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Why Great Nations Go Down-Millions Upon Millions Wasted in Corruption and Extravagance-A Warning to Canadians.

as something almost unintelligible, in the | countries render corruption as rare as accounts of corruption which pour in upon us from every quarter of the world. No form of government and no pride of race seems to be the smallest defense against the passion of stealing from the public. We are wholly unable to sympathize fully with either China or Japan in the amazing war now raging in the far East; but it is with a feeling of positive pain that we read a letter like the terrible one from the Gulf of Pechili, published in the Times of Wednesday morning, accounting for the defeat of the Chinese. It is a story of corruption which to Englishmen seems almost incredible. The safety of the State has been deliberately sacrificed to official greed, no man employed in the departments of supply buying good weapons if buying interior ones would enable him to pocket a larger commission from contractors. Ouick-firing guns, for example, were rejected in favor of slowfiring, for this reason alone; millions were spent at Chefoo on useless dedefenses because the Governor there wanted his snare of contracts; and Port Arthur was left exposed on the land side because it paid nobody to finish the defenses in that direction. The ships were starved in the way of armament, the soldiers were starved in the way of supplies. Even in the throes of the war itself, with the position of the great officials themselves at stake, the passion for stealing cannot be kept down.

The Chinese are yellow, Mongolians, Monarchists, and Pagans; but we do not see that, except in their want of patriotism, they are any worse than certain classes in New York, who are white, Anglo Saxons, Republicans, and, in theory at least, believers in Christianity. It is bad to sell the defense of a State, but it is as bad to sell the defense of internal order; and the recently dominant municipal party in New York has been doing that for years. It is impossible to read the evidence taken before the Lexow Comofficers who purchased should recoup dress. She speaks very much like themselves by selling immunity to Lady Henry Somerset, and uses only grogshops, disorderly house, black- a few notes. She began by saying mailers, and, in short, all classes of that she could not recognize the crealawbreakers who did not by murder ture whom some people had conjured arouse the active detestation of the up in their fertile brain and called "the community. Things are as bad in new woman" as a woman at all. She Italy, where Government after Government has been afraid to ascertain fully the true relation between privileged banks and leading politicians; where the public believe that in some departments a heavy percentage on the revenue never reaches the treasury at all: and where in one great Province, Sicily, the collection of rates was so universally corrupt as to drive the lower citizens into overt acts of rebellion, only to be suppressed by the display of overwhelming military force. The corruption in France is not quite so bad, because a Frenchman has an efficient side to his head, which hates corruption, not so much because it is immoral as because it impairs the prospect of success; but even in France the situation is deplorable. Only one man has been fairly punished for the frightful robbery of the Panama Canal shareholders, which must have implicated a hundred politicians, and no one has suffered for the state of affairs recently revealed at Toulon, which is inexplicable except on the theory of corruption as objectionable if not as dangerous as any revealed in the Chinese navy. M. de Lanessan has been cashiered peremptorily, on the evidence of letters seized by the judge, without a hearing; and as he fiercely denies the justice of his dismissal, the general verdict of "Guilty" passed against him by opinion is outrageously unjust, but that verdict of itself proves the want of confidence which France, taught by recent revelations, has begun to feel in the honesty of her public men. There is no doubt, either, that while thousands of employes in France are marked by exemplary probite, maintained under circumstances of exceptional temptation, there is ground for the public distrust, and for saying that the scene we now see in China might, if degeneracy went only a little further, be seen also in European monarchies and repub. lics. Politicians in England and in Germany may be considered clean- women who ever lived in this country, other country, then "preternatural ago. Miss Balgarnie went on to say name?" suspicion" is in all other countries do- that she was exceedingly tired of hearing a great many persons most shame- ing women, as such, talked about. It ful wrong and injustice. Except in was merely a passing phase, for there Japan, England, Germany, and Hol- | was a human standard of excellence land, distrust is visible everywhere. We can see no reason whatever why things, however, were wanting to give a servant of the state who takes a women equal opportunities with men; bribe, direct or indirect, should not be first an education such as their brothers place, the day closed, and Edison had punished like an ordinary thief by a had; secondly, economic independ- to pay the extra 121/2 per cent. magistrate, and with six months hard | ence. When they obtained that, they labor. He is just as guilty as the would be able to enter upon home ordinary thief, evidence against him relationships in a true and noble way. may be just as clear, and he can de- This point about economic independfend himself just as well before a ence Miss Balgarnie strongly empha- and find them by far the best pills we magistrate-indeed better; for the man sized. In no country except England ever used." For delicate and debiliguily of official corruption is almost is this point so much neglected. In tated constitutions these rills act like sure to be better educated than the France, on the birth of a dughter, a a charm. Taken in small doses the

There is something sickening, as well | deed, as we believe, in most European the stealing of spoons by educated men. We cannot see where the objection to this course arises, or why corruption should be treated as in any degree a political offense, or be regarded as a matter requiring the intervention of great officers of state. It is as rule theft, and nothing else, and we their economic independencecan see no reason whatever why it should not be so regarded. It is bad enough to hear of contracts going to great firms, because they habitually support this party or the other, but at least they may be as efficient as their rivals. The contractor who pays money for a contract, the official who takes a bribe, or the understrapper who accepts a commission, cannot be perfectly efficient. He is a slave, to begin with, and the money paid must be recouped, either through unfair charges, which are thefts from the state, or through a debasing of the quality of the goods, which may be theft, but may also be a ruinous form Finally, Miss Balgarnie said ti of treason. It is not by savage sentences rarely inflicted that the Emperor of China, or the French democracy, or any other despot will "put down" corruption, but by moderate sentences involving social humiliation, invariably and speedily inflicted in every case of guilt .- [London Spectator.

# The New Woman.

Miss Florence Balgarnie really had an astonishing audience on Sunday afternoon at Westbourne Park Chapel, when she spoke of the "new woman." The combined virtues of Mr. Frederic Harrison, Mr. Graham Wallas, and Mr. Cyril Dodd, Q.C., on a previous occasion did not call out one quarter of the audience which came to hear Miss Balgarnie. The place was quite besieged, and even the flap seats on either sides of the aisles were needed. The audience contained a very large mission without acknowledging that number of women, but also a great every place in the police was sold, on number of men. Miss Balgarnie looked the distinct understanding that the very charming in her pretty, simple entirely refused to recognize Dodo, Evadne, or Tess as her ideal of the new woman. The new woman, she said, had not yet been fully developed -man had not yet developed. She admitted that in their efforts for moral, intellectual and physical emancipation women were guilty of follies and mistakes, but then people who did not make mistakes made no advance at all. Women are now beginning to find themselves as women, and to find oneself is the greatest discovery possible. It is only when every human being demands that the human entity shall be recognized that we have any true development, and it was the relative position women occupy which was the great discovery of the century. .... The progress of women has gone in cycles, said Miss Balgarnie. She apparently did not mean bicycles, though she might have said that the progress of women on cycles of that kind was not only rapid but graceful. Women used to sit on the ancient witans of England, and she felt that women had fallen on Come on." bad days when they had to go down on their knees to the average man to ask him for the parliamentary vote ! Miss Balgarnie was very severe on Milton and the Puritans. "I think," she said, "that women owe a very big grudge indeed to the Puritans." Their treatment of women was a reaction against the licentious period which they succeeded. Even the Eve of Milton's "Paradise Lost" was affected by this reaction. Dr. Clifford, speaking at the close of the address, said that Miss Balgarnie was very hard on Milton. pay 121/2 per cent extra. Milton, like other men, took women as he found them from experience, and Milton's experience was "multitudinous."

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be taught something by which could earn a living. Women fo same work must also be paid the as men. At present the indi average for men is 24s. 9d., while women it is only 11s. 5d. Miss garnie said that every woman le forward to the time when she be married and become the moth children, and every woman shou able to put by portions of her for that time in the same way men do.

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Why is it, continued Miss Balg: that we hear of so many unhapp many immoral marriages? Bee men and women enter upon the e because they are not able to mai married for the sake of a home. woman should marry a man wit asking the question-Do I love man so supremely that I must n deemed a disgrace to bring chil into the world unless they were hea in mind and body. Miss Balga does not believe in mothers of families running about the cou after public work. So long as dren are young there is work in home, and it is the best and n beautiful work a woman can giene. would have been no woman's rin movement if the men of this could had carried out in domestic, so municipal, political and church life ideal exemplified by the side of Jaco well in Samaria.

Trials of a Genius.

A man may have genius and yet what the world calls "green" as common matters of every day. fact, the very possession of genius plies a measure of abstraction, puts a man often at a disadvanta Some striking illustrations of this found in "The Life and Inventions Edison.'

While employed in a telegraph of in New York young Edison had ma several inventions, to which the co pany thought it advisable to obt the right. The inventor himself, as tells us had thought the matter or and concluded that \$5,000 would perhaps a fair price; but when the co mittee asked him what he wanted andswered diplomatically:

"I don't know what they are wor Make me an offer."

Man Always a Carver. History does not treat of a time when carving was not apparently well known. Tradition does not appear to approach much nearer to its genesis. Carvings were well executed during the period of man's early occupation on the caves of Europe, and most persons

who have tamiliarized themselves with archaeological research know the figures of fish or seal engraved on the canine teeth of large carnivora, and the bear, reindeer, muskox, horse, mam-Dorety, the 8-year-old daughter of Mrs. moth and other animals carved on reinivory, the figures of animals being at the time cut fully in the round and an arctic fauna. The similiarity of

How to Win.

No woman can really win in the word's thickening battle who is not, first of all, obedient to the decalogue of natural law, "written in our members." There is no mistaking its utterances as they sound from the everradiant Sinai of physiology and hy-

Reverently let me try to write them down, having, alas, learned most of them from old Father Penalty, the severest of all pedagogues. 1. Let the dress be such as will im-

pose no ligature upon any part of the body, nor in anywise restrict the freedom, naturalness, and perfect equilibrium of all its members. Let it be equally distributed over the entire figure, without excrescences or furbelows, and carefully adapted to the season. 2. Let the functions of digestion be

normally preserved by the use of the simplest foods, into which enter the elements of nutrition suited to the logical study of the conditions of their healthtul maintenance.

3. Let the only drink be water, hot or cold, and milk,

4. Let the sponge-bath be a daily means of grace.

5. Let God's pure, fresh air have full access to your room especially at night.

6. Let exercise in the open air be your daily habit, and cultivate athletic

## SUNSHINE HAS RETURNED.

The Shadows Overhanging a Niagara Falls Home Have Vanished.

Little Mabel Dorety Cured of St. Vitus Dance After Four Physicians Had Ineffectually Treated the Case

(From the Niagara Falls Review.) In speaking to a friend recently we were asked if we had heard that little Mabel

Dorety, Ontario avenue, had been miracudeer horn implements or on plates of lously cured of St. Vitus' dance. We replied in the negative, but stated that we would investigate the case and acertain the facts. Accordingly we visited the home found in the lowest strata of the caves, under many feet of cave earth and stalagma, and associated with the bones of a quaternary and, at times, an arctic fauna. The similiarity of ening effects of la grippe and rheumatism. much of this cave work with much of Three local physicians were called in, as the Eskimo production of the present | was also one doctor of considerable reputahim? When love was the basi day has given rise to innumerable face of the prescriptions of these physicians marriage the population que theories concerning a common origin and the best of care, Mabel grew rapidly deemed a disgrace to bring obil instant and was as helpless as an infant, as she had no control of her limbs at all. She could neither walk without assistance nor take food or drink. At this stage one of the attending physicians said, 'Mrs. Dorety, there is no use in my coming here any more. There is nothing that I know of can be done for your little girl.' Well, matters went on that way for a short time with no better results till one day I was sure the poor child was dying. I remembered having seen accounts of St. Vitus' dance cured by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People and I determined to try them. I was skeptical as to the effect and only tried them as a last resort, but was soon agreeably surprised at the result. It was not long before they had a good effect and I then felt certain I had found a remedy that could cure my little girl if anything could. In less than three months she was so much better that the dread disease had almost disappeared, and the pills were discontinued. In a few months, however, she showed that the symptoms had not been entirely eradicated from her system, so I had her again commence the use of the Pink Pills. I feel certain that all traces of the awful malady will be swept away, for she goes to school now and we have not the slightest anxiety in leaving her alone. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills is certainly a grand remedy and I would not be without them under any consideration, for season, and by a careful physio-logical study of the conditions of their gold, as in my little girl's case they have been true to all they advertise. I am only too glad to let others who may be unfortunate know of this miraculous cure through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

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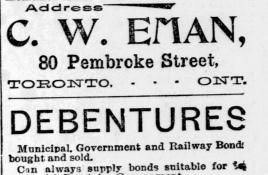
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for men and women alike. Two ordinary criminal. Such a method of dowry is at once thought of; and if in effect is both a tonic and a stimulant,

"Well," said the spokesman, sports. 7. Let brain-work be dispensed with would \$40,000 strike you ?"

It struck him so hard, as he declar after tea, ane insist on 8 hours sleep he might have been knocked do with the traditional feather. He cepted the offer, signed the contra recived a check for the amount, a set out instantly for the bank. concluded there must be some W street trick about the thing," he say "and believed that if I ever got a ce

I should be lucky." He had never been into a bank fore, and stood back for a while to the methods of procedure. Then took his place in the row before the paying teller's window.

In due time his turn came, and bassed in his check. The tell 'yelled out a lot of jargon," Ediso The "jargon" was repeated and the

check was handed back.

and sat down on the steps to think th the Castle Ignorance, as well as Castle situation over. Just then he declares Indolence, but I do not fear to pre-"Any one might have bought tha dict an absolute happy, a most winning, and a thoroughly successful life check from me for \$50.

telegraph office and told one of the commandments .- [Frances E. Willard, clerks what had happened. in the Woman's Signal.

8. Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy. In the six days thou shalt labor, but in them do all thy work. If the Sabbath day is necessarily a day of brain-work-as to pub-

lic speakers, Christian workers, etc.take one day in seven for rest or recreation, as the surest means to a useful life and hale old age.

9. Give your soul up to faith. Believe in God, in immortality, in human brotherhood, in the sure triumph of everything pure and good.

10. Habituate yourself to prayer. Let it be the pulse of your whole life, so natural to you that your spirit turns says, which the customer's deafne to the Star of Bethlehem as steadily as prevented him from understandin turns the needle to the polar star.

I am not gifted in divination and will not attempt to cast your horo-

Edison, surer than ever that he was scope, brave girls of this new age, the victim of some trick, went outsid evermore marching foward to storm

"However, he went back to the to whomsoever will obey these ten

"Oh, well," said the clerk, "the

teller wanted you to be identified. Woman's Suffrage Carried in South Australia.

With that the clerk went with him to the bank, identified him, and the The Adult Suffrage Bill has been teller promptly handed him the \$40,-carried in South Australia, giving all ooo-"greatly to my astonishment,"women the right to vote on the same terms as men, and with no barrier to a Edison concludes. He invested the money in a shop ofseat in Parliament. The bill now only

his own, in Newark, and soon his head awaits the Queen's consent. Mrs. was full of inventions of all sorts, but Nicholls, of Adelaide, president of the especially of the quadruplex telegraph. South Australia W. C. T. U., writes: Suddenly he was notified that his "It is a grand victory after a hard taxes were overdue. If they were not and well-fought battle of seven years, in paid the next day he would have to which the Woman's Christian Temperance Union has done its fair share of

The next day, accordingly, he re-the fighting. It was carried by a paired to the city hall, and with his majority of seventeen, being three brain still busy with the quadruplex votes to spare above the constitutional telegraph, took his place in the line. najority needed to carry the measure. F. E. KARN, Trick and Novelty Co.,

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standard external and internal "Now, then, young man, look sharp," said the tired functionary, as emedy, adapted to the relief and handed, but if that can be unreservedly and that it was she who began the the absent-minded inventor stood be- ure of coughs, sore throat, hoarseness said of the whole state service in any woman movement a hundred years fore him; "look sharp. What is your and all affections of the breathing organs, kidney troubles, excoriations, sores, lameness and physical pain.

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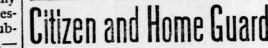
The inventor's composure was gone completely, and in "blank perplexity," BUSINESS SUCCESS

to use his own words, he stammered: "I-I don't know."

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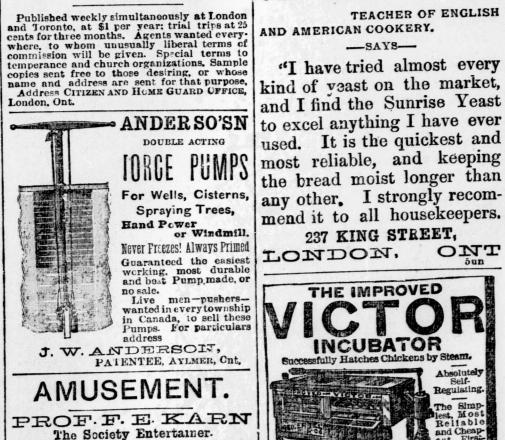
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