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#### A Sorry Spectacle.

"Who excuses, accuses." The Torono Mail and Empire accuses the Conservative party by apologizing for the tactics employed against the Liberal party in London and North Oxford.

"It must not be forgotten that the for the action of persons or papers that are not friendly to the party, and it cannot control the proceedings "butt in," and pretend to be on their Their violen't anti-Catholic help Laurier, and is not intended to Norway by a military demonstration. promote the interests of Conserva-

This shaft is intended for E. E. Sheppard and the other wayfarers of the Citizens' League, and for the Toronto News, which has incurred the Mail's wrath by seeking to supplant it as the chief Conservative organ. But it hits with equal force Messrs. Sproule, Hughes, Maclean, Cockshutt and Gray, the Toronto World and the London Free Press. The language of these Conservative speakers and newspapers differed in no degree from that of the Sheppard crowd or the Toronto

But there is a melancholy truth in the Mail's theory of non-responsibility. The once great Conservative party is no longer responsible for anything committed in its name, because responsibility has ceased to exist. Its leader confessed his helplessness by releasing his followers from all party obligations when the Autonomy Bill was introduced. The Opposition campaign in London and North Oxford was taken out of his hands by mutineers. He "could not control the proceedings of these agencies." And what a pitiable lives. spectacle the party now presents! The Ontario wing denouncing the school clauses as a surrender to the hierarchy; the Quebec wing denouncing them as a betrayal of the rights of Roman Catholics, and moving amendments to enan official status in the new provinces, sive luxury. One section appealing to ultra-Protestant prejudices in Ontario; another ing the same boat and pulling in oppo- dollar country. site directions.

It may have been considered at the me smart politics for Mr. Borden to Said of John How in the last that can be made in the said of John How in the last that can be made in the last that the la only for himself and gave his followers profitable in the United States. enabled every Conservative to square reduced the great Conservative party vent American money being deported to a state of anarchy. What has become of it at Ottawa? Is it represented Mr. Borden, Dr. Sproule, or Mr. Monk? The Montreal Gazette, the Eng. lish Conservative organ of Quebec, more than suggests that Mr. Borden should relinquish the leadership, and urges the Opposition to vote to give exist as a political entity. It is an 100 yards dash, and the Britisher in acephalous and amorphous affair; it the mile run. has no controlling mind, no discipline, no cohesion. Its titular leaders are profate of the great party once led by Sir John Macdonald.

#### Rural Mail Delivery Expensive.

farmers pay the greater part of the federal taxes and may well hesitate before demanding a service which compel the Government to periment in the United States prompts

"The profits of the New Pork postoffice for the fiscal year ending last Friday were \$10,500,000. For the same year the postoffice department at Washington has to show a deficit of \$16,000,000.

The present direct cause of the national shortage is the extension of the rural free delivery system, ex-cellent though it be in itself. As that system makes satisfactory politcal returns it is to be extended still further at the general expense. "The New York postoffice, which s only financially, not politically, profitable, may continue to turn in milions for rural carriers, while its own clerks work in sweatshop quarters, and while its delivery wagons perform with old-time slowness the ser-vices that pneumatic tubes should be limited area in the United States, but ry rural community is clamoring

the privilege and bringing presupon Congress, which in turn s the hand of the postoffice departs the department deeper in the financially. It has become a very

s "political" results, the politity population scattered over indistances would make the cost rural delivery proportionately greatthan in the United States.

the bench, never tails to half a he, shocking composition you brought especially if the falsifier is on trial for a crime.

An old offender was arraigned before it don't care. Me mudder wrote it any.

Storthing or Parliament of Norway, the complaint had been read the de-holding that the consent of both naholding that the consent of both na-EWO EDITIONS DAILY - WEEKLY. tions is necessary, but the Swedish Cabinet counseled the King and the Riksdag to accept the situation. The he hadn't taken a drink for more than cabinet used these words in an official memorandum:

"Sweden is averse from coercing Norway into its (the union's) mainwhich could only be done by force of arms and by a fratricidal war. Besides, in those conditions, the union, established in the interests of peace and mutual support would lose its very raison d'etre. Sweden would, therefore, rather consent to its dissolution than have to force Norway to remain in the union against her will.

The Government also asked the Riksdag for power to enter into negotia-Conservative party is not responsible tions with the Norwegian Storthing, with the view to establishing a common basis for dissolving the union, of these agencies. Conservatives, however, may well protest against some of the Gritty influences that would appear to be highly impolitic campaign is calculated to please and on the eve of negotiations to threaten

> The venerable King Oscar of Sweden is one of the most accomplished men and popular sovereigns in Christendom, and these troubles, near the close of his long and beneficent reign, have made him an object of universal sympathy. The recent opening of the Riks. dag was a scene of much pathos. The London Times' correspondent says that many were in tears, and the King spoke in tones of deep sadness. The following passage from his speech does credit to his statesmanship:

"My conscience bears witness that I have throughout my long reign honestly and earnestly endeavored to carry out the object I undertook on ascending the throne—the welfare of the two brother nations. It is a cause of painful emotion to me now to have to set my hand to the sever lieve lies the safety, the independence and the prosperity of the two kingdoms. In consenting to this, I do so in order to avoid a greater evil, and which both parties do not give their free and willing consent would be of English. no real advantage to either."

appear to be having the time of their

The Fourth of July casualty list will divide interest with the Manchurian operations for a while.

The United States Government has large the privileges of the Catholic deficit of \$24,000,000, which shows that minority, and give the French language the policy of the big stick is an expen-

It will cost eighty million dollars to section laboring to excite race and run Canada this year, but we suppose cheed hatreds in Quebec, Both occupy- Canada has become an eighty-million- the closing exercises. He chose for

time smart politics for Mr. Borden to said of John Hay is that he helped to announce in the House that he spoke make tail-twisting no longer politically When Greece, her knees in suppliance

> by the Dominion Government Lord Alverstone attended the Do minion Day dinner in Old London thereby showing a gracious willingness

ceedings will not be instituted to pre

The victory of the Leanders at Henley today is another evidence of British American athlete usually wins in the

pounding different policies; there is no fain repudiate the campaign methods principle uniting those who call them- of the party in London and North Oxselves Conservatives into an effective ford, but the Mail and Empire takes party organization. Such is the sad the prize by laying the blame on

> The grant of an annuity of \$1,200 to nections, but he did the state great service and sacrificed private interests to public duty.

#### The Backward Glance.

Evelyn Underhill, in London Outlook.1 They set him on the sunny road, His face towards the world's expanse; 'Yonder," they said, "the victor's crown, Beware the backward glance.

'Run swift, run true, the crown is thine!' Alone throughout the morning hours He trode a fair and level road That ran between the flowers.

And up the hill began to climb, He heard the sound of distant feet, That with his own kept time.

closed his ears, he steeled his heart, wind:
He turned and saw a dreadful form
That traveled far behind.

Then forward to the race he sprang, Scaling the hill with fevered breath; But ever on his ears there rang The pattering feet of Death.

At last upon a lonely height
He paused and saw the road turn down,
A shining ribbon of desire,
Straight to the promised crown.

hope Flamed in his breast, he looked behind; Death's feet were on the slope.

And as the long and winding way Looped snakewise down toward Fear stayed his steps at every turn.

Against the glowing sunset shone But ever at the backward glance The following form drew on.

Faster he flew; with trembling hand He leaped the guerdon to embrace; But as he leaped he looked behind; Death looked him in the face. Confirmed the Judge's View.

[Boston Herald.] Judge Kennedy, of the Newton police court, although a model of courtesy on the bench, never fails to nail a lie,

guilty." The judge, eying him sharply, inquired: "How long since you were drunk?" The prisoner answered that

"That's not true," replied his honor I saw you drunk within a month on the street in Boston, and you had the impudence to accost me.' "Did I spake to you, sor?" asked

the prisoner.
"You did," said the court.
"Well, thin, I must have been drunk, yer anner."
No one in the court room enjoyed the incident more than the judge.

A Universal Love Song.

[Cy Warman, in New York Sun.] A mother sat a-singing, A mother sat a-singing,
And her song came to me
Upon the scented south wind—
The seagull soared above,
While to her fair-haired baby
She sang this song of love:

love you when you're laughing, I love you when you weep;
I love you when you're waking,
And I love you when you sleep.
You don't know how I love you, How you I do adore, And every day, you dove, you, I love you more and more."

Within a wind-blown wigwam By Lake Temagami, mother sat a-singing Unto her babe one day, The wild deer bounded by her.
The wild hawk soared above,
While to her brown-skinned baby
She sang this song of love:

I love you when you weep;
I love you when you're waking,
And I love you when you sleep. You don't know how I love you, How you I do adore, And every day, you dove, you, I love you more and more."

#### England and Germany.

[National Zeitung, Berlin.] in religion, in thought and in senti- partly to the proximity to Chamber akin, as opposed to all other nations graphed congratulations. such as Latins, Slavs and East Asiatder to avoid a greater evil, and efirm conviction that a union to both parties do not give their same conviction will await the moment when the same conviction will dawn upon the

#### A Golden Rule.

[Toronto Star.] For the young man who won't go canoeing alone there is only one rule ciplinary battalions were exercising on -bring the girl home alive or come back dead.

#### A Roosevelt Ancedote.

[Boston Herald.] Groton, Mass., where President Roosevelt prepared for Harvard: When a boy the President was, like the average American youth, some what timid about appearing before an audience to "speak a piece." However, the time came when his teacher insisted that he should take part in his recitation that good old standby

Should tremble at his power." As his turn came the future Presi dent stepped bravely forth and began. At midnight in his guarded tent, The Turk lay dreaming of the hour When Greece, her knees—"
Here his memory failed, but promptly commenced where he left

"Greece, her knees-Still his memory failed to respond. Again he started:

It was no use. He had forgotten the emainder of the verse, but stren-

"Greece, her knees—"
"Grease her knees once more, Theodore, and see if she won't go," kindly said his teacher.

#### Once More.

Clinton Scollard, in the New York Sun.] When dogwood blossoms star the lanes With flawless white,

Their golden fire. And opes its urns by height and vale
The wilding briar;

A love song pure, ry heart is buoyed and brim With wander lure;

Of doubt is o'er; We are grown one with happiness— 'Tis June once more!

A Matter of Course. [Cleveland Plaindealer.] "Do you know anything about serv-

"Yes." "Well, then, what follows Welsh

#### "A bad dream." A Bed Proposition.

[Cleveland Plaindealer.] "Don't you think the giving of wedding presents has become too much of a business proposition?" "Yes, and a mighty poor proposition. I'm out \$47 for June alone. And as I'm married, there's no source of income the business."

#### A Tribute.

[Scottish American.] There is a garden in her face
Where roses and white lilies show;
A heavenly paradise in that place,
Wherein all pleasant fruits do grow;
There cherries hang that none may buy,
Till cherry-ripe themselves do cry;
These cherries fairly do inclose
Of Orient pearls a double row,
Which, with her gentle laughter, show
They look like rosebuds filled with snow.

#### His Cousin's Compliment. [Punch.] Uncle (to nephew, who has just come into a fortune)—You must remember

my boy, that "A fool and his money are soon parted!' Fair Cousin-Oh, but I'm sure Sammy will be the exception that proves the rule! (Sammy delighted.)

Women's Rights. [Chicago Daily News.] She-A female suffrage advocate says women should get men's wages. He-A friend of mine who is married

Johnny's Confession. [Judge,] Teacher—I am going to send for your mother, Johnny, and show her what a shocking composition you brought in

New Structure to Take Place of That Burned at Goderich.

Goderich, July 4. - The elevator of the Goderich Elevator and Transit Company Limited, which was burned yesterday, is a heap of ruins. The engine-house, however, is but little in-jured, and the foundation of the elevator is probably not much damaged, being protected from the fire by the heaps of grain which fell as the bins burst. There is \$90,000 insurance on the elevator, but Manager Horton states it would probably take \$50,000 in addition to that sum to rebuild. The onds of the company were guaranteed by the town, about \$45,000 of the issue being outstanding. The town is secured by the insurance. At the time of the fire the elevator contained 220,000 bushels of wheat, owned by Carruthers & Co., C. B. Watts, and J. F. Taylor & Co., Toronto; James Richardson, Kingston; E. R. Wayland, Fort William, and Harris-Section Company of Chicago. Scotten Company, of Chicago.

The elevator will probably be rebuilt, but possibly not by the pres-

#### A GALLANT VICTORY

So Tariff Reformers Regard Bye-Election-Took Bold Stand.

London, July 5. - In spite of the reduction of the Conservative candidate, Staveley Hills' majority in Kingswinford bye-election, from last contested election in 1892 (1,571 to 603), tariff reformers regard it as a considerable victory. Hills was a "whole-hogger" on Chamberlain's policy, and tariff reformers declare that if all candidates took the same bold line they would be more successful at the polls. Liberal journals content themselves with the assertion that it is the small-[National Zeitung, Berlin.] est majority since the division was We still believe that in politics and created, also attributing the result ment, we and the English and racially lain's stronghold. Chamberlain tele-

# BLACK FLAG

(Continued from page 1.)

the parade soldiers attacked a captain, wounding him with bayonets. Col. Davydoff, the battalion com-mander, drew his sword and rushed to the rescue. He caught hold of the bayonets of the mutineers, and, though desperately wounded, ordered the men back to their barracks with cries of "Company, attention. Musicians to the front! Hurrah!"

The colonel then, while mortally vounded, led the men back to the barracks, where he wrote a letter to the Emperor, and died, he having recelved five bayonet wounds in the ab Eight of the murderers escaped, but

seven were caught.

#### More Sport for Cossacks.

St. Petersburg, July 5. - Cossacks this morning. The trouble was started by the arrest of a youth while enterng the works. The police suspected him of having dynamite in his posses young man drew a revolver and shot his captor dead, and was himself wounded by a bullet fired by another policeman. The strikers quickly congregated on the Peterhoff road and Cossacks were ordered to disperse hem. The soldiers charged, using the whips, and then fired a volley, causing whips, and then fired a voiley, causing several casualties among the strikers. The excitement in the district is in-

#### Editors Talk Plain.

St. Petersburg, July 5. - With the publication in the Official Messenger of the official account of the tragedy is raised, and all the papers are filled vith columns upon columns of accounts from the foreign papers. Leaving aside the machinations of the revolutionists, the press with one voice declares that the mutinies on board result of the rotten system in vogue in the Russian navy, the bluejackets being utterly neglected, and the officers living ashore, except during the review, affirms that the question of food was a mere pretext, the real cause being deeper, in the complete lack of sympathy between the men and their disgustingly incompetent. Owing their positions to influence at St. Petersburg, they care nothing for good service or the vell-being and contentment of the then. Other writers, some of whom evidently are high in the service, but who write under assumed names, in a most savage fashion declare that the bureaucratic regime in the navy is only reaping what it has sown, and plainly intimate that similar conditions exist in

says the Stovo, "is the sole basis of discipline in the army and navy, and it will prove as poor an instrument for keeping the rank and file loyal to the throne as it has in the suppression of discontent among the people. The Government should learn lesson that the soldiers and sailors are beginning to awaken, as the people have already awakened."

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