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THE CUP LIFTER.

Now that Sir Thomas Lipton's third doubt about the defender's Sam pictures of Shamrock III leading from starting gun to finish line.

The race is always thus sailed in advance of ink is apilled before anyone really knows what the outlook really is. Now however, the guessing match enters it acute stage, for here is Shamrock III, trim and dangerous, and about to be tried in

While the experts are studying her an hurling salt language at one another, folk of British stock the world over are saving one and all, that Sir Thomas Lepton is serves to win, and hoping that at last he has the boat and the spars, the sails and the crew, to do the trick.

There is great faith in this last sloor from over sea-faith that runs from island feeling that in no line of effort should the tional life. That the big sloop is followed the yachting standpoint, for while other challengers have quit, beaten and sore, the marked former contests and placed the con petition on a pleasant footing. And by his pluck he has won a host of admirers the United States It is a fact that a majority of the American newspaper men who report the yacht races and who have en countered Sir Thomas Lipton personally, hone he will win.

through Saturday's fine local contest, get an additional impetus from the arrival of Shamrock III-so the newspaper experts who sail the oup races in advance will have a greatly enlarged circle of readers from

There is, of course, only one proper view. Shamrock III is the cup-lifter. May it be a decisive victory and may Boreas spare us any drifting matches.

LABOR AND CIVIC POLITICS.

The great activity in union labor circle some months past is not unlikely to have movement have a hone to pick with several employed by the city. It is asserted by these labor leaders that the aldermen broke faith with them. Before the ques several leading aldermen and talked the matter over. Individual labor men disreference, at the Board of Works' meeting, to any understanding reached before labor men now say it was clearly under stood that the Board of Works should not defer definite action in regard to the city the labor men say, they came to the conclusion that in referring the matter to a committee, the aldermen deliberately shelved it, knowing all the time that three or four weeks must elapse be fore any increase of wages could be ordered, and that the work upon which Servia, an account which apparently is most of the men are employed would last the true one came to hand last evening. only six or seven weeks longer. Thus it will be seen that some of

ed without opposition did not mean that and put him away, there would be hop

avers is as between the laborers and the eting. The influence of labor upon the uncil, by the way, would be much

A REVOLUTION IN SMART SOCIETY

So utterly idiotic have some of the 'smart society" leaders become, and to ridicule and bitter raillery. The New York Evening Post, a journal of the hightude of the more sensible American citizens toward the class under review:

A shocking attempt to muzzle the pres is reported from Ceveland. The morning despatches announce in regard to a young woman who is married there to-

"It is impossible to learn what, if any, ornaments she will wear at the wedding, or to obtain a list of the presents."

This is worse than the Pennsylvania gag law; for if the precedent established in Cleveland be allowed to stand, brider in Cleveland be allowed to stand, brides may refuse to give out inventories of their underciothing. When our journals are thus deprived of their most important news, marriage must inevitably be a failure. We plead, therefore, for a return to the good old way, which is sanctioned by the highest authorities at Newport. The evening before the wedding the type o the press. This may be published in advance in order to attract public atten after the ceremony." Thus an enterpristype, with lovely pictures of bride and groom and all relations who are rated high in Bradstreet, and can get out an extra without loss of time. To abandon this method, tested by long experience, is to sap the very foundati

the laborers by hastly action should throw away the chance for a better wage which s now in sight.

disposed to deal fairly with the men, but they cannot prevent a strike if the men insist upon striking, and if they do go out the loss of wages must fall upon person who can ill-afford it.

It is not likely that any of the laborers now employed, even the few old men who that all the able-bodied laborers which the laborers and no one desires that they postpone action until they learn definitely just what the aldermen will do for

the men now employed by the city would be out of a job-a situation which no one wishes to bring about.

THE SERVIAN BUTCHERY.

What did they promise? What they will erally deserves the rulers it has. Bad as

The mass meeting Wednesday night of slaughter stamped them as barbarian should throw more light upon the present and debased, is sign enough of the troubled

These he the pains attending transplant ing. If the incapacity of Rev. Mr. Barr

stayed the progress of the Anglo-Saxon nnoyance at in his front to give battle. The west, as a fact, as seen in the light

we have, is a settling ground for men of make for it hungrily and so thrive in and twice confident because of the spirit in erent in them. It is indeed anothe

When Drake went down to the Horn And England was crowned thereby. and. (England speaking):-

I know that your good is mine; ye shall fe

preponderance by men of the Empire, shall be etrong there. The hope of all is its course untroubled by the western flood of Britishers. He stays it not at all. He does not influence it per ceptibly. So they mistake who weigh him

fashion to regard the men who bllowed Barr as fit subjects for jest. They are, in one way, and they are not in an ther. At the moment this story, by clergyman who accompanied the Britishers

I must tell you an amusing story related of a Barr colonist. The hero was a young Englishman of the typical class. The farmer for whom he was working sent him out early one evening to put the sheep into the fold. After several hours the Englishman returned, out of breath and completely exwisted.
"Well, John, did you fold the sheep?"
"Wul, sir, I got the sheep in all right blausted a lamb could I get," was

like. But "it has nothing to do the case," as Mr. W. S. Gilbert is a matter for patriots and prophets, and it is likely to surprise both if they live

A PIECE OF NEWS. There returned to St. John from Otta-

out (1) when we next shall have a Dominion election and (2)) what the outlook is of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's health, upon the date of the election in question. The shameful that it seemed at first. Upon oracle answered that he had seen the

An editorial writer who recently saw th Premier at close range and who speaks with authority, says in the Toronto Tele

Laurier in Parliament at intervals of two and three years in the last decade, may be surprised at the comparatively few

leave their traces on a stronger man than Sir Wilfrid Laurier. It cannot be said of Sir Wilfrid that Time has written "no

tion Sir Wilfrid occupies today. His prou-Britain await his course in so far as ears upon the future of the Empire.

All in all the man who gained local fame ecause he visited Otawa recently and spoke oracularly, would appear to have brought and delivered a singularly mis-

"SINGULARLY STEADY."

The Boston interest in Dominion Iron & Steel may take into consideration Mr & Steel may take into consideration Mr. Tarte's frank admission that \$100,000,000 had changed hands of late years in gambling on the concern's stock, and that the purpose of giving the stock a rise in price. If this appears correct the question comes whether Sir Wilfrid's singularly clean government is likely to tax conwas strangely expected by some to star not occur, nor any sign of one. * * *
In fact, it is a singularly steady administration.—Boston Transcript.

This will not greatly comfort the "Boston interest," nor does it give support to made, that the government will "do some thing" for the company. The government thing before it will act. The company cannot advance the good reasons.

NO E AND COMMENT.

Parliament may not be prorogued for more than six weeks yet. New York politicians say Devery wil

poll 25,000 votes when he runs for mayor That will hit (Lammany hard. Kings, queens, and common folk, the

Servians all told are evidently not the nost charming people on earth. Organization is the one effective weapo

of labor. Organization misdirected i union labor's greatest weakness. The police insisted that one feature the circus bill was unfit for publication

Who so fit to judge of these matters a Mr. Carnegie makes full retraction. He plames the reporter. He never intended to say a word that could hurt our pride-

Very unfeeling conduct that of the New York employers who lock out the striking members of the building trades. What is the world coming to?

a short session at Ottawa have not take into account some of the important ques ions which are yet to be passed upon. What will the aldermen do? The city

the aldermen say, like Davey Crockett's coon, "Don't shoot, I'll come down?" A prominent New York physician attributes twenty per cent of the infant mortality in that city at present to eating

Lord Rosebery expresses "pain and grief" that he feels unable to support Mr. Chamberlain, and credits the Colonial Secretary with an honest desire to benefit the

The Growth of Oak Hall

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veloped his powers of parliamentary debate. A good deal has happened to Sir Wilfrid Laurier since 1893. He was not Best Values in Boys' Clothing.

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GREATER OAK HALL,

KING STREET, ST. JOHN.

SCOVIL BROS. & CO.

Our store will be closed at I o'clock, p. m., on Saturday, during the months of July and

Nova Scotia is seeking an increased county for a steel shipbuilding plant. If it goes through we probably shall hear that shipbuilding will be added to the dry dock plan. It has been considered.

The winner of the McLellan cup ha only three seconds to spare. It is hoped Sir Thomas Lipton will have a little more than that, for he has waited long for a

A Gloucester County fisherman furnished new proof of the greatness of the North fish in one day in four nets, the average weight of the prizes being twenty and onehalf pounds.

After attacking every man thus far sug-William Jennings Bryan has named as his choice a Southern Democrat who is a presidential impossibility. In other words he has reserved the right to nominate

The Ontario Legislature votes its members \$1,000 apiece, an increase of \$400 over the usual sessional indemnity. The session has been very long. They are to get \$800 hereafter. Mr. Gamey will probably con clude now that he cannot afford to resign.

Sentiment in favor of a government rail road to the wheat-fields is growing rapidly at Ottawa, according to the Toronto News It hears that the entire Grand Trunk plan may even be changed and government railway constructed right brough from Quebec to the Pacific coast.

Extensive experiments will be made for the Pennsylvania Railroad to ascertain beech, maple and birch can be used profit ably for railroad ties. It is expected that the increasing price of hard pine will soon make that wood too expensive to be used for ties in the United States.

Mr. Fowler, of Kings, having tired of resenting street rumors for the considera ion of Parliament, has begun to make Hon. A. S. White. It is not at all likely that the member for Kings will win any votes by this particular line of investiga-

There have really been no form public disasters during the last few months, but perhaps Mr. Tarte is referring to a disastrous incident in his own politic I history.

assured them the scheme would go through and said the route from London to the East would be shortened by 500 miles. News from Ottawa concerning the Grand Trunk bill is that it has encountered fur-

Complaints sent home by some members of the Barr colony have not caused any ing unfounded newspaper reports about this country has averted no little harm from the immigration movement.

For a protectionist newspaper, the Montreal Star advances a curious theory. It is ernment's chances of future office-holding the adoption of Mr. Tarte's protection ideas would have killed the government with the people. Certainly high protection

Premier Balfour's smooth speech has caused one hostile critic to compare him to an acrobat and another to apply to him the lines written of another Prime Minister who had a Chamberlain on his hands 100 years ago:-

"A noble Duke affirms I like his plan, I never did, my Lords, I never can; Shame on the slanderous breath which dares instil
That I who now condemn advised the ill.
Plain words, thank Heaven, are always un derstood, I could approve I said—but not I would."

There has been considerable agitation in New York and Pennsylvania of late over new legislation increasing the stringency of the libel law. Some of the politicians have tried to gag the newspapers St. Clair McKelway, editor of the Brook lyn Eagle, who says: "Till wrong abandons secrecy, journalism will invade privacy. It is not nice work, but it is better than plunder."

Some of the Southern newspapers are breathing threatenings and slaughter be cause of the proposal to maintain the law. The Charleston (S. C.) News and Courier threatens civil war. The South, worth killing;" the North "would be loadpendence, and with no South left to pay the vast tribute." Probably the Southern editor scarcely believes it is as serious

Thos, Nolan, Boston Christopher Farn by Megantic; John Hatch, Advocate,

The Men Behind the Guns.

A cheer and salute for the Admiral, and

And never they fear when the foe is near to practice what they preach:
But off with your hat and three times three for Columbia's true-blue sons,—
The men below who battered the foe,—the men behind the guns!

Oh, light and merry of heart are they when they swing into port once more, When, with more than enough of the "green-backed stuff," they start for their leave-o'-shore;
And you'd think, perhaps, that the blue-bloused chaps who loll along the street Are a tender bit, with salt on it, for some fierce "mustache" to eat,—
Some warrior bold, with straps of gold, who dazzles and fairly stuns
The modest worth of the sailor boys,—the lads who serve the guns.

But say not a word till a shot is heard that But say not a word till a shot is heard that tells the fight is on,
Till the long deep roar grows more and more from the ships of "Yank" and "Don,"
Till over the deep the tempests sweep of fire and bursting shell,
And the very air is a mad Despair in the throes of a living hell;
Then down, deep down, in the mighty ship, unseen by the midday suns,
You'll find the chaps who are giving the raps,—the men behind the guns!

Oh, well they know how the cyclones blow that they loose from their cloud of death, and they know is heard the thunder-word their flerce ten-inchers saith!

The steel decks rock with the lightning shock, and shake with the great receil.

And the sea grows red with the blood of the dead and reaches for his spoil.—

But not till the foe has gone below, or turns his prow and runs,

Shall the voice of peace bring sweet release to the men behind the guns!

—JOHN JEROME ROONEY.

The Deceased Wife's Sister Bill.

Under an obvious chestnut tree The late wife's sister stands; Her air is sad, and sick, and sore, She seems beneath a ban;
Her eyes are wet, her teeth are set,
She's trying all she can;
And looks the whole world in the eyes,
For she asks a boon of Man. Year in, year out, at stated times, You can hear her prayers flow, You can hear her tell her doleful tale And she her eyes aglow, Pleading with Mr. Thingumbob And Mr. So-and-So.

Toiling—appealing—lobbying—
While she still older grows,
Each Session sees her task begun,
No Session sees it close;
Something attempted, nothing done—
Whichever way it goes.
Mostyn Pigott in the World.

The Desire. Give me no mansions ivory white, Nor palaces of pearl and gold; Give me a child for all delight Just four years old.

Give me no wings of rosy shine, Nor snowy raiment, fold on fold, Give me no harp and starry crown Nor harps, nor palm-branches unr Give me a nestling head of brown Just four years old.

Give me a cheek that's like the peach,
Two arms to class me from the cold,
And all my heaven's within my meachen as
Just four years old, soon and night and
All my heaven's within my meachen as