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### ST. JOHN STAR.

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#### THE YORK ELECTION.

The election in York on Saturday resulted in another victory for Mr. Gibson by an increased majority. Despite this fact, Dr. McLeod put up a strong fight though against decidedly adverse circumstances. Against him were combined the influence of the extensive business connection of the Gibson Company, the prestige of two governments, the weight of the Gleener, which previously had supported, and the disaffection of a number of one-time prominent conservatives. The vote on Saturday was considerably lighter than at the general election. The storm on the previous day probably accounted to a considerable extent for this, and at the same time the smaller vote worked adversely to the interests of Dr. McLeod. Yet he polled about two thousand votes, and these two thousand were before the election slightly termed a mere fraction. Though Dr. McLeod was beaten he made a magnificent fight, which entitles him to the congratulations of all liberal conservatives.

#### COMPARATIVELY SOBER.

From the latest report of the inland revenue department it would appear that Canadians are a people of comparative sobriety. It also appears that our tastes in liquid refreshments are slowly but surely changing from wine and spirits to plebeian beer. The consumption of the latter is gradually increasing, but even yet one Englishman drinks as much beer in the course of twelve months as seven Canadians. This, however, does not afford a very strong basis for congratulation. The country is still young, and moreover the thirst for beer is gradually growing. When Canada has been manufacturing and consuming that liquid for as many hundred years as the mother country has to this date, the figures may not be so comparatively small. In the matter of wine and spirits Canada is comparatively a light drinker, and is much less addicted to their use than the people of the old country, and cannot lay claim to anything like the thirst of our cousins across the border. While comparatively sober, Canadians cannot lay claim to be teetotalers. A consumption of almost five gallons of beer per head, a tampering with spirits to the amount of three quarters of a gallon for each inhabitant, and a mild drinking of about a tenth of a gallon of wine for each person every year, is sufficient to render re-education necessary. There are, fortunately, many in the Dominion who do not contribute to this general affrage, in fact the number of total abstainers in this country is probably greater in proportion to the population than in any other portion of the world, where there are temperance societies and an inland revenue department.

It is stated that Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the leader of the liberal party in Great Britain has written to Lord Rosebery asking for his aid to unite the different factions of that party. The request is practically tantamount to an offer of leadership, so far as Sir Henry is concerned. Lord Rosebery has replied that under existing circumstances he does not feel willing to throw in his fortunes with the liberals. If the report is true, the former premier stands in the position of a man willing to give advice and at the same time not desirous of personally testing its efficacy. Such being the case, this will apparently strengthen the hands of the present leader in what has appeared to be the hopeless task of bringing the liberal party into unity and harmony.

Something will have to be done with the ubiquitous fly. It has been and is accused of many things which do not tend to bring it into popular favor. Lately an English physician, who has been engaged in South Africa states that an epidemic of typhoid at Ladysmith over a year ago was contemporaneous with a pest of these insects. Some time afterwards the disease broke out again, but in an exceedingly mild and limited form. The flies were not present and their absence is declared to be due to the fact that all meats were treated with a certain chemical solution, which was not pleasant to their cultivated taste. There ought to be a splendid field out there for a sticky fly paper manufacturer.

Senator Hanna predicts that very important results will follow the establishment of a labor arbitration court. While strikes will continue, the new movement will, he hopes, reduce the evil to a minimum. He is reported as having said: "The highest wisdom and best thought of both capital and labor are represented at the heads of the two forces, and men of such calibre and character easily can be brought together on a common basis

for the promotion of the best interests of both sides. Thus the so-called widening gulf between capital and labor in the United States will be narrowed and bridged, and the dangers of strikes and other industrial disturbances will be minimized."

#### STORY OF KITCHENER.

Prowling Around the Camp—A Man Ever on the Alert.

An esteemed contemporary of the Liverpool Post sends to that journal the following story of a high personage, declaring it to be entirely true. A friend of mine, an officer in the Regiment, who has just returned from South Africa, told me the following story: We had been ordered up from our camp to join Lord Kitchener's column in the great trek after DeWet last year. It was two o'clock in the morning when we joined the column, and for the last eight hours we had marched without a break, so that we were both sleepy and hungry when we arrived. There was a white frost on the ground, and it was bitter cold. We rolled ourselves up in our blankets and tried to sleep but the cold was so intense that we were all glad when five o'clock came and we could get some hot coffee. I was sitting on a provision box with a tin of coffee in my hand and a piece of biscuit in the other, when presently there came up a long, lean figure, smoking vigorously at a cigar, of wondrous dimensions. His breeches were all torn, his leggings dirty, and he wore a plain, short "veldt overcoat" and field service cap, without any rank, badge or buttons. "He hadn't been shaved for at least three or four days, and the ends of his long moustache had been chewed into a most disgraceful condition. "Hello!" I thought, "here comes another of those blooming scalliwags to cadge a drink of whisky or borrow some tobacco, or something." I wasn't inclined to be over-polite having had little food and practically no sleep for over twenty-four hours. He came up, looked me over, and said: "Hello! when did you come in?" "Just come in now," I said, "and beatty tired we are too. What are we supposed to be after, do you know?" "We're supposed to be after De Wet," he said, pulling away at his cigar.

"After De Wet! Well, I should think you're about darned well sick of it, aren't you?" "Oh! we shall get him in time, 'e believe."

I borrowed a match from him and lit my pipe, saying as I did so: "Well, I don't know what the deuce Kitchener wanted to hurry us all up this way for when there were plenty of other battalions close at hand."

"Why, you see," he said, "I heard good reports of you chaps, so I thought I'd like to have you with me on this trek. That's why!" It suddenly dawned upon me. It was Lord Kitchener! I felt very small, but made the best I could of a rather awkward situation. Afterwards I met a friend of mine in the —, and told him. He said Kitchener was always prowling round half the night, and you never know where he would pounce down upon you. Even then you would never recognize him, unless you saw his eyes. Then you would!

#### 'BOXING' AND 'WINDOW DRESSING.'

What These Expressions Connected with English Holidays Mean and Their Origin.

Cables from London the other day announced a holiday upon the Stock Exchange, it being "Boxing day." The origin of the expression is as follows: The day after Christmas came to be observed years ago, before railroads and express trains carried presents to their destination promptly. Then the boxes which inclosed the holiday gifts hardly ever arrived by stage until the following Christmas. So December 26 became an annual holiday set aside for the opening of boxes, or, in other words, "Boxing day."

The announcement by cable the other day that the English banks had about completed "window dressing" conveyed the impression to the layman that these staid old British institutions had decorated their front windows, perhaps after the manner of a modern department store, in celebration of the season. What was meant by the expression was this. As the close of the year draws near the end banks abroad prepare to make the best showing possible at the close of business December 31. They call this "window dressing."

#### FUNERAL OF A. C. SMITH.

The remains of the late A. C. Smith were laid to rest yesterday in Cedar Hill cemetery. The funeral took place from his late residence, Queen square, Carleton, and was attended by a large concourse of representative citizens. Funeral service was conducted by Rev. Dr. Geo. A. Hartley, the pastor of the deceased's church, and Rev. C. T. Phillips of Waterloo street Free Baptist church. Besides these Revs. John Hughes and J. W. Manning and H. M. Spike were present. The pall-bearers were Jeremiah Smith of Minneapolis, David Smith of Woodstock, Israel E. Smith of this city, brothers of the deceased, and his nephews, E. Frank Smith, Harry G. Smith and Luther B. Smith.

At Cedar Hill Rev. Geo. A. Hartley and the chaplain of Carleton Union lodge, F. and A. M., and Golden Rule lodge, I. O. O. F., officiated at the service.

#### BASILY REMEDIED.

"Yes," said the aristocrat, "I was indignant, and I wrote him that the clandestine marriage of our son to his daughter was a blot on the family 'scutcheon, and his only reply was to send me an advertisement of a new brand of soap he is just putting on the market."—Chicago Post.

#### DIED OF SMALLPOX.

HALIFAX, Dec. 29.—The wife of Dr. Finn of this city, who was taken to the infectious diseases hospital suffering with smallpox, died last night. She was Miss Dowdle of Dartmouth, and was married two years ago. A two months old infant survives.

#### RESTORED HIS SIGHT.

New York Religious Circles Interested in the Statement of Rev. Dr. Chas. M. Herald—What He Says.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Religious circles in this city are interested in the announcement by the Rev. Dr. Charles M. Herald, pastor of the Bethesda Congregational church, Brooklyn, who was recently attacked with blindness while in the pulp that he had recovered. Dr. Herald has been about the position of secretary of the American Bible Society.

In speaking of his recovery Dr. Herald declared that God had restored his sight. He said: "When the surgeon performed the operation he said there was no hope of my recovering my eyesight, and then I fought the battle, the most stubborn and most trying battle I have ever known in my 13 years' experience as a preacher of the gospel. The enemy of my soul then appeared and jeered at me, saying, 'how do you believe that the grace of God is all surviving, as you have preached to your congregation for 12 years? Now, will He help you?' God heard my prayer and did what man could not do. He restored my sight."

#### HALIFAX TAXATION.

The Halifax civic finance committee have finished the consideration of the estimates. The total amount to be assessed next year will be \$466,317, as against \$396,823 last year. This increase does not include the sum of \$5,000 that was taken from the unexpended balances account of previous years. The increases include \$6,000 for school board, \$5,500 for the board of works, and \$1,000 for the interest account. Notwithstanding three increases in salaries the salary account is about \$2,000 less than last year, made up by the abolition of the office of city caretaker and reduction in the salaries of the auditor and license inspector. It was stated at the last meeting that the rate of taxation for the ensuing year would be about \$1.75, an increase of 5 per cent. The committee held a lengthy "talk" on this subject. They thought it about time to call a halt and to provide some means to keep the assessment down. All the aldermen present pledged themselves to vote against any further street, water and sewer extension. The street mileage of Halifax they claimed was out of proportion with the population of the city. The committee also discussed the sinking fund question, and a future meeting will be called to deal with the matter.

#### S. OF T. ANNIVERSARY.

On Saturday evening St. George's division, No. 353, S. of T., celebrated their 13th anniversary. There was a large attendance and the following programme was carried out: Opening address by the chairman, A. J. Armstrong; solo, Miss N. Clifford; address by the Rev. Geo. Steel, P. G. W. P.; gramophone selection; address by the G. W. P., L. P. D. Tilley; recitation by Miss L. White; speech by J. R. Woodburn, P. G. W. P.; recitation, Miss L. McGormand; reading, S. F. McAvour, P. G. W. P.; solo, Mr. Daley; speech by E. A. Everett; harmonica solo, Mr. Burke; speech, E. S. Hennigar, P. G. W. A. Refreshments were then served by the lady members of St. George division. The meeting closed in due form, having spent an enjoyable evening.

#### RECENT DEATHS.

William G. Ervine died at his residence, west end, on Sunday, aged 51 years, leaving three sons and two daughters to mourn their sad loss. The funeral will take place tomorrow, Tuesday afternoon, from his late residence on King street, St. John West. The death took place on the 28th inst. at her residence, Dorchester street, Elizabeth, beloved wife of James E. Whittaker, after only one day's illness and within a few hours of the forty-eighth anniversary of her marriage. Deceased was the eldest daughter of the late George Sancton, and leaves a husband, two sons, four daughters, seven sisters and one brother, also a widowed mother, now in her ninety-second year. Mrs. Whittaker was a most estimable lady, and her sudden death will be deeply mourned by a wide circle.

#### DINED AT THE DUFFERIN.

On Saturday evening the directors of the Lawton Co., Ltd., with several other gentlemen, spent a very pleasant two hours in a private dining room at the Dufferin Hotel, as the guests at the dinner of W. E. Earle, the president of the company. It was an informal affair, and given by Mr. Earle in connection with the first annual meeting of the directors and the appointment of A. W. Gay as manager. The Lawton Co., Ltd., has been operating since September the factory formerly owned by Scott & Lawton. William Lawton, one of the original founders of the business, and a director of the company, was present on Saturday evening, and graceful references to his skill and knowledge were made by Mr. Earle and Mr. Gay.

#### A DEADLY FLYER.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—Four persons were killed and 29 injured, several of them possibly fatally, in a collision on the Chicago and Northwestern railroad today, at Malta, Ill., sixty miles west of Chicago. The trains in collision were the "Omaha Flyer," an eastbound passenger train, and an eastbound freight train. The wreck caught fire and two passenger coaches one sleeping car and eight freight cars were burned and another sleeping car was partly consumed.

#### ROSEBERY LEAVES THE PARTY.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—The Daily News, a liberal organ, today admits that Lord Rosebery has declined to act with the liberal party, and although the paper regrets his voluntary severance from the party, it thinks it well that the air has been cleared and that Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman is more firmly installed in the leadership.

Capt. Smith, who has served successfully in the Battle line for some years, goes to Liverpool on the Parisian to assume command of the new Battle liner Nemes.

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#### AMERICA LEADS IN ASTRONOMY.

(Chicago News.) "America is doing more, and better work in astronomy than the whole of Europe combined. S. H. Burnham is the greatest double-star astronomer that lives or ever lived," says Sir Robert Ball, professor of mathematics and astronomy at Cambridge University. "In astronomical matters," he said, "we in Europe all look to America. The primacy of America in these matters is largely due to the climate, which is favorable to astronomical observation, but much more to the wealth of the American people and the large sums of money that they devote to astronomical apparatus. I must admit, however, that it is also due in part to the superior talents of the American astronomers. Both the Yerkes telescope and the Lick telescope are larger than anything in Europe. It may sound like fulsome flattery, but it is a cold fact that America is doing more and better work in astronomy than the whole of Europe together."

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#### HON. HORACE PLUNKETT.

TORONTO, Dec. 23.—Hon. Horace Plunkett, ex-M. P., who was defeated by Col. Lynch of pro-Boer fame in the celebrated Galway contest, was an honored guest of the National Club here tonight. He delivered an interesting address on the social and economic affairs of Ireland. In the course of his address Mr. Plunkett said he quite understood how a great many Canadians sympathized with the cause of home rule for Ireland. It was quite natural, since many leading statesmen, including Premier Laurier, had based their conclusions upon conditions in Canada, without being thoroughly cognizant of the conditions in Ireland. The conditions of both countries in their relations to England were entirely different.

#### BIG JEWELRY ROBBERY.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Last night it was learned at police headquarters that Mr. and Mrs. Paul G. Thebaud of Madison avenue had been robbed of jewelry worth \$50,000. This was corroborated by Mr. Thebaud himself, who was at headquarters at 1 o'clock this morning, where, in company with a member of the firm from whom most of the jewelry had been purchased, he gave to the police a partial list of the jewels taken. The valuables consisted in part of one pear-shaped diamond, said by Mr. Thebaud to be worth \$20,000, one pearl, weighing 44 grains, said to be worth \$15,000, and three hundred scarf pins and small ornaments, making up a total of about fifty thousand dollars.

#### BRITAIN'S COAL RESOURCES.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—A royal commission has been appointed to inquire into the coal resources of Great Britain. The questions to be covered by the commission's inquiries will include the rate of possible exhaustion of British coal fields, the effect of the export of coal on the home supply, the possibility of a reduction in its cost by cheaper transportation, and whether the coal mining industry of Great Britain under the existing conditions is maintaining its competitive power with foreign coal fields, etc.

#### THEORY AND PRACTICE.

(Philadelphia Press.) Towns—You know Greenleaf believes in the theory that we all become what we eat. Brown—But he's a vegetarian, isn't he? Towne—Yes. Brown—Then how does he account for his having become such a lobster?

#### IT WAS EASY.

She—Mr. Spacer says he got a mere trifle for the last poem of his. He—A mere trifle? Why, the editor hit him with an ink well and threw him down the elevator shaft! She—Yes; but that's a mere trifle to Mr. Spacer—he used to be a football player!—Judge.

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