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The annual spring early closing agitation has been going on in Winnipeg during the past few weeks, and it has been more than usually lively this year. The clergymen have preached sermons upon the subject, street processions have been held, and meetings have been convened at which numerous resolutions have been passed, bearing upon every phase of the ques-

It seems remarkable that so much difficulty should be experienced in securing the early closing of stores in Winnipog, when it has been clearly shown that the people are almost unanimously in favor of the movement. Nearly all the merchants of the city claim to be in favor of early closing. The plea that it is necessary to keep open to accommodate laborers and mechanics has been knocked in the head by these people themselves, for they have taken up the agitation in favor of carly closing, to assist the clerks. This annual rumpus over the closing of stores seems therefore altogether unnecessary. The common sense way to accomplish the end would seem to be for the leading merchants to close up their places of business at seven, or better still at six o'clock, regardless of what two or three small dealers may do. The state of public feeling upon the question is such that those who would undertake to close early would not lose anything, but rather the contrary, while those who would persist in keeping open would do themselves an injury. This plan of holding off until the signatures of all the dealers in a given hranch of trade have been secured to an agreement to close at a stated hour, and then abandoning the agreement the first time it has been riolated by an individual merchant, is not at all worthy of the merchants of a city like Winnipeg. Let the merchants who are in favor of early closing be independent and liberal enough to close up continuously at a reasonable hour, independent of any agreement to bind others, and they will be benefitting themselves and their employees, and putting an end to this periodical hubbub over early closing.

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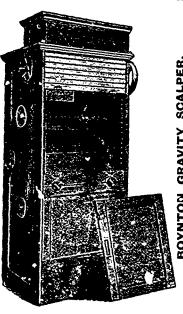
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