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SATURDAY, MARCH 22

AN INTERESTING DISTINCTION.

Here's a short, but interesting and pointed, story from the Toronto Mail:

It must be said for the Boer government that it treats different subjects in different ways.

Take, for example, prohibition, as contrasted with pulpwood.

The government is unable to say "yes" or "no" on the former topic. It is a great respecter of the people in this one case. It must have a referendum, with both sides expending money and effort to form an opinion for it.

But it is quite different with pulpwood deals.

In such matters the government says it is competent to judge. It can give away, secretly, without tender, without competition, and for nothing, 1,660 square miles of pulp land, and no referendum is needed.

There is a difference in the policy pursued with reference to the two issues.

Prohibition forced into provincial politics by Mr. Ross is dodged in order that the profit pertaining to the free distribution of public property among political friends may be freely enjoyed.

SYMPATHY WITH THE BOERS.

On Tuesday evening the Democrats of the United States house of representatives met in caucus and unanimously voted to express the sympathy of congress with the Boers, points out the Hamilton Herald. We are informed by the Buffalo Enquirer that "undoubtedly the minority of the house in the resolution adopted represents the true sentiments of nine-tenths of the American people," and we believe that the Enquirer speaks correctly.

With the bulk of the American people the justice or injustice of any cause with which Britain is identified does not affect their sentiments. The fact that a cause is the cause of Britain is sufficient to condemn it in their eyes. This may always be taken for granted as a matter of course—as a fact to be reckoned with. American sympathy has always been with the enemies of Britain.

But there are many Americans whose sympathies are affected by principles rather than prejudices, and who strongly sympathize with the Boer cause. One powerful reason for this is their belief that the British Government brought on the war with the object of crushing the Boer republics. To their eyes the struggle represents itself as a struggle between two weak little republics and a powerful monarchy determined to exterminate them. It is not strange that citizens of a republic who take this view of the war should sympathize with the republics. We can easily understand how American citizens, wedded to republican institutions and not very well informed as to the facts of the Boer war, are fired with indignation by such words as these, spoken the other day by ex-congressman John L. Lentz, of Ohio:

"It is good policy, if it is correct, for Great Britain to prevent the development and growth of republicanism in South Africa, then the time is ripe for the United States to prevent the growth and development of monarchial institutions in North America. If England can justify the barbarous war she is making against the Boers on the ground that she cannot afford to allow a republic to be established across the Vaal river, then the people of the United States cannot afford to allow a monarchial institution to strengthen itself across the Detroit and St. Lawrence rivers."

Of course any such view as to the origin of the war is grotesquely and pitifully false. Britain set the Orange Free State up in business as a republic and was on terms of the most cordial friendship with the little republic right up to the time that the Free State, without any provocation whatever, joined its forces with those of the Transvaal and invaded British

territory. As for the Transvaal, it might be flourishing in peace and plenty as a republic to-day if Kruger and other schemers had not plotted to "drive the British into the sea" and establish a federated Dutch republic embracing the whole of South Africa. No other power on earth would have been so patient as Britain was during years of provocation. But when the two republics aimed what was intended to be a fatal blow at British power in South Africa, that moment it became necessary for Britain either to withdraw her flag from South Africa or to utterly crush the power which had menaced her supremacy in that part of the world. If the northern states were justified in fighting the southern confederacy to a finish in order to preserve the union, Britain is not less justified in fighting the Boers to a finish in order to preserve her empire.

But our American neighbors either cannot or will not examine the facts in the day light of truth. Since Britain cannot perform her task cheered by American sympathy she must go ahead without it. But whether she has that sympathy or not doesn't make much difference. The task is going to be finished.

THE HOME WORK EVIL.

The Planet rejoices at the vigorous way in which the press, from one end of the province to the other, are pouring broadsides into the pernicious homework system.

Yesterday's St. Catharines Star said:

An incident which illustrated the effect of home work on the child and upon the public school itself occurred yesterday. A little girl who had studied over three hours Wednesday evening went to school with what her parents considered, her work well done. She was called upon to recite her history lesson and whereas she had it generally correct she inadvertently mentioned "Constitutional Government" instead of "Reform Government." The teacher refused to credit her with any marks. The pupil is in one of the higher grades of the school. Having only one side of the incident, the judgment of the teacher in refusing marks cannot be criticized, but the absurdity of having a child study three or four hours at night and then be cut off on one subject without marks needs the strongest condemnation. No growing child should be asked to study several hours at night. Home work will not build up the children or the school. There is no necessity for it, and there is every reason why it should not be.

Parents should not let their children study at night. If it is necessary to the advancement of the pupil then it would be better to let the child remain another term or be taken out of school. Parents cannot consider this evil too seriously.

SPRING STYLES IN MONTANA.

Forayth, Mont., Times.

According to the fashion plates, the coming spring bonnet will be a daisy. It will have a cawcatcher in front, a tailboard behind, a flower garden on top, a bunch of grass on one side, and a bird carcass on the other. The whole affair will be elaborately bound together by crushed ribbons, topped off with a loud millinery bill, and paid for by a disgruntled husband or father.

CONDENSED BOOSE.

Woodstock Express.

It is come, just in the nick of time. A genius has discovered a method of condensing and compressing whiskey, so that a man can carry a supply around with him in his vest pocket. The booze will be done up in the form of pellets, and when you need a brace all you have to do is to dissolve one of the pills in your mouth and you have all the taste and what is more important—all the effect of a good horn. Bring on your prohibition now any time.

WANTED A STRAIGHT ANSWER.

London Express.

To Mr. MacNeill, the Irish member of parliament, is due the credit for the first "bull" of the session. "Then when will the heliogram correspondence be published?" demanded the persistent Irishman. Loyal ministerials endeavored to shunt him down, but Mr. MacNeill, raising his voice to a scream, changed their wrath to mirth by challenging Mr. Brodick to give him a "Yes" or "No" answer. "All I ask, Mr. Speaker," he explained with dignity, "is that to my simple question, 'When will the correspondence be published?' I should have a plain 'Yes' or 'No.'"

STRIPPED OF THEIR PLUMAGE.

Toronto News.

This will be the saddest Easter that has ever visited the state of Maine. Not content with the prohibition of liquor, the legislators of that iron-bound state have put the ban on the plumage which ladies are wont to wear in their headgear. Henceforth the Maine milliner who sticks the plumage, skin or body of any bird except crows, sparrows, hawks, owls and barnyard fowl in a bonnet, will feel the claws of the law. Wherefore, this Easter will cheat the Maine milliner of her prey.

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Is difficult digestion, due to a weakened condition of the stomach and its inability to properly churn the food; or to unhealthy condition of the gastric juice, too much or too little acid, too much or too little pepsin.

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SHOULD HIBERNATE TO QUALIFY.

Hamilton Spectator.

Those who want to be chief of police in some Canadian town should join the Hamilton aggregation of Terrorists to Burglars.

A HEAVY TAX.

Ottawa Citizen.

When the Laurier government is expending over ten dollars per annum for every man, woman and little prattling infant in this fair Dominion it may justly be said to be robbing the cradle and the grave.

BEAT IT ON THE MULES.

Montreal Star.

The Washington Post, commenting on the recent disaster to General Methuen, says nobody can be made to believe that the individual Englishman is less than a gallant fighter. But, it asks, what can be the explanation of this "indecipherable demoralization"? It comes of mixing them up with Missouri mules.

FROM OCEAN TO OCEAN
 Wise Women Use the Great Spring Medicine
Paine's Celery Compound

It is The Only Remedy That Can Provide for the Increase of Red Corpuscles in the Blood.

From every section of the land, from Newfoundland in the east, to British Columbia in the west, strong and well attested reports of women, bloodless, nervous, dyspeptic, neuralgic, rheumatic and run down, and in many cases so weak as to be bedridden, who have been enabled to resume their places in the family and in social life, enjoying health, vigor and true happiness, all through the aid of that great blood-purifier, blood-maker and health-giver, Paine's Celery Compound.

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New veilings, latest designs, in black and fashionable spring colors, at per yard 15c, 20c, 25c, 35c, 40c and 50c.

Taffeta ribbons, rich pure silk quality, narrow, medium and wide widths, in every warranted color, at per yard 8c, 10c, 12 1-2c, 15c and 25c.

New Silk Waists, stunning styles, in rich guaranteed taffetas, wide range of new effects, in black and leading colors, for spring wear, at each \$5, \$5.50, \$6.50 and \$8.50.

New Dress Skirts—Tailor made—in chevrons, serps, fringes, gilt cloths, mohairs, and lustrous, in black, Oxford grey, navy, fawn, and light grey, assorted lengths, at each \$2.50, \$3.50, \$4, \$5.00, \$5.50 and \$7.50.

Black Satina Waists—Rich silky quality, beautifully checked on back, front and sleeves, open front and

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New Kid Gloves—Newest spring styles, in black and colors, every pair guaranteed at a pair, \$1.50, \$1.25 and \$1.00.

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The Letter-Box

TO KIPLING.

To the Editor of The Planet:

Dear Sir,—We have been rather overdone with Kipling parodies lately. But the following "from the front" has special claims to a few inches of space.

In the first place, it shows how those "islanders" at present hung up in the Dark Continent regard the "flannelled fools" and "muddled off" business. In the next, it shows that our Tommies out on the veldt have various ways of amusing themselves in their old minutes, when the War is not at hand, including not only reading Kipling, but writing it.

Yours etc., J. W. WILDE.

THE POEM THAT FAILED.

Oh, Kipper, Ruddy Kipper, you 'ave bin and broke my 'eart
 By the monsigner you 'ave bin and wrote and holt so bloomin' smart,
 I've read your verses, Kipper—I 'ave got the bloomin' lot
 And relished every word you wrote until you wrote this rot.

Oh, Kipper, Ruddy Kipper, what made you do that?
 Of "flannelled fools," and "muddled oafs"—now was you bloomin' tight?

If so, own up, man, most have you 'ave bin like that before,
 And 'ave to be again, please Gawd, when we 'ave done the war.

Oh, Kipper, Ruddy Kipper, you 'ave seen us on the veldt,
 And know 'ow sweet our lassy tastes, and 'ow our dinner smelt.

But you seem to 'ave forgotten 'ow we loved to pitch the stumps,
 And 'ave a bit of practice and 'od not the bloomin' bumps.

Oh, Kipper, Ruddy Kipper, was our good old chief a fool
 'Cos 'e bossed the regimental team, and batted powerful cool?

Whenever there seemed danger that No. Kipper, he were just our sort, and took us right, you bet.

Oh, Kipper, Ruddy Kipper, do yer see the caprit there,
 With mud enough upon 'is shirt, but near the ball, I'll swear.

You wouldn't go to call 'im, "oaf" if 'is tunic you could see,
 For 'e bears the blood-red badge of pluck, the coveted V. C.

Oh, Kipper, Ruddy Kipper, when you lay 'twixt life and death,
 When we opened up the paper so you couldn't 'ear a breath,

In all the sweetest barrack-room, to see if 'e, as rules,
 'Ad taken you to glory, was we blarneyed "oafs" and "fools"?

Oh, Kipper, Ruddy Kipper, you can call us what you like,
 We forgive you, strite, it isn't that; offence we'd never take;

But it's your own reputation that you've been and damned to-day,
 And so brought lastin' sorrow on your good old friend,

T. A. Kipling, January 10, 1902.

RAP AT RICHARD.

Toronto News.

"The pussies on the willow twigs are pushing their little grey noses from under their reddish brown hood. The long catkins on the alders are showing signs of life." So singeth the poetical editorial writer of The Globe. How is this for a similar cat-call? The Maltree pussies on the Normal school hearth is pushing her damp little nose from under Hon. Richard Harcourt's table. The pretty catkins in clanking the atmosphere, after having had a long nap at the feet of her sleeping benefactor Richie Van Winkle.

A HERBIC LIFE

With an Mye Single to the Good of Her Fellow men She Toiled.

The Story of Eliza H. Varney, of Bloomfield, Ont.—Spent Many Years in a Service of Saintly Sacrifice to the Poor and Needy—Ministered to Their Physical as well as Spiritual Wants.

Bloomfield, Ont., March 21.—(Special).—Our community boasts of having within it one of the most devoted Christian women that ever toiled in the world's vineyard.

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Elizabeth H. Varney, relict of the late Levi Varney, is now 73 years of age and is living in a quiet retirement here. She is a member of the Society of the Old Orthodox Friends, and this simple peace-loving Society never had a more humble or more worthy member.

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