

## SUMMER FANCIES.



THE summer time is here again,  
And now the cry is "Out of town!"  
Our clergyman, with overstrain,  
As usual has broken down!  
His labors (one day in the week)  
So gravely have his health depressed,  
He'll have to cross the sea to seek  
(His doctor says) much needed rest.

And now the jaded business man,  
Whose wife is in the social swim,  
Must fall in with the settled plan  
(A perfect martyrdom to him)

Of going for six weeks' "repose"  
To Saratoga or Cape May,

Where blue blood swells wear goodness knows  
How many dresses in a day;

And where his smart, aspiring wife  
And daughters (who are known as buds)  
Will plunge into the silly strife  
And wear their fashionable duds,

Excepting when, at bathing hour,  
His girls parade their shapes (and gall)  
Upon the astonished ocean's shore—  
A-wearing nothing much at all.

'Tis now the long-limbed city lad  
Seeks wild Muskoka's grateful shade,  
Obedient to the camping fad,  
In regulation clothes arrayed—

There through the sweltering months he fares  
On rations he'd despise in town,  
And 'mid mosquitoes, flies and bears,  
Gets tanned a fashionable brown.

And now the man who needs a rest,  
And who has tried the various schemes,  
And who is thoroughly impressed  
"Resorting" isn't what it seems

However far away you roam,  
Into whatever foreign clime—  
Resolves this year to stay at home  
And have a cool and easy time.

## PROVISION FOR OLD AGE.

THE National Provident League of Great Britain, of which Mr. Jos. Chamberlain, M.P., is president, is an institution established for the purpose of making provision for old age. It is proposed that those who go in for the idea shall, from the age of twenty-five or thereabouts up to sixty, contribute annually to the fund, such contributions to be augmented by money granted by government. At sixty the individual is entitled to draw upon the accumulated pile and thus keep himself "off the rates"—a fate which it appears befalls no less than forty-five per cent. of England's aged laborers. This is a good idea, though it is prosy and old-fogyish when compared with Mr. Rykert's method of "making provision for old age."

## NEWS ITEMS FROM SCARBORO' JUNCTION.

(BY OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT).

SCARBORO JUNCTION, June 14th.

THIS enterprising city is going ahead with gigantic strides. When one considers that but a fortnight ago there was nothing here besides the railway station, freight shed and an old frame hotel, it will be difficult to convince the public that there is any truth in the items which follow. It is hardly necessary, however, to remind skeptics that this is the nineteenth century we are living in, and progress is its watchword.

Contracts are about to be let for asphalt pavements on Magnolia and Elm avenues.

A magnificent hotel, capable of accommodating two thousand guests, is in course of construction opposite the City Hall on Boomster Square. It is to be finished in the highest style of the architect's art, and will have all modern conveniences.

We are on the eve of electing our first City Council. Our popular citizen, Mr. Jay Fleigh, is out for mayor with a good chance of election.

The street cars are now running on every street in the city. It is our intention to follow Toronto's present example and keep the service under civic control. Several syndicates have been formed, however, and are freely offering \$1,500,000 per year and 85 per cent. of the profits for the franchise.

The Scarboro Club went into possession of their magnificent club house on Monday. The building is twice as large as that of the Toronto Club, and cost something like \$800,000 not counting the fittings and furnishings.

The Scarboro Grand Opera House is now open for a summer season, with an excellent company from New York presenting all the popular light operas. The attendance has been meagre, but this is not owing to a want of artistic taste and culture in our city, but simply to the fact that the residences of all our fashionable people are supplied with Edison's latest invention, the Kinetograph, by which, as you may be aware, the stage performance may be transferred to a screen in one's own parlor, every



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