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The Liquor Plebiscite.

We do not intend at present to discuss the question of separating the liquor traffic from the grocery trade by compelling holders of shop licenses to carry on the sale of liquors in places where no other business is done.

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We do not object at all to the statement that the Elgin reciprocity treaty was not liked, or we know the reason why, too.

The old treaty provided for reciprocity in natural products only. Nothing else was nominated in the bond.

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for in the Canadian statute book, writing only similar action at Washington to bring into effect. It was further suggested that it might be well to add salt and lumber, but to this the American gentleman replied that their powers were limited to inquiry with regard to coal and iron ore only.

From the Iron Age we learn that the movement originated with coal, iron and railway operators on the other side, who met in New York on Dec. 27 last and organized under the name of "The association for reciprocity in coal and iron ore."

The Iron Age further says that there is reported to be a strong organization of capitalists at Cleveland who are in favor of having the duty on iron ore reduced, notwithstanding the fact that they control mines in the Lake Superior region.

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and get them out of the way. The government of Ontario should bundle them right back again with their pauper infants. Hundreds of our best citizens have been severely taxed this winter to support the scrapings of Irish poor houses, but when it comes to asking this city to receive, provide for and shelter girls of this class it is too much of a good thing.

In this city the other day a family held a wake over the wrong corpse, and a woman at the hospital grieved over a man who she believed to be her husband but who proved to be an entire stranger.

The Globe's cable despatch yesterday from London says that the Canadian government is taking a course likely to damage the country's credit by linking its fortunes so closely with the railway.

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on the international if any company could possibly be thought to take it as a gift from the government, on the understanding that it should be continuously operated. Why deceive ourselves by using names? The twenty-two and a half millions are to be given as a subsidy, and there is neither the expectation of receiving on the one hand, nor the intention of giving on the other, the slightest return in the shape of interest.

Your reference to the Grand Trunk in this connection is an unfortunate one for your argument. That corporation was aided, and aided, and aided by loan after loan until its debt had amounted to something like \$20,000,000.

I fail to understand your bogey of a New York stock market. The New York stock market is not for months hawking their shares and their credit by linking its fortunes so closely with the railway.

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the capacity of the human stomach was enormous, and no gasometer did more justice to the products of food than the consumer himself. With regard to the increased prices now charged for butter, he understood that these had brought about a large decrease in the jam trade.

The heavy tea sales recently reported from New York were mostly of a speculative character. The gains and losses will be settled without the actual transfer of a chest.

The Montreal Gazette of Monday says: "One of the principals of the Toronto branch of a New York and a Japan tea house was in this city on Saturday inspecting some of the principal teas in stock, and the hope is expressed that he will open fire right and left. If he could only be induced to bag those old Japanese which have done such good service on our coast, there might be a bargain for him, besides providing a happy guttural for present holders. Stocks in this city are very large, and as soon as the country demand is met, the market will be cleared of the present advance, prices are cheap."

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