## The Serap Bag. Room

Grandma October Is quiet and sober. And she's grown rather faded and

But she is so kind, We boys, you will find, Like her better than pretty Miss May: For she brings us ripe nuts,

just as brown as brown eyes, And great rosy apples, and sweet pumpkin pies.

The first time Polly saw a nailbrush with rows of bristles on the sides, she exclaimed: "Why, see: This nailbrush has whiskers."

-Youth's Companion

It has recurred to me more than once, since taking charge of this department, to wonder if persons engaged in that portion of newspaper work which includes a constant watchfulness and daily perusal of the great rolling tide of contemporaneous literature, might not be likened to the tea-tasters of large mercantile houses, who are required to sample personally an brands of tea. I think I have seen it somewhere stated that men who stick to this profession become such a bundle of nervous diseases that at last they drop to pieces. What, I wonder, is the effect upon the human intellect, of being asked to gulp down day after day, year in and year out, a sort of dry chowder that chokes, of which the principal ingredients are:

Mush of Slush-6 drams. Moldy Chestnuts, ground up fine-4 ounces.

Sentimentality, diluted with Dish Water-4 drams Black Lies, colored with Cochineal-5

Essence of Originality and Intellect-1-2 grain.

In the making out of the above bill of fare, perhaps I was thinking more

of the average woman's paper, and that column devoted to the ladies in so many great dailles, Talk About Tea Tasters! A few columns of the stuff supposed to interest women is enough to put one's nervous system in a state of confliction with the scheme of the universe for a fortnight. What should we women do, I wonder, without those Reviews written by men and for men? Our knot hole in the fence through which, with straining gaze, we catch our gleams and glimpses of that great prize fight in the arena of the world, where men are knocking one another down, and fighting and falling and rising to fight again, ready and willing to die, if necessary, for their principles, illusions, fads and superstitions: and then to hear the gentle voices of the "Aunt Marjories" and "Cousin Ruths" in "Ladies' Companions" and "Homes" and 'Hearths' pleading with us to come that the claim was just. The clause learn how to make lemon meringue pies and little worsted socks! Hardly, my dears! What is going on behind this knot hole is much too entertaining to leave. "The world is very interesting. The times are waxing late." and how shall we be contended to vegetate with such a din and uproar going on in the world about us, such a battling, belabouring, bellowing and banging of all the opposing factions, creeds, sects, non-sectarians, old and new, on the vulnerable portion of their respective, very respectable bodies. I think we shall not be content at all. This knot hole is not going to satisfy us much longer. The fun is waxing so warm

Women regard marriage as a goal; men look upon it as a stepping-stone.

that we are impatient, and soon (very

soon) we shall be tearing down the

boards of the fence which separate us

from that great contest. Already a few

of us are on the top of the fence, and

when once we are over, why, then, let

Max Nordau, and all other heavy slug-

gers beware!

When a man brags that he is selfmade he forgets to apologize for the

"Which stands the higher in your country, the politician or the literary man?" asked the visiting Englishman. "Oh," answered the careless native, "they are about even, I guess. One gets vindicated and the other gets syndicated."-Indianapolis Journai.

Actresses' jewels are not permanent. They seem to have the faculty of taking wings and flying away.

They had ribbons all over their luggage and the young woman's back hair was full of rice. The porter approached the happy-

looking young man and said: "Dah's er present foh you, wif de compliments of de road."

"What is it?" "A map and a timetable."

"Ah-thank you. And what are these marks in blue pencil?" "Dem is de important pahts, sah, dey

shows jes' whah de tunnels is."-Washington Star.

..... DAILY HINTS TO HOUSE-KEEPERS.

No hope so bright but is the beginning of its own fulfilment. -Emerson.

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DINNER—Roast Tripe, Boiled On-ions, German Potatoes, Baked: Tomatoes, Celery and Cabbage: Salad, Southern Corn Bread, Cur-

rant Roly-Poly Pudding.

SUPPER—Dried Beef in Cream:
Gravy. White and Graham: Gravy. White and Granam Bread. Sponge Cake. Blackber-

ROAST TRIPE.

Clean the true carefully, washing well; soak in salt water, changing several times. Prepare a dress-ing of highly seasoned bread: crumbs, spread over tripe; roll over the narrow length. Secure in roll. Roast in hot oven an hour, basting with hot water and butter.

TO FRY TRIPE. Cut in slices; boil tender; dip in : butter; fry light brown. Season : t well and have orisp.

Make a Grant of \$200 to Thomas Evans,

Whose Child Was Bitten by a Mad Dog.

An Uneventful Evening With the Council.

A Great Deal of Discussion About Minor Matters.

Chrysanthemum Show Nex: Month-Civic Insurance Again-Will Divert Hunt's Millrace-Circus License Increased.

The regular meeting of the City Council last night was very uneventful and rather prosaic. Minor matters were dealt with entirely, and the proceedings were only enlivened once by Ald. Garratt, who had some fun of a personal nature with Ald. Pritchard, which was resented very warmly by that gentleman. A grant of \$200 was made to Mr. Thomas Evans in a manner which would not prejudice the city. It will be remembered that Mr. Evans was put to great expense because of his little daughter being bitten in his own yard by a stray mad dog. All the

aldermen were in their places. COMMUNICATIONS. A number of young men petitioned for a room in the East End Hall, to be used as a "pleasure club." No. 1. O'Neil & Co., through their solicitors, Macbeth & Macpherson, claimed damages for injuries done to a horse through an alleged hole in the planking of the bridge over Carling's Creek at

Pall Mall street. No. 2.
D. Buckley applied for admission to the Aged People's Home. Granted. John Macpherson applied for the use of the City Hall on Nov. 21 and 22 for the chrysanthemum show of the Forest City Horticultural Society. Granted. J. E. Marghetts, provincial secretary of the Salvation Army, sounded the council on the question of renting the East End Hall for Salvation Army

purposes. No. 1. Mrs. Nichol, Mrs. Cowan (per A. B. Long)-For remission of taxes. No. 1. A SHORT REPORT.

No. 2 committee presented a short report, containing three items. The first recommended the payment of \$10 to A. McRae for damages alleged to have been caused by the firemen driving through the Orange procession or July 12 last. Chief Roe reported adversely on the claim, but the committee decided to recommend the payment rather than bear the expenses of a lawsuit. Ald. Pritchard and Ald. Carrothers vigorously opposed payment, and Ald. Dreaney and O'Meara held

was adopted. The second clause, increasing the transient traders' licenses from \$10 to \$50 was carried without opposition. The report of the committee on the

question of paying \$25 for the Queen's Park lights on the evening of the teamsters' picnic stated in excuse for having ordered the lights that the committee was of the opinion that the matter was referred to it with power. The question then resolved itself into one of fact. It was pretty well threshed out, the minutes as well as the memory of almost every alderman being brought into requisition.

Finally the clause was adopted with the requisite two-third vote, and the city will pay for the lights. DISPUTED BAND CONCERT.

The first clause of No. 2 committee's report recommended the non-payment of the claim of Francis Graham for injuries alleged to have been caused by a defective sidewalk. Engineer Graydon reported that the city had no knowledge of the sidewalk being out of repair. The clause was adopted after a fusilade of qusetions had been answered by the chairman of the com-

Clause 2 recommended that Charles N. Perrin be not paid for the concert of the Hussar Band Ald. Garratt strongly urged the pay-

ment of the claim. Ald. O'Meara said that the band had been granted the use of the park to hold a concert and make a collection to defray expenses. Ald. Carrothers said that he did not

think Ald. Wm. Heaman would ask the band to give a concert and then go back on his word. He therefore believed in standing by the chairman.

The clause was then adopted. Clause 3 reported adversely on the question of opening up a road near Weston street, and the council upheld the decision of the committee. Clause 4 granted J. S. Pearce & Co. \$35 towards the expenses of replacing a drain on their trial grounds.

the existence of which is rendered necessary by drainage from the public street Aid. Garratt strongly objected to North's concrete tile being mentioned in the clause. Why should the North tile be chosen instead of that of Mr.

Anthistle, Mr. Bowman, Mr. Cameron, or any of the other makers. Ald. O'Meara explained that by motion of the council, Mr. North's tender for a certain size of tile was accepted, as also was that of Mr. Anthistle for

a larger tile. Ald. Weld thought that the amount was too small if Mr. Pearce was going to drain city water. Ald. O'Meara said that the drain was on private property, and the amount

liberal enough. Ald. Pritchard and Ald. Garratt both objected to the method, and Ald. Parnell stood up for the clause, which was

WILL DIVERT THE MILL RACE. Clause 6 recommended the diverting of Hunt's mill race, the acceptance of the deed of the mill race property offered gratis by Hunt Bros., and that the street railway company be offer-ed the sum of \$300 to do the work on condition that they make a 66 foot

street Ald. Jones advocated getting rid of the bridge for \$300 if it could be done. The city, he said, had made a mistake in taking over the bridge. It had always been a bill of expense. After a great deal of talk as to lia-

bility for subsequent damage, in which Ald. Brener, Jones, Garratt. Skinner and Carrothers took part, the clause was adopted. Manager Carr expressed himself as satisfied to make the change for the sum mentioned.

Clause 7 recommended that draymen be obliged to stand their carts paral- retained for six months. lel to the street. Several objections were offered, and the clause was referred back. To bolster up the expended street and passed.

finally that \$2,000 be transferred from the following accounts: Streets and general improvements, \$1,300; sewers and culverts, \$500; steam roller, \$200. Ald. Carrothers moved that the

clause be struck out and some halffinished general improvements be com-pleted in No. 2 ward. Ald. Skinner seconded. Ald. Parnell defended the course of

the committee. The streets had to be kept clean and tidy, or they would pecome a disgrace. Ald. Wm. Heaman said that No. 3 ward was all right, and was looked after by the member for the ward, his

colleagues, to the contrary, notwithstanding. The clause was adopted, as also was the report as amended

A \$200 BITE. Five clauses of No. 1 committee's report were adopted without discussion. The talk commenced over the question of paying the expenses incurred by Mr. Thomas Evans, whose daughter was bitten by a mad dog, and who incurred

nearly \$300 expenses in securing the Pasteur treatment. The clause did not recommend anything is the matter, and simply presented the solicitor's letter, stating the city was not liable.

Ald. Garratt moved, seconded by Ald. Pritchard, that \$250 be granted Mr. Evans. Ald. O'Meara favored the grant, providing it could be done without prejudice to the individual aldermen.

Ald. Garratt laid great stress on the

fact that nearly \$1,500 was annually

received by dog tax.
Ald. Marshall favored a grant, but wished it done in such a way that it ! would not be said that the dog taxes were collected to pay similar claims. Ald. Parnell moved that \$150 granted. Ald. Marshall seconded. Lost. A motion to refer back by A'd. O'Meara was also lost, and one by Ald. Carrothers and Skinner that the sum of \$200 be granted as charity, which would be without prejudice to the city,

WHO IS LIABLE? The next clause referred Hellmuth & Ivey's letter re strengthening the Wharncliffe highway railway bridge to

was adopted.

Ald. O'Meara said that the matter should be left between the street railway and the G. T. R. companies. city should have nothing to do with the expense, as there was nothing in the bylaw to make the city liable. Ald. Powell said that good authority held the Grand Trunk to be liable, but the city could not afford to antagonize

the company at the present time. Several motions were made, but that which found most favor was one to refer the matter back for reconsidera-

QUESTIONS OF TAX REDUCTION. Mr. J. B. Laidlaw, of Laidlaw, Watson & Co., was heard in support of the firm's application for the reduction of taxes and water rate, which No. 1 committee recommended to be filed. Mr. Laidlaw said that his taxes amounted to a little over \$100.

Then Ald. Marshall moved that the taxes of the firm be fixed at \$200. (Laughter.) A motion by Ald. Dreaney to refer

the matter back to No. 1 to bring in a fixed rate was lost. Ald. Marshall said that he believed that Mr. Laidlaw's petition was merely a protest against the practice of allowing exemptions. He himself might some day begin an agitation to do with the practice, as by it one man clearly paid the taxes of another. The motion to file the application was

adopted. Rev. E. N. English was also heard in support of the petition of the Hell-muth Ladies' College for a reduction of the water rate.

The clause recommended the granting of the request by reducing the charge to \$100 (exclusive of meter rent and annual payment on account of capital investment, amounting to \$220 Ald. Jones moved that the clause be

filed. The city had dealt generously with the college, and if the members of a certain denomination would support it as liberally there would be no necessity of Mr. English asking for a reduction.

Ald. Weld moved that the annual charge be but \$100, striking \$220 (the rent of meter and annual payment on account of capital expenditure) off the account. Ald. Garratt said that the rate of 5

cents net enjoyed by the college was equal to the lowest city rate, and Mr. English should be satisfied. Ald. Carrothers moved, seconded by Ald. O'Meara, that an allowance of \$120

be made on this year's bill. Carried. CIVIC INSURANCE. The aldermen had been congratulating themselves on getting through early, when they lost three-quarters

of an hour in settling a disputed account for extra street watering done during Fair week by M. Baldwin. Mr. Baldwin's bill was \$18, and the council adjusted matters to their satisfaction by granting him only \$6 as commensurate with the labor perform-

ed. Rain prevented the complete fulfillment of the contract. Ald. Carrothers next strongly ob-

jected to the insuring of civic employes. Ald. Pritchard seconded his motion to strike out the clause. Ald. Powell pointed out that the

scheme was only good business fore-sight. By act of Parliament the city was liable for the safety of its employes, and the insurance of policemen, firemen, etc., was absolutely necessary. He pointed out that under a phase of insurance law the city could also insure itself against any cost of possible lawsuits arising out of trolley fatalities.

Ald. Skinner asked what the cost of the policy would be.

The mayor replied that it would be in the neighborhood of \$300 annually. Ald. Jones said that this class of insurance was carried by almost all employers of labor. Lately the city had had to pay a bill for lawsuits which would pay the premium for years. Ald. O'Meara put the matter in a nutshell, and silenced several objectors by pointing out that the scheme was not to insure the lives of employes, but to protect the city against the possible claims of employes. By the scheme the insurance company, in-

stead of the city, became liable. The clause was adopted, and No. 1 committee will again call for tenders. WINDING UP.

Several queries relating to the manner in which the street railway com-pany is filling in their roadbed were asked by aldermen, and satisfactorily answered by the engineer. Ald. Carrothers moved, seconded by Ald. Brener, that the street crossings

torn up by the street railway company

be replaced forthwith. Carried. A bylaw was passed raising the circus license from \$100 to \$200. The pavement bylaw was read a first time. All citizens desirous of opening the asphalt pavement for any purpose shall by it be obliged to bear the ex-

pense themselves, and to deposit a stated sun (probably \$1) per square foot as a guarantee that the work will be properly finished. The deposit will be The last bylaw legalized the change of location of the Central avenue elec-

tric line. It was read a third time cleaning account, it was recommended | Adjourned at 11:15 p.m.

THE BRIDGE BROKE.

Thirty People Are Injured and Three

New Orleans, Oct. 22.-A horrible calamity was narrowly escaped here Sunday evening, and as it is, there are about 30 persons suffering from injuries, more or less serious, while there are fears of three people being drowned. The disaster was caused by the breaking down of the little iron bridge which leads from the Algiers ferry-house to the floating wharf, where the ferry-boat is accustomed to land. Missing-Annie Missina, aged 8 years;

Mary Lauer, aged 7 years, and an unknown woman. Injured-D. Meehan, F. C. Champagne, Joseph Alfino, J. J. Carroll, Mrs. August Campbell, Mrs. Mossa, W. S. Garvey, Miss Sarah Condon, Mrs. P. McMahon, Miss Laura Wagner, John Courtney, Joe Gregory, Miss Lulu Lawman, Henry Acker, Ralph Patton, William Brooks, Louis Margioskey, Thos. Lunday.

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