  
 The friends of Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick, minister of justice, gave him a complimentary banquet in Montreal last evening. In the course of his speech the minister spoke of the part played in Canada by Irishmen, and said:—  
 "Perhaps I may be permitted to draw attention, in one phrase, but in no complaining spirit, to the somewhat anomalous position in which we have sometimes been placed. The Irish Catholics in Canada are a minority, and this is and must of necessity be a distinct disadvantage so long as the qualifications for public positions are made to depend upon considerations of race and creed, rather than upon fitness and capacity to do service to the state. If a position is to be assigned to a Catholic, then we are deemed to form a part of the English-speaking minority in that class. If, on the other hand, language is a requisite, then we are of the Catholic minority. In either case we are too often in the position of the man who is being ground between the upper and the lower millstone."

Mr. Fitzpatrick apparently forgets that there is no church in the majority in Canada—that the Anglicans, Presbyterians, Methodists, Baptists, Con-



## The Season is at Hand

When the best of everything in clothing and furnishings can be obtained. We excel in our display of suits and overcoats. Judge not the following offering by the small space they occupy. They contain the essence of truth—facts bolted down—brief, but dependable statements of great value. Our \$10.00 overcoats in three different styles, Raglanette, Westminster and Rosebery, in two shades of grey, black and blue, are \$8 better than you can buy at other stores; these coats are wide boxer coats. See our Window.

## Meynell's

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Regimentalists, Brethren, Hebrews, Quakers, Doukhobors, Mennonites, infidels and pagans, are each in the minority. But the part of Mr. Fitzpatrick's speech to which we desire to call attention is this:

"Let us hope that we are approaching the dawn of the day—in fact, a streak of dawn is already in the sky—when honesty, ability, skill, training and devotion to duty, shall be the sole qualifications for public service."

These are good words — words to which every good Canadian will say Amen.

## INTERFERING WITH A STAR ATTRACTION.

Toronto Telegram.

Complaints are heard that it is difficult to see the new comet. Will the ladies kindly remove their hats?

## LONDON NEWS.

The population of two wards in London shows a decrease. We must be getting to be dead ones.

## SELDOM WHAT THEY SEEM.

Chicago Record-Herald.  
 The man who gets a wife from a matrimonial agency generally has reason to believe that the camera lies like sixty.

## RUNNING NO RISK.

Hamilton Herald.

It is illegal for Ontario municipal corporations to engage in business as general traders. But there is no doubt that any Ontario municipality which may take steps to provide fuel to meet local emergencies would have its action legalized by the legislature.

## HE IS PROBABLY AN ORPHAN.

Hamilton Spectator.

The Ross government tells us that the money it grabs from the widows and orphans is devoted to "charity." And Mr. Ross evidently thinks that "charity begins at home," for one of the paupers in his own department has already received about \$40,000 of the "charity" money.

## LORD MINTO AND SIR WILFRID.

Marquise de Fontenay.

Lord Minto's position in Canada is becoming more and more difficult owing to his pronounced differences of opinion with the premier, Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his resignation may be looked for at any moment. Lately we have been treated to the spectacle of Lord Minto delivering himself publicly of views in connection with the scheme of imperial defence which are diametrically opposed to those voiced with equal publicity by Sir Wilfrid.

Lord Minto, who is a man of very strong prejudices and opinions, speaks and thinks as an Englishman, while Sir Wilfrid, with the greater part of the population of Canada behind him, thinks, speaks and acts as a Canadian. The situation has, in consequence thereof, become exceedingly difficult and almost intolerable. The relations between the two men have never been very cordial, and

## GREAT SALT LAKE.

This Remarkable Body of Water Will Vanish Within Fifty Years.

Within fifty years from the present time the Great Salt Lake of Utah, the most remarkable body of water of its kind in the world, will have ceased to exist. It will have dried up, and its place will be occupied by an unattractive desert, save perhaps for a few irrigated farms.

Such, at all events, is the opinion of geologists. Professor W. J. McGee of Washington remarked in conversation the other day that half a century was an outside estimate for the survival of the lake. He was inclined to think that it would be dried up twenty-five years from now. Already its waters show signs of receding from the shores, and causes are in operation which lessen to a great extent the supplies furnished to this curious inland sea by streams.

The lake is about seventy-five miles long by half that in greatest breadth, being in shape somewhat irregular, and is rather shallow. There may be places where it has a depth of as much as a hundred feet, but over most of its area it is less than fifty feet deep. The reason why it is so salt is simply that it has no outlet save through evaporation, and the streams during ages past have been carrying salt into it.

The contributing streams are now beginning to be utilized on a large scale for irrigating purposes, and thus the customary water supply is being withheld to some extent from the lake. Before long immense reservoirs will be constructed in the mountains to hold the storm waters during the rainy season in order that they may be conserved and poured out over the fields in the dry time. Operations of this kind conducted so extensively must lower the level of the lake quite fast.

When the lake is gone, much of the land thus made dry will be unavailable for agriculture owing to its containing so large a percentage of salts of various kinds deposited from the water in the course of many centuries. But it may be supposed that certain areas where the lake was comparatively shallow will be suitable for farming. Thus there will be some direct gain.

## Dyed Coffee Beans.

In Germany it is not permissible to adulterate coffee. A wholesale grocer was recently tried in Hamburg, the charge against him being that he had adulterated a large quantity of Brazilian coffee, with the object of selling it as Porto Rico coffee. His counsel admitted that he had changed the original color of the coffee, but pointed out that he had made the change before the coffee was roasted, and as the experts who had been summoned expressed the opinion that it was perfectly lawful to adulterate beans, though entirely unlawful to adulterate roasted coffee, the court promptly ordered a verdict of not guilty.

In this case the adulteration consisted in making the beans of a greenish blue color and in pressing fine flour between the clefts. The rosy hue which characterizes Brazilian coffee was thus obliterated.

According to the experts, beans of coffee have been artificially colored in Hamburg for the last forty years, and if the practice is to be stopped, though they insist that the public is not duped, since it is not the color which gives quality to coffee, suits will have to be instituted against all the grocers of the city.

## Theater Supper Parties.

"No, we don't encourage supper parties," said the manager of the continuous performance theater, "but we are powerless to prevent them. They come early in the afternoon and camp out until the last turn at night. See the fat woman going in with the basket and the three kids? Well, she's a regular. In that basket you will probably find a lot of ham sandwiches, some pickles, an orange apiece and perhaps a tumbler of jelly. About 6 o'clock they will consume this provender and be prepared to enjoy the evening performance, despite the fact that they have already seen it in the afternoon. 'Chasers' have no effect upon the supper parties. A bum song and dance team will go on and do their worst to drive out the sitters in order to make room for the evening audience, but it's like pouring water on a duck's back. The people who stay for supper will stand for anything."

City Sportsman—Have you seen anything worth shooting at around here? Farmer—Well, no; not till you arrived.

## Mr. Chamberlain's Orchids.

Some visitors had passed through Mr. Chamberlain's orchid house at Highbury, one morning, and a very valuable plant was discovered broken. Mr. Chamberlain, it was said, lost his temper, and he declared that sightseers should no longer be welcomed. Then he interrogated the gardener in charge of the house. The man appeared confused, but protested that he didn't do the damage.

"I was very sorry when I saw it done, sir."

"You saw it done? Then, of course, the visitors didn't, either."

"I saw it done," cried Mr. Chamberlain. "I am resolved to discover the culprit."

The gardener then spoke.

"I saw you. You were walking up and down and rehearsing something. I heard Lord Salisbury's name, sir, an' Mr. Gladstone's, an' then you struck out with your right arm, and marked the doer, went the orchid."

The master smiled, and sightseers were not excluded from the orchid houses.

Mr. Chamberlain's love of the orchid is responsible for the following: During the progress of a political meeting at which Mr. Chamberlain spoke, an old man of the laboring class pushed his way to the front, and asked an acquaintance "which is 'im'?" "Who?" "Why, Chamberlain. Which 'of that lot's him'?" "That clean-shaven chap there; him with the eyeglasses," responded the one addressed. "Is that Chamberlain?" said the laborer, in a disappointed tone. "Of course it is. What do 'e think of 'im, eh?" "Who, I think 'e's a regular fraud, that's wot I think."

His companion at once entered into a spirited defence of the politician. "I know nothing about politics," replied the laborer, pushing his way to the door. "They say 'e wot 'e's a little orchard in his button-hole, and ther, it ain't nawt but a good blossom."

## A Substitute for Anthracite Coal.

The District of Columbia seems to have solved the fuel problem by the use of the anthracite stringency. It is customary for the municipality of Washington to make contracts in July for the coming year's supply of fuel, but this year it was impossible to obtain bids for the requisite supply of anthracite coal. Accordingly the District Commissioners recently ordered extensive experiments to be made with the view of heating the schools with fuel other than anthracite. The results of these experiments have now been made public, and it is announced that a perfect substitute for anthracite has been found in a mixture of bituminous coal and coke.

From the official reports made to the commissioners it appears that by firing the furnaces with, first, a layer of coke, then a layer of bituminous coal, and then a top layer of coke a fine fire is secured and one that emits a minimum amount of smoke. The commissioners were interested not alone in securing a cheap fuel, but in securing a fire for the school heating plants, but wanted as well a fire which would make the smallest quantity of black smoke. In giving the results of the experiments the superintendent of property reported to the commissioners that the "most satisfactory results are obtained by spreading first a layer of coke, then a layer of coal and then a top layer of coke, in the manner stated there was only a minimum amount of smoke observable, and satisfactory heating qualities were produced."

If the combination of soft coal and coke works as satisfactorily as the Washington officials predict that it will, the results of their experiments will be of practical value to all anthracite coal sufferers.

## Sarcastic Lord Palmerston.

Lord Palmerston was not always serene and placid in the British Foreign Office. He was once irritated by the use of other than black ink. "Iron railings leaning out of the perpendicular" was his scathing criticism of a certain consul's writing, while of another specimen he bemoaned: "Has the writer of this letter lost the use of his right hand? If not, why does he make all his letters slope backward like the raking masts of an American schooner?"

Write to the Stationery Office for a sufficient supply of full stops, semi-colons and commas, but more especially semi-colons, for the use of the copying clerks of his office. "Was another of his political sarcasms. Nor did he like paper to be fastened by pins. 'I desire,' he wrote, 'that all the pins be immediately made over to the female branch of this establishment.'"

On Sunday morning, during church time, Lord Palmerston entered one of the rooms of the office, accompanied by Lady Palmerston, and not finding the head of the department at his post, he inquired of one of the juniors where he was, and on being told he was at church, His Lordship expressed much surprise at his not being at his desk, and was beginning to wax rather warm on the subject, when he was stopped by a clerk who said that he had been called away by a lady. "But you see, my dear, some people go to church on Sundays," Lord Palmerston evidently felt that this was an awkward remark for her to make under the circumstances, but he said no more, and quietly left the room.

## The Irish of It.

An Englishman met a man at a French table d'hôte who addressed him in French. His accent betrayed him, and, rather rudely, the Briton said: "Ah, you are English?" "Sure there's no doubt of it, darlin'," replied the stranger. "An Irishman, too, still better," went on the other.

"Well, thin, isn't it strange," said the man, "me Frinch always shows me to be English, and me English to be Irish?"

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Electors of the City of Chatham, Sept. 20, 1892.

I have been requested by a large number of ratepayers from every section of the city to allow my name to be put in nomination for the mayoralty for 1903.

My friends are of the opinion that as mayor I will be in a better position to continue the work I have in hand as chairman of the Industrial Committee, and secure for the city other factories with which I am in communication.

Having been a member of the Council Board for a longer time than any other who is now an aspirant for the position of mayor, and having been chairman of the Industrial committee since its inception (which position has involved a large amount of labor and considerable expense to me) I feel that I am quite justified in according to the wishes of my friends. I am therefore a candidate for the high and important office of mayor of my native town for 1903 and most respectfully solicit your votes and influence.

I am, ladies and gentlemen, Your obedient servant, G. W. COWAN.

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