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FRIDAY, AUGUST 9.

THE FUTURE OF SOUTH AFRICA.

Deeply interested financially and politically in South Africa and on the spot with special advantages of forecast, Cecil Rhodes gave his prophecy of the future of that great country at a recent public gathering at Bulwer. He is a blunt and plain speaker, avoiding city phrases, disliking to call a spade a ligno-ferruginous implement of industry, and preferring to call it a spade.

In mapping out the future of the chain of South African colonies he naturally began with that one which had himself created—Rhodesia, which is soon to pass from the charter to the self-governing stage. Then the present heavy expense of police must be avoided by the maintenance of a mounted volunteer force. On this point he was emphatic.

He pointed with just pride to the war record of Rhodesia. Out of hardly 16,000 white males, Rhodesia had sent 2,500 to fight the Boers, with the result of 500 casualties, a record unequalled in this or any other war.

Rhodes' reason for being in such a hurry to pass Rhodesia into the self-governing stage, is that he expects South African federation within four years. The present Imperial Colonial Secretary will wish to signalize his tenure of office by the accomplishment of this federation, before the death of the present British parliament. In Rhodes' view this federation will be effected not by internal attraction as in the cases of Australia and Canada, but by the external agency of the Crown, and before the restoration of self-government to the Transvaal and Orange River colony.

In his view, Northern South Africa will be the governing pivot of the politics of the whole region and group of colonies, and the Transvaal, which will rapidly recover its old wealth, will be the dominant partner. Rhodesia, in spite of the war, is in good condition with an annual output of gold of \$3,500,000 a year and large resources in coal. Natal is also in a good position. Natal, Rhodesia, Orange River Colony and the Transvaal will pull together and control the confederation. What about the Cape, the old mother colony? It makes it the target for bitter and pungent comment, very justly. From its age and historical importance it should take the lead, but its disloyal apathy, its talking about "keeping neutral," its taxing goods imported for soldiers' use and its giving aid and comfort to the Boers, have covered it with disgrace and will involve it in well merited punishment, none the less severe because indirect. It depends on railways financially. It will be side-tracked. The dominant North will divert the traffic to the ports of Natal and Delagoa Bay. Geographical convenience chimes in with this scheme, since the ports of the east coast having shorter distances to the Transvaal, will conveniently replace Cape Town and Port Elizabeth as points of import and export to Europe.

It is to be hoped that the Imperial Government will find some way of buying Delagoa Bay. They could have had it for \$50,000 before the war and its possession would have saved them millions of dollars of purchase.

When the workings of the mines are resumed, new gold mines and possibly diamond mines will be opened up close to Pretoria, where the indications are as good as near Johannesburg, but Kruger would never allow a spade to be put in the ground near his capital, fearing a turbulent mining population.

Immigration will pour in. Market gardens and cattle ranches will spring up to supply the miners. Already the vast expenditure of the British Government has left immense sums in South Africa, and when we remember that the Transvaal gold output, even under the harsh conditions of Kruger's tyranny and monopoly, had distanced all its competition throughout the world,

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Rhodes may live to see the Cape-to-Cairo railway an accomplished fact.

The Kaffir question has within the last few weeks cropped up rather seriously. By mutual consent, these formidable blacks were excluded from active participation in hostilities, but recently the Boers have so employed them.

COMPULSORY ARBITRATION.

One hundred thousand men or more are on strike, or soon will be on strike in the United States, comments the London News. Five hundred thousand people at least are directly affected by this labor war and as many more are indirectly affected. With these facts staring one in the face, who can say that the State should stand aside and let labor and capital fight it out.

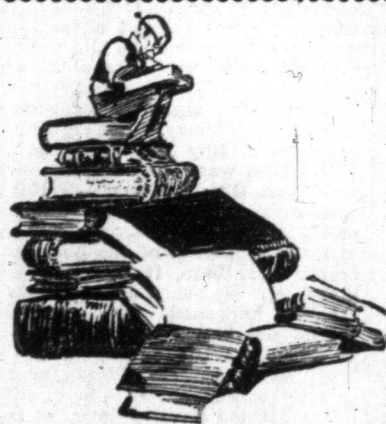
The time is coming when the State must interfere and make arbitration compulsory.

No country with internal wars between labor and capital can hope to prosper. It is no timid alarmist who sees a disruption of the present industrial system if some remedy for present day ills is not speedily applied.

The only remedy in sight seems to be compulsory arbitration. That will not be a complete cure, but it will act as a present remedy, and assist in a better social condition.

THE HONORED HOARY HEAD.

The world owes a whole lot to the cheerful old men and women, comments the Comber Herald. Perhaps they don't realize all the good they are doing, but their very cheerfulness robs old age of its ugliness and solemn horrors. The young people look upon the cheerful old man and rejoice in the fact that people can feel enjoyment and glide down the opposite incline of life in comparative happiness. Since it is impossible to turn back the finger of time and retain a perpetual youth, how great is the confidence youth imbibes from the cheerfulness of jolly old age. These jolly old people light up the gloom of the yawning century, as they stand with one foot in the grave and crack a joke that marks the spots where all their earthly



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hopes and ambitions lie buried deep under a mound of sorrows, failures and disappointments. Heaven bless the cheerful old men and old age that is robbed of its smiles and cheerfulness.

SOUND SENSE.

A prominent undertaker expresses the following sentiments in a contemporary which is much to the point: "I wish a law could be passed prohibiting the barbaric custom of opening caskets in public at church funerals. It is a relic of dark ages and has no place in a civilized community. It jars on the sensibility of every tender chord, and it is something the churches and undertakers ought to combine and put a stop to. In nine-tenths of the cases it is merely a pandering to ghoulish curiosity. People who never spoke to the deceased in their life time parade around the church, gaze at the form of our loved one, then go out in the presence of death, not to talk of the good deeds done in their life, but to criticize the appearance of the poor play that death has left for once at their mercy. Death is a sacred thing. If we were going on a long journey we do not make our adieux before a gaping crowd; we ought not to be expected to bid our dead a last goodbye while curiosity stands aghast."

UNPLEASANT TRUTHS.

Ottawa Citizen.
The reason the British public received Kipling's poem so coldly is because there is more truth than poetry in it.

WILL BE FORCED TO ACCEPT.
Montreal Herald.
Mr. Andrew Carnegie has offered Montreal \$150,000 for a library. Well, we hate to take the money—but we need the library.

LOOKS LIKE IT.
London News.
The census counter will not be finished with his work until the end of this month. Canada must have a population of 5,000,000,000.

BLOWING OUR WAY.
Hamilton Herald.
The great steel strike is an ill wind for the American steel and iron industry. But it is an ill wind which may blow good to the British and perhaps the Canadian iron and steel industry.

EMPEROR OF ENGLAND'S EARTH.
London Daily News.
Il Corriere di Napoli, the most important paper of South Italy, commenting upon Mr. Chamberlain's proposal of a new title for the King; has put forward what it thinks to be the most comprehensive and shortest title possible. Its suggestion is "Orbis Britannici Imperator."

A SURE THING.
Ottawa Citizen.
The Ross administration has had three solar plexus jolts in the school-book scandal, the Dryden Dakota ranch blunder and the Veteran land grant fiasco. If the Ontario Conservatives cannot snow Ross under at the next election with these "extras" on his record they ought to go out of the business.

CONCERNING FLAGS.
London News.
Why some persons insist upon throwing out Yankee flags on all occasions cannot be understood. A British flag, innocent and inoffensive, flew to the breeze in Rochester, on Friday. A Yankee saw it, tore it down, burned it up, the crowd proclaimed him a hero, and fought for the charred remains as a souvenir. That is the way our flag is looked upon in the United States.

FIARNEY FROM THE BENCH.
London Advertiser.
That was a truly Irish compliment, which a judge in the Four Courts, Dublin, paid to a fair plaintiff, who was as charming as her daughter, who was a witness. "Gentlemen of the jury," said this chivalric jurist of the old school, "everything in this case seems plain—except Mrs. O'Toole and her charming daughter." The reporters told us that the address caused a great effect.

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THOMAS RICHARDSON, Sec'y-Treas. Box 79, Wallaceburg, Ont.

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III.—Lot 4, Con. 4, Tilbury East, 25 acres.

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