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CUMMINGS WAS EXCITED.

An Incident Attending the Execution of the Chicago Anarchists. When the Chicago anarchists were hanged, great preparations were made by Amos J. Cummings, then editor of the New York Evening Sun, to get the news ahead of the other evening newspapers. A direct wire ran from the jail in Chicago to The Evening Sun office, and an alert operator was at each end of the wire. The form of the first page was made up and ready to print with the single exception of a line giving the time of the hanging. That line was to be inserted as soon as the news flashed from Chicago. Then the form would be locked, turned over to the stereotypers, who would make a matrix, stereotype the plates, rush them down to the presses, and in a minute or two more the papers would be in the hands of the newsboys

About 10 o'clock in the morning, however, a boy rushed into the office with a copy of an evening newspaper containing an alleged account of the hanging of the anarchists.

Cummings grabbed the paper from the boy and rushed with it over to the opera-

"Look at that!" he cried. "They have not been hanged," answered the operator calmly. "I have this minite been talking over the wire to our man n the jail at Chicago, and he tells me hey haven't yet left their cells for the

Then Cummings scanned the newspa per more closely and realized that it had anticipated the news. He picked up a bit of copy paper and scribbled on it these words: "Beware of bogus extras!"

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"Here," he said to one of the office boys. "Have a bulletin made of that and put it up in front of the office." Then for two hours Cummings and every one else in the office waited for the news of the hanging. The suspense became almost unbearable, for all the time the rival paper was selling in the streets and the newsboys' cries came in through the windows. As the time dragged on mings became more and more nervous. He hung around the operator and asked him 100 times if he was sure everything was all right. His excitement was intense. At last, when the editor was so wrought up that it was not safe

and the operator yelled out: "Mr. Cummings, the drop is falling!"
Cummings, who had been walking to and fro, suddenly stopped stock still. His form was rigid. His face worked, and his eyes blazed. Then he roared out at the frightened operator:

to speak to him, the instrument clicked

"How long does it take a drop to fall in Chicago? A roar of laughter from the reporters in the office relieved the tension, the operator shouted the exact time of the hanging, the foreman of the composing five minutes the paper was out.—Saturday Evening Post.

JAPANESE LACQUER.

It Is the Greatest Art In the Chrysanthemum Kingdom,

Professor Rein of Bonn university save n an exhaustive work on lacquer that 'among the many well developed branches of Japanese art industry lacquer work undoubtedly takes first place. In no other have the feeling for art and artistic ability of the Japanese their free play of fancy and their admirable perseverance and skill in executing their richly figured pictures, developed earlier and more." Japanese lacquer ware is distinguished the beauty and spirit of its decoration and principally by several valuable elements in the material itself, such as great hardness, in which it excels all others, without showing brittleness or cracking, for its luster and mirrorlike surface and its resistance to a number of agencies which attack and destroy common resinous lacquer varnish. Professor H. W. Vogel says the simple black Japanese lacquered dish is proof against acid and alcohol. Hot cigar ashes or even boiling water do not affect it. It is these charac-teristics which distinguish Japanese lacquers from European and American imitation, which are all prepared from resinous varnishes and have none of the properties of the Japanese product.

There is a great variety of single color Japanese lacquer ware—black, red, greenish yellow, green, brown of various shades, cloudy light green, dark green and a variety of other shades almost too

numerous to mention. There is a peculiar lacquered yellow woodenware made in Nojiro, a small own north of Akita, near the Japan sea, that differs from all other varieties, inasmuch as the natural grain of the wood is clearly shown and beautifully preserved, while usually the material used is entirev concealed beneath the opaque coating of lacquer. This ware is of a transparen yellow or brownish yellow color, through which the veins or spots of the wood show up under a high luster, which adds greatly to the beauty of the ware. Noiro Shun Kei, as it is called, is very expensive, and is seldom exported to this country. It is claimed that its method of workmanship is a trade secret that is ealously guarded by those engaged in its production.-Jeweler's Review.

Don't Be Critical.

Whatever you do never set up for a critic. We don't mean a newspaper one, but in private life, in the domestic circle, in society. It will not do any one any good, and it will do you harm—if you mind being called disagreeable. If you don't like any one's nose or object to any one's chin, don't put your feelings into words. If any one's manners don't please you, remember your own. People are not all made to suit one taste. Recallect that. Take things as you find them unless you can alter them. Even a dinner after it is swallowed cannot be made any better. Continual fault finding, continual criti-cism of the speech of this one and the conduct of that one, the dress of the one and the opinions of the other, will make home the unhappiest place under the sun. If you are never pleased with any one, ne will ever be pleased with you.-

Japanese Superstitions. Enlightened as the Japanese are in many ways, it still happens that in cases of sudden outbreak of disease religious festivals are organized with a view to propitiating the Supreme Power, and these functions have the effect of gathering together the people from infected as well as healthy localities, to spread in-

It is said that one's nose is an unerring guide to his character. Napoleon liked his generals to be men with aquiline

Doesn't Like the Way Political Matters Are Going.

C. A. Williams Says he is Done Voting Liberal and Knows Lots of Liberals Who Feel the Same Way.

To The Planet.-It was long ago noticed that bodies expand when heated or swell out, or they contract or shrink into less bulk when they are cooled. The above is appropriate to Irish Jack's letter writer. When Jack writes letters for The Planet he should confine himself to the over check bridle. When he stated the Iron King's shingles were loose on his upper story they. were just bristling with metaphor while his own were full of idle conceit and seifconceit and vain glory. As soon as that old pashacigar was lit and a meteorieshower. of ashes fell into their eyes he and his writer were like a whipped cock—they just had to duck their heads under their wings and take their medicine Jack says, "Come on McDuff." Well, he is right here and ready to state facts and deny contradiction. It is a fact well laid down that sometimes you can tool the whole country and some times the country may fool you but you can fool half Now, I am a British subject, born in the

township of Raleigh, live in the township of Raleigh, and have fought for the township of Raleigh. During the year of 1885 the writer noticed that large rebates on Government drains were being made to the easter townships and that Raleigh and Tilbury East were entitled to be as well used by the Government as those townships. The writer, along with Mr. T. L Pardo, our present representative, were both members of the township council of Raleigh, and also deputy reeve of said township in the county council. I moved a resolution, seconded by Mr. Pardo, that a delegation wait upon the Ontario Government in regard to this re-

Mr. Pardo, who is a gentleman above reproach, stated to the Raleigh council that the motion that C. A. Williams made should be entertained and looked into. The balance of the council being Liberals thought that would not do to let a man of the stature of C. A. Williams know more than they did, so I was blackballed as a crank. For the next four years succeeding 1885, I ran for councillor or reeve, and my plank was, we must have that refund. I was the laughing stock of such men as Irish Jack and also of much smarter men, but we got he refund of \$17,000, while Tilbury East got nothing with Mr. Hickey as their reeve, a strong supporter of the Hon. Oliver Mowat.

Then, again, we had low-lying lands

in the township of Raleigh as well as Tilbury and we could not grow crops with a certainty. I asked the town-ship of Raleigh to give my own and other low-lying districts a remedy, which they refused, as already known by all. The decision of His Honor Judge Bell, was carried to the Privy Council of England, and sustained by

that honorable body.

Now, right here I wish to state we in the county of Kent have the finest and to-day, especially in this reclaimed district, for the growing of of sugar beets. Yet I know of thirty families that had to leave the Maple ity in the space of two weeks. ounted one hundred and twenty acant buildings, because of no work. if such men as Irish Jack, and Solicitor White, backed up by G. G. Martin would agitate this sugar beet factory and ask the government to grant a bonus, we would save all the money that we pay for sugar in our own city, and give employment to those who are compelled to seek it elsewhere. Come boys, do some good,

if you have THE INFLUENCE with the government which you claim to have. Never mind bothering yourselves about the county court clerkship, but as a class of profession-al men do not avoid the duties that you owe to the Maple City personally. Agitate a pork-packing establishment, a beet sugar factory, and the manu-facture of binders and farm implements. This do, and you will perhaps have some influence with the farmers of the county of Kent at the coming election. Don't be like Irish Jack, thinking he is pulling the whole world along at election times, and at the same time not pulling a pound. I will tell Irish Jack that it was the Conservatives that put Mr. Pardo in office, and it was Raleigh and Dover that did it. I can tell that gentleman that I voted for Mr. Pardo, and I am a Conservative. So did Julius Labute, and the Reaumes (whole family). The Shadd school house, a strong Conservative division, voted Pardo, Did Irish Jack change all this for Mr. Pardo? If he did he will

NEVER DO IT AGAIN,

for we have found out that the great-est part of the Reform members—bar-ring Mr. Pardo, for he is a Raleigh man,—are a corrupt, unprincipled set of men, controlled in a large part by the whiskey element, and are thoroughly selfish as far as appointments and good, clean government is con-cerned. The writer is going to take a personal part, if alive, in the coming election. I am going to throw the weight of my influence, whatever it is, to the nomination and election of good men, and I am confident we can good men, and I am confident we can plunge into the very depths this entire whirlpool of deceit, bribery and political trickery, as it exists in both parliaments to-day. I would give most anything if I were gifted with the abilities of George G. Why, I should walk up to the mouth of the Liberat cannon and denounce Tarts as a traitor. I have had conversation with many pronounced Liberals, and they say if the Reform Government retain Mr. Tarte in the Cabinet the party need not expect their votes.

Mr. Tarte in the Cabinet the party need not expect their votes.

In the past ten years the local Government has been narrowing up and limiting our powers till most every office or position of any kind, that once was the gift of the municipal councils are now centred in the Government at Toronto subject to a party head leader. It will be thus seen at a glance that at election times the Government has an army of men that hold office under them well equipped with money, and generaled with license inspectors, commissioners, bailiffs, division court clerks, registrars, police magistrates, and in fact all offices that are in any way beholden to



of a medicine. Many "tonic" and of a medicine. Many "tonic" and "stimulant" preparations, which have no real medicinal value, seem to brace up the users when they are feeling "played out." Any stimulant will do this whether bought at the liquor store or drug store. The true test of a medicine is when life itself is staked on its correctly power. In hundreds of such remedial power. In hundreds of such cases Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery has been the means of saving life when even the "family doctor" pronounced sentence of death.

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IS THERE A FARMER in the county of Kent that does not love his municipal privilege to vote for the man of his choice? But if this same continues, instead of the county councillors electing the clerk and treasurer, it will be done at Toronto, with the sanction of the head leader. The old Family Compact of former days has been succeeded by a new one. as I believe, more grasping in its way Before bringing my letter to a close I wish to make an appeal to the fathers and mothers and sisters of all good thinking people, whether they be Grit or Tory, to the disgraceful act of the Dominion parliament, if true, of dis-franchising our brave boys who went to South Africa, where many have laid down their lives in defending the best and truest nation on the face of God's green earth. I make an earnest apeal, and I do it with heartful emotion. Down with all traitors, and when the Dominion elections come on go and cast a vote in favor of Chas. Tupper, the old veteran, who upholds Canadian rights and British fair play. I appeal to the old men also, of the county of Kent, who stand with one floot on sea and the other on solid land, to remember that this is our native land and that no traitor can on it stand and hold a cabinet office.

I hope Jim Holmes may get the clerkship, as the writer would not take it at any price. I want to live a free C. A. WILLIAMS.

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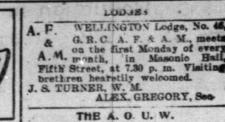
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