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CIVIC MATTERS.

∩ITIZENS are taking a keen in-

ownership and establishing the principle of "one man, one vote."

When the Bill was up before the House of Commons last May, Sir Robert Finlay, speaking for the Opposition objected to it on the ground that, contrary to the tenor of all previous reform measures, it was a disfranchising rather than an enfranchasing measure, and he stated that it would take away five hundred

thousand votes. "It is true that the Bill does get rid of half a million votes at a general election, but it does not deprive a single elector of the right of voting once," said The Westminister Gazette, commenting on this speech.

"If Sir Robert Finlay calculates rightly the Unionist party has a mashould be addressed to the Editor of jority of 300,000 plural voters. Sup posing that in votes actually cast the Letters for publication should be plurality has not been more than written on one side of the paper only 200,000 we are faced by the fact that the Unionists have never won a vote majority as great as that in any general election. That is to say, Unionism has never had a majority of the actual electors behind it."

## -0----UNPLEASANT FEATURE.

∩ NE very unpleasant feature of the recent elections in Manitoba, at which the Robin Government so narrowly escaped defeat after holding office for over a dozer years, was an attack made on Rev C. W. Gordon, the author-minister so well known as "Ralph Connor,' by Hon. Arthur Meighen, a Cabine Minister.

Dr. Gordon was taking an active part against Sir Rodmond Roblin and Mr. Meighen attempted to offset his influence by charging that the

no influence in this connection whatever.

> The method followed in the States Dear Sir,-Saturday last was inis to put local option before the peo- deed a sad and gloomy day in the ple of each section and have them little settlement of Kelligrews, for vote on it; if a majority votes for while the devouring fire brought deprohibition then a constitutional struction to the beautiful church and amendment legalising local option is school, and left two poor families placed before the people of the par- destitute and homeless, and while ticular state concerned and they are hundreds poured in from nearby set-

> simply asked to vote "yes" or "no." tlements to witness the appalling Party organisations and party per- sight, a still sadder scene was taking sonalities do not enter into the ques- place in the home of Mr. William tion at all. Hennessey, where his faithful and Usually temperance advocates cap- loving life' partner was breathing her ture every locality to which they ap- last.

> peal and there are now nine states Mrs. Hennessey was a great sufferin which prohibition is general, er for the past two months, and havthese being Maine, Kansas, North ing given birth to a baby girl some Dakota, Georgia, Mississippi, North three weeks ago, her condition be-Carolina, Oklahoma, Tennessee and came very serious.

-most recently-West Virginia. Dr. Pritchard was attending her for These nine states represent a total the last week, but her case was hopearea of 2,132,726 square miles, and a less, and although everything possipopulation of over forty-six million ble was done for her it was unavailpersons or almost fifty per cent. of ing and her spirit passed out to the the total population of the United great beyond at 6.15 p.m. on Satur-States.

In West Virginia the elections re- The Rev. Canon Colley was daily at sulted in a popular majority of 92,- her bedside and contributed in mak-000 for local option. ing her end the happy one it was. In this state, which has a total She was quite conscious to the last population of almost a million and a and received Holy Communion a few quarter people, total prohibition will hours before death. She has arrived be put to a severe test in practice. at the age of 42 years and leaves a Many of its large towns are great young family, consiting of two sons manufacturing centres and much and three daughters, as well as her mining is also done there. Wheeling, sorrowing husband, with whom the

the principal city of the mining in- whole community sympathises. dustry is situated on a long tongue Mrs. Hennessey was formally a of the state, which has Pennsylvania Miss Hibbs, being a sister of Richard on the one side and Ohio, on the Hibbs, Chairman of the F.P.U. Counother and as both the latter are "Wet cil here. States" there will be exceptional Kelligrews, July 21st, 1914.

facilities for the smuggling and illicit sale of liquor.

### UNFORTUNATE

## (Editor Mail and Advocate)

Day ebbs apace; the rain Has turned to mist; all stir Of wind among the leaves grows

NIGHTFALL

less. Thunder and Lightning Only the night, only the night again Sweeps Nova Scotia Coast On soft-shod feet is here, Trailing forgetfulness--No Lives Lost

Throughout this quiet country, which all day

Lay shadowed with no more Of light than lingers when the sun has fled Behind a cloud. O! living gray,

Passionate land-what fiame burns at the core. Of this still earth I tread?

Pale flame-faint smoke, Slow circling in enchanted twi lights spun From drowsy ecstady, Which like a magic cloak, Fashioned far out of sight, from the sun, Rests lightly spread upon the

earth and sea. -Margaret Sackville, in The Nation.

AFTER 25 YEARS. Mr. J. G. Ebsary, formerly of St. John's, who has been residing in the

States for a quarter of a century, arrived by the Stephano to visit his friends.



# FIVE WRECKS EMIGRATION EASY Local Gale With the Un- Passports, Hitherto, Very

Expensive to be Issued at Dense Fog and Heavy Ten Cents Each - Also Proposed to Abolish the Annual Fine of Fifteen Dollars Hitherto Imposed

Halifax, July 20.- A forty mile gale

usual Accompaniment Of

with the unusual accompaniment of St. Petersburg, July 22.-Russia is dense fog and heavy thunder and about to recognize as legitimate the lightning swept the Nova Scotia coast emigration of her surplus millions to on Saturday and caused the most countries other than Europe, and the damage to shipping wrought by any ministry of commerce has submitted one storm since the historic Saxby to the cabinet a bill to abolish some gale of forty years ago.

Two steamers, a bark and two big unauthorized emigration. schooners were driven ashore at vari-

ous points, and all will likely be total The bill in its preamble specially allosses. The two steamers and one of ludes to the 281,000 emigrants from the schooners struck within a stretch Russia to America last year, and also of ten miles on the southeastern coast to the fact that \$50,000,000 was remit of Cape Breton, in a period of ten ted to Russia in 1913 by Russian sub-

in several instances they had narrow expensive passports which heretoescapes for their lives. One of the most fore have been necessary to everystriking circumstances connected with body desiring to depart from Russia the disasters is that not one of the permits will be issue at the cost of

were American, one a Norwegian, one Italian, and the fifth of Cuban regis-

One of the steamers and the bark were formerly British owned.

# **Strayaways Here**

Edward Frazzel and Charles Silver.

of the penalties hitherto attaching to Cash Sont Home.

jects who have settled on the other All five crews escaped safely, altho" side of the Atlantic. In place of the

five craft flew the Red Ensign. Two only ten cents in future.

Fine to be Abolished.

The fine of \$7.50 half yearly until now inflicted on absentees who have been more than six months abroad is to be abolished in the case of those returning on board Russian steamers. The bill also provides for the establishment of a fund to assist emigrants

at the Russian ports and abroad, and fishermen of the Canadian banker for the appointment of special com-Artizan, arrived in the city this morn- mission to defend their interests in foreign countries. Emigration agen

They strayed from their vessel last by one clause of that bill are made lia-

Saturday and on Tuesday reached ble to imprisonment for holding out

Tor's Cove, having sailed and rowed false inducements to emigrants.

terest in municipal matters and these subjects are being freely discussed since the new commission ers took charge.

The question of sewerage and the collection of garbage is a live one, and the Sanitary Committee have busy times ahead in improving the present system.

That improvement is necessary is admitted by all. The nightly visits of the 'chariots' are objectionable. some parts of the city they may I necessary, but in many places they should be stopped.

The ever increasing cost of cleaning the town is almost alarming and there is very little adequate returns. Time was, 20 years ago, when a much better service was given by the sanitary department. Then the employees spent upward of five hours daily removing the night soil. At the present and for some years back this work is performed in one hour and a half each day.

The men-30 in all-leave the stables at 2 o'clock, midnight, with 15 horses; they return between 1 and 1.30 a.m. Some go to their homes and sleep until about five o'clock, while others remain around the sanitary department.

This shows that for four hours every working day that thirty men and fifteen horses are idle.

This means a heavy expenditure and goes to prove the unbusinesslike and extravagant system prevailing in the sanitary department.

These men after their four hours rest start in again and work away until 12 o'clock.

In the meantime a similar number of men commence at 7 a.m. to assist in the cleaning of the town. This obsolete and costly practice should be inquired into and a more economical change introduced and adopted.

temperance advocate had received The Yost law, under which prohidividend cheques from an hotel which. ran a licensed bar, attempting, o course, to prove that, while Dr. Gordon was posing as a champion of arise. temperance, he was receiving an income from the liquor business. What were the facts, as conclusive ly proven by the libelled divine?

Dr. Gordon, and some other active temperance leaders in Winnipeg started a temperance hotel at Neepawa. The enterprise failed any they were forced to sell out. Dr. Gordon received a cheque for \$40 from the purchasers, his sole return from \$250

invested in the original undertaking This cheque was signed by J. H. Howden, representing the purchasers, who now operate a licensed bar in the new hotel and it was a copy of this that Mr. Meighen produced on the platform as "proof" of Dr. Gor-

don's alleged hypocrisy. Nowadays it seems that the man who ventures into the political field

with the hope and high purpose of bringing about some great and nean affidavit as to its intended cessary reform must risk his reputaand uniform records of all tion; must figure on becoming the butt and target of the unscrupulous and the slanderer.

That was the experience of Dr. Gordon in Manitoba; it has also and quite recently, too, been the experience of the reformer in Newfound-

PROHIBITION IN THE U.S.A.

TTH the party campaign cries gress, will also be of immense assistof Ontario and Manitoba still ringing in our ears, it is in-

teresting to turn to a consideration of prohibition as it is and as it has of all the transporting of liquor been effected in the United States of either in or out of a prohibition state,

America. In the two recent Canadian elec- other. A man may import liquor into tions referred to the opposition the state for his personal use, but he adopted temperance reform as part cannot sell it.

bition is administered is a carefully (Editor Mail and Advocate) framed measure and calculated to meet almost any difficulty that may the disastrous fire which destroyed the

chapel and school house as well as Fred Blue, the tax commissioner, the Walsh and Craig homes, here on whose duty it is to see to the en- Saturday is the destitute condition in forcement of the law, is sanguine that which Mr. Craig and his family are illegal liquor dealing can be reduced reduced. These poor people lost evto an absolute and almost negligible erything they possessed, with the exninimum.

ception of a couple of beds, a cart and "In other states, where prohibition plough. The former was saved at has been adopted, one of the forces much risk by Miss Flossie LeDrew and that has had to be contended with Mrs. Adams, and the latter by the prehas been the drug store," he says. sence of mind of the Rev. Canon Col-The Yost law will regulate this ley, who called on some men, who as feature. Druggists may sell alcohol sisted him in putting these impleonly to persons not addicted to its ments in safety.

use upon prescription of a reputable The revd. gentleman worked indephysician, who has examined the per- fatigably and by advice and action inson, and in detail set forth in the spired the people to stay the progress prescription, the reasons for the use of the fire, which might have wiped of the alcohol. The governing bodies out every home in Kelligrews.

of druggists have approved of this An appeal will be made on behalf of the Craig family both on this

"For scientific or mechanical pur- shore and in the city, and we comoses, alcohol will be sold only after mend this case to all charitable disposed citizens, who we feel sure will uses. such respond in this case as they have so sales will be kept, to be inspected nobly in the past.

LEFT BIG ESTATE

Million and a Half

Dollars

of the estate of Mark Fortune, who lost

his life his life in the Titanic disaster

R.H.

periodically by those in charge of the enforcement of the law.

"No druggist, however, can sell in TITANIC VICTIM any form whisky, brandy, ale, or any beverage of an intoxicating nature. "The Yost law also proposes to do away with the drinking clubs, which

Mark Fortune Was Worth a have been the source of so much trouble in other states." The Webb-Kenyon law, before Con-

ance to the prohibition authorities. Winnipeg, July 18 .- In the matter

This law compels transportation companies of every kind to keep records

application was made in the surrogate court before Judge Meyers to pass the or from one part of the state to accounts and fix the compensation payable to the Executors The Standard Trust Company.

The Best Carbon Paint Dear Sir,-The saddest feature of Everjet is a lustrous black carbon paint that combines the qualities of cheapness and durability. It is a bituminous product and is elastic, adhesive; will not rub, peel or scale; will not become brittle and crack; is impervious

to moisture; can be used in any climate, resists all action of acids, alkalies, gases, steam vapors, etc. Everjet is suitable for use on all exposed iron and woodwork. Booklet on request.

Colin Campbell,

Minister of Fisheries Piccott is looking after them. They report fish scarce on the aBnks.

Found Wounded

Report was made to Consts. Shep-Coal at \$6.80 per ton. Save S0c. by pard and Hutchings last evening that buying from the F.P.U. Orders now a man lying in a field near Central booked for 400 tons per S.S. Can't Street badly wounded. They found the man with a large wound in his head.

ADVERTISE IN THE 85 Water Street. MAIL AND ADVOCATE Dr. Pritchard attended him.

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160 miles.

nours.



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