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LONDON, TUESDAY, DEC. 26. The Civic Elections.

four members of the council of 1905 be dropped with advantage

get precisely the kind of removes a true patriot. men in the commen of standing and ability.

Church Union and Creeds.

ecclesiastical and lay, will be heard in the land, and apostolic blows

World is of opinion that the Presby terians have made the most important at least in its popular acceptation, has entirely disappeared. Not even by impentively disappeared. Not even by impentively disappeared of least in the post, within the post, within the post, within the post, within the post of plication are its cardinal dogmas of three months of the going out of predestination and election recog- of the Unionist Government, must be renized." The Mail and Empire sees "a him. The Liberal Government will find him a vicercy little to their liking, but Calvinism, "While, on the one hand along with him as best they may. salvation for all is declared to be the true doctrine, it is acknowledged, on the other, that God gave to his Son a "I am monarch of all I survey!" cried people chosen in Christ unto holiness. Robinson Crusoe. combines the idea of the free we asked hir offer with predestination and election. velt anywhere about. It does not say that there is a predestination to evil, but, as election to salvation is admitted, those who wish to do so may believe that the rule from Parls. Works both ways."

The Globe says: "There will be no surrender of anything now held as essential in doctrine by any one of the three churches. The draft statement contain all that it is any man's privilege to believe, but it does contain all that any Presbyterian or The average man is the man of the mill Methodist or Congregationalist is under obligation to subscribe. There was The man at the throttle, the man at the no minimizing of doctrine."

The third and sixth articles touch on Who brings into being the dreams of a the cardinal doctrines of Calvinism, predestination and election, as follows:

wise, holy and loving purpose of God the freedom of man is not taken manifestation of his glory."

his own good pleasure, gave to his The reach of the rails and the countries Son a people, an innumerable multiSon a people, an innumerable multiTell what is the trust in the average man.

service and salvation." prevailing principle has not been a mutual surrender of dogmas in order The man to find a basis of compromise, but a Is the man that the world has been builded upon. recognition of the fact that Christians The clang of the hammer, the sweep of may hold different opinions upon these the sa questions, and yet work together in the than the letter. The finite human rea- They have shown us the work of the son is unable to reconcile the doctrine of predestination with that of freewill, So here's to the average man—to the one and yet both may be true in a sense. Who has labored unknown on the tasks which cannot be expressed in terms of Who has met as they came all the problogić. The Calvinist may argue his who has side, and the Arminian his side, and each argument may be unanswerable by the human mind. The committee Nor of tribute, nor honor, nor pride, nor which drafted the report on doctrine In the forefront of progress since progress appears to have realized this logical here's a health and a hall to the average practical view that mere distinctions of dogma are outweighed by the spirstual and temporal advantages which

Late Hon. Raymond Prefontaine. up to the time of Peter the Great. At the

Hon. Raymond Prefontaine was a man of extraordinary energy, and a very capable administrator. He envery capable administrator. He entered the Laurier Government three years ago, and the misgivings which were entertained by some members of his own party were entirely removed The London Advertiser Company, by the highly creditable manner in which he conducted his department. five He put enthusiasm into his work, and showed marked initiative, his special as a bangle for her bracelet. interest being the establishment of a The electors are in a position to naval reserve in Canada, and ultimately ities the details of his naval reserve Jumi scheme and to provide for taking over the difference. city, and who would have no the docks at Halifax and Esquimalt, of election if their names were in pursuance of the policy of relieving

tailed by defensive plans for this lowed civic affairs to little purpose. At the time of the Boer war, while The tinkling of the sleighbells as they go of the oxygen of the air with the carinstitutions. A staunch Canadian and The cold, calm heavens brilliantly alight a sane Imperialist, he was an influence making for the unity of the two great races in this country, and his death

> Oh, what a difference the day after! The Christmas celebration and the Are

Before the end of the week the Free Doth warm the heart as with a splendid cannon. fously unfit to be their rep- Press will discover that Ald. Stevely

City Council deserve re-election, but

In Great Britain there is a growth of church union is before the public in a wealth and pauperism side by side. Extreme individualism must give way said I shouldn't. before such a condition. It is a problem the Government must tackle.

and knocks will be given right and The Hen. Adam Beck predicts that to London. It is to be hoped Mr. Beck about being self-made." The newspapers are already placing is right. All the more reason why Mr. varying interpretations upon some of Judd, whose interests are opposed to the doctrinal articles. The Toronto the introduction of Niagara power,

Minto Luck.

[Manitoba Free Press 1 there will be nothing for it but to

Forgetfulness.

Trying to get him off his high perch, we asked him if he had seen Mr. Roose-

The Real Thing. [Puck.]

The great actress brings a dress over It cests her \$1,000. She has to have four maids to help her get into it.

When she comes out on the stage the This is indeed realism

What is she representing? Why, a Sicilian peasant girl.

The Average Man.

[Chicago Tribune.] The man of the valley, or man of the The man with the sweat of his toil on

Who works for himself, and for me, and "Article III.—Of the Divine Pur- There is not a purpose, a project or plan pose-We believe that the eternal, But rests on the strength of the average

embraces all events, so that while The growth of a city, the might of a away, nor is God the author of sin, Depend on the fruit of the toil of his yet in his providence he makes all The road, or the wall, or the mill, or the

ment of his sovereign design and the Call daily to him that he furnish his "Article VI.— . . . We believe The pride of the great, and the hope of also that God, from the beginning, in The toil of the tide as it ebbs to and fro,

The man who, perchance, thinks he It strikes The Advertiser that the labors alone.

The man who stands out between hovel and throne. who gives freely his brain and

the saw, flash of the forge - they have spirit of Christianity, which is greater They have rebuilt the realms that the average man.

Who has helped us to win in the stress and the strife.

He has bent to his toil thinking neither

When Aussia Was Republican. [Boston Globe.]

they believe will accrue from the union of these great branches of the Christan Church.

In the middle ages princes in Russia, were only prefects of police elected by the people. All public functionaries were elective, the filay states were republican, and there was no distinction of class even

Bad Finish for Mere Man.

[Louisville Courier-Journal.] A lady elergyman tells us that in twen-

Suggesting a Compromise.

[London Tit-Bits.]

Winter.

[John Kendrick Bangs.] party ticket. Unfortunately the mother country of all expense en- What though thy kiss be cold, O winter The crackling of the glowing logs at e'en;

Adown the road, with maids of merry be weeded out and replaced by better spoken champion of Great Britain and With roguish glances peeping from their the energy of the heat evolved excontingent to South Africa. He was The frisking steeds that speed them like if condensed into a limited space, the wind!

Just twinkling neighbors unto you and through an ingenious system of wheels

are there, When, clad by fairy hands and frosty air.

The limbs and branches of the sleepy fifty elephants straining every muscle What music in the chimes that ring out

In winter's silen arrest the general strike by arresting And for the soul of man, what sweeter Is there than in the message of good-will power than the black mixture the

From out the sun, east, west and south and north.

" And Obey."

springs forth!

[Baltimore American.] Mrs. Histile—Here is an invitation to that Mrs. Upstart's reception, and she is such a bere! I hate to go there. Mrs. Downrite-Then why do you go?

The Very Thing. [Philadelphia Press.]

"Well, there's one thing about Nuritch; e's always ready to confess his faults."
"Nonsense! Why, he's forever bragging "Of course. That's just it."

Amenities in Kansas.

[Athens (Kan.) Eagle.1 us at the theater last night. Fortunately we caught him one on the eye, which deskinny, anyhow.

Blow Your Nose Gently. [London Daily Mail.]

Doctors state that the two nasal pasmiddle ear and lead to serious results. is hardly one which will commend itself to those in the habit of catching colds. The best advice would seem to be that

Seeking to Cause a Sensation.

blowing should be done gently.

[Life.] Mickey (to the cab driver)-Say, mister, me an' me fiancee wants ter know wot ye'd charge to drive us troo Finnegan's alley wid a bunch o' white ribbons tied on yer whip.

Discouraged.

[Philadelphia Press.] "I'm sure," said the clumsy man, as he slipped off his horse again, "that I'll " replied the ringmaster, "just keep protested the man, "I'm having my own troubles trying to keep on."

Henest Support.

[Chicago Record-Herald.] thought," said the poung man who as having his first experience as a can-idate for office, "that you were going didate for office, "that you were going to give me honest support."
"Yes," replied the editor of the Trumpet, "that's what we're trying to do. I want to see you elected."
"Well, it's queer you haven't a line in this morning's paper about the speech I delivered last night."

"Not at all, my boy, not at all. I was there myself and heard it. As I said before, we want to help you in every way A Difficult Position. [Harper's Weekly.]

Two Irishmen were crossing a bog when one of them fell into a mud hole. His companion, running to a nearby farm-house, asked the loan of a spade. What do you want it for? "Sure, Mike is stuck in the bog, and I want to dig him out," was the answer.
"How far in is he sunk?" questioned the farmer.
"Up to his ankles."

"Begorra, then, he can easy walk out."
"Begorra, he can't!" exclaimed Pat.
"He's in wrong end up!" A Fearful Threat. [Life.]

The Count-My dear sir, your daughter has a frightful temper. I can't put up with it. His American Father-in-Law You're right. If I hear any more complaints I'll disinherit her,

What It Developed. [Milwaukee Sentinel.] "What did that paimist bring out when she examined your hand?" "Just one dollar and a half,"

A STEAM ENGINE OR A GOD?

[From the Boston Herald.] A wealthy Englishman in India, who -five years women have increased in farmed, with the help of native labor, stature 2½ inches, and men have decreased in the same degree. If the sexes are thus getting apart five inches in twentyyears, it is not difficult to calculate long it will be before man will be indigo, mustard and castor oil, found utilized bp woman merely as a lapdog or himself compelled, in order to facilitate work, to import from the mother country a powerful stationary steam engine. Along with it came a skillful

Bumpers-You owe me f5,000, which you engineer, who was to take charge of ay you cannot pay. Why don't you the machine till be induct one of the most intelligent of the Hindoo plantation hands, along with an assistant, into the whole theory and practice of the fire-eating, boilingwater-drinking and scalding steam-With the aid of an interpreter the

British engineer proceeded to do this Mr. Prefontaine was thoroughly The rich red holly berry 'midst the green; after the most approved scientific fash-British in his sympathies and outlook. The hills and dales in purest garb of ion. He explained the precise nature of gallant swains to tease, set up behind charged with elasticity and force that, never tired of impressing upon his The clear, clean sweep of skaters on the nothing short of the most powerful compatriots the advantages of British The crystal flakes so wondrous in device; it from blowing to pieces. Next, he showed how this terrific vapor was let With friendlier stars than on a summer on into the cylinder and brought to that they closer come, and seem to be bear on the piston and piston rod until and cranks and cogs and bands it could And in the wood-what wondrous scenes lift ponderous stones attached to the and ligament to the snapping point. Above all, he strove to impress the native mind with a sense of dread and Across the crisp of winter's atmosphere! terror of the terrific energy of this What grandeur in the swelling harmonies peculiar kind of vapor, and that, Of winter winds, and what tranquilities though you could pass your hand though you could pass your hand through it as through common air, it was none the less mightier in rending hat in the darkest hours of winter's day sahibs shoot out of their rifles and

Line upon line and precept upon precept did the British engineer proceed When Christmas morn from frosty night with his daily course of scientific instruction, till at last he felt that oxygen and carbon and expansion and contraction and the transformation of heat into motion, lateral, perpendicular and circular were as familiar concepts to the native mind as to his own. In three weeks' time had he recon-Mrs. Histile—Just because my husband all traces of the superstitions of ages and turning these poor dark-skinned fellows into so many Herbert Spencers and Isaac Watts-or, if not exactly that, fitted to apply for places as engineers-in-chief on battleships in the British navy. So he felt he had a right to treat himself to a month's vacation, and then come back for the proud satisfaction of seeing how finely his passed-master graduates had been

getting on. Vacation over, the engineer ought that the citizens of Athens ed to find all at a standstill, and the Apparently they do not. James brains of the poor devils addled as to B. Parker, whose wife is taking the part any idea of oxygen or carbon or the of Juliet in the charity series, objected to our calling her skinny, and waited for logy with which it had been efforted. stroyed some of the effect his objections even than for an Oxford examination might otherwise have borne. J. Parker of divinity students for livings in the a danger to the community. She is gift of lordly family connections. The furnace was stuffed so full that no air could circulate through. The water supply had been cut off. The bands In the crowded hives of men; had rolled off the wheels, for so little Heart weary of building and spoiling Medical experts are calling the attention dread prevailed of the terror of steam And I long for the dear old river of the public to the importance of per-forming the nose-blowing operation in a scientific and hygienic manner. First one nostril and then the other should be blown without undue violence.

In the sun till the thing should start For a dreamer lives forever And a toiler dies in a day. intense mortification of the engineer, came along an English overseer, resitive. If they are obstructed, as in the dent for years in India, and at home of the faces lined with scheming came along an English overseer, -resicase of a cold, the back of the throat is in the customs and superstitions of filled with compressed air, and this, to- the natives, who told him that he From the sleepless thought's endeavor gether with the discharge and the microbes which it contains, may be driven through the custachian tube into the doos than a new-born baby how to And a tofler dies in a day. A great authority on the subject used to forbid his patients to blow their noses show you how to wake up the intelteach its grandmother to suck eggs, "Let me take hold a few days and I'll I feel no pride, but pity, For the burdens the rich endure; elf lectuals of thehe benighted heathen!" No more oxygen and carbon, then, Oh, the little hands so skillful, or any such fantastic stuff! Just plain The daughter's heart grown willful,

"See here you devils." the overseer of his incarnations on earth. He is a I would fly to the wood's low rustle, grandson of Siva, the Destroyer, with grandson of Siva, the Destroyer, with And the meadow's kindly page.

very much the volcanic temper of his Let me dream as of old by the river. divine grandsire. He eats fire and A drinks boiling water, and wants both hot and plumping. If he isn't satisfled he screams through his pipe so you can hear him a mile off. If you don't keep his joints oiled he rasps and scrapes with rheumatic pains, and sometimes fairly screeches.

"Your sole business, then, is to keep his lungs full of fire, his belly full of boiling water and his elbows and knees well lubricated, so that he can do his blessed work on earth for the good of Supposing Husband Dead. Woman. He doesn't ask you to be peering into his inner consciousness and trying to find out all about his intimate relations with the infinite, abso lute and ineffable of oxygen and ozone. That's none of your sacrilegious business, which is practical and not speculative. Your business is to feed him with live coals and quench his thirst Dramatic Meeting Between Ali Parwith scalding water, and, when his day's work is over, to let him lapse off into blessed nirvana till morning. But he wants you round bright and early next day. Then he is sharp-set for his breakfast, and irritable if he fails to get it quick; and mind, if you don't attend sharp to all these orders, some day before you know it he'll blow your ried lives were told in the divorce court heads off."

angible and to the point; something of the English engineer. Here was Barnes. ironbound logic, a chain of demonstrative reasoning in the way of Hindoo mind bowed at once in prostrate submission to its concrete illuno steam engine in all India was run object of their mored, but sporadically riage,

eruptive, charge,



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POEMS THAT LIVE

The Dreamer. [John Boyle O'Reilly.] Where I dreamed my youth away,

There is nothing sweet in the cit But the patient lives of the poor. And the father's heart that bleeds. began, "this being here is a god in one No, no! From the street's rude bustle,

And be loved for the dream alway; For the dreamer lives forever, And a toiler dies in a day.

man Marries Again.

London, Dec. 25.—Many stories of domestic unhappiness and sundered marrecently. So much romance and Now here was something rational, drama are contained in one that it consonant with the actual nature and might be the concoction of a sensaorder of things, instead of smelling of tioned novelist instead of a puzzle set the lamp of the fanciful abstractions out for solution before Sir Gorell

Briefly, the story is this. A military temper and alimentary tastes in which six months after their secret marriage. She reads in a French newspaper that he is dead. Many years after, she marmination; and from that day forward ries again, A detective brings the news that her first husband is in England. with such perfect precision with such The second husband arranges an interfear and trembling at the thought of view between the woman and the man an explosion of supernatural wrath on who calls himself her husband. In a the part of the god-grandson of Siva, sensational scene the officer declares the terrible destroyer. Three times a the woman is his wife. She says she day were the Hindoo engineer and his has never seen him. He leaves Engassistant always observed on their land, while the second husband brings knees in adering suplication before the a suit for the dissolution of the mar-

Fur-Lined Coats.

years before.

money.

ter seriously affecting herself.

Proofs Destroyed.

had been destroyed.

Dodd, Langstaffe & Co.

and Capt Burrows' solicitor.

Mrs. Vokins was his wife.

His reply was "Yes."

solicitor.

the office while it was in progress.

damages and costs. Died in Atrica. According to Mr. Willock, counsel for Mrs. Burrows at St. Giles' Church, in

And the child's mind choked with weeds,

Burrows had "turned up." ROMANTIC STORY

HE RETURNS. TROUBLE ENSUES

ties Concerned-Is He the Husband or a Blackmailer.

The suit was begun yesterday. It no doubts whatever on the matter, a chat."

was set out as the petition of James adding that he had "known the lady Gibney Vokins, son of Mr. Theodore some years. Vokins, the picture dealer of King Then the solicitor addressed the wostreet, St. James, for a dissolution of man again: a marriage contracted in 1903 with "Is all this true. Mrs Vokins?" Annie Doreen Grace Burrows, widow asked,

of an officer named Burrows, the son or "I do not know him," was the reply, General Burrows, of Learnington. The Then, according to counsel, a curious officer mentioned is Capt. Guy Bur- thing happened. As Mrs. Vokins left rows, who published, a couple of years the room, she is said to have remarked ago, a sensational book on the Congo, to her sister: "He hasn't altered called "The Curse of Central Africa." much."

This book involved him in a libel ac- The solicitor overhead this, and intion, in which he was mulcted in £500 terposed: "Do you still persist in your denial, Mrs. Vokins?" She replied: "No. I thought he was

dead. But he must not know my ad. Mr. Vokins, this gentleman married Captain Burrows Leaves.

"Then where is Capt. Burrows now? 1903, she saying she was the widow of asked the judge. a man who had died in Africa many Mr. Willock told the court that ha was in Paris, and that his father was They lived together until April last been able to get as a witnes. a very old man whom they had not year. One day Mrs. Vokins happened Mr. Vokins then entered the box. Ho to be at her father-in-law's office, when stated that when he told his wife Capt, she was handed a mysterious letter. It Burrows was alive she said:

was a communication from a private sible!" inquiry agent, asking her to call on Mr. Langstaffe, the solicitor him "on a private matter." She handed conducted the interview, swore that the letter to her husband. He called Capt. Burrows handed him a card with on the detective, and the astonishing his name and the words. "Late Sevstatement was made to him that Capt. enth Fusiliers." He was severely crossexamined as to the statement Mrs. The detective suggested that he Vokins was alleged to have made to might be "squared," as he wanted her sister, and he declared that it was not-"If that is Capt. Burrows he has Both Mr. Vokins and his wife thought altered very much. it was a fictitious story "put up" for He continued that Capt. Burrows ulterior purposes, and paid no attention was perfectly sober, and could in no

to it. A few weeks later they re- way be described as "muddled." ceived a letter from a solicitor, who Wife's Denials.

stated that Capt. Guy Burrows was his client, and suggested that Mrs. Then Mrs. Vokin, a pretty woman, optomed the how and tall the story of Vokins should give him a call in a mather marriages. The first, she said, was No attention was paid to this, and office, and Capt. Burrows left her in the matter remained in abeyance for a six months. She saw his death anfortnight, when Mr. Vokins' father re- nounced in a Paris paper, and beceived a letter from the same solicitor. lieved it. The man introduced to her asking for the address of his son, and in the solicitor's room was not her stating that he wished to serve papers husband, and was altogether a "muddled" person. She never knew Mr. Hedley, she said.

When Mr. Vokins found himself uted to her by Mr. Langstaffe on served with divorce papers he deter- leaving after the interview were mainmined to sift the matter. His father ly concocted. She separated from Capt. asked Mrs. Vokins for proofs of her Burrows, she said, because he was former husband's death. She said they such a drunkard.

The matter was then put in the is "decidedly" trying to get rid of her. hands of the family solicitors, who de- In reply to the judge, she emphaticcided that it were best to confront all ally declared that the man she met the parties. Accordingly an interview at the solicitor's was not her husband. was arranged at the offices of Messrs. Sir Gorell Barnes stated that he must have some proof that Capt. Burrows This strange dramatic meeting was is alive, and that he would have to attended by Captain Burrows, a friend adjourn the case to determine this. named Hedley, Mrs. Vokins, her sister, Counsel explained that the difficulty lay in his having disappeared from Mr. Vokins, knowing the scene must civilization for so many years, and

under any circumstances be exceeding- that his father would have nothing to ly painful, walked up and down outside do with him now. "It is extremely probable that he is Mr. Langstaffe, the solicitor, formalthe man, but I must be certain. Some ly introduced the parties, and then members of his family must know

asked Capt. Burrows point-blank if him," concluded the judge. Rev. G. G. Richards, vicar of St. Where were you married?" said the Peter and St. Paul's, Teddington. England, has issued a general invitation to "At a Marylebone registry office in the men of his parish to call at the 1889. My friend will also identify her." vicarage on Monday evenings through-Mr. Hedley then declared that he had out the winter for a "friendly pipe and