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THE GIFT TO MR. FIELDING. The Minister of Finance was yesterday presented with a gift of money, said to amount to \$120,000, anenymously subscribed by admirers in all parts of the Dominion. There are numerous precedents for such a testimoniaf. Tennyson coined a proverb when he wrote of "the eternal want of pence that vexes public men." Sir John Macdonald was an illustration. He was twice lifted out of financial distress by the voluntary gifts of friends. It was only a few years ago that Sir Wilfrid Laurier, through a similar kindness, was enabled to buy a home.

tention to his own. His position gave "tinpot" proposals. opportunities to amass the maker of budgets for thirteen years, he must have been the deposwhich he could have turned into money without breaking the eighth command. ment. But Mr. Fielding has been scrupuleus to a degree that some politicall quixotic. He has even made it a point of honor never to men in the country can be better post-

s one of the country's greatest assets. Canada has had few more useful public servants, and none upright, diligent and conscientious. He may have the satisfaction of knowing that the testimonial is a singere one and that it has been well

THE HOG AND BACON TRADE.

The falling off in Canada's trade in years ago prompted the Dominion department of agriculture in 1907 nd a commission to Europe to inthe excellence of their bacon. The report of that commission, which comprised five experts, including two from Ontario, has now been published, and is certain to prove of interest to those engaged in the trade in this a pretty heavy day's work.

The countries visited were England, Ireland. Denmark and Holland. and a surgeon takes his own life in his the conclusion is that Canadians can hands in trying to save the life of Danish methods. The bacon of both Denmark and Ireland sells in England at better prices than the Canadian article will bring. The success of these two countries is doubtless largely due to co-operation, which is extensively but absorption by the United States. followed. The farmers of Rosecrea Ireland, for instance, have an associabers or patrons within a radius of eighteen miles. Although lack of suf- could have been filled by an equally ficient capital prevented the full operation of their factory, with a capacity for handling six hundred hogs a week, the result has been satisfactory. In Inkster as saying: Denmark, with its high standard of education and agriculture, the work is carried on methodically. In the selection of animals for breeding the greatest care is exercised, Yorkshires favorites, while feeding is studied and results noted, care being taken with every process. In addition to the approved system of curing by forcing the Danes have a system by which the meat is put into air-tight receptacles from which the air is exhausted by pumps, and then the curing solution is applied under pressure, comport says, is that since the opening of licious, but stupid: the first co-operative factory in 1888 the number of pigs killed in a year increased from 23,000 in 1888 to 1,549,-

The report speaks in the highest terms of the intelligence shown by farmers of the old world, particularly in England, where an organized sysplication and keen business intelliplainly evident, and they blame the enjoys it more than Sir Wilfrid. ... Is moral of modest merit.

failure of co-operation efforts in Canada on the selfishness of individuals in selling to outsiders rather than to their organization. They recommend The New Maid-Yis, mum, I am on me packers to adopt an attitude of sym- own account. I only tells lies t' th' callpathetic co-operation with hog raisers, in order to encourage the increase in quantity and improvement in quality of the supply. Farmers are also urged to engage a salesman to dispose of their hogs and to adopt the plan of selling swine on the open market, as in the case of cattle and

"VARIEGATED."

The Toronto Mail and Empire pretends to know that the Canadian navy "The country," says the Mail, would not grudge a reasonable outlay for Empire aid, but it has reason to resent and to condemn a scheme that takes millions from the channels of trade and of industry and casts them into the sea."

The Toronto News, from which many Conservatives prefer to take their party and political ,pabulum, would have the Government spend much more. Says the News:

"It may be that Quebec would not indorse the variegated naval policy that the Ottawa Opposition put forward. Neither would Ontario. But the News believes that an efficient Canadian naval unit, headed by two Dreadnoughts, would command universal approbation."

cruisers, would cost \$25,000,000, or more than the proposed expenditure upon the Canadian navy in the next But, yesterday, mayhap, thou didst re ten years, the Mail's estimate of \$60,-000,000 being purely imaginary. We could quote from other papers besides With thee, perchance, went Peace Mr. Fielding has been chronically a the Mail, denouncing the Government To some dark haunt, where Hate or Sorpoor man. He has been so absorbed in for spending so much money and in public affairs that he has paid no at- the same paragraph sneering at its What little children thou has caused t

The Ottawa Opposition's naval polriches. As the Minister of Finance and licy is variegated, as the News aptly I read the history of man. Thou art the says. This variety is reflected in the comments of the Opposition press. itary of a great deal of information The Mail and the News furnish an illustration.

UNEARNED INCREMENT IN

GERMANY. While the Conservative party in Great Britain is shouting "so.ialism," "confiscation" and "revolution," at the land taxes of the Lloyd George buded. Although his mode of life is ex. get, the ultra-Conservative Federal has been currently reported a similar system on a larger scale. for some time that Mr. Fielding was | Hitherto the tax on unearned increbarried by financial cares, through his ment in Germany has been a local imlavish, though perhaps misplaced, gen post confined to certain municipalities. erosity. His habit of giving money to A Government bill has just been inanyone who presumes on old acquaint- troduced in the Reichstag providing the ministers felt called upon to approach ance or friendship is well known at that one-half the yield from this tax Mr. Phillips, and asked him: Ottawa, but it is not a trait for which shall go to the empire, 10 per cent to friends feel like rebuking him. It is un- the federal states, and 40 per cent to derstood bowever, that the money sub- the local authorities. Strange to sa scribed for him will be so invested that the proposal originated with the secure provision will be made for his agrarian party, while in Great Britain into Kentucky?" the opposition to the same form of tively small area, like England or Germany, where the rapid growth of cities and towns causes an extraordinary rise in the value of urban and suburban land, an increment duty is a peculiarly equitable tax, falling as it does upon values created by social causes and not by the energy or enterprise of the owners. The example of Germany is a rebuke to the British House of Lords which rejected the budget mainly because of the increment taxes and in the interests of a

> Mr. Fielding has handled nearly a billion dollars of public money, and was until yesterday a poor man.

The Ottawa romancer has invented a general election for the autumn, and a deadly feud in the cabinet. This is as to which one was to have the custody fall by the executors of the late Duch-

Carnegie hopes that Canada will become a republic. This is proof that Canara has moved up a bit in Andrew's estimation. A few years ago he could think of nothing in store for us

It looks as though Governor Hughes of New York, had left the post of duty. The vacancy in the supreme court able lawyer, but where is New York to find another Hughes as governor?

A contemporary reports Rev. J. G.

"The political struggle in the old country was an attack on the very fundamentals that the King is the exponent of-heredity-and for that reason the struggle would never

Of course, Mr. Inkster said nothing so foolish. There is no analogy between an hereditary monarchy, responsible to and controlled by Parliament, and an hereditary upper chamber, responsible to nobody and seeking brine into the meat under pressure. to control Parliament and legislation for the selfish interests of its mem-

visit to Canada by invitation of the quiet man in tweed suit who would not pletely filling the veins and pores. The Government, the following from the general result of the system, the re- Mail and Empire is not only ma-

"The Saturday Review asks why allow British generals to set foot on Laurier knows what he is doing, and

he does.' The paragraph is also characteristic. Anyone who believes the Mail believes tem, with consistency of purpose, ap- that Canada is governed by grafters and traitors. But no Canadian begence, is pursued. What greatly im- lieves any such thing, not even the pressed the commissioners was the editors of the Mail. Their chief aim is benefits of co-operation that are to furnish entertainment, and no one fact that it has been long enough to point

A JEWEL [Cleveland Leader.] The Lady of the House-I hope you are

Fair Passenger-But, good gracious, why didn't the train stop here? It is

Porter-Yes, miss, but the engine driver has quarrelied with the station master. SUITABLE RAIMENT. [Cleveland Plaindealer.]
"I wonder why that rich Mrs. Tupper

wears imitation furs?" "Probably because it isn't real cold."

SPEECHLESS. [Chicago News.] Anyway, the man is silenced Who was wont to wag his tongue Telling of the awful winters That they had when he was young.

RURAL AMENITIES.

ers, f'r th' missus.

WIDELY READ. [Lippincott's.] "Are your poems widely read?" "Well, the last one I wrote was read by ver fifty editors."

TO AN OLD DOLLAR BILL.

ragged, faded thing! Thine odor is not reminiscent of the rose How limp thou art! Unto thy edges cling Ten billion deadly microbes, I suppose-And yet there's independence in thee, too And courage-yea, and strength! There's that in thee Which makes me long to do

The best that lies in me-

There's that in thee which makes me dare To pass a thousand dangers every day-There's joy in thee! Where thou art, there Two Dreadnoughts, or Dreadnought Hope builds her nest and frightens Doubt away!

Ah, thou art clammy to the touch-

From some white throat a demon's angr clutch-

row sat-who knows What aches have fled because of thee, laugh; how many a rose Has bloomed because of thee! Ah, me

For which he goes through danger and disgrace-And I, alack! must part with thee so

SMOKE TOWN.

Florist-Something new and very rare Pittsburger-Pshaw! We have had ther in my town for years.

WENDELL PHILLIPS' RETORT.

[Catholic Columbian.] Wendell Phillips, according to the recent biography by Dr. Lorenzo Sears, was, on one occasion, lecturing in Ohio, to keep one of his appointments, he met in the car a crowd of clergy, returning

"I am. sir." "Are you trying to free the niggers?" "Yes, sir; I am an abolitionist." "Well, why do you preach your doc-"Excuse me, are you a preacher

"Yes, sir: that's my business." "Well, why don't you go there?" The assailant hurried into the smoker amid a roar of unsanctified laughter.

WASTING THE TEA

"Why don't you ask that young mai ip to tea some evening, dear?" "I don't believe it would do any good mother. He's a confirmed bachelor.

A RISING MARKET. "I saw you kiss sister last night."

naid in the hall.'

"Did you, Bobby? Here's a quarter for

"Great Scott! Here's five dollars!" THE WORST PART. "Have Mr. and Mrs. Squinchly compromised their matrimonial troubles yet?" "Not quite. They agreed readily enough

of the children, but they don't seem to be

able to decide which is to have the choice of the automobiles." WHAT THEY DID TO THE POLE. [Dartmouth Jack-o'-Lantern.] Professor-Jones, will you differentiate between the words "discover" and "in

Jones-Well-er-Peary discovered the Pole, and Cook invented it

MIGHT WAIT FOR A RISE. Toronto Saturday Night.]

Bore-That impertinent fellow Brown offered me a hundred pounds to resign my membership of the club. What would you advise me to do? Jollyboy-Hang on a bit-you'll get

A LITTLE SHAVER.

[Bruce Times.] What is probably the biggest baby to be born in this section of the country arrived at the home of Mr. Walter Booth, the barber, on Friday last, when his wife presented him with a thirteenpound son. This is only five pounds behind the world's record, an pound child having, it is said, been born 75 years ago, when the Halley comet last visited the earth. The stork has certainly been generous in this neighborhood a record infant in Walkerton.

KITCHENER OF KHARTOUM.

[New York World.] The brief and almost surreptitious visit o New York by one of the greatest soldiers of modern times has served by reason of its very contrast to leave an imression which no civic honors or public In view of Gen. French's approaching parades could have deepened. In this ven sanction a salute by a battalion of West Point cadets, the city has been privileged to see the most conspicuous example of military modesty since Grant, and the fact is one on which it is agree Lord Kitchener was not invited to able to dwell. There has been no hint in Canada. Does our esteemed contem- anything he has said that this was the porary suppose that we are going to here of Khartoum; not a word about my regiment, my plan of campaign, my policy our sacred soil? Not if Sir Wilfrid in India; no allusion to any event in the remarkable career of the plain soldier whose eminent services raised him to the peerage and won for him the rank of that could cause concern at any foreign use of "Little Digesters?" office. The example of unostentation and useful for comparison. New York will

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Enjoyable Programme Rendered by Young People of Richmond Street Mission.

Last night the Epworth League of the Richmond Street Mission gave a most enjoyable entertainment to the inmates of the Aged People's Home, which was heartily received by them. The meeting opened by singing a familiar hymn, followed by prayer by the chairman, Rev. Mr. Anderson. The programme was as follows: Chairman's address: instrumental, Miss Nellie Steele; quartette, Messrs. (Rev.) Anderson, Cockrill, Shaw and Rouse; recitation, Miss Olive Poole: instrumental duet, Miss Ethel Jones Miss Pearl White; duet, Miss Anna and Mr. Richard Cockrill; recitation, Miss Maude Chamberlain; speech, Mr. Corbett, retiring president; cornet solo, Mr Albert Francis; recitation, Miss Olive Poole; solo, Miss Anna Cockrill; instrumental duet, Miss Pearl White and Miss Ethel Jones; Master Harry Milligan; recitation, liss Maude Chamberlain; violin solo, Master Grant Milligan; quartette. Messrs. (Rev.) Anderson. The real feature of the evening was the selections given by the quartette, applause as each number was rendered. The league hope to have the opportunity of giving another entertainment at some future time, when doubtless the quartette will have another opportunity of showing their ability. Well done, Richmond Street.

THE HAMERSLY WILL

Fresh Legal Battle Over Property Valued at \$15,000,000. New York, N. Y., April 27. - The

Times today says: The sensational controversy over the peculiar will of Louis C. Hamersly, which aroused interest in this country and Europe more than 25 years ago on account of the prominence of the persons involved, and the fight over the Hamersly-Mason fortune of \$7,000,-000, which has now been increased to approximately \$15,000,000, will presently occupy once more the centre of the

legal stage in this city. In answer to the suit brought last ess of Marlborough, on behalf of her only son, William de la Poe Beresford, the 14-year-old child of the duchess marirage to Col. Sir William de la Poe Beresford, for an accounting of certain large sums, the house of Hamersly, together with nearly a hundred members of the house of Mason, will oppose the action by appearing as defendant in a suit which will test the validity of the Hamersly will on en-

tirely new grounds. The answer of the defendants sets forth the grounds upon which the claim of the Mason family and others is made, and is now ready for presentation to the court. The claimants represent most of the best-known social families in this

ODDFELLOW ANNIVERSARY

Eureka Lodge Celebrated Ninty-First Year of Establishment of Order. There was a large gathering of Oddfellows at the regular meeting of Eur-

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anniversary of the founding of the order was celebrated. Fraternal adtion for a number of years, I have tried dresses of a most interesting reminiscent nature were given by Past Grand Sire Dr. Cl. T. Campbell, and by Pasts Grands R. K. Cowan J. M. Parsons

and J. K. Darch. TO CONSERVE GAS.

Windsor, April 27.-Windsor and Chatham city councils have passed resolutions regarding the conservation of natural gas in Essex and Kent Counties, and have forwarded them to the minister of mines. The resolutions state that the councils view with much concern any legislation that would have the effect of making the production of natural gas secondary to the production of oil, or that would per mit of any waste of gas under the cover of necessity or convenience in the production of oil. The minister of nines is asked to use his good offices 25c. at your druggists or by mail from in the direction of the continuation of the con in the direction of the conservation of natural gas as the most useful mineral

Your Blood

You can't expect the Look out for blood to be pure and rich when you are bilious and your stomach is upset.

Of course, it is "spring fever." But why feel badly at all? Why not keep the blood pure, the

liver active, the bowels regular, the whole system well and strong, by taking a morning glass

of Abbey's Salt?