

fended his countrymen until the Canadian finally remarked:

"There isn't such a being as an industrious Irishman."

"Industrious, is it?" exclaimed the good father, who relapsed into genuine "Irish" speech.

"Faith, how could they indushter, when there's nothing for them to indushter on?"

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### Blowing Bubbles.

Life, it seems to most of us,  
Is just a game of bubbles,  
Which are lightly blown away,  
Like our joys and troubles  
From the pipe they gaily rise,  
Sparkling while they shatter,  
Catch the gleam of green and rose,  
Ere to the mist they scatter.

How the bubbles float and glow,  
Like a fairy presence,  
Till they vanish into air  
Fleeting iridescence! !  
Even so our days are sped,  
Like the glittering bubbles,  
Till we also float away—  
We and all our troubles.

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### Staff Humor.

A birdman has beaten carrier pigeons in a cross-country race.

he may propose to the "Maid of the Mist."

Now it's becoming fashionable for nations to avoid wasting natural resources, may we suggest to some of our garrulous friends that they practice conservation of conversation.

Another comet has been discovered, but the event creates no enthusiasm among a lot of people who clung to life several years after they were ready to quit merely to see Halley's.

There's no infantile paralysis in Toronto according to Dr. Sheard, the city's medical health officer, and so the citizens are again guessing as to what's wrong with the members of the City Council.

Judge Lanctot says it's legal to show the Jeffries-Johnson fight pictures in Quebec. But it's still impossible to show moving pictures of Borden licking Laurier in that same old province.

Esperantists claim that their language will be the universal one, but we continue to hope that the real world language may be the one that money talks.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier spoke in a hurricane at Red Deer, but didn't mind it, in view of his experiences



The Count.—Oh, don't refuse me, sweet angel of my dreams, for I cannot live without you."

The Heiress —(reflectively)—"That's just what I was afraid of."—M.A.P.

Aviators had already beaten tumblers in the latter variety's specialty.

Bryan was deposed by Nebraska Democrats, Jeffries was knocked out, and Roosevelt has been turned down by the New York Republicans. Because of the shock it would be, not only to the United States, but to the whole world, let's hope that nobody throws down Bill Taft.

Another experimenter claims to have discovered perpetual motion. He is hereby requested to next attempt to discover why the female section of the household insist on having all the clocks in the house a "quarter fast."

A deaf man of Chicago was able to hear when he had gone up Pike's Peak, and now deaf people won't hear of anything but allowing them to become mountain climbers and aviators.

Having been used to bringing politicians from Canada's "magnificent distances," Ottawa now talks of bringing her water supply from no less a distance than twelve miles.

Mohammed Jamalulu Kriam, Sultan of Sulu, who some time ago proposed to the then Alice Roosevelt, is to visit Niagara Falls next month, and grave fears are entertained that

in the "cave of the winds" on Parliament Hill.

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### A Conservative.

MRS. O'TOOLE—"Do yez like these model tenements wid de white bathtubs?"

Mrs. O'Grady—"No; I prefer the ould-fashioned way of keepin' me coal in the hod."—Life.

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### Safe.

A MOTHER of four daughters, one of whom had recently married, cornered an eligible young man in the drawing-room. "And which of my girls do you most admire, might I ask?"

"The married one," was the prompt reply.—Argonaut.

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### A Chance for All.

THERE was little doubt in the minds of those who were invited to the wedding of Augustus Clay Johnson to Chloe Matilda Baker, as to the cordiality of the invitation.

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