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marvel of eloquence, master of pathos. Aside, however, from the literary associations of this good, old banyard Romeo, the practical mind can also find food for exercise in thinking upon his technical skill. When several cocks are competing for the prize one can find much amusement in acting as judge, and in fancy calculating which clarion voice has most richness, color, and range, what ages are the various contestants, and which bore off the prize for London at the Toronto exhibition, the coloratura soprano in the yard to the west or the mezzo-soprano next door but one to the east. By the time a decision has been arrived at blessed sleep has chased away all night noises, and we awake in the morning physically and mentally refreshed.

HE KNEW WHAT TO DO. [New York Sun.] A chauffeur who had just returned to the garage after taking the state's examination to determine his fitness to be licensed was asked by a fellow worker what the questions were. "One of them was about meeting a skittish horse," he replied. "They asked me what I would do if I approached a horse which showed signs of being afraid of the car and the driver held up his hand to me." "What's the answer?" asked a bystander. "Oh, I had that, all right," the chauffeur replied. "I told 'em I'd stop the car, take it apart, and hide the pieces in the grass."

HOW MANY REALIZE THE MARVELLOUS VALUE OF FRUIT IN CURING MANY DISEASES? Wonderful Success of "Fruit-a-tives"—The Famous Fruit Medicine. Fruit juice consists of about 91 per cent water, 8 per cent of sweet matter, and only 1 per cent of an intensely bitter substance. Careful experiments show that it is this bitter principle, which is the active or medicinal material of fruit juice. Under certain conditions the bitter principle in excess may be replaced or transformed some of the sweet atoms in the juice, thus making a new compound which is much more active medicinally than the ordinary juice. These fruit juices, having been made more active by the secret process of changing the sweet principle into the bitter, are combined with tonics and antiseptics and made into tablets. These tablets are the famous fruit medicine "Fruit-a-tives" known in Great Britain and Canada for their wonderful curative qualities in diseases of the Stomach, Liver, Bowels, Kidneys and Skin. "Fruit-a-tives" is the only medicine in the world made of fruit juices. Fifty cents a box, six for \$2.50, or trial size 25 cents.

CHAPMAN'S After the summer months we are back to regular hours of business, closing daily at six o'clock; Saturday, ten o'clock. Swell New Outer Garments OUR NEW LONG COATS We are exhibiting some very handsome Fall and Winter Coats, in fashionable long lengths at popular prices, including Rough Diagonals, Scottish Tweeds, Vicunas and Fawn Coverts. Introductory Price \$5.00 to \$25.00 We are also showing the new Grey Diagonal Coat, New York's latest craze—strikingly handsome—illustrating the new long lines.

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Old General Humidity walked in the procession yesterday. Flocks of blackbirds are going north over London. Is this a sign that summer will prolong her stay? London also has a right to take her place in the civic boasting column along with New York, Winnipeg and Toronto. The increase in our total assessment this year amounts to \$1,558,569. One of the impressions which London makes upon a stranger is her great number of comfortable, unpretentious, white brick homes. For the workman, who lives in a rented house, London is an ideal city. Judging by the attendance at Toronto's great fair, the fall exhibition has proved once more its perennial charm. Fine weather, a great harvest and a healthy desire for enjoyment, ought to make our own Western Fair the greatest that has been.

NO SEX DISTINCTION IN HATS. [Pittsburgh Courier.] Whether a man or woman lawyer, it's hats off in Supreme Court Justice Goff's presence. "Why do you wear your hat in the courtroom? Are you different from any other attorney?" asked the justice in court yesterday of Mrs. Sarah M. Meyer, a woman lawyer who appeared before him. Mrs. Meyer was not prepared to argue the point at the moment, and she hastily removed a large black picture hat. The case then proceeded.

THE WILLISIE REUNION Third Annual Gathering Took Place at Springbank Yesterday. The third annual reunion of the Willisie family was held at Springbank yesterday, and notwithstanding the unfavorable weather conditions was a great success. There were more than 100 Willisies present from all parts of the United States and Canada. For some of those who were in attendance from a distance it was the first gathering and they were greatly pleased with the idea of the reunion and the splendid manner in which all the arrangements were carried out. The Willisie family decided to hold their next annual reunion at Springbank on Labor Day, 1911, and the following officers were elected to look after all arrangements and continue the search for new members of the Willisie family: President, George Willisie, London; vice-president, Levy Willisie, Westminster; Secretary-treasurer, J. F. Willisie, London; executive committee, Morris Willisie, Levy Willisie, Ely Smale and Ashley Willisie. It was a splendid-looking crowd that gathered for dinner and one that any family might be proud to have its name numbered with. There were Willisies from London, St. Thomas, Woodstock, Ingersoll, Derwent, Belmont, Theodora, Smiles of Howlett, Glasgow from Howlett, I. H. Willisie from Tarkio, Missouri, and his nephew, George Willisie McLeod, of Des Moines, Iowa. The last two gentlemen were great guests at the gathering, and said they intend coming regularly to attend it. During the afternoon a programme of sports was run off and thoroughly enjoyed by the crowd. The Willisie orchestra down to the park with their instruments, and the excellent programme of music rendered was much appreciated. Before breaking up a vote of thanks was passed to the Willisie family, who are a draughtsman in the city electrical department, for the capable manner in which he filled the position of secretary last year. At next year's reunion the Willisie family members of the family will be present. Through their own efforts they have traced the family tree as far back as 1720. The Willisies of that time had settled in the States and it is assumed that they originally came from England. When the confederation of colonies took place and war was declared between England and America the Willisies migrated to the United Empire Loyalists to Canada and settled around Montreal. About eighty years ago they moved west and some went into the States. The first Willisies to come west settled in Adelaide, and subsequently branched out over Western Ontario. In religion the family has always been Methodist.

New Fall Tailor-Made Skirts The new Separate Skirt promises to be exceedingly popular this season, not only because it is a practical and useful garment, but because of its graceful lines and very attractive appearance. THE VOILE SKIRT is to be a great vogue for street and more dressy occasions. There are many handsome models to choose from in the new fall showing at \$6.50, \$7.00, \$10.50, \$12.50 and \$15.00. New Black Panama Skirts \$5 to \$12.50 New Black Venetian Skirts \$5 to \$10. J.H. CHAPMAN & CO 126, 128, 128 1/2 Dundas Street

SIR WILFRID'S WESTERN TOUR. The tour of Sir Wilfrid Laurier is generally regarded as an event of national significance, and will probably be expatiated upon by future writers of Canadian history. It is, of course, important from several points of view, but we believe that it marks the beginning of a new epoch when the Premier of Canada must follow the example of the President of the United States and become a traveller. The United States is such an immense country, and its political currents are so changeable that in order to understand and to be understood its first citizen must visit its various centres of population and meet the people face to face. The rapid peopling of our great west has brought about a similar necessity on the part of our leading statesmen. It becomes of vital importance that they should study sectional needs and ideals on the spot, and for this purpose they must be prepared to go upon extensive tours. To the citizen who has never suffered the toils of travel and speech-making no adequate idea can be gained of Sir Wilfrid's labors on this epoch-making journey. He has endured the statesman's burden splendidly, however, and his first-hand acquaintance with the new and pressing problems of the west will mean much to the country at large. But he has established a precedent, and in the future it will be necessary for himself or his ministers to "swing the circuit."

CANT STOP THE TREK NORTHWARD. [Winnipeg Free Press.] The inflow of settlers from the United States to this country continues steadily, not only unabated and undiminished, but greatly increased in volume. As Mr. Walker points out in his report, the number of farmers in the United States who made entry for homesteads and pre-emptions in this country during the above-mentioned period was 27,751, a number which, on the standard allowance for women and children, represents more than 50,000 souls. The interests which are arising on the prairie lands of the United States designed to check, if possible, the great trek northward, will have to devise some other means than any which has as yet been resorted to if they are going to accomplish anything.

AMERICAN CASH Spent in Europe [From the Philadelphia North American.] More than three-quarters of a billion dollars is the annual toll this country pays to the foreigner, in various forms of duty and pleasure; and the relative importance of this toll becomes apparent from a glance at the items: The interest that is paid by us abroad on American securities is \$275,000,000; the freight charges and insurances carried by foreign companies is \$35,000,000; the cash carried back to Europe by returning aliens is \$72,500,000; the money they annually remit is \$150,000,000; and the tourist toll we just accounted for amounts to \$1,000,000,000. The total, therefore, estimates for this year, is \$200,000,000—in all, \$722,500,000. Where that tourist money goes in Europe—the diversions of its life-giving streams—their effect on the continent on Europe's varying national prosperities. In France alone, according to an estimate made by Frank H. Mason as American consul-general at Paris, the expenditures of Americans for furs, jewelry, clothes and all the odds and ends of travel souvenirs cannot be less than \$20,000,000. Great Britain's own journals have editorially estimated the American contribution to instantly available funds at \$25,000,000, with \$10,000,000 spent in London alone. The American tourists' hotel bill there is \$2,250,000. One such hotel, housing 4,000 Americans during a single season, reckoned their bills individually at \$250. The London antique dealers carve \$1,750,000 out of their American patrons; within a single year, \$1,000,000, so do the dressmakers, and so do the jewellers and the milliners, who supply the male tourists with hats, clothes and haberdashery. The one country famous for its profits from tourists is Switzerland, where, within the past quarter of a century, the number of hotels has increased from 1,050 to more than 2,000. The Swiss hotel receipts are nearly \$50,000,000 a year, with the Germans representing 30 per cent of the patrons and the English with almost a large proportion of Americans are summarily classified—counting as \$14 per cent.

SEEKING MILLIONS HE DIED A PAUPER Irish-American Claimant of the Blake Fortune Ended Days in London Hospital. London, Sept. 4.—The mystery of the disappearance of Daniel Sheridan, the American claimant to the "Blake millions," has been solved at last. It is some months since The Star printed a story about the pathetic struggle of this Irish-American farmer to obtain the fortune left by Mrs. Helen Blake, who died intestate in London in 1876. Her property, then \$700,000, has been in the hands of the crown ever since, and counting the accumulated interest is now estimated to be nearly \$2,500,000. A letter just received by that newspaper from Daniel Sheridan's son, Joseph, who lives at Quincy, Ill., reveals the fact that an old, homeless, and the excellent programme of music rendered was much appreciated. Before breaking up a vote of thanks was passed to the Willisie family, who are a draughtsman in the city electrical department, for the capable manner in which he filled the position of secretary last year. At next year's reunion the Willisie family members of the family will be present. Through their own efforts they have traced the family tree as far back as 1720. The Willisies of that time had settled in the States and it is assumed that they originally came from England. When the confederation of colonies took place and war was declared between England and America the Willisies migrated to the United Empire Loyalists to Canada and settled around Montreal. About eighty years ago they moved west and some went into the States. The first Willisies to come west settled in Adelaide, and subsequently branched out over Western Ontario. In religion the family has always been Methodist.

MAKE NEW MOVE TO CRUSH FINNS Russians Enter Upon Another Campaign for Complete Supremacy. Helsinki, Sept. 4.—Ten days hence the Diet will meet to elect six Finnish members to the Russian duma. At the same time it will be called upon to consider the demand of the imperial council that it shall have the right to express its opinion upon the acceptance of financial payments in the place of military service, and, further, the right to review the position of Russian residents in Finland. All these claims are in direct violation of the Finnish constitution. The arena is, therefore, being cleared for another struggle with Russian power. It seems to observers here inconceivable that the Finnish diet can agree to any such demands. Probably the attitude of the diet will refuse to elect Finnish duma members, or to express any opinion on the remaining matters. The refusal of election will be based on the contention that the law directing the election is unconstitutional, and as to the two remaining points the diet will claim that it has not merely the right to express an opinion but to decide finally and to take action, if considered desirable. While preserving a conciliatory tone, the reply to the Russian government will put forward the view that questions can only be submitted to the diet that conform to the fundamental laws of Finland. This marks almost the final bout between the little land and the big empire. Matters have moved rapidly since the attack on Finnish autonomy began two years ago. Premier Stolypin contends that Finnish interests will be amply safeguarded by the inclusion of the six representatives from Finland in the duma and the imperial council. But the Finns are a sturdy folk, and they are prepared to suffer and die to resist, if on the refusal of the diet to accept dictation from St. Petersburg, the diet's resistance proved to more rigorous administrative measures still, even in the face of the prospects of progressive Europe.

NIGHT NOISES IN LONDON. Of late years it has become fashionable for city newspapers to raise the voice of tremulous indignation against night noises. The low-gear, heavy-laden groan and the dehorned toot of the railway locomotive spoil the midnight rest of many of our citizens, whose homes are halfway between the C. P. R. and G. T. R. Then there are other individuals, harmless and inoffensive by day, yet breathers of threatnings and slaughter about 4 a.m., who suffer much because of poultry-loving neighbors, whose feathered pets clamor for the coming of Apollo. To those whose patience and sleep are injured by these night noises we wish to counsel optimism. There is always a cheerful aspect to every human woe, and the philosophical citizen will discover it. When the railway engineers are amusing themselves in the darkness by ringing their bells and tooting their whistles let us say to ourselves that if we were compelled to forsake our downy couch and peer through the darkness to see that the track was clear, we also would get even with incalculable nature by making night hideous. Another cheerful thought—how pleasant it is to hear the great trains go lumbering and jolting through the city yards, and to estimate the amount of their freight, its variety, its destination, and the respectable sums which the shipper or the receiver will disgorge for the same to the hungry treasury of the railway company. After all there is a romance about freight trains, and it is a beautiful exercise for our midnight imagination to fancy what a certain noisy train is carrying: silks from China, butter and eggs from Woodstock, tea from Ceylon, hinges from Hamilton, quinine from Bolivia, hobbie skirts from Toronto, furs from Asia Minor, and snowshoes from Montreal. Then there is also an engaging side to that other noise-producer, he of the joyful voice, Chanticleer. The poultry-yard yields not to the railway-yard in its claim to stimulate nocturnal thought and kindle errant fancy. We have never been able to account for the unreasoning hostility which some of our citizens show towards the red-combed harbingers of day which thrive in their vicinity. Perhaps we ought to make some allowances for a dyspeptic, but we have always thought less of Carlyle because he built his soundproof room at the top of his Chelsea residence and forced his wife to buy off the neighbors' roosters whose crowing at various hours of the night drove him to desperation. To us the peal of the befathered Brigham Young is full of poetic associations: as an inspiner of poetic night-thoughts, the chimings of this fair city are as nothing to him; he carries our mind back to Chaucer's charming story of Chanticleer, the dreamer and philosopher who took the perilous ride on Reynard's back; to Milton's prize bird who, with lively din, scattered the rear of darkness thin, and finally to the wonder of Paris, Rostand's rooster, Chanticleer,

HOTEL RATES GO UP. [Baltimore Examiner.] There are no longer any \$1 per day hotels in Brantford, the bonifaces who in the past have been charging that figure having decided to advance their rates to \$1.25. The general advance of prices would have justified such a step being taken long ago, even though there might be nothing in the argument that hotels should not depend for existence upon the receipts over the bar. BASEBALL LANGUAGE. Gerald—The visiting team was shut out today. Geraldine—How mean! I thought they always got into the grounds free. DISTURBED HIS SLEEP. [Chicago Daily News.] "Lady," said the tall tramp, as he emerged from behind the Blue bushes, "give me dat lawn mower for a few minutes." "Gracious!" exclaimed the suburban housewife. "And you are really going to push it a while? How nice of you!" "No, mum, I'm not going to push it. I am going to use it as a pillow. It will run easier. De squeaking disturbs de slumbers of me pards back in de gooseberry patch."

FAIR ENTRIES FROM MANITOBA TO N. S. Prospects for Greater Attendance Than Ever at Western Fair. The fame of the Western Fair has gone far and wide as shown by the fact that entries have already been received from Oak Lake, Man., in the west, to Sydney, N. S., in the east. Entries are pouring into the general offices by every mail. Secretary Hunt has had to increase his staff, putting on a number of extra clerks in order to keep up with the work. Everything will be ready when the opening day arrives. Spectators are already preparing for their exhibits, and the directors are anxious that all exhibits should be placed by Saturday night. Prospects never better for a successful fair than they are this year, and with suitable weather it must be a grand success. Citizens should decorate their homes and business places, and make the city look as attractive as possible. Favorable railway rates have been secured, and no doubt exceptionally large crowds will attend. Entries close on Thursday. All information from the general offices.

TELLS NEGROES GET RICH Englishman Has Theory of Best Way to Advance Race. London, Sept. 4.—With the increasing unrest among native races in every part of the empire, Britishers are growing more experienced in the fact that the Negro is a "color question." The fact that the Negro is a "color question" is a fact that the Negro is a "color question." The fact that the Negro is a "color question" is a fact that the Negro is a "color question."

CHASED BY SUITORS Heiress Has Many Unwelcome Flattering Attentions. Paris, Sept. 6.—Mrs. Philip Van Valkenburgh, formerly Mrs. William Hayes Chapman, since her return to Europe immediately following the beginning in New York of her suit for divorce only a few months after her hasty third marriage, is leading an extremely quiet existence at a hotel in the Place Vendome, and is refusing practically all social invitations. Mrs. Van Valkenburgh left successfully N.Y. and Toronto because of the unwelcome, though flattering, attentions which were forced on her. The fact that one of the richest women in America, whose second husband left her \$3,000,000 may soon be free again if justice looks kindly on her pending suit, sharpens the alertness of numberless matrimonial fortune-hunters, and she is diligently laying plans to lead her to the altar as soon as the expected divorce decree is signed. Before her sudden marriage to Mr. Van Valkenburgh in November, 1909, the wealthy widow had been courted by General Count Tcherep Spiridovitch of Russia, and Count Albert de Souts of Paris, who followed her to New York in vain. Previously it had been reported that she was to marry various titled men, including Lord Kintore. CALLS ROOSEVELT LIAR. Fargo, N.D., Sept. 6.—A man who fought his way to ex-President Roosevelt and called him a liar gave a bad name today to the crowd at Island Park in this city. Col. Roosevelt seized the man and ejected him from the platform.

FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE'S REPUTATION. [Manchester Guardian.] Her family was Unitarian in her youth, but the sect did not attract her, though she had a regard for its uprightness and conscientiousness. Her friendships with Arthur Clough and Jowett are well known, and she habitually received the Communion from Jowett. Before her work began and in its early days she made attempts at a "theodicy" which should accept the conclusions of science for this life and demonstrate the moral government of God. I believe she did not depart from the views then reached though it appeared as if in later life she did not occupy herself with argument on religious subjects, but thought chiefly about renewing a right spirit within her self and others through communion with God, without perhaps much caring for the advertisement of American rights and scenes? And how much more could be secured in the way of capital for investment in American enterprises?

JAPAN IN POLAR EXPLORATION. The Japanese are about to enter a new field of enterprise. Lieut. Shirafu, of the Japanese navy, has fitted out a small expedition and proposes to compete in the race for the South Pole. With a party of fifteen men and with fifteen Manchurian ponies to draw his sledges, he is expected to sail from Japan this month, on a schooner of 22 tons, for King Edward VII. Land, where he plans to spend the next Antarctic winter, and to set out in the spring for the South Pole.

MRS. ROCKEFELLER'S ILLNESS SERIOUS Mr. Rockefeller Not at Sunday School—First Absence of Summer. Cleveland, Ohio, Sept. 6.—That Mrs. John D. Rockefeller's condition, due to the aggravation of an old ailment by a severe cold contracted last week, is more serious than has been admitted at Forest Hill was indicated on Sunday by her absence from the services of the Euclid Avenue Baptist Church of John D. Rockefeller. Mr. Rockefeller has not missed a service since the arrival of the family at Forest Hill this summer. He has spoken each Sunday to a Sunday school class or to the church members after the morning service. Sunday he was not present, nor was there any message to explain his absence.

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WILSON'S Fly Pads. The destruction of the house fly is a public duty. Almost every American State Board of Health is carrying on a crusade against him. His filthy origin and habits, and the fact that his body is generally laden with disease-producing germs, makes him one of the greatest enemies of the human race. If the housekeepers of Canada will use WILSON'S Fly Pads, this peril would be tremendously reduced. Every Woman is interested and should know about the wonderful MARVEL Whirling Spray. The new Vaginal Syringe. Most convenient. I cleaned instantly. Ask your druggist for it. WINDSOR SUPPLY CO., Windsor, Ont. General Agents for Canada.

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