#### WHERE BLAME RESTS-

The Herald is apparently, to use its words, worked up "to a white heat andignation" at the Mayor and aldernen who have foiled the treasonable ef-orts of its power friends. The prospect at the Commission will realize that the ajority of the Council will remain true the city and will insist on the safe-arding clauses in the contract, and ant them rather than see the entire ons that are in the last degree sugges-ve. It said editorially last night: "The erald predicts that when that deputaon meets the Commission it will get a ays" caused. The delays have been irators for whom the Herald is fight If the Hydro aldermen had man stood out and declared for the city's rights and interests, the Commis would not have tried to force us wident form. Perhaps now that it ses that there is a majority in the Council—and that the ratepayers are verwhelmingly behind it—that is determined not to allow the city to be be rayed into any such contract, even if sonable. If so, no thanks to the Her ald and its party of sacrifice of city sts. And even now the delay is it appears, due to Beck neglecting the on work to indulge his bent for the horses. We are not complaining of that; but surely it is impudent for the Herald to blame it on the aldermen who re faithfully serving the city. If the ommission wishes to play fair with us it can settle the matter in fifteen min tes. We shall see.

#### CIVIC GOVERNMENT.

Boston is just now considering a re form in its system of city government It is acknowledged on all sides that the cresent plan which introduces nationa colitics has proved a failure. One of the plans now under consideration, and known as "plan 2" embodies the recom mendations of the Finance Commission makes a departure, national parties dis appear, at least from official recogni tion, and with them, all the machinery in the way of convention, caucus and primary, which hitherto has stood be tween the voter and his final choice at the polls. Candidates are nominated on etition of 5,000 voters and elected on a ballot without party designations. One mall council is provided of nine mem bers elected at large, three each year for term of three years, and the term of the Mayor is extended to four years with a provision for recall. This plan embodies the modern tendencies in muni cipal government, not new elsewhere, appearing in Boston for the first time; the appeal to the voter as a citizen, and not as a partisan, the direct nomination and the small business-like council elected for the whole city. Commenting upon it, City Affairs, a Boston municipal publication, says:

We believe the best results will be ob dained by looking upon the city as a business proposition—to be run upon business principles and so far as possible along the lines upon which any business unsiness principles and so far as possible along the lines upon which any business of magnitude is run. No business can be run by a large debating society. The tendency is towards small workable boards, whether they are called commissions or by some other name. The best example of that tendency is found in our own commutaity where the small school committee of five has been a great improvement on the old conglomeration of twenty-four.

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City Affairs does not regard the "re call" as at all essential, it being useful only in great evergencies. The problem of improved municipal government is yearly becoming a more pressing one, and most intelligent communities have realized the importance of divorcing civic affairs from national politics, and making them a matter of pure business When we arrive at that goal, we shall have better municipal government.

#### RAILROAD BAITING.

An unfortunate result of Presiden Roosevelt's railway policy, due probably to his over-strenuous method of advocating it, and to the political exigencies baiting which followed its announce Almost any political crook or fakir for a time could carry his district if he would but go far enough in declaring his hostility to the railway enterprises of the country. It was the local war on the Cataract Company on a state or national scale; andi t did imense harm, as the local knife-wielders have done to this city's interests. A support; it is its own cure. If not otherwise, it ends by the destruction of its ource of sustenance. But in most cases delusion passes, as the people come to see the folly and injustice of their course; and thenceforward they set about correcting the evil done and cursing those who deluded them.

And already the United States people begin to see that no good end is to be red by unjust laws, passed in ignorance and anger, to wrong the railways They, too, have their Toronto Worlds and Hamilton Heralds-to their sorrow deceived. The day of arbitrary fixation of rates and restrictions of various kinds, without consideration of their re onableness and justice, is passing, and a better standard is to be sought. At Gregory, Texas, the other day President Taft delivered himself of some very sen-sible remarks on the subject. He said:

tion against railroads except such as is necessary to keep their within the law and to keep their rates reasonable. The truth is, we want to encourage cur siltroads. We will rush 30,000 of us in a county to vote bonds for a railroad if it only comes in. Then it comes in and after a time you won't find a friend of that railroad in that county, except perhaps the local council.

"Then you will proceed to legislate, and you will do injustice to that railroad, but after a while, after you have done injustice to the point where you don't get the proper accommodation, and where you drive them into a system of economy that does not build up your county, you finally begin to realize that the only good policy, as well as the only honest policy, is a square deal to the railroad so as to give them the rates they ought to have and not allow popular prejudice to deprive them of reasonable profit on the investment, including the risk that they made when they went into the business."

Those are wise and statesminlike words, much needed at the present time, and coming from the chief exemple of the United States should have great influence. In Canada we have undertaken the just control of our railways, and with excellent results. But we have a pestiferous few whose envy of success in any sphere is such that they constant. cessful. They do not seek to do justice; their aim is not to do right. Their teaching is evil; they radiate envy and hatred. They try by untruth and halftruth at all times to create ill will and produce on the public mind the idea of wrong where no wrong exists. Could you, without trying hard, put your finger upon such a creature in this city?

# EDITORIAL NOTES.

British trade for October increased over \$14,000,000 as compared with Octo-

The ordinary citizen has some rights A Toronto policeman has just been dismissed for using unnecessary violence in arresting a prisoner.

partisans should fail and he should find himself out of the lieutenancy in his party it would be a case of poetic jus-

The mystery of "Who Monkeyed With Beck's Letter to the Mayor?" promises to go down in history with that other mystery, "Who Furnished the Inspiration for Lobb?"

Canada sent to the United Kingdom is October wheat to the value of £955,526; cheese, £563,239; cattle, £258,282. John Bull is a mighty good customer of the Canadian farmer.

It is now announced that the Aus trian deficit will be \$31,500,000 even after deducting, \$10,000,000 which the increased rates on the state railways are expected to yield.

The unwomanly gang of militant suf ragettes in London has been smashing windows and otherwise creating disturbances at the inauguration of the new Lord Mayor. A few more of them have found their way behind bars.

The United States Government having mposed harbor duties on Canadian ves sels entering United States ports, Canada has imposed like dues on United States vessels entering our ports. Neither country will be a penny the richer because of the reimposition of these taxes on transportation.

The Herald's display head on its pow er "stuff" yesterday was, "Will Council Make Contract?" The answer is: It will-if the commission inserts the safe guarding clauses drafted by the city solicitor. It will not do that, if the men for whom the Herald fights can prevent it. It would not be in their interest to

It is some years since the Times first directed attention to the importance of ecuring Lansdowne Park for the city It could have been bought then for much less than to-day's price; but it is not likely to become cheaper as the years to be cut up into lots and lost to the public.

The first train-load of wheat shipped way arrived at Fort William vesterday The new road is beginning to be useful over its most difficult section, thus giv-ing the lie to the Mail and Empire, which has been iterating and reiterating that little had been done toward its

The revenue of Uncle Sam's postoffice ast year was \$203,562,383, an increase of 6.31 per cent, over the preceding year. The deficit is greater than that of last year, being \$17,479,770. The cost of free rural mail delivery is found to be a very heavy burden on the revenue. The money order business amounted to over

The Hamilton Herald characterizes a "a lie" the statement: "The Herald re grets to say that, in its opinion, the form of [Hydro power] contract is not what it ought to be." Well, if it is "a lie," it is word and letter from a Herald editor ial, as is the other statement that "we this city voluntarily to cut itself off from another source of supply." statements are not ours; they are the Herald's, in a moment of candor.

Mr. R. L. Borden has intimated that he will not resign, at least, at the Tory caucus to be held in Ottawa on Friday. He declines to discuss Mr. Monk's at-tack until he has seen the full report of his speech, Mr. Monk meanwhile

Borden's policy of defence, he is not hostile to Borden as a leader. The only explanation that fits the occasion is that Monk is trying to make a little capital among the un-British of his party.

According to a decision by the Court of Appeals at Albany, oral betting is not illegal under the Hughes anti-g bling laws. The judges appear to have been exceedingly ingenious in discover-ing an excuse for breaking holes in the Hughes acts. It is, for the moment, a victory won by the courts for immor-ality and crime; but the people of New York State are more powerful than the Appeal Court judges and they can amend the law so as to reach the gamblers.

President Taft does not seem to h greatly impressed with the Chicago to ·His recent voyage to New Orleans seem him in that position, for we find him saying at Jackson, Miss.: "We have to be certain what it is we are doing and that we are not going to pour money down a rat hole, when we put million into the improvements that are contemplated." Doubtless Chicago people wil not be particularly pleased with the president's franknes

Efforts made thus far to utilize Canada's peat beds have not resulted very satisfactorily. The great difficulty appears to be in drying out the peat. Dr Haanel has been loking into the matter and he hopes to be able to overcome the difficulty. As there is 37,000 square miles of peat logs in the middle provinces of Canada, each mile of which will yield 774,000 tons of air-dried peat equal in fuel value to 420,944 tons of bituminous coal, the importance of such an achievement is very evident.

The football season being nearly at an end, the parliamentary show is about to open. Among the startling changes to be noticed when the members gathe will be the absence of Sir Frederick Borden's whiskers, the diminution in size of the West Hamilton member head, and the continuous elongation and attenuation of our old friend Foster When Admiral Sam Barker rises to de liver his disquisition on naval defence it should be possible to hear a (belaying) pin drop, if the members lister

ance and Registrar of Friendly Societie of Ontario for 1908 has just been issued. It is quite a bulky volume, showing that the business of the department is grow ing. The Friendly Society Departm shows that there are twenty-six societie doing a life insurance business, with a total membership at 31st December, 1908 of 278,055; amount of insurance in fore \$1,393,953,344.88; amount of insurance enefits paid during the year \$2,363, 760.14; assets in Ontario \$8,509,148; lia bilities in Ontario \$356,161.18. figures show that a large amount of money is invested in life insurance, principally by workingmen, in these societies It is a well known fact that few of them are working on schedules of rates up to the standard of safety prescribed by Registrar Hunter. It is for this reason the Times has frequently urged the Ontario Government to investigate the methods of all friendly insurance societies under its control. Such an inves tigation would be in the interest of all the members.

# Our Exchanges

LIKE GOOD WINE. (London Advertiser.)

King Edward is 68 years old to-day, and he improves with age. Many happy

MAY GET LEATHER ONE.

Many a man considers himself a hero for getting up and lighting the kitchen fire on a chilly morning, but he need expect no Carnegie medal for it.

TIME TO GET BUSY. (Stratford Beacon.)

If the hen would only lay she ought to be a money-maker these days. As high as 32 cents per dozen asked for them in Stratford and Woodstock last Saturday, 35 in Berlin, but at Kingston they brought 40 to 45.

NOT ALWAYS FATAL

(Pittsburg Gazette-Times.) Another youth has his backbone broken in a football game on Saturday—this time at Utica, N. Y. Football entusiasts, however, will call your attention to the fact that 21 other boys participated in the game and emerged with vertebrae, intact. vertebrae intact.

FOOTBALL.

(Brantford Expositor.) On one day recently the newspapers published accounts of the deaths of three players in football games and of the serious, if not fatal, injury of three others. Why should such murderous work be dignified by the name of sport? If football cannot be rendered reasonably harmless, it ought to be forbidden altogether.

THE LIBERALS NOT AFRAID.

(N. Y. Journal of Commerce.) (N. Y. Journal of Commerce.)

Premier Asquith said very pertinently at the close of the debate, which had stretched over about seven months, that it was incumbent upon those who objected to the Government taxes to provide some alternative scheme to meet the nation's necessities. There were only two issues before the Houses of Parliament, the taxes proposed by the only two issues before the Houses of Parliament, the taxes proposed by the budget or "tariff reform." That was putting the issue straight up to those calling themselves tariff reformers in England. In all the long debate there has been little argument that the rev-enue provided for in the bill was not

A PARTY SHIP RUDDERLESS.

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(Hamilton Spectator.)

With Monk, of Quebec, talking like a leader and contrary to the announced policy of the acknowledged leader of the Conservative party, and men more or less prominent in other parts of the country making a noise like opposition to recognized authority in the party ranks, it is more and more plainly evident that there is need for a national party convention to let the rank and file express itself, and set the leaders, real and would be, right on several important points of policy.

IT SHOULD BE DISALLOWED.

(Financial Post.)

The proceedings for disallowance of the Hydro-Electric-enormity in legislation passed at the last session is now before the Privy Council of the Dominion Cabinet. A decision will soon be reached. On the one point of injury to credit there is ample discretionary ground for disallowance. If granted, in the party press it will cause a hue and cry, but it will teach a lesson of hestimable value to every provincial government in Canada, and no one act should so certainly purify and advance the credit of the Dominion with the outside world. It is not improbable that this great advantage may yet accrue to this country. (Financial Post.)

# WON'T FLY.

#### Emperor William Forbidden to Go Up in Balloon.

Berlin, Nov. 10.-Emperor William confided to Count Zepelin recently his fear that he would never experience the sensation of flying in the air. He said he had promised the Empress that he would never make an ascent either in a dirigible ballloon or an aeroplane. His Majesty added that the Empress regard-

Majesty added that the Empress regarded all air craft as most dangerous. Count Zeppelin has had the honor of having as passengers in his airships two kings, two queens and many princes and princesses and these royal flights have been given publicity. Der Reichböte, a daily paper, which has the distinction of being one of those read regularly by the Empress, to-day publishes many letters from correspondents who express the opinuion that Crown Prince Frederick William risked his life, as the writers put it, by making the ascent with Orville Wright.

### THE MESMERIST

#### May be Charged With Manslaughter For Simpson's Death.

Somerville, N.J. Nov. 10.-An inter esting legal question is a sequel to-day of the autopsy performed last night on the body of Robert Simpson, the on the body of Robert Simpson, the hypnotic subject whom Arthur Everton, a hypnotist, failed to restore after placing him in a trance. The autopsy disclosed that Simpson's death was due to rupture of the aorta. To just what measure of responsibility, if any, Everton will finally be held by the law is a question which is puzzling the legal experts. The prosecutor of this district is credited with the inten'on of holding Everton on a technical charge of manslaughter until his case can be passed upon by the grand jury next month. the grand jury next month

#### RACE PROBLEM IN AFRICA.

Rev. W. J. Russell, of Kimberley, South Africa, brother of Rev. S. Burnside Russell, was the speaker at a meeting of the W. F. M. S. in the ladies' parlors of Erskine Church last evening. The attendance was large. The reverend gentleman dealt with the race problem in South Africa, giving a very interesting account of the ways and doings of the people in that country.

You can wound some men's pride by offering them money, and you can wound others by not.

# BABY GIRL CRIED AND SCRATCHED

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## **ASSETS**

Debentures and Mortgages	\$455.446.45
Shareholders' Obligations in Process of Collection	203,504.00
Cash on Hand and in Banks	40,890.06
Agents' Balances	43,359.93
Interest Accrued to Date	6,361.58
Office Furniture and Plans	11,967.88
	\$761,529.90

LIABILITIES
Reserve Fund for Unearned Premiums, Government Standard \$109,754.01
Losses Outstanding in Process of Adjustment 18,462.45
Due to Other Companies for Reinsurance 14,805.49
Other Liabilities 150,00
Surplus to Policyholders (\$412,016 being Paid-up Capital) 618,357.95
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\$761,529.90

# THE SOVEREIGN FIRE

# GOOD SHORT **STORIES**

"George, dear," said Mrs. Dovekins, who had come down stairs in time to pour the coffee, "I'm going to walk to the car with you this morning. Aren't you glad?"

"Very glad, indeed, lovey. It's so nice of you to think of me and to get up early for the purpose of making it unnecessary to walk those dismal three blocks alone. How much do you want?"—Chicago Record-Herald.

When Miss Constance Collier was playing Roma in "The Eternal City," Mr ing Roma in "The Eternal City," Mr. Hall Caine was anxious to get a powerful effect in a certain scene she was taking with the late Robert Taber, and the former was himself in a vein of reminising with the late Robert Taber, and the former was himself in a vein of reminiscence. "I once saw," said Mr. Caine, "a very striking bit of business. The man picked up the woman and threw her over his shoulder." Miss Collier looked at him in consternation, for she would be rather a heavy person to throw about. However, they did their best, but their futile efforts were interrupted by Trec. "That reminds me," said the actor-manager. "I saw a play in Italy once in which the hero caught hold of the heroine by the legs and banged her head on the floor." "Splendid—a magnificent idea!" interpolated the enthusiastic author. "What was the play." "Punch and Judy." replied Tree.—Strand Magazine.

A member of the faculty of the Colum-A member of the faculty of the Columbia Medical College of New York vas giving his students an oral quiz.

"What quantity constitutes a dose of Oleum Tiglii" he asked a student, giving the technical name for croton oil.

"A tablespoonful, sir," was the reply.

The professor made no comment, but the student soon realized that he had made a grave mistake. After the lapse of half an hour, he went to the professor.

or. "I should like," he said, "to change my

"It is too late," replied the professor, looking at his watch. "Your patient has been dead just twenty-nine minutes and thirty seconds."—Success Magazine.

Young Sharpflat, who is considered rather clever as an amateur pianist, was spending the evening recently at the house of some friends in a fashionable suburb. The society was so congenial that the time slipped rapidly by, and the hour was late when Sharpflat rose to go. He was about to bid her good-bye, when his hostess said:

"Oh. do please stay a little longer, Mr. Sharpflat. I do want to hear you play a little more before you go."

"Well, really," replied the young musician, "I should be delighted, I'm sure, but I'm afraid I should disturb the neighbors at this time of night."

"Oh, never mind the neighbors," responded the hostess quickly; "they poisoned my Persian cat last week."— Tit-Bits. Young Sharpflat, who is con

Mayor Guthrie, at a dinner in Pitts-Mayor Guthrie, at a dinner in Pitts-burg, said of the grafters whom he had deposed: "It was not such difficult work to catch them as some people think. Guilty men, you see, always betray themselves through their continual ef-forts to appear innocent. Thus a profes-sor from Oxford University, at a ban-quet here one night, drank several glasses of port. The professor did not know this wine's extraordinary strength, and in all innocence he took too much. know this wine's extraordinary strength, and in all innocence he took too much. When he rose to leave the table his legs, to his dismay, tottered and the room seemed to sway slightly. The horrified professor got to the parlor in safety. He sat down in the most distant corner. But soon his young hostess, leading a maid who carried her two beautiful twin babies, came to him for approbation. The professor sat up very erect. He gazed at the twins glassily. Then he articulated carefully, in a hoarse, thick voice: What a bonny little child."—Mirror.

BRUTAL ATHLETICS.

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(Louise C. Maud in New York Herald.)
I note by the papers that at the Harvard Club the statement was made that while they felt sorrow at the death of young Byrne in the West Point-Harvard game, yet they felt in no way to blame.
Can the men who played in that game swear that the one who put his knees into Byrne's neek does not know it?
Naturally, they are seeking to protect the one who is in reality as guilty of murder as though he had put a bullet into his foe.

Why cannot we have clean sport in this country? Do you think it develops the manhood of our youngaters to teach them that they must win, be the cost what it may? Why not try to look upon our athletics as a training of youths self-restraint as well as of their strength?

I am the mother of a boy who has been playing on the first team of a big preparatory school, and in consequence of the roughness in the last football games I have made him retire from his team. I desire my son to have a clean life, I do not want him to have on his

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Keep it in Your Mind rnish the "Kryplok," the best of sal Lenses. As you see by the tillus. Last night I was a merry soul, last night led dividing line is quite invisible.

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Last night we passed the flowing bowl and babbled mirth and sense.

Last night I drank a toast until Bill Warren. nimrod bold
Who'd bravedt he icy waters blue, October's wind and cold.
Who'd niloted his little boat through marsh and bending reedly afloat, to get for us a feed.
Twelve of us, very blithe and glad, sat down on duck to dine,
A bird aplece was what we had, and I ate all of mine. may come to any boy who, if only in a game, may take the life of another felow being. Nor do I care to risk losing the splendid youngster that I have taken Last night I wished the dinner hour could last a week, a year,
I felt it lay within my power that table big to clear.
I felt that, given time, I might devour those viands rare. the spiendid youngster that I have taken sixteen years to rear. I desire my boy to be a gentleman and a sportsman, but the meaning of both words does not lie confined within the understanding of American athletics. That is weet about cause some that from the first that from the first that from when it had lived to eat. The spices of the far-off east and quenced its thirst with wine—
A duck for each one at the feast, and I ate all of mine.

Worth Knowing

Allow four eggs to each quart of milk making cup custards. in making cup custards.

Allow from four to six eggs to each quart of milk in making a custard to be turned from the mould.

Last night all rules of etiquette I carefully

viands rare.

Eat everything there was in sight and still have room to spare;

In all my time I've never known canvas back

SCRAP BOOK 4

**POETRY** 

THE WILD DUCK DINNER.