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A Craven Argument.

Mr. Chamberlain's opponents. There is something craven in the fear expressed by Mr. Ritchie, Mr. Morley, Lord Rosebery and other free traders that Mr. Chamberlain's policy will invite retaliation by the United States with disastrous results to the British Empire. Lord Rosebery would hardly care to be coupled with Senator Hale, of Maine, an advocate of the annexation of Canada, yet their sentiments are almost identical on this question. This is what Lord Rosebery, Imperialist, said on Wednesday night:

"The first result of Mr. Chamberlain's policy would be to plunge Great Britain into bitter fiscal warfare with our cousins in the United States, as the result of which Great Britain would lose everything and gain nothing. It would mean a practical severance far more deplorable than a fiscal severance, and would blight the fairest hopes of the two

Here is the utterance of Senator Hale, fire-eating jingo and Anglophobe: "If his plan is carried out by the most adventurous of British politicians, of colonial preference, a tariff Great Britain and the United States and this English politician will seek us, an agricultural rival. Out of that will arise conditions, discussions and

It the people of Great Britain and the colonies rightly or wrongly, believe British Empire will be strengthened by drawing all portions together in the bonds of commercial interest, are they to be deterred by threats of reprisals or fear of another country? If so it is time "Ichahod" was written over the portals of the empire. The mischief of a statement such as Lord Rosebery makes, is in the construction put upon it by jingoes across the line. They gloat over it as a confession that Great Britain is fearful of the power of the United States and it encourages the idea that the British people may be bullied out of any policy that favors the colonies at ently done its worst to Canada, and any damage it can inflict on Great Britain is triffing compared with the loss which Great Britain, the market of the world, can inflict on the United States. Canadians have no fear of the consequences of a tariff war with the United States. It would be like fighting an enemy who had spent his ammunition. Nor have Canadians any fear that the United States would even risk retaliation against the British Empire, which consumes more than two-thirds of American exports. The Americans know which side their bread is buttered on and are amenable to reason when their pockets are affected.

That Forged Letter.

The Free Press is trying hard to

crawl out of the trap into which it

was lured by the bait of a forged letter, written by some enemy of the Ross Government. This espistle, to which some rogue subscribed the name of Thomas Coleman, late licerse inpector of St. Thomas, overflowed with local commissioners refused to renew. It was stated in the letter that Branton had been strictly law-abiding and had conducted his house in an exemplary manner, but he had been ruined by the commissioners at the dictation of

Branton's claims.

morality by being concerned in the

In other words the license commis-Press was so ready to attack on the ago there was a rumpus over the proposed transfer of Branton's license to another person, who offered to lease or buy the premises. The Free Press took a hand in the controversy, and was then anything but favorable to Branton. How can it claim it was decived by the forged letter into re-

cal capital it has overreached itself

The attempt to prejudice the retail merchants of the province against the Russian aggression. The city solici or of Hamton, in opposing the business tax benow sitting at Toronto, said: "The merchants should pay more, for they living in luxury and paving very little taxes." Trade has been brisk for several years, and the merchants like all other classes have done well as a rule. but that is no argument for increasing their rate of taxation. The insurance companies, in the larger municipalities have done that on their own account. harm done by his wife's tongue. Does The merchant who owns his stock and the law presume that the husband has who may have doubled it during this cycle of prosperity will pay double the taxes. His next door neighbor may also have doubled his trade and profits, but if he is doing business on bank credits his taxation may be little or nothing. And sometimes bank credits may be artificially swollen about the time the assessor calls round. 12,000 This is unfair to the merchant who makes a candid statement of his affairs. What is wanted is some principle of equality. As the Attorney-General said, the incidence of taxation is more important than the amount. The business tax will reduce the aggregate of taxation on the retail trade. to set Canada up as a great rival to A memorandum prepared for the Canadian Municipal Association shows the sums now paid by retailers and the considerations that will end in the amounts they would pay under the proposed business tax of 71/2 per cent upon the rental value of the premises occupied. Five municipa"ies of varying populations have been chosen for the purposes of comparison:

Present Taxes on Do. Under Personalty of Retail trade Brantford 5.144 St. Catharines 1.834

could be increased to 10 per cent; the main thing is to prevent inequalities. The loss of taxes on the mercantile interests would be made up by reach- A swan-like form invests the hidden ing many comparatively well-to-do Fills up the people who escape the personalty tax the personalty tax reached only 200 A tapering turret overtops the work.

persons, but the business tax which And when his hours are numbered, and persons, but the business tax which superseded it is contributed to by 1,200 Is all his own, retiring, as he were not, ing claims are made:

1 Its simplicity and ease of ad-2 The absence of inquisitorial fea-

3 The impossibility of fraud, and evasion of taxation. 4 The certainty of a definite and stable revenue by this means. 5 The tendency which it has foster commercial enterprise and en-

courage industry and ability. The Attorney-General is showing backbone in championing the new bill and there is little doubt it will become law. It may be susceptible of modifications and the municipal officers should lend their services in improving it, where possible, instead of opposing it in toto

The Hidden Country.

The British punitive expedition, which

has gone into Tibet, to enforce treaty most forays on the borders of the Em-No country is so little known about \$3 per day!" to the world as Tibet. At long intervals explorers have penetrated into it, but not for fifty years has any European set foot in Lhassa, the capital and sacred city, where the great llama, the incarnate head of Buddhism, holds his a Liberal clique, and Coleman had incourt. The Tibetans are the most rigcurred their ill-will by advocating orously exclusive of all the nations. They have been aided in preserving this While the Free Press published the isolation by the physical conditions of spurious letter in good faith, it is the country. The altitude ranges from blameworthy for the use to which it 10.000 to 17,000 feet above the sea level, put the forgery. It made no effort to giving Tibet the name of "the altar of verify the writer's assertions, but as- the world." It is intensely old in the sumed them to be gospel truth, making northern and middle regions during them the basis of an attack on the the greater part of the year. There is license administration of the province no gradual blending of climes such as and reflecting severely on the license would tend to promote intercourse with commissioners of the city of St. neighboring regions. The Himalayas Thomas. It charged that a political are the southern boundary between terrorism was exercised over license- Tibet and India, and are penetrated by holders and cited the bogus Celeman deep narrow valleys, which would letter as "furnishing well-timed testi- make the invasion of the country a difmony as to the way the license iaw is ficult problem. The southern portion used by machine politicians in the has a settled and agricultural populagranting and withholding of licenses." tion, the middle zone is pasture land. The Free Press is now cornered and and the northern uplands are abantoday eats its own words in this con- doned to wild animals and nomadic tribes. Wool-growing furnishes the From what can be gathered of the facts, Mr. Moore and his fellow-com- traffic is carried on with India and missioners were warranted in with-holding the license from Mr. Branton a dependency of China, and Chinese himself, who had offended public authority is represented by two Imper-'plugging' of ballots at an election. ial delegates who direct the foreign and For this act he was convicted and military administration; but the civil put under 'suspended sentence.' For and religious government is in the some time he was absent from the hands of the Tibetans, who depute it country, but returned, and is reported now to be living at St. Thomas." to the dalai or great llama residing in the famous temple-palace of Potola sioners of St. Thomas, whom the Free ally bright, intelligent and peaceful, at Lhassa. The Tibetans, while naturare very superstitious, and the counground of partisanship and favoritism, try swarms with Buddhist votaries. duty in denying a license to a Liberal worker who had been convicted of his wife, got within 50 miles of Lhassa election irregularities. Some months in 1895, but were turned back. Sven Hadin, the famous Scandinavian exed transfer of Branton's license to plorer, was within five days of the

and fallen into a pit of its own digging. present British expedition. The military character of the latter has creat The Merchant and the Business ed uneasiness in Russia, which fears an ocrease of British prestige among the Buddhist population. Tibet, under British influence, would be as second Afghanistan as a bulwark agains

[Hamilton Times.] Don't oppress the merchants with taxation. Every time a Hamilton sells goods cheaper than they can be got elsewhere he benefits both the buyer and the city. And reasonably low taxation helps him to

Sad. [Washington Star.] The springtime will delight the soul, The violets will bloom again; But, oh. the many tons of coal That we will have to burn ere then!

A Rash Assumption. [Woodstock Express.] According to a decision of the super ior court a husband is liable for the

control over his wife's tongue? [Toronto World.] Commercial travelers all over province report a hustling business for the year, and an especially active call for all forms of Christmas goods and novelties. There are now 12,000 travelers on the Ontario circuit, but there never has been so good a year for the individual

[Ralph Waldo Emerson.] Announced by all the trumpets of

And veils the farmhouse at the garden's The sled and traveler stopped, the cour-Delayed, all friends shut out, the house

Around the radiant fireplace, inclosed In a tumultuous privacy of storm Curves his white bastions with projected roof.
The frolic architecture of the snow.

Round every windward stake, or tree, or So fancilful, so savage; nought care he

persons. For this method the follow- Leaves, when the sun appears, astonished

Built in an age, the mad wind's night-

Canadian Patriotism.

[New York Times.] J. Hobart Moore, lately returned from fishing trip in Canada, says that he found the devotion of the French-Canadians to Canada and things Canadian quite touching.

"It was this way," he says. struck Montreal a Canadian friend of mine told me that I could easily get a guide for \$1 a day for the month. He ed Pierre Lorrison, who lived at St. Rose. I interviewed Lorrison and asked him what he would charge for the job. 'Where you was come from?' said

"'Chicago,' said I. 'For be your guide I take \$4 a day.'

"I remonstrated, but it was no go. found that the guides who would take obligations, is more interesting than to \$6 from Americans. "So you see, I was touched by the patriotism of these people—touched for

A Good Thanksgiving Poem. [Robert Bridges, in Collier's.] We give Thee thanks, O Lord! Not for armed legions, marching in their

Not for the glory of the well-earned fight Where brave men slay their brothers work— And do Thy tasks with joy—and never

shirk. And deem the idle man a burdened slave: For these, O Lord, our thanks! We give Thee thanks, O Lord! Not for the turrets of our men-of-war— The monstrous guns, and deadly steel

To crush our foes and make them the knee; But for the homely sailors of Thy The tireless fisher-folk who banish sleep And lure a living from the miser sea: For these, O Lord, our thanks!

We give Thee thanks, O Lord! Not for the mighty men who pile up gold, Not for the phantom millions, bought and And all the arrogance of pomp But for the pioneers who plow the field, Make deserts blossom, and the moun

vield Its hidden treasures for man's daily For these, O Lord, our thanks! We give Thee thanks, O Lord! Not for the palaces that wealth

known. And Pleasure leads her dance the flow

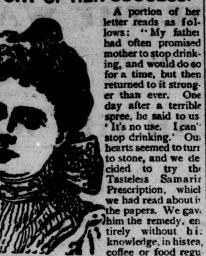
For these, O Lord, our thanks!

Wives of Great Men.

[Exchange.] husiastic tributes to their wives than Tom Hood, says the Denver Times. "You will think," he wrote to her in one of his letters, "that I am more foolish than any boy lover, and I plead kindness. This was heartily supported

A Plucky Young Lady Takes on Herself to Cure Her Father of the Liquor Habit,

STORY OF HER SUCCESS.



larly, according to directions, and he never knew he was taking it. One package removed all his desire for liquor, and he says it is now distasteful to him. His health and appetite are also wonderfully improved, and no one would know him for the same man. It is now fifteen months since we gave it to him and we feel sure that the change is for good. Please send me one of your change is for good. Please send me one of your little books, as I want to give it to a friend." FREE SAMPLE and pamphlet giving full par ticulars, testimonials and price sent in plain sealed envelope. Correspondence sacredly confidential. Enclose stamp for reply. Address The Samaria Remedy Co.,

after his long patience had won for heaven to show the possibilities of the "Thou art the only person in the world that ever was necessary to me. And now I am only myself when thou art within my reach. The wedded life of Wordsworth with his cousin, "the phantom of delight," was a poem more exquisitely beautiful than any his pen ever wrote. "All that said in his latter days, "none but God I and myself can ever know."

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Dogs in England.

[Philadelphia Record.] Every dog in England has to pay an annual tax, which amounts to seven shillings and six pence a year. Free from this tax are, however, all dogs of less than six months of age, as well as shepherd and butchers' dogs, According to official returns, there were last year 1,871,619 dogs in England paying this tax, which means a total revenue for the Government of about \$3,500,000. The city of London alone had 153,567 tax-paying dogs.

An Importial View

Mr. Chamberlain's campaign is an exa man in the power of public opinion in a free country. He has started upon a missionary effort which, if it is successfully carried out, will, in our opin-ion, lead to the relatively rapid indusarguments are, many of them, sophisti side of the case and ignores in his speeches the reasons that can be forcibly urge against his plan. But in spite of this disbelief in his cause, one cannot but admire the eloquence and confident courage of the man, who, almost years of age, is making in the various great centers of population a series of speeches which are brilliant. convincing. It seems to us a wonderful instance of political leadership beause, while having the weaker side, Mr. Chamberlain appears to be making the stronger appeals, for the speeches have the converting qualities which Mr. hamberlain's arguments unquestion-

> The Law's Delay. [Montreal Star.]

After waiting 134 years, the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts has been awarded by the court of chancery £244, all that to it by a testator who died in 1769. bulk of the bequest has been spent in the propagation of the law.

PRESENTED WITH A WATCH was put down by Mr. T. Coleman under the name of the Trinidad Paving

Mr. J. A. Irwin Surprised by His Class.

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at the home of Mr. D. C. Hannah on George Bishop and Mrs. Bishop.

In the course of the evening Mr. Irwin was presented with a handsome gold watch and chain by Mr. Collins. of Ficcadilly street, on behalf of the woodpile. class. Mrs. Baskerville, of Mill street, reading an address expressing appreciation of Mr. Irwin's work in the you'll know whether he's lazy or honclass, and hoping that he might long est.

his leadership.

Rev. George Bishop, Mr Hannah, and Mr. Elliott followed with brief addresses, after which refreshments were served by courtesy of Mr. and ing too much cannot be said in appreciation. After a truly pleasant socia time, on the departure of the a vote of thanks was proposed Elliott, seconded by Mr. McKee, to Mr.

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TALK WOODPILE TO A MAN, WILL TELL IF HE IS LAZY

Relief Applicant Is Anxious to Work.

Regarding the photographs received at the city hall from some unknown source, and which showed streets in Toronto, alleged to be paved with Trinidad Pitch Lake asphalt, in a very bad state of repair, Mr. Cassels, the London agent of the Barber Paving Company, denies that the pavements were laid by the Barbers, and brings pavement records to corroborate his statement. These records show that St. George street was paved in 1889 by the Warren-Scharfe Paving Company, and the pavement on Devonshire place was put down by Mr. T. Coleman un-Company. Thus, the Barbers were not at all concerned in the construction of either work. Mr. Cassels also

Trinidad Pitch Lake pavements, and says that they are of land asphalt.

However, as the pavements put down Has Been Leader for Twenty-One they do not show any particularly poor work in requiring new surfacing now.

WOULDN'T CUT VOOD.

Today a seedy-looking individual Irwin's class met by special invitation fice and asked the inspector to "put him next" to where he could get a Waterloo street, to spend a social hour, long since he had eaten that he had it being the 21st anniversary of Mr. almost forgotten how to work his Irwin's leadership in the class work of jaws, if there were victuals between the First Methodist Church. About 40 them. The inspector looked him that he and came to the conclusion that he them. The inspector looked him over, guests were present, including Rev. and came to the conclusion that he was laboring under a delusion as to CLARK'S PORK AND BEANS. No when he had eaten last. Now, Mr. Mclaziness, which he persists in recom- 10c tins. mending to charity-seeking individuals of the male persuasion—and that is a

"Talk woodpile to a man for five minutes," says the inspector, "and

be spared to continue his labors among them. The address was signed by D. C. Hannah, E. M. Baskerville and J. The man faded and looked insulted, but the inspector insisted. makers. Mr. Irwin replied suitably and with Finally the applicant accepted the tip, leep feeling, speaking of the work of and was sent to a local restaurant to the class since its inception, and also saw wood for a meal. The eagle-eye referring to those of its members who of the inspector followed him, and had passed away during the time of saw that he had a companion. Neither restaurant, and of them went near the the inspector asked the reason why of the applicant's partner, a colored man For answer the man began to do a jig on the sidewalk, and sing merrily:

'Tain't no use in talkin', 'ca's' it won't do any good-"I won't peel potatoes nor I won' saw wood." Mr. McCallum says the charity busness, as far as men are concerned, is played out; and that they are all the

me-everyone of them lazy. DOESN'T WANT TO VOTE

Today a man called upon Clerk Edwards and asked to have his Any newsdealer. name struck off the voters' list. "You want your name struck off," said the city clerk. "Why?"
"Why? Because I don't want to

Inspector's Way of Finding if a who is elected to office?" queried Mr. tress manufacturers, 595 Richmond Edwards.

street, north, Telephone 997. 'No, I don't. It doesn't make a bi of difference to me or anyone else who runs the city or sits in Parliament. They're all tarred with the one brush, and the poor man gets the worst of it every shot. For my part, I don't want to be bothered with a lot of candidates dawdling after me for a vote. Strike

The city clerk then explained that he could not take the name off the list and advised the caller to make application to the country judge. The man went away saving that he would certainly do so. He didn't want to be

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a post in Ireland, and over men cor

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