### THE HAMILTON TIMES.

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### THE SHANNON SOP.

Recently the Toronto Mail and Empire got off the following with regard to the passing over of a number of well quali-fied Liberals in line for promotion and man not in line for appointment and who was a bitter and un ine Tory of the spoils type:

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The uproar in Kingston because a Conservative in the militia has been promoted to a paymastership is likely to result in the cancellation of the appointment. Apparently the Reform view of office-holding is that at Ottawa the party must have all the offices, because it is in control there, while at Toronto it is an outrage and an evidence of the adoption of the spoils system if a Conservative should be appointed to a public place.

To this the Petgrboro' Examiner, under the heading. "A Difference," nonintedly re-

the heading, "A Difference," pointedly re plies as follows: The organ in its treatment of this incident is normalquite honest. There is as much differncesbetween the two cases cited as there cognized as fair that in making appointments any Government is justifined in appointing persons of its own political faith, but it is also recognized that the "spoils system," an odious adaptation of Yankee political methods to administrative acts, consists in dismissing officials appointed under a previous regim to give places to persons politically in sympathy with the succeeding regime The Laurier Government has not practis ed the "spoils" system: the Whitney Government has practised the "spoils system. It has dismissed hundreds of officials appointed by a previous Government-efficient and capable officials, to give places to Conservative hangers The Liberal Government, at Ottawa, has not done that. It has-as many think, with undue generosity-retained in office many persons of Conservative sympathies, who are not loyal to their bread and butter, who are caballing against, and hostile to, the Governmen that keeps them in employment, and an appointment like that of Mr. Shannon is properly regarded as an extreme

That is very much to the point. Nobody objects to the Whitney Government appointing its friends-men in whom it has confidence-to offices as they become vacant. That is its right, always premising qualifications. Whitney has not been content to do that, but has wielded the spoils axe industriously and in direct violation of his pre-election pledges. And for that offence against honesty, good faith and the provincial service he properly stands condemned. Liberals do not seek to man the service with inferior men because they are Liberals, but they have good reason to complain when competent and aspiring Liberals are passed that the plums in the militia service may go to Tory heelers. And we are glad that Kingston Liberals have had the spirit to protest. If Sir Frederick Borden thinks of following that policy, he should be taken in hand and made to understand that it will not work. Sir Wilfrid might buy him a pocket copy of the old fable about the woodman who warmed the viper in his bosom. No won der the Tories rejoice; they recognize the evil effect of such a policy and such an appointment. The sop to Shannon was a blunder.

### TROUBLOUS CUBA.

The new outbreak in Cuba may have important consequences. The population of the island is not fitted for self-gov ernment. There are a few good but the masses need direction and con trol. Spain found it a hard task to govern the island. It is rich in reources, although ill-suited to the northerner, and for many years a longing eye has been cast on the Pearl of the Antilles by a class of statesmen -among our neighbore. Spain was envied the sion of Cuba, and for a quarter of a century or more aid and comfort were forthcoming generously for any filibusterwish to soment revolution on the island. It was easy to run over men and arms to Cuba, and the U.S. authorities were not always argus eyed. In New York a Cuban Junta maintained headquarters, and well-known men in return for "Cuban bonds" gave pecuniary aid. It was in the shape of contributions to "Cuba libre" then. This constant disturbance was made the excus for U. S. interference, and the war with Spain followed. That is history. At the close of that "struggle" Cuba would probably have become a state of the union, but for President McKinley's highminded and honorable declaration. After it, to seize Cuba would have been a blot on the national record; and our neighbors did not seize it. There were those who said the object of the war was not achieved. Perhaps the object of some of the war promoters was not achieved but the United States as a governmen lived up to McKinley's pledge. They helped to organize, to pacify, and to purify Cuba, and left it with a government of its own, not entirely without limitations, it is true, but with practical

Cuba libre has been given one trial, and it cannot be said to have made the best of it. It is now in the throes of revolution, and life and property are being sacrificed. The United States are given. Perhaps Cuba will have another try at self-government, but we have not great hopes of its success. The people a strong hand to control them.

The present trouble may not lead to being taken into the fold of the repu as a state, but repetitions of it may do so. And probably it will be the best thing that could happen for the people of Cuba and foreign investors in it.

### HOW DETROIT FARES.

The Detroit United Railway Compaiy holds franchises for various terms on 187 miles of streets, as follows: Upon 63.8 miles until the end of 1909; upon 19.7 miles until 1810; upon 15.8 miles, until 1915; upon 10 miles, until 1921; upon 60 miles, until 1924; and upon other mileage for still longer periods varying from 1927 to a claim of perpetuity. On the gross earnings of the properties the rate var-ies. It pays on some lines 2 per cent., on others 11/2 per cent., on some 1 per cent., and on others no percentage of its earnings. All the company's property pays municipal taxes, and on many streets it must maintain the pavements between the tracks. The fares of the system are as follows: On sixty miles of track, the company may charge five cents for a single fare, must sell six tickets for 25 ents, good at all hours, and eight tickets for 25 cents, good from 5.15 o'clock in the morning, until 7.30 o'clock in the evening. On one hundred and twenty seven miles of track the company may charge a five-cent fare and must sell tickets at 8 for 25 cents, good during an nour and a half in the morning and an

hour in the evening.

These facts may be of interest to ou people, in view of the street railway discussion going on here. It will be observed that the Detroit Railway people are bound to sell 8 tickets for a quarter good from 5.15 a. m. till 7.30 p. m., on part of its trackage, and on others of its lines 8-for-a-quarter tickets, good for an does not pay the city so high a percentage of gross earnings as our railway pays, even where the rate is highest, and on the lines of the Detroit Railway system it pays none. A new ordinance is proposed, in which important changes are made, and the subject is one that is creating much interest among the people of Detroit.

The new franchise agreement now under consideration by the people of Detroit provides for a five-cent single fare; six tickets for a quarter, good at all hours, and ten tickets for a quarter, good from 5 to 8 a. m. and from 4.30 to p. m.; transfers to any and all limes; children under six years free; 2 per cent. tax on gross earnings to be paid the city in addition to all usual city taxes on property, and the company to maintain all pavements between its tracks, remove necessary snow, and to sprinkle the pavements occupied by its tracks. The city is to supervise all work done by the company, and may amend, alter or repeal agreement if it is violated. The city is to have the right-to purchase at an arbitrated price at expiry of franchise, paying nothing for franchise vaiues. There are other minor conditions contract the company gives a bond of being ratified the company's franchise will all terminate on Dec. 4, 1924, both built.

### EDITORIAL NOTES.

However, it is good weather for walk-

Have you insured your Cuban pro-

The go-as-you-please style of spelling as now two eminent converts Billy

Maclean and Roosevelt. Ald. Wallace wears the preod look of a man who is nursing a Mayor

alty boom at a critical stage. The New York Central is training its Engineers in squads of 125 to handle elec tric locomotives. A great change is o

ing. The city is a sleeping partner of the Street Railway Company and interest ed in the gross receipts. Get together you fellows, and quit your monkeying

There is one guide that might lead to settlement of the Street Railway Com-pany and its men; it is the Golden Rule But will both parties, or either of then freely adopt it?

In Chicago a doctor has been given an indeterminate jail sentence for robbing a patient. He is not the man who present ed the bill for a \$300,000 fee. This onwas a small robber.

New York wants \$9,000,000 to improve its fire department, and \$250,000 for a füreman's college. Do you hear that, Chief TenEyck? A fireman's college! Great Scott! And you have trouble to get a length of hose!

When the judges say or do anything that the Conservatives do not like it is insinuated that they are biased. Even Judge Falconbridge, formerly a Conservative, had to be assailed because ne gave a decision against the immortal Gamey.—Kingston Whig.

Is our contemporary sure it is right in the use of the "t" in the adjective qualifying Gamey?

All the eminent physicians of the Brit ish Association do not share Sir Victor for help, and it will probably be Horsley's views as to the uselessness of

ise physician and prescribed e ne, atropinė, digitalin ar owerful drugs are prescribed.

Roosevelt's adoption of Bra Roosever's anoption of Mathews' freak spelling scheme will for a time at least, give it a fillip. But fan't it odd that in a country where self-government is supposed to prevail, the President should have arbitrary powers to issue such orders to all and sundry in

to pitch into Hon. Mr. Brodeur and edi-torially keel-haul him for opposing in-crease or readjustment of Provincial subildes. But that will not worry it long When it learns that Mr. Brodeur didn' oppose such increase or readjustment but is in favor of it, it will attack ham nore fiercely than ever.

A contemporary worries because the of our imports for consumption from Great Britain was less than \$9,000,000 and that from the United States more than \$13,000,000. But when it is considered that the increase in Britain's cas is 13 per cent., and in the United States s than 7 1-2 percent., there doesn' seem to be any good reason for worry.

Now would be a good time for the On tario Railway Board to get to work. One of its duties is to help to secure public safety by investigating railway acci-dents. That one on the Radial this thing. Let it find out the cause and how to guard against repetitions of such an occurrence. Is the system of operat ing the cars all right? Is the track and plant adequate? Was anybody to blame for the accident? The public looks to see it earning its \$15,000 or \$20,000 a year

The Temiskaming Railway Commission is advertising for tenders for the lease of the northwest forty acres of the town site of Cobalt. These are the lots that were sold privately to the Gamey crowd. The Government seems to have been more successful in quieting the man from Manitoulin than these, were in pacifying Mr. J. P. Dickson, of Ottawa.—Ottawa Free Press.

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Wonder what was Gamey's price! Dickson says his syndicate was offered a differential up to as much as \$10,000 Did Gamey do as well? Evidently whatever terms were made they were quiet ing. He is not squealing.

Mr. Brodeur warned provincial statesmen that if they agitake for better terms they may bring about a reaction and unintentionally foster a counteragitation in favor of the legislative union of the provinces and the destruction of provincial autonomy.

There is much sound and sensible argument that might be advanced against the demanded increase of provincial

the demanded increase of provincia subsidies, and it was unnecessary for Mr. Brodeur to use an argument flimsy and foolish.—Hamilton Herald But as it has been explained that Mi Brodeur did not so warn provincial statesmen, and is not opposed to in-creased subsidies, and did not offer either sensible or foolish either for or against them, on what doe our contemporary now propose to base its censure of the Minister?

John Burns, the President of the Local Government Board, is grappling with the problem of the unemployed. The Government has a scheme for the better housing of the Irish agricultural laborer and it has a similar scheme for England and Wales. There is also a comprehen sive programme of Government propos als for meeting industrial emergencies in the more distant future. From the Con

Mouth and Eyes Covered With Crusts-Face Itched Most Fearfully-Hands Pinned Prevent Scratching.

MIRACULOUS CURE ! BY CUTICURA REMEDIES



solidated Fund a sum not exceeding. £200,000 will be granted to the existing distress committees in London and the Provinces "to tide over the coming winter." This £200,000 Mr. Burns announced he would disburse himself. Labor members warmly welcomed the scheme. Such a proposal here would meet with cries of "graft," but evidently the members can trust Burns to do the square with members can trust Burns to do the square with the members was made to the square with the members and trust Burns to do the square with members can trust Burns to do the square with the members and trust Burns to do the square with the members and trust Burns to do the square with the members and trust Burns to do the square with the members and trust Burns to do the square with the members and trust Burns to do the square with the members and the square with t

thing. Mr. Burns wound up by saying: "We have penniless men, because we have too many thirsty men.

The fact that the profession The fact that the professional mome of Hon. A. B. Aylesworth is assessed at only \$1,065 might be offered as an excuse for the action of the honorable gentleman in practising in the courts after he joined the Government. He must have needed those fees.—Hamilton Herald.

Unfortunately for the pointedness of that jab at the Minister of Justice (who after being in the Cabinet appeared in only a few suits at which he had been retained before accepting office) it is based on misinformation. The Toronto World corrects itself to-day by stating that "the assessment on income of Hor court of revision, was on some dividend ber of the firm, the assessment of which, \$15,800, is not disputed."

## Our Exchanges

Grit Good Times. (Snider Free Press.) If these good times keep up much longer the pessimistic notion that Hayd Times trav-els in cycles will have to be revised.

> The Distinction. (Toronto Star.)
> protectionists in Canada do not want
> ley tariff, but merely a tariff that will
> a similar results.

Announce of the same

How Very Considerate (Ottawa Citizen.)

Ottawa does not consider it any more of a hardship to have people of Canada locate their parliamentary institutions here than does the city of Hamilton to have the Deering Harvester works located there. Getting Ready for a Cruise.

Yonkers, N.Y., Statesman.)
n, you look after the gang plank."
—Aye,aye, sir.
1. Tom, you look after the centre Tom-Aye, aye, sir.
"I'll get busy and look after the side

Don't Like the Water,

(Toronto Star.) We now act upon the assumption that nebody has a right to be on the water frost niless he intends to pay out money for a sail to the Island, or to Hamilton, or to Niagara. Occasionally a foriorn man is seen sitting in a wharf on a box of nails. He is regarded with contempt, as a loafer and a whari-rat.

Out For a Fast Run.

(Newburn, N. C., Journal. Our friend Mr. Deppe of Deppe, N.C., came ore a few days ago and took us out to ride, flow, we are very fond of riding and we ery readily got on board and out of town we want at the rate of about, therty miles n hour; now we don't want any of that kind riding, for we came back minus a haind umbrells and if our pants had not been elted on I guess we would have lost them to more automobile stunts, thanks.

(London Globe.)

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In Paris there is just now proceeding a seasonable discussion on hay fever, concerning which an amusing instance of the correleous was quite proof against catching the saceriums of hay fever from either hay or any other flower or plant except one. The mer's sight of a rose used to set her sneezing violently. Knowing her weakness, she carefully avoided these flowers, but one day she carefully avoided these flowers a still life painting representing a basket of roses. Almost instantly she was seited with a sneeting fit. Clearly imagination has its part in the case.

A Friendly Jolt.

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(Gait Reporter, Tory.)

The Ontario Railway Board is coming in for deserved censure for the leisurely way in which it has settled down to business. The Government intended that it should not expedieusly and in the interests of the people, but Fresiler Whitney made the mistake of and a member of a notroconstitud lawyer and a member of a notroconstitud lawyer and the settled of the Commission, have scarcely made them, selves acquainted with their splendid euito of offices in the Parliament Buildings in Queen's Park.

A Rap at Smith.

(Toronto World.)

Mr. E. D. Smith, M.P., is one of the members of the Canadian Parliament who spoke against two-cent-a-mile passenger rates. He represents the County of Wentworth, which includes the Town of Dundas. The Dundas Standar, which speaks of the Conservatives. meruouse the Town of Dundes. The Dundes Standar, which speaks of the Conservative, farmers included, of Wentworth, and which helped to elect Mr. Smith, has this veiled and polite reference in this week's issue:

Pay no attention to the M. P.'s and other interested parties regarding the foolishness of a two-cent rate on the railways. Two cents a mile is too much even, if we are to judge by the dividends even, if we are to judge by the dividends even, if we are to judge by the dividends even, if we are to judge by the dividends even, if we are to judge by the dividends even, if we are to judge by the dividends even, if we are to judge by the dividends even, if we are to judge by the dividends even for the property of the property in this matter.

The Chambered Nautilus.

This is the ship of pearl, which posts feign, Sails the unshadowed main—
The venturesome bark that flings
On the sweet summer wind its purpled wings
In guits enchanted, where the airen sings
And coral reefs lie bare,
Where the cold sea maids rise to sun their
atreaming hair.

its webs of living gauge no more unfurl; Wredked in the ship of pear! And veery chambered cell, Where its dim dreaming life was wont t dwell.

As the fail tenant shaped the growing shell. Before thee lies revealed— Its irised celling reat, its sunless crypt un-scaled.

Thanks for the heavenly message brought by child of the wandering sea.
Cast from her lap forlors;
From thy -dead lips a clearer note is born
Than eve Britain blew from wreathed horn
While on mine ears it rings.
Through the deep caves of thought I heav a voice that sings. Build thee more stately m

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To-night between 8 and 10 ) 

# THE T. H. PRATT CO., LIMITED

BANK BILLS IN PIECES.

Remarkable Treasure Trove on Shore of Lake Ontario.

St. Catharines, Aug. 24.—Searchers along the shoe of Lake Ontario near the 15-Mile Creek yesterday afternoon picked up enough pieces of bank bills to make up a roll of probably fifty dollars. A man walking along the bank picked up part of a \$5 United States bill, and that started the search. The question now is whither the money question how is whither the m came. Out of the pockets of som who has been drowned, or did careless passenger on a steamer his roll of money overboard.

the Deputy Minister at the Education Department, Toronto, accompanied by the inspector's recommendation, not later than Sept. 1.

Gets 25-Year Franchise.

Goderich, Aug. 24.—The town council has granted a twenty-five-year franchise to the Goderich Gas Company, on condition that \$5,000, or half the stock, is subscribed locally within three worths.

Copanhagen, Denmark, is a city of canals nd cleanliness—a land of pure de careless passenger on a steamer lose his roll of money overboard.

SCHOLARSHIPS AT GUELPH.

Educational Department's Offer in Connection With Institute.

Toronto, Aug. 25.—The Minister of Education is prepared to grant 14 scholarships to the value of \$50 in the case of each man to teachers taking the three months' courses at the Macdonald Institute, Guelph.

Candidates are expected to hold at least second class provincial certificates, and to send a certificate of recommendation from the Public School Inspector.

The applications must be received by

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Paris, Aug. 24. —The Paris Municipal Council is making elaborate preparations for an official visit from the Lord Mayor and sheriffs of London, who are expected here in October.

There will be a banquet and ball at the Hotel de Vile, a gala performance at the opera and the town will be decorated. In fact, the visitors will be accorded a semi-regal reception.

The man in the street regards this as distinctly proper, for if asked who the Lord Mayor is he would explain that while Edward VIII. is King of England, "Milord Maire" is King of London.

Won \$42,000 at Farq.

New York, Aug. 25. —The proprietor of one of the leading gambling houses at Saratoga realizes that he made a misat Saratoga realizes that he made a mis-take when he "lifted the lid." He thought he would take a chance and in-vited a few to visit his place and try their luck. The game was faro and the lid highest, because he wanted to get the money quick. At the end of three hours three men, men of fame in the sporting world, rolled up into sung bun-dles \$42.000 in the aggregate. Then the gamester decided to close up for good

