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CLEANING TIME.

Theoretically, cleaning time should extend from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31. Dirt should never be allowed to accumulate. Every day should be a cleaning day. But that is not practicable. So the careful housekeeper has her periodic cleaning times. And the greatest of these is in the spring months, after winter has gone, and a milder air and a sunnier sky leave no excuse for storm doors and double windows. During the winter nature covers all impurities with a snow-white veil; but as spring-time melts the veil away the foul spots are all revealed. Ash heaps and garbage heaps stand out in all their ugliness. Not only unsightly, but unhealthy; for as dirt accumulates germs develop, and diseases follow.

The health department of the city will send around its inspectors in a few days. Be ready for them. Clean up the house, and do not confine the cleaning to the living rooms. Turn the light into the cellars and closets, and follow with the broom and scrubbing brush. Empty the drawers and boxes; destroy all that is useless. If you find some things that are no longer useful to you, remember that there are people not far from you whose needs are greater than yours. What is useless to you may be of value to them.

And while your house is undergoing the cleaning operations, do not forget the backyard. The lawn you will look after without any prompting, because every passerby can see it. But only your nearest neighbors see the backyard. Gather up the rubbish; bury in the kindly earth everything that can fertilize it, even if you grow nothing but grass. Then let the garbage collector carry off all that remains on the surface.

Every few weeks someone starts a call to "swat the fly," because hygienists tell us he is not only a nuisance but a carrier of disease. It should not be necessary to punish this little familiar insect for our own faults. Banish the filth, and then there will be no trouble about the flies. They increase and multiply simply because we provide them with breeding ground and food. In fact, the fly is a useful fellow in his way. He is Nature's garbage collector. Where filth exists he sends the fly to get rid of it. And the more filth, the more flies. It is not the fly's fault that in trying to dispose of your garbage for you he occasionally carries disease along with him. Keep clean, and he will no longer be seen, for there will be no place for him to live.

Keep clean, and your house will look prettier, and smell sweeter, and be a better place to live in. Keep clean, and your cellar and outhouses and backyards will not be disease producers. Keep clean, and you will have healthier bodies and happier homes.

In conclusion, clean up.

"A LAW UNTO ITSELF."

"This committee is a law unto itself," said Chairman Ferguson, of the Ontario Public Accounts Committee, in refusing to permit questions to be put to a witness.

Mr. Ferguson would have been still nearer the truth if he had said that he and his party colleagues on the committee made the laws to suit themselves. It had been already confirmed by the Prime Minister in the Legislature that the witness, Mr. George E. Taylor, contributed to the Government's election fund, while he held a Government contract. Even on this subject the committee shut off inquiry. Mr. Proudfoot persisted, and asked Mr. Taylor whether an attempt had been made to induce him to retract certain charges against a cabinet minister. To this he refused to reply, the chairman not only sustaining the refusal, but ruling the question out of order.

There was a suggestion in Mr. Proudfoot's line of examination that the financial claim of Mr. Taylor's firm upon the Government had been referred by the latter to arbitration because Mr. Taylor knew something to the discredit of a member of the Government. It would be thought that supporters of the Government on the Public Accounts Committee would encourage Mr. Taylor to reply to all questions in order to dissipate any such suspicion, if it were groundless. But they joined in the conspiracy of silence, and applied the gag, after the example of their Ottawa congeners.

The public will draw inferences for itself.

MR. BECK AND MR. CHURCH.

We have been curious to see how the Toronto Telegram would hold the balance between its heroes, Adam Beck and Thomas Church.

Mr. Church said that Mr. Beck at a meeting of the Toronto Board of Control threatened to resign from the Gov-

ernment and take the stump against the proposal of the city of Toronto to buy the Toronto Electric Light and Toronto Street Railway plants. Mr. Beck replied he made no such statement. Mr. Church retorts that Mr. Beck made the statement and said other things even stronger and warmer. Here is how the Telegram tries to reconcile the contradictions:

"The lesson of the incident is clear, and principally teaches that appeals relating to great public issues should never be offered at private meetings. Nobody imagines that Hon. Adam Beck erred knowingly when he declared that he did not say that which Controller Church says Mr. Beck said. The best proof that Mr. Beck said what Controller Church says is that John O'Neill joined Thomas Foster and T. L. Church in a heroic resolution. That resolution made its supporters look ridiculous unless the city understood that the demands of a man (Mr. Beck), who has earned the right to make demands on every friend to public rights in the city of Toronto, Messrs. O'Neill, Church and Foster were put in the position of valiantly going forth to battle at the demand of Adam Beck. They were shot full of holes in battle with Adam Beck, and buried as spears for want of a chance to be honored as valiant men and true who had led a forlorn hope at Adam Beck's behest and suffered defeat fighting for the cause which Adam Beck has made his own."

Mr. Beck comes out of this second best. If, as the Telegram contends, Mr. Church correctly reported what Mr. Beck said, then Mr. Beck's denial is not entitled to credit. The Telegram tries to let its provincial hero down lightly by adding that "nobody imagines that Hon. Adam Beck erred knowingly" in making the denial; but this is too simple altogether. The fact is that Mr. Beck said some things in private which he would not have said in public, because he had no intention of suiting the action to the word.

THE BELGIAN STRIKE.

The Liberal party in Belgium has played a useful role as a moderating influence between the Conservatives and Socialists. It is largely recruited from the middle classes and the professions, but while anti-Socialist, it is democratic, and has sympathized with the object of the Socialist-Labor strike. From the Liberal leader, the Government has accepted a compromise proposal, which may end the strike at once, with assurance of at least a partial victory for the strikers. The Government has agreed to take up the franchise question, and to introduce reforms before the next election. The Socialist deputies will recommend the rank and file to accept the suggestion, and the strike will probably end this week.

This is the first efficient use of the weapon of the general strike by the proletariat of any country. It was an impressive demonstration of the solidarity of the working classes of Belgium, and their capacity for organization and self-restraint. Their discipline and good order kept for them the moral support of other classes favorable to electoral reform. Evidently the complete democratization of the franchise cannot be long delayed. And when it comes it will not have the revolutionary effects feared by the party now in power. The experience of other countries under manhood suffrage is not such as to terrify any legitimate interest.

Mr. Hanna passed the hat for election funds. This much is known. But how did he spend the money?

The Japanese-California embargo is another reminder that if war clouds roll over this continent, they will come out of the Pacific, not the Atlantic.

The Ontario public accounts committee should turn the light on dark corners. But what use is a dark lantern if the slide is to be kept closed?

Closure would not have been introduced in the British House of Commons if a general election would have sufficed to remove the Parnellite obstruction.

There is characteristic impudence in Mr. Crothers' claim that the Ottawa Government has a mandate to go on with the naval bill. What sort of mandate has it from Quebec? There twenty of its followers were elected by opposing naval expenditure in any form.

A contemporary suggests that students who are not competent to enter Toronto University should be admitted to the Western. The effect of this would be the lowering of the standard of the Western, relative to Toronto. The best is not too good for the Western.

Our local contemporary complains of a personal attack on Mr. Beck in a Toronto dispatch to this journal, referring to Mr. Beck's difficulties in Toronto. The most biting comments upon Mr. Beck in that city come from his party associates. Mr. Beck himself spares no one who crosses his path—witness his personal attacks upon prominent citizens during the last municipal election here. As for the Free Press, it waged a contemptible and malignant warfare upon highly respected members of the city council, at Mr. Beck's bidding. It has been always capable of this conduct without a prompter, however.

ADVISING THE COURT.

[Chicago Record-Herald.]
A colored man was brought before a police judge charged with stealing chickens. He pleaded guilty and received sentence, when the judge asked:

GILLET'S LYE
EATS DIRT
CLEANS DISINFECTS

ed him how it was he managed to lift those chickens right under the window of the owner's house when there was a dog in the yard.

"Hit wouldn't be of no use, judge," said the man. "To try to 'spine dis ting to you all. Ef you was to try it you like as not would get yer hide full o' shot an' g'it no chickens, nuther. Ef you want to engage in any rascality, judge, yo' bettah stick to de bench, whar yo' am familiar."

TOO IMPULSIVE.

[Chicago Record-Herald.]
"I admire everything that is beautiful," he said.
"You mustn't say such things to me," she replied. "We have only known each other a little while."

WANTED—A DRAMA.

[Canadian Colliers.]
"We have yet to see the drama of the Canadian backwoods—it has only been presented in such plays as 'The Wolf,' conjured up to suit the banal imagination of Broadway. We have yet to see the story of the plains told with more vital realism than that supplied by the prose writer. We have yet to see even to see a theatrical version of domestic Ontario—a picture of the conditions that all know, and not a 'by-gone' monstrosity like 'Way Down East.'"

WHERE CHARLES READE LIVED AND WORKED.

[London Evening Standard.]
The house in Knightsbridge where Charles Reade spent fourteen of the happiest years of his life is now to be let furnished. Here he wrote "Foul Play," "The Wandering Heir" and other works, of which the most famous, perhaps, was "Drinks," an adaptation of Zola's novel, which brought him £20,000.

WHAT?

[Cincinnati Inquirer.]
Some poets pen verselets to birds on the wing.
Of lamkins and brooklets they cheerfully sing.
But what is so rare as a spring day in spring?

BRIGHT OF HIM.

[London Opinion.]
"Why didn't you send your man to mend my electric bell?" He did so, madam; but, as the rang three times and got no answer, he concluded that there was nobody at home."

A CANADIAN IN LONDON.

[London Chronicle.]
It was not the brightly polished boots of the Londoners that most impressed an old Canadian whom I took to see the sights of the metropolis some time ago. It was his first sight of us, and he was most struck by it. "General helplessness," he said, "is the name of the game here. I saw no shame to carry a sack of flour through the street, and he expressed his surprise at seeing a man engaged with spade and pick, like any navvy. And now my Canadian found he had arrived in a country where a man could not even carry his own portmanteau to the station. Of course I defended our British point of view and discourse of iron convention, but I could not avoid feeling that Canadian sentiment is healthier than our own in these things."

THE END OF WAR.

[Ottawa Citizen.]
The end of war is approaching. It is no vague idealism, but a practical statement of fact. The Dreadnought will soon take its place with the extinct mammoth—both colossal reminders of ages of man's struggle. There are forces at work to-day that make such prophecy inevitable. Science will soon make war impossible, while human nature will make it unthinkable.

CALLED FOR BLOOD.

[Chicago Tribune.]
"Sandy looks as if he had been fighting."
"It has been fighting; a fellow said something in his presence about musicians and happers," and Sandy sailed into him."

ONE FOR THE CRANKS.

[Manchester Times.]
Don't find fault if a man is cranky on anything. Only cranks do things worth while.

BE SQUARE.

[Detroit News-Examiner.]
There may be some satisfaction in getting square with others, but there's more in being it.

THE CRIME.

[Life.]
"He was arrested for grafting, was he not?"
"Haven't you got sense enough to know that men are not arrested for grafting?"
"He was arrested for being caught at it!"

A MOLLYCODDLE.

[Florida Times.]
"Rastus, what's your idea of a molly-coddle?"
"Well, boss, a nigger what carries a safety razor is one."

"CHARLEY'S AUNT."

[London Daily News.]
Mr. William Sydney Penley, of Grand Parade, St. Leonards, Sussex, the famous comedian and creator of "Charley's Aunt," left estate of the gross value of £15,642, of which the net personalty has been sworn at £10,959. Mr. Penley was generally credited with having made a fortune from "Charley's Aunt," and his estate proves to be not so large as was commonly believed. The amounts left by other notable actors of Penley's time are as follows:

Sir Henry Irving	£20,527
William Barrett	30,862
J. E. Toole	18,257
Edwin Booth	24,000
David James	41,594
Conway Grain	18,850
Fred Leslie	10,994
Dan Leno	4,477
Herbert Campbell	44,056
Edward Terry	19,628
George Grossmith	19,628

JOHNSON MULCTED \$1,000

Fined for Smuggling Into the U. S. a \$2,000 Necktie.

Chicago, April 23.—Jack Johnson, negro pugilist, was fined \$1,000 by Judge Carpenter in the United States district court today after charges of smuggling a \$2,000 necktie had been dropped and the heavyweight had pleaded "nolle contendere" to charges of concealing from federal officials the fact that he had the jewelry in his possession. The necktie was declared forfeited to the Government, and probably will be sold at auction. The action winds up the lesser of two cases, which federal authorities have against Johnson. He is still to come to trial on an indictment charging violation of the Mann law.

HEAD OF BANKERS BEFORE COMMITTEE

President Wilkie Says Emergency Circulation Should Be For a Year.

RESERVE NOT A WASTE

Recommends That Part of It Should Be Laid Aside to Cover Depreciation.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, April 23.—R. D. Wilkie, president of the Canadian Bankers' Association, and also of the Imperial Bank, gave testimony before the banking and commerce committee this morning. He explained to the committee that he did not appear officially on behalf of the Bankers' Association. At the outset Mr. Wilkie referred to the great development of banking and to the increasing demands of the west for more facilities. Emergency circulation was largely the result of that demand. Our notes have been in the land, he said, "until at this season of the year we are obliged to use Government notes and anything else we can get our hands upon because our circulation is dangerously low. If it were extended to twelve months in the year, it is, however, necessary to have a basis of circulation in excess of that at present authorized or else everything will come to a stop."

Mr. Wilkie asked whether or not the gold reserve held against circulation was an economic waste. Mr. Wilkie said it was not, for though it was lying idle the notes representing it were earning money. It was impossible to earn both. "If you take away any part of the reserve," he said, "you destroy, so to speak, part of the House. The reserve is, therefore, a particular purpose, to strengthen the institution. The first losses a bank makes are reserves. The thicker the hide, the longer it takes to penetrate."

Wise Banking Recommended.
Wise banking, said Mr. Wilkie, demanded that the reserve be kept constant, and that from time to time a certain amount be laid aside to cover depreciation. For instance, certain securities, such as British consols, were subject to depreciation. Mr. Wilkie said that if the circulation of Canadian banks in other lands was not detrimental to Canada, and an unfair way to treat privileges through the banks act.

Mr. Wilkie stated that any injury incurred through reduced circulation was more than offset by the fact that outside circulation opened up trade routes and established trade connections. "It is very important," he declared, "that Canada should look abroad and extend its trade channels."

Auto for Sir James From Followers In Legislature

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Toronto, April 23.—The closing day of the session was marked by the presentation of a handsome automobile to Sir James Whitney. The formal presentation took place in the members' smoking-room of the House, and afterwards the Prime Minister and his family were taken for a trial spin.

The automobile is a token from the Conservative members, and has been secured by voluntary subscription. Chief Whip Dr. R. F. Preston was master of ceremonies. Sir James replied with some feeling, and expressed his appreciation of the feeling that the gift manifested.

Berlin Feels Nervous Over Scutari's Fall

[Canadian Press.]
Berlin, April 23.—The fall of Scutari has caused the greatest anxiety in political circles here, which fear that it will ultimately involve the peace of Europe.

It is semi-officially announced to-day that the capture of the Turkish fortress cannot in the slightest degree alter the decision of the European powers to incorporate Scutari in the future state of Albania. There is, however, little expectation here either that the Montenegrins will withdraw peacefully from Scutari, or that the unity of the powers will stand the test of an attempt to oust them forcibly. Neither by means of an international expedition, nor by Austria and Italy acting as the mandataries of Europe.

Offensive Breath Caused Usually By Catarrh

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Ache they would be almost priceless to those who suffer from this distressing complaint, but fortunately their goodness does not end here and those who can't stand them will find these little pills valuable in every way that they will not be willing to do without them. But after all sick headache is the base of so many lives that here is where we make our great boast. Our pills cure it while others do not.

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ELECTRIC STORM BURNS BARN IN LONDON'S VICINITY

Scarcely Any Damage Within City Limits—No Fires Result.

Buildings in Surrounding Country Suffer—Farmers Lose Heavily.

The electrical storm in this section of Ontario on Tuesday night and early this morning was pronounced the worst in recent years by a large number of the residents of London and the County of Middlesex.

The storm, or rather the series of storms, commenced about 8 o'clock Tuesday evening and continued until almost daybreak. Many were unable to sleep because of the intensity of the thunder, lightning and rain. There appeared to be five distinct storms at intervals of about two hours.

Little Damage in City.
While there was a large amount of damage done throughout the county by the lightning, there was little damage to city property from this source. Most of the damage and inconvenience in the city was caused by the wind and rainfall.

The need of storm sewers was brought forcibly to notice. The city engineer received complaints today from a number of irate householders whose cellars had been filled by the surplus surface water that the present sewers were unable to carry away.

Officials of the local observatory state that the rain fell in only .064 inches, a small amount in consideration of the intensity of the storm.

The fire brigade was not called out to fight any fires caused by the storm.

Severe in Biddulph.
Throughout the county much damage was done by the lightning, and a large number of barns and other buildings were burned.

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Airship Incident Not Yet Closed

[Canadian Press.]
Berlin, April 23.—Germany is pressing her complaint in regard to the action of the local authorities at Lunenburg, in France, on the occasion of the descent there of the Zeppelin dirigible on April 3, and will not consider the incident as closed until satisfactory reply has been received, according to an inspired communication in the local Anzeiger today.

SCHOLARS STRIKE

[Canadian Press.]
Pittsburg, April 22.—The first fatality attending the "strikes" of school children, organized as protests against Superintendent S. L. Heeler, occurred this morning, when an unknown foreign girl, marching with a hundred or more companions in Penn avenue, was run down by a street car and killed.

The "strike," which began yesterday, soon after Mr. Heeler, who had been acquitted of serious charges, preferred against him by a domestic in his family, had returned to work, spread to a number of schools this morning. Reports received from four schools showed that scarcely 25 per cent of the pupils were in their places, and at other schools the "strikers" said to have been backed up by their parents, endeavored to prevent pupils not in sympathy with the movement from entering the buildings.

A feature of the morning was the marching through the downtown streets of a party of several hundred children, none of whom appeared to be more than a dozen years old. They carried banners demanding the release of the strikers.

OPPOSE KAISER'S BILL

Government of Alsace-Lorraine Censured for Supporting Military Measure.

[Canadian Press.]
Strasbourg, Germany, April 22.—The Government of the Provinces of Alsace-Lorraine was censured last night by the second chamber of the Provincial Diet for instructing its representatives in the federal council of the German Empire to vote for the military bills, increasing the German army, which the members of the Diet declared to be contrary to the wishes of the population of Alsace-Lorraine. The motion was adopted by a majority of 47 against 5.

An official statement by the viceroys of the provinces declared, that the military measures were of a purely defensive character, to enable the German Empire, which had not the remotest aggressive intentions, to ward off any attacks with the full force of the German nation, was read, without producing any effect on the legislators.

WESTERN SUICIDE.

Lethbridge, Alta., April 23.—A young Englishman, named Walter Price, discouraged with the outlook on life, threw himself before a C. P. R. train here, and was instantly killed.

TWO ELECTROCUTED.

Victoria, April 23.—W. H. Fulton and Arthur Whitlock, employees of the British Columbia Electric Railway, were electrocuted yesterday at the power house.

OCEAN STEAMSHIPS.

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Campania.....Queenstown.....New York
Cedric.....Liverpool.....New York
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