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God's in His heaven,

All's right with the world.

—Browning.

June 22 last was a damp night.

Apparently there were both money

and books to burn.

It is astonishing how an election

impairs the memory.

The wheels of Mr. Beattie's election

must seem to have been turned by beer.

Isn't it possible that the inhabitants

of the attic reached there via the roof?

Perhaps Hugh McGurdy will buy a

gold mine when he reaches Rossland.

The jokes cracked in the gymnasium

that night could hardly be called

Attic wit.

The revelations of the top flat might

be reported as "Exposures in High

Life."

A Toronto memory teacher proposes

to open a class in London after the

holidays.

What a good time those missing

witnesses are having at somebody

else's expense!

The gentlemen who have gone away

for their health may find it healthier

to return.

The semi-facetious phrase, "this

great family journal," complains of

being over-worked.

The forethought that provided ice

for the beer and bread for the ham,

must surely have furnished Tooth-

picks, too.

"Attica" is the name of a new election

complaint. The patient feels bil-

lious at night, but experiences a

marked difference in the morning.

Nine-tenths of the total circulation

of daily papers in Ontario is evening

circulation.

In Germany, when a civilian runs

accidentally against a military officer,

the honor of the regiment demands

that the civilian be thrust through

the body with the sword. It is not

considered the correct thing in et-

quette to give the civilian time to

get a club wherewith to defend him-

self.

Says the Hamilton Times: "London

election trial promises to last a long

time, owing to the precautions taken

by the Conservatives to destroy all

written evidence. Mr. Osler will get

all the facts out if he keeps at it till

midsummer, and the Tory bill of

costs will be correspondingly aug-

mented."

In a recent book Mr. John Biglow

says that it scarcely requires pro-

phetic vision to foresee the time when

the art of sleeping will be taught

and studied as systematically in our

schools of science as the physiology

of our nutritive and nervous system.

Unfortunately the author does not

tell us how to sleep when a neigh-

bor's bull-dog has successfully or-

ganized an all-night canine concert.

Believing in Santa Claus.

Is it right to inculcate in the young

the belief in Santa Claus? Some peo-

ple hold that it is not right. Harper's

Bazar declares that it is perfectly pro-

per. There once were a father and

mother in the world, it says, who did

not believe in Santa Claus. They were

afraid, too, to let their children be-

lieve in the blessed old myth, fearing

the sky, and the song of the angels

in every soul.

But to turn to our original thought.

Did the parents who would have none

of Santa Claus gain anything by their

resolution to be rigidly true to a tan-

gible and material order, or, clinging

to the husk, did they lose the fruit

which was growing within for the

healing of the nations? Many things

not susceptible of proof by the evi-

dence of the physical senses are real-

ly true in that higher realm where

the imagination rules. One of those

never-dying, never-fading things is

Santa Claus, and year by year the

weeks over which his scepter is ex-

tended are weeks of rare beauty, and

a time when goodwill everywhere

shines in men's countenances and is

the marring of their lives. Children see

and feel this wonderful festival of

love on the earth, but they cannot

enter into it fully, and so those who

were wiser than we, in good old days

fragrant in memory, christened the

Christmas season, when the yule-log

burns, and the holly gleams, and the

world is glad, as the special gala time

of Santa Claus. Believe in him all you

can, and he will give you blessings

heaped up and running over to pay

you for your faith.

A Warranted Exposure—Mr.

Beattie Should Resign the

Seat to Which He Was

Not Fairly Elected.

The arrival of the Christmas holidays

has compelled the postponement of the

further hearing of evidence in the

London election case.

As the petition is not being tried by

a jury, there would be nothing im-

proper in reviewing the evidence given

so far at this time, as certain of our

Conservative contemporaries discussed

the comparatively scanty evidence

submitted at the first stage of the

trial of the petition against the Lib-

eral candidate after the election of

1891. We, however, prefer to wait for

the full developments. The central re-

velation, so far, is the fact that whole-

sale debauchery was carried on in the

rooms of the Conservative Club on

Dundas street during the day and

night preceding the election on June

23 last. That fact, it was made evi-

dent from the line taken by the coun-

sel for the respondent, is admitted by

Mr. Beattie and his friends. How they

hope to get out of responsibility re-

quires a more powerful imagination to

decide than the average student of the

evidence is likely to possess. Another

remarkable feature of the case is the

number of material witnesses sum-

moned by the petitioners, who have

been spirited away because of the

damaging evidence which it was

known they would be compelled to

give in support of the case against

Mr. Beattie. And an equally signifi-

cant fact brought out is that many

documents, calculated to prove agency

in debauchery, bribery or other wrong-

doing, have either been carried away

by the defaulters, destroyed, or mys-

teriously dropped out of sight.

In view of these happenings, and of

the extraordinary failure in the mem-

ories of many of the agents of Mr.

Beattie so far examined, one is as-

tonished that the revelations as yet

unpublished are so complete, startling, dan-

gering, to the case of the respondent.

And yet we are told that the investi-

gation so far has dealt only with a

portion of the debauchery, simply a

fringe of the corruption having been

taken up. When the case is resumed,

either with or without the evidence

of the decamped witnesses—and it is ex-

pected that the majority of the mis-

singing men will be placed under arrest

before then—even more startling ex-

posures are promised.

The general impression throughout

the city is that the unfolding now laid

bare ought to be sufficient to void the

A Custom House Job.

It looks as if Mr. George Guillet,

Conservative M.P. for West Northum-

berland, will have to follow Mr. J.

C. Rykert into retirement from public

life. The commissioner appointed to

inquire into the Cobourg customs

house scandal has reported that Mr.

Guillet, Mr. Daniel McAllister, land-

ing agent at Cobourg, and Mr. W. J. Ma-

her had negotiated to obtain from the

late Mr. C. E. Ewing, the collector, his

resignation, and have Mr. D. McAllis-

ter appointed in his stead. This traf-

ficking in public offices must be put

down with a firm hand. Mr. Guillet

should resign.

Shutting Up!

The Mouth of the Mississippi is

Closing.

Careless Oystermen Cause the Trouble

—Heavy Loss in Prospect.

New Orleans, Dec. 24.—The

mouth of the Mississippi seems to be

closing up, and may soon become im-

passable to ocean steamships. These

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