

The Evening Times and Star

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CROPS AND FARM HELP Canadian Finance of Winnipeg has a very cheerful statement concerning the western crops. It sees no reason to depart from its earlier estimate of over two hundred million bushels of wheat and two hundred and fifty million bushels of other grain, with a marketable value for the west of a quarter billion dollars or over.

It is evident that a considerable amount of Thaw money is to be gathered in by Canadian lawyers.

Lord Haldane says that "the relations between Great Britain and Germany never were more cordial." Thus does the Borden emergency take another leap into the future.

The schools of St. John appear to be losing some capable teachers because the salaries offered are too low.

We appear to be much nearer to the time when medical inspection in the public schools of this city will be introduced, and there is also hope that dental inspection will ere long be introduced. There is great need of both.

Mr. Jerome has been acquitted and has been tendered an apology for the humiliation to which he was subjected at Coaticook. His experience would seem to suggest that eminent upholders of the law should never permit themselves to be caught playing poker in public.

The city council will ask Mr. Hazen to arrange a meeting with the officials of the Grand Trunk Pacific. It should be possible by this time for our representative to withdraw his thoughts for a brief space from the great works he is to accomplish on the Pacific coast and consider the claims of the city of St. John. Perhaps also he may reply to the memorial of the Borden club.

Hon. Mr. Morrissey informs the Standard that the highways of the province are in good condition.

The artist soul of the editor of the Chatham World and commodore of the fleet on the Miramichi is deeply grieved by the failure of our editors and even ministers to discern the true and beautiful and purely artistic in this mad world of ours. In the travail of his soul he cries out:

Unsophisticated editors and puritan minded parsons are writing and preaching diatribes against the present day style of feminine dress. The poor fellows are shocked at the sight of bare arms and clinging draperies that show the shape of the female form divine. They cry aloud for wider skirts with more petticoats beneath them.

The more he thinks upon the subject the more he is disturbed, and the greater grows the amazement with which he regards the editors and parsons of his degenerate age. Like the serf of old he is wrought up to a state of fervent wrath, and once more cries out:

"And why all this virtuous condemnation? Why is it that these virtuous editors and pious parsons can't look on a thinly clothed woman without holy horror? Why should they rave and groan and avert their eyes when she displays a well rounded ankle garbed in hose that half conceals and half reveals the whiteness within? The evil is not in what they see but in themselves. Instead of looking on as artists, admiring the glimpses they are given of God's most artistic production, they look with the puritan eyes of immorality."

Having thus relieved his burdened mind, the artist of the Black North enters into the practical consideration of woman's dress, which, he explains, is a mere matter of convention. The eastern woman veils her face. The western woman does not. "The dress that comes nearest to nature, that conceals the least, and changes the shape only of those whose shape needs improvement, is the most artistic and attractive." Again we are told that no clean-minded man will look at woman with any other thought than admiration for her grace and beauty, no matter how freely she may display her natural charms. Man was justified in protesting against the bustle and the hoop skirt, but not against "thin hose, bare necks, slit skirts and clinging gowns."

It is refreshing to get the point of view of Commodore Stewart, artist and editor, upon a question of such universal interest at the present time. No doubt the nymphs of the Miramichi will reward him with glimpses of beauty such as only his artistic soul can appreciate, feeling as they must that he is a devout worshipper, regarding the scene where

BIRTHDAYS OF NOTABILITIES

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 Dr. R. M. Carter, deputy postmaster-general of Canada, observes his fifty-sixth birthday today. He was born at Richmond Hill, Ont., and for some time practiced medicine at Aurora, Ont.

William Briggs, D. D., veteran book steward of the Methodist Book and Publishing House and the oldest publisher in Canada, was born in county Down, Ireland, seventy-seven years ago today. He was long engaged in the Methodist ministry before receiving his present appointment in 1879.

George Lynch-Staunton, a leader of the bar in Hamilton and Toronto and one of the commissioners appointed last year to investigate all expenditures on the National Transcontinental Railway, was born in Kingston, Ont., fifty-five years ago today.

LIGHTER VEIN

Left "My rich uncle is dead." "Did he leave you anything?" "Yes, he left me penniless."

Pitching and Preaching She—Just think of it; the pitcher on our ball team gets more money than our minister does.

Could Then Run up More "So your uncle paid your debts; that was very kind of him, and let me pay them."

For Tightwads Advice to misers—Take care of the public schools of this city will be introduced, and there is also hope that dental inspection will ere long be introduced.

On Guard The Dog Hill preacher did not have time to get up his sermon for last Sunday as he was busy all day Saturday guarding his watering patch from the Sunday school picnic—Paducah Hog-wallow Kentuckian.

His Views Had Changed Mrs. Benham—Before you married you said that I was a queer.

Insufferable "So you broke your engagement with him?" "Yes."

"What for?" "He's a conceited thing. I simply couldn't stand him."

"I never heard him brag. What makes you think him conceited?" "All the time we were engaged he never once told me that he was unworthy of my love."—Detroit Free Press.

WOODLAND NOTES

(By C. S. H.) "Twas one of the charmed days when the breeze of God doth flow, The wind may alter twenty ways, A tempest cannot blow; It may blow north, it may blow warm; Or south, it still is clear; Or east, it smells like clover-farm; Or west, no thunder fear."—Emerson.

The broad Kennebecasis reflects the deep blue sky, "Full of light and delfy," a light breeze ruffles its surface, the sun glides all with gales. A large yacht is just taking to west, reaching for Long Island. Little white sails, in relief against the Minister's Face, seem like the wings of birds.

An automobile is passing me, by the shore. It is laden with its wile boys. But look! Coming towards me, for a distance of a quarter of a mile, is a procession of automobiles, twenty or more, some with little girls and some with boys. What does it mean? Now I remember! Kind-hearted citizens of St. John are giving a joy-ride to the orphans of various institutions.

Making others happy, helping others to be happy, is the only way to be good and happy ourselves. Tennyson sings of virtue:

"She desires no Isles of the blest, no quiet seats of the just; To rest in a golden grove, or bask in a summer sky; Give me the wages of going on, and not to die."

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