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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1.

A GOOD MOVE.
Several of Chatham's King street grocers have decided to hereafter close their establishments at 6.15 in the evening, Saturdays excepted, with a view to enabling their clerks to have the evenings to themselves. From seven in the morning until six in the evening, is a good day's work, and the consideration of the merchants for their clerks is worthy of commendation.

PRESTON LOSES.
It will be remembered that, in the recent investigation into the Cook charges W. T. R. Preston—the gentleman who sent the historic telegram "Hug the machine for me"—gave evidence. He was asked if his uncle, the late John Rochester, had not said that he wouldn't believe him (Preston) on oath, and replied that Mr. Rochester's statement was the result of a family feud, and that when his late uncle was on his death bed he had asked for his (Preston's) forgiveness. Whereupon John E. Rochester, a son of the late uncle, wrote a letter to the Ottawa Journal denying Preston's statements in reference to his (John E's) father, and stating that the father entertained the opinion that Preston was "a polished scoundrel" and a "rogue." For the publication of that letter, Preston sued the Journal for damages for libel. The defence was justification, and the jury was not long in finding a verdict for the defendant.
Mr. Preston now has his character established by a court of law.—Hamilton Spectator.

EMILE ZOLA AND THE ANGLO-SAXON.

It will probably be a long time before the true literary status of Emile Zola is settled, for the war between the realists and the impressionists may not be ended before the dead novelist's books have been forgotten, as forgotten they probably will be. Amongst Anglo-Saxon people Zola has never had aogue, for several reasons. The translations of his works have usually been completely inadequate, and not one reader in a hundred could cope with the author's French. Those who did found that there was little indecency in the works, although there was much holding the mirror up to nature. When all is said and done, people of our blood do not like this. We do not like to read of vice; we do not like to read of grossness. We are not so blind nor so ignorant as not to know that they exist, but we see no good in discussing them. It is for this reason that the clearest of Zola's books will last the longest with us. La Débâcle will live, for it is a particularly intimate examination of the conditions producing and surrounding the Franco-Prussian war. Anybody might read it, and anybody with judgment and imagination will profit by it.—Toronto News.

FREE TEXT BOOKS.

The following from the Ottawa Citizen is well deserving of consideration at the hands of our own Public and Separate School Boards:

There seem to be many strong reasons why the local public school board should adopt a system of free text books. Here are a few of them as they strike The Citizen:

1. Free school books would effect a saving of time. Under the present system of individual purchases a delay of a week or even more is not unusual at the opening of terms. This loss of time involves indirectly a large loss of money.
2. Free school books effect a very great saving to a very large number.
3. By free school books the habit of respect for public property is taught.
4. Free school books increase school attendance and remove class distinctions.
5. Free school books remove the

Nothing Tastes Good

And eating is simply perfunctory—done because it must be. This is the common complaint of the dyspeptic.

If eating sparingly would cure dyspepsia, few would suffer from it long.

The only way to cure dyspepsia, which is difficult digestion, is to give vigor and tone to the stomach and the whole digestive system.

Hood's Sarsaparilla cured Mrs. Frances Blodin, Pembroke, Ont. Ben. Webb, Clinton, Ont., and W. A. Nugent, Belleville, Ont., all of whom suffered greatly from dyspepsia. Mrs. Blodin writes: "I am fully cured." Mr. Webb: "It worked like a charm, restored a healthy appetite and toned my whole system." Mr. Nugent: "I cannot praise it too highly for the good it has done me."

Hood's Sarsaparilla
Promises to cure and keeps the promise. Don't wait till you are worse, but buy a bottle today.

necessity of any child having to wear a badge of pauperism.

Objection is made to the system of free text books because it increases taxation, however slightly. What if taxation should be increased? Can any one name a more legitimate purpose for which to levy taxes. Can any one name an investment that will yield a better income? Is there not an adequate return in the increased general intelligence and morality of the people; in their improved thrift and self respect and the greater prosperity and security of the community?

La Patrie, Tarte's organ say: "The Globe no more represents in its attitude towards the minister of public works the feeling of the Liberal party, than it did when a short time ago it offered to the Tory party a coalition without even consulting the premier or any member of the Rose government. The Globe, which made this false step and committed this indecency, reproaches Mr. Tarte with having accepted a banquet at which a Conservative member assisted. It is thus that the Globe carries on politics."

HEROIC MEASURES.
Toronto Telegram.

Ottawa is to have a business man's club, and it should still have another club to put its city council out of business.

A KICK COMING.
Toronto Star.

We never know how much we drink until the prohibs figures it out for us. Then we feel as if some one else must have got part of our allowance.

THE IRON HEEL OF DESPOTIC TRUSTS.

London Advertiser.
With fuel and food controlled by combines the lot of the common people is not much better than in the days of the thumbcrew and rack.

AN IRISH VERDICT.
Exchange.

A coroner's jury in Ireland delivered the following verdict on the sudden death of a merchant who had recently failed in business: "We, the jury, find from the new doctor's statement that the deceased came to his death from heart rupture, superinduced by business failure, which was caused by speculation failure, which was the result of failure to see far enough ahead."

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And no wonder, for the quality is unsurpassed and the prices very moderate. We want you to know that there is always something here for your comfort and satisfaction. We save you the advantage of our experience in buying and our care in selling. You'll feel better if you come.

Our suits and overcoats at \$10.00 are better than ever. You know what that means. Overcoats \$5.00 to \$17.00. Suits \$5.00 to \$17.00.

We are sole agents for Canada's foremost clothing manufacturer, established 1868. This is sufficient guarantee of the kind of clothing you may expect.

Meynell's

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WILL HAVE TO FACE THE MUSIC.
Hamilton Spectator.

If the cabinet is harmonious when it meets, it will be with Tarte.

DAN'S GRATITUDE.
Toronto Star, Grit.

The hoarse whistle of Dan McGill's caddy's dredge is now heard applauding the views of Mr. Tarte.

NOT COMPLIMENTARY.
Goderich Signal, Grit.

If anything should happen to Laurier the premiership would go abegging so far as Ontario is concerned. Quebec has Tarte, Nova Scotia has Fielding, New Brunswick has Sifton, the Northwest has Sifton, but Ontario has nobody.

NO MAN LIVES UNTO HIMSELF.
Toronto Star.

The conduct of mine-owners and miners in the Black Country of Pennsylvania touches the lives of people in Canada who thought they had no interest in the coal industry, and were in no way concerned in the coal strike. The headlines in the newspapers held our attention for a moment, but it was no affair of ours, and so we passed on to the local news, the market reports, and the bargain day announcements. What have we in Canada to do with mining matters in the United States? Is not Canada a great country, the brightest jewel in the British crown, geographically one-half of the American continent, and in the variety and richness of its resources the least of half? What does it matter to us that American monopolists and miners are in dispute over some petty question of service and wages? We are independent, and our strongly-built wall of Protection safeguards us against intrusion or disturbance. But no man lives to himself, and no country is independent. In our modern life, men even the poor pretence of independence can be kept up. Suddenly, and with sharp surprise, we are made to understand that the distant coalmining strike is our affair. Our home comforts as well as our business and our bank accounts are interfered with by this disturbance in the Pennsylvania coal fields.

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Have you failed to get permanent relief? Are you tired of the frantic with neuralgia pain? If so, why not use Peison's Nerviline? It is the only neuralgia remedy that has never failed to cure even the worst case, and it will surely cure you. Five times the strength of other remedies, it penetrates the tissues, and drives out the pain instantly. Quick relief, sure cure. Large bottles 25c.

TO SAVE HIS MOTHER'S LIFE.

Menominee, Mich., Sept. 30.—August Siefeld, who lived in the "sugar bush, eight miles from this city, was beating his wife with a poker, when his son called on him to desist. The old man paid no heed to the warning, and the son raised a shotgun and fired. The entire charge struck the father in the side, resulting in almost instant death. The son then went to Peshigo and gave himself up.

GREAT TEA DRINKERS.

The Maritime Province people use about six pounds of tea per head, or say about thirty pounds per year to an average family. They are also said to be great judges of tea, and this must be a strong recommendation for Red Rose, which is the principal Tea used.

In the smith's house the knife is wooden.

Messrs. C. C. Richards & Co.
Gentlemen,—My daughter, 13 years old, was thrown from a sleigh and injured her elbow so badly it remained stiff and very painful for three years. Four bottles of MINARD'S LINIMENT completely cured her and she has not been troubled for two years.

Yours truly,
J. R. LEVESQUE.

St. Joseph, P. Q., Aug. 18, 1900.

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Here has its special features. At all times in every department, we aim to give as good as, if not better values than you get elsewhere. But there's a daily changing of exceptional opportunities—of special values, of new arrivals, of offerings to great to be continued long. In order to start off October month with a rush, we place on Sale Thursday Morning

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THIS MAN DIED TWICE.

Frankfort, Ind., Sept. 29.—Rev. Elijah R. Johnson, one of the most widely known Methodist ministers in the west, died at his home in Mulberry, 10 miles west of here, Sunday. He was 70 years old. He had the distinction of having died twice, according to the opinions of noted physicians. His first supposed demise was in

June, 1869, while he was pastor in Lafayette, Ind. He was overcome by nervous prostration, and after a week's illness, apparently died. Dr. Kiefer, then one of the state's most noted physicians, pronounced him dead. The body lay three days while arrangements for the funeral were made. Rev. J. W. Joyce, now Bishop Joyce, had charge of the funeral service. The services had proceeded to the conclusion of the Scripture lesson and

the preacher had just uttered the name of Johnson, preparatory to pronouncing a eulogy, when a sudden gust of wind blew a door shut and the supposed dead man sat up in the coffin.

Many attempts had been made to get Johnson to make a statement as to his sensations during his cataleptic state. His invariable reply was: "What I saw then I shall never tell to mortal man."

ON THE ROAD TO SUCCESS

THE Southern Pacific Railroad Co. has issued \$15,000,000 in bonds to change 2,000 locomotives from coal to oil burners. New York, Chicago, Philadelphia and all large cities are using quantities of fuel oil. The demand will exceed the supply by thousands of barrels annually. This means big profits, big dividends and Big Advance in Price of stock in the Eastern Consolidated Oil Co.

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