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OLD HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Amusing Story Told by a Member of the Lobby.

Mr. Frederick Gale, who was a habitué of the lobbies of the house of commons for forty years, narrates some of his curious experiences. Referring to Bellamy's kitchen, so vividly described by Charles Dickens, and to the members who were wont to frequent it, he says: "You got the best chop and steak and cold meat and salad in the world, and the parrot who called 'Order! order!' and 'Chair! chair!' and all the cries of the house, and the immortal 'Jane' who chaffed every one—as described by Dickens—were still there; and members of the government might be seen eating their dinner at a real deal kitchen table. 'Give you a kiss' Jane asked of a young member who was chaffing her, 'you a younger son, and only a borough member! Why, I boxed a duke's ears for asking such an impertinent question yesterday.' There was a very different house of commons from the present one in those days."

An amusing story is told of Lord Palmerston, who had just had a stormy interview with a deputation, which came to mention him on the subject of the wine duties. Just as they were leaving the room a sudden thought struck him, and he called them back and said: "Perhaps, gentlemen, a recollection of my boyhood may help you. When a boy, my grandfather took me with him to stay at Lord Pembroke's. After dinner, his lordship said, 'I hope you like my wine. I did my best to please you. As a member of the government I ought not to tell you that I get my claret and champagne direct through a smuggler. I am answerable for the port, as I made it myself.' Old Pam had hit the bull's-eye, and the deputation retired with much laughter."

The reminiscences that center in John Bright are equally amusing. For example: "I call to mind hearing him, in 1848, in the house of commons, on the appointment of a new bishop of Manchester. Quoting from memory, as I do throughout, he said: 'You wanted a new bishop of Jerusalem a short time ago. How did that holy man go out? With his staff and his scrip, like one of the apostles? Not a bit of it. He went out on her majesty's steam frigate Retribution, and landed under a salute of eighteen guns, not far from the spot where Simon lodged with the lazzaroni.'"

The whirling winds of Arabia, sometimes excavate sand-pits to the depth of two hundred feet, the rim usually being three times that length in diameter. A sand-pit thus made may be entirely obliterated in a few hours and another excavated within a short distance of it.

Here's a Little Nut to Crack.

Just a grain of corn! The principle upon which Putnam's Painless Corn Extractor acts is entirely new. It removes the corn layer by layer, without any pain whatever. It never fails either. Try it.

An inquisitive dog belongs to O. S. Lafayette, of Hartford, Station, Ohio. In its traps it met six sticks of dynamite, and being curious as to the effects of the dynamite, if carried in a dog's stomach, swallowed them. The animal has been carefully chained to a tree in the woods, and the folks thereabouts are awaiting reports.

When an ostrich is preparing to hatch she scratches a hole in the ground, about the size of a bushel basket. Eggs are then laid day after day, and arranged around the hole. When twenty-one are laid the bird kicks them into the hole and at night sits on them. The male bird performs this duty in the daytime, thus permitting his partner to obtain exercise.

DO NOT destroy your nervous system by drinking poor tea.

MONSOON.....

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DOMINION COAL.....

Notice to Canadian Investors.

During the past months we have received numerous communications from investors, bankers and banks of the Dominion of Canada. As they are all of the same general trend and ask the same questions, we have decided to publish one, and our reply as a general answer to all inquirers who have been imposed on with this scheme. All statements made in our letter as published below, we here-with confirm.

Messrs. Lawson, Weidenfeld & Co.,

Gentlemen:

We have closely followed your severe attack on the Dominion Coal corporation, and have read your pamphlet issued for that purpose. In addressing you for the purpose of securing further information on this subject which, if you will give by answering those of our questions which you may deem proper to ask, we will be thankful, for we have been strongly urged by one of the high officials of our bank to aid in placing the coal shares, both preference and ordinary, with the investing clients of our firm, and we have this assurance that the enterprise is a laudable one, and one that will give all the purchasers of the shares large profits with but very small risk of loss. Our bank officials guarantee us that he has strong assurances of some of the leading financiers of the United States, that the coal corporation has purchased all the coal companies of Boston, Mass., and have made firm contracts for a long term of years with the Massachusetts Pipe Gas Company, a very large, extremely sound and wealthy company, and that by this contract the coal corporation will be guaranteed large dividends on all classes of shares for a long term of years and that these contracts have been firmly guaranteed by the New England Gas & Coke Company, a company with a paid in capital of \$35,000,000. The questions we ask you to favor us with answers to, are:

Does not the Dominion Coal corporation own all the gas companies of Boston?

Has not the Coal Corporation entered into a contract with the Massachusetts Pipe Gas Company?

Will not this give permanently large dividends on all the shares?

Is not the Massachusetts Pipe Gas Company a responsible company?

Is not this contract guaranteed by the New England Gas & Coke Company, and is not this company a wealthy corporation whose guarantee is good?

We repeat if you will answer the above questions we will consider ourselves in your debt, as we do not wish to put our clients into any hazardous investment, and we are led to believe from a study of your pamphlet that you not only consider this coal enterprise extremely hazardous but little less than a swindle which we cannot reconcile with the respectability of its sponsors. Again, can you not give us a reason for the effort that is being made to float these shares amongst the investors of Canada, when as we are assured they are in strong demand in the American stock exchange. Yours respectfully,

"Dear Sirs: Your letter received by us, and its contents noted, and herewith we send you the information you ask for. First

PLACING THE BLAME.

Mother—What on earth are you doing to the child, Bridget, to make her cry so? Bridget, who has just slapped her—'I s'pose it's the medicine, mum; the 'labbal' says as how children cries for it."

NO CURE A GOLD IN ONE DAY.

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Every living person had 2 parents, 4 grandparents, 8 great-grandparents. As the number of one's ancestors doubles with each preceding generation, it therefore follows that every person, barring intermarriage, must have had in 30 generations, 2,147,483,646 ancestors. People who are proud of royal descent may rejoice in the thought that among this immense number at least one of their ancestors was of royal lineage.

REASONS.

Why don't you marry her? Because of shyness on both sides. How's that? She is shy by nature, and I of cash.

believe us when we say that we hold ourselves ready to answer for any assertions made in the book and newspaper statements bearing our signature, also for those contained in this letter and we are prepared to defend any action that may be brought against us in the courts of Canada as we have in United States courts. We ask you to bear in mind that we do not make equivocal statements hedged about with technical evasions from legal responsibility; that we are a responsible banking house and stock-exchange members, and that the charge that this entire scheme is one of the most glaring impositions ever attempted on any community we have printed over our signatures scores of times during the past four months in the leading newspapers of the United States, and have repeated it in thousands of copies of pamphlets and books, and orally stated it before the Massachusetts Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners and the Legislature of Massachusetts.

We answer your questions as follows:

1—The Dominion Coal—Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas—New England Gas & Coke Company scheme is a glaring imposition on the investing and gas consuming public.

2—The common shares of the Dominion Coal Company, of which there are over fifteen million dollars, are not worth a dollar a share more than the price for which they were originally sold, namely, nothing.

3—The Dominion Coal Company is not earning any dividend on its stock.

4—The Dominion Coal Company does not own any gas companies in Boston.

5—The Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas Company consists of nothing but a worthless charter procured from the Massachusetts legislature of 1896 by means that are now being investigated by the authorities of Massachusetts.

6—The entire stock of the Massachusetts Pipe Line Gas Company has just been declared by the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners of Massachusetts illegally issued, and the Attorney-General of Massachusetts has announced that he will proceed against the officers and directors who issued it. This act is punishable by fine and imprisonment.

7—The contract between the Dominion Coal Company and the Massachusetts Pipe Line Company is worth nothing.

8—The New England Gas & Coke Company is a scheme gotten up for the purpose of floating \$35,000,000 of worthless securities on the public, and its first act was to borrow from a New York trust company for eight months \$12,000,000, which, with the balance of its \$35,000,000 of capital it immediately paid out to insiders for property not worth \$7,000,000, thereby causing it to be bankrupt and making its guarantee worthless.

9—The reason the effort is being

HARSH PUNISHMENT.

Mr. Scrubbs, indignantly—Sir, I have just discovered that your son has engaged himself to two of my daughters. Mr. Grubbs, stupefied—The young rascal! He should be compelled to marry them both.

A kitten was lately brought up on an exclusively vegetable diet by a London family of vegetarians. The result is that it will not touch animal food, and pays no attention to rats or mice that are purposely permitted to wander across its range of vision.

Rev. Edgar B. Husband, The Rectory, Pasquebiac, Quebec, writes:—"I have great pleasure in testifying to the efficacy of 'Quickcure.' I have used it after other remedies failed, and found almost instant relief. I always keep it with me."

AT THE MISSION SCHOOL.

Sunday school teacher—Now what does the verse mean where it says, And the lot fell upon Jonah? Bat Scrimpy—De hull gang jumped on 'im.

made to float \$15,000,000 of stock in Canada is: The stock cost the promoters who created it nothing. For years desperate efforts have been made to float it on the investing public of New England. To that end trickery and manipulation have been employed, but without avail. Investors and speculators in the United States have refused to have anything to do with it.

Some months ago when it was absolutely unsalable and its nominal price \$5 per share, brokers were employed to give it the appearance of great activity on the Boston Stock Exchange. This was done by one broker selling quantities to another in league with him. By this means the price was bid up to from \$20 to \$25 per share, and is now held there by the same means, and whenever genuine orders from Canadian investors are worked up in Canada, the stock is purchased from the insiders through the medium of the Boston Stock Exchange at a fictitious price.

The daily sales on the Boston Stock Exchange are, with the exception of the Canadian orders and on a rare occasion a genuine United States order, fictitious. We advise you strongly not

to allow your clients to invest in this worthless stock for as soon as your Canadian investors, becoming tired of holding it and waiting for the misrepresentation that have been made to be fulfilled, attempt to sell, the apparent market price of \$20 will disappear and they will lose their investment. If you have doubts of the correctness of our deductions, come or send to Boston and investigation amongst our reputable bankers and brokers and banks will show you that all who invest in this worthless stock will lose the amount invested.

In closing we would call your attention to that portion of our first book, "Boston Gas and Dominion Coal," wherein we explain why we feel called upon to denounce this imposition, and wherein we show that because of our senior partner's official connection with the Boston gas companies, vice president of the five leading companies, we can treat this subject intelligently.

Trusting our answers will give you the required information, we beg to remain, Yours truly,

LAWSON, WEIDENFELD & CO."

We advise all owners of Dominion Coal stock, or all who intend to become owners, to write to us for our two books, "Boston Gas and Dominion Coal" and "Boston Gas and New England Coke," two 64-page, large quartos, and our two large quarto pamphlets, "Light on Gas" and stenographic "Report of Hearing Before the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners."

Requests should be addressed to our Boston, Mass., office.

Lawson, Weidenfeld & Co.,

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SPRING SOUNDS.

What is that horrid noise in the hall? "Henry, I suppose, falling over our bicycles. He forgot that he brought them down out of the attic this morning."

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THE BACHELOR'S DETERMINATION

Johnnie Fewscads and Gus de Smith were talking about matrimony, and the latter remarked:

"They say that the happiest marriages are between people who are not at all alike."

That's so, and that's the reason I'm not going to marry until I find a woman with lots of money, replied the impecunious yearner for domestic happiness.

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BOTH TO GO IT ALONE.

I should have thought that Bagley would get a tandem for himself and wife instead of two single wheels. Oh, no! Bagley has been married 18 years.

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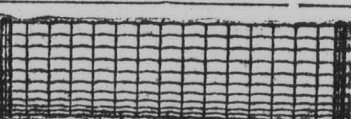
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