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FRIDAY, JAN. 17.

OUR FOREIGN NEWS SERVICE.

The Planet thinks there is certainly ground for the strictures of the Saturday Review on the character of the British news furnished to the press of Canada through the United States channels. Much of it is colored to suit the American market, with no thought of the Dominion. We have often to alter the wording of the despatches supplied us, which are charged with a pronounced contempt for British sentiment.

If the Saturday Review saw those despatches as they appear unedited in some of our contemporaries, it does well to protest. A day or two ago, for instance, a despatch as it appeared in our contemporaries spoke of Chancellor von Bülow's unwarrantable attack upon Mr. Chamberlain as a "rebuke administered" to the latter, and of a certain article in a German imperial organ as a "snub administered" to Great Britain.

These are mere matters of phraseology, but are calculated to mislead where they do not offend. Still worse is the rubbish greedily gathered from yellow sources, for the sake of being more "newsy" than one's neighbors. Opinions of the joint correspondents who serve some papers, are, of course, subject to the blue pencil, but it is sometimes difficult to eliminate animus.

There has been a great improvement of late, however, in this respect. The better class of newspapers in the United States are becoming more exacting with regard to facts, and less tolerant of opinions sent in the guise of news. But there is still plenty of room for improvement in the general service as regards Canada. The origin of the trouble is with a certain type of journals in New York, which have flaming sensations every day, which sensations are unguardedly reproduced. A special Canadian news service would hardly mend the matter, as, even after the great expense had been incurred, newspapers would not deny themselves the news matter, good and bad, which comes to their hand so easily through the American press.

The plan of a government subsidy would hardly work well, as news so supplied would clearly be open to an opposite suspicion.

LIFE'S HAS-BEENS.

A man pointed to an express wagon horse standing on Yonge street, writes Charles F. Raymond, in the Toronto Star, and said: "That horse has been a good one in his day; he was a racer once, but now you could buy him for a song."

And I went up to the old fellow, and patted him for his past. And as I stroked his neck he turned his head and looked with a mournful eye, for petting was not what he knew best.

In the past, thousands had watched him as he warmed up to the race, criticized his form, and admired his beauty. They had risen to cheer him as he had flashed down the stretch, and under the wire, with nostrils distended, mane and tail flying, and a winner. They had seen him blanket, rubbed down, and walked about to cool, and cared for kindly.

But here he was without a blanket, without care; thin and miserable. The driver came from a store, and jumping on the seat he pulled his whip, and the horse tried to go faster than his usual slow old trot, but he couldn't, though the blows were cruel ones.

Oh, the pathos of the has-beens! How the world, forgetting all their splendid past, drives them on till, stumbling along, they fall for the last time, and rise no more.

Be kind to the once-were, for you and I, my friend, are hurrying on to the general wreck of humanity, and some day they will surely point to us and say: "There goes a has-been."

But better be a has-been than a never-was.

Years ago there lived in Hamilton a prosperous merchant whose heart

was as kind as his acquaintances were crafty, and in the middle-age he woke one day to find his place a wreck. To forget it all he drank, and with the drink came added poverty, poor clothes, the appealing eye, the trembling hand, and uncertain gait.

And many passed the other way when they saw him, forgetting that it was kindness of heart that brought him there.

But some remembered. And because they remembered the day of his prosperity and kindness, they secured him a home, and to-day, with his hair whitening, he is without want, saved from poverty, a poor old has-been.

On a farm in Wellington County is a splendid home, and just by the orchard in another field is the log cabin built by the man who cleared the land, and old and bent, seared and seamed, he sits in his new home, and often looks through the deepening shadows at the old, old house, with its windows gone, its crevices opening, and the floor wrecked and rotten. The peewee builds on the ledge over the fireplace long deserted, and the groundhog has made his home far beneath the rotten floor. The winds of winter sough drearily through those open eaves, and the snow falls silently, a carpet of spotless white for the home he loves. For the old man does love that home, for it is a has-been; and he, with his white hair, is a has-been, too; and sometimes when the day is bright he walks to the open door and through it, and looks at the open fireplace, and, looking into its dark mouth, dreams of the day when his arm was strong, of the time when he was here, when they both looked into the grate, cheerful and hopeful, in the heyday of youth.

But her body is in the church plot, and he must join her soon, and, reflecting, he walks slowly home, filled with that pleasurable sadness that you know, and I know, too.

And I walked through a church not long ago, where the pulpit was old and the dust was deep; no sexton's tread was heard, no voice save mine and the answering echo, no prayer, no preacher, no choir, no song.

But I knew that many souls had been helped, many lives brightened, between these four walls, and I took off my hat, and walked softly because of the has-beens.

ABOUT DIVORCE.

That was a significant step taken by Chief Justice Meredith the other day, at the trial of a man and a woman accused of bigamy, points out the Woodstock Express. The man had gone to the United States for a divorce, and, having secured it, married another woman, who knew that his divorced wife was still alive. His Lordship took the case from the jury and dismissed it, holding that the man had gone to the United States for a divorce, "because of the injustice of the Canadian law, which limited the granting of divorces to parliament, where nine-tenths of the people could not afford to go if they wished to be free of an unhappy marriage." There is no question that our divorce law is absurd. It exists for the benefit of a class. Only those who can afford to spend considerable money can afford to take advantage of it. The only argument that can be urged in favor of it is that it discourages divorce; but surely the same end could be aimed at without the maintenance of obnoxious class legislation. Let the causes for which divorce may be secured be restricted as much as may be desirable; but let the law exist for the benefit of all, rich and poor alike.

As it is now the law exists for the benefit of the rich only. As Chief Justice Meredith put it, nine-tenths of the people are debarred from taking advantage of the law, no matter how much they may wish to be free of an unhappy marriage, or how strong the grounds for release. There is no need to make divorce popular in this country. Let the causes for which divorces may be secured be few and well-defined, but let the law be open to all.

There is one good point about Chamberlain's speeches. You know what he means.

We were afraid our esteemed citizen, N. H. Stevens, was doing some damage down there in West York.

The Conservative majority in the senate is reduced to five. The Reforming of this senate has nearly been accomplished by the Grim Reaper.

Detroit is also busy at the popular task of signing petitions. The people of that city to the number of 16,000, are petitioning Roosevelt and Queen Wilhelmina to arbitrate the South African question. Detroit ought to be near enough to Canada and familiar enough with British sentiment to know that this petitioning is a waste of time and utter foolishness.

SEVEN TO ONE

Sometimes the weight goes up that way when taking Scott's Emulsion. Seven pounds of new, healthy flesh from a one pound bottle of Scott's Emulsion is on record.

Scott's Emulsion brings everything to its aid; good appetite, strong digestion, rich blood, new body strength, and above all the power to get all the good out of ordinary food. For those who are in need of more flesh there is nothing better. Thin folks—try it!

We'll send you a little to try, if you like. SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, Toronto

At Hamilton ladies quite frequently attend the meetings of the City Council. What's the matter with the attractiveness of the Maple City aldermen or do the ladies in this metropolis not appreciate eloquence and oratory?

BETTERLIFE!

London News.

If Joe Chamberlain was dead tomorrow, no man could truthfully say he ever crawled.

DOESN'T EXCITE PERSONAL ANIMOSITY.

Hamilton Spectator.

It will be a long time before Post Laureate Austin will write anything with vim enough in it to annoy somebody.

CHAMBERLAIN IS ALL RIGHT.

Hamilton Spectator.

If the reader will permit a temporary lapse into slang we'll take the liberty to say that Chamberlain is the stuff. When he intimated that the statesman who is beloved by foreign nations is not the statesman for his own nation, he said what every student of recent British history knows to his sorrow.

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Among the many beverages sold, safe and unsafe, when you drink the MAGI Caledonia Water, anywhere, you know it's right all the time. Sold everywhere

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To pay off mortgages. To buy property. Very lowest rates. Pay when desired. Will also lend on note and chattel. J. W. WHITE, Barrister, King St. West, Chatham.

—After the grip, pneumonia or typhoid fever, take Dodd's Kidney Pills—it restores health and strength.

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Some Startling Bargains for Saturday

Goods you are likely to need at about half their worth. The greatest values of the season in fresh seasonable goods. Come to the Busy Store and share in these extraordinary money saving opportunities.

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| 40 pairs, Ladies Fine French Kid Gloves, in black and the leading colors, sizes 5 1-2, 5 3-4, 6, 6 1-4, 6 1-2, 6 3-4 and 7, regular price \$1.25 a pair. Saturday, 50c | 15 only, Ladies Black Satin Belts—Rich quality, ornamented with gilt and steel jets, regular price 75c each. Saturday price, 25c | 15 pieces wrapper flannels, fine heavy quality, in good assortment of patterns and colorings, sold regular up to 15c a yard, Saturday 9c. |
| 20 pieces Silk Velvets, Plushes, and Velveteens, assorted colors, sold regular, at 40c to 75c yard. Special Saturday, 12 1-2c | Men's underwear at 25c each—2 dozen men's Scotch knit shirts, heavy union quality, double breasted, saten facings, regular price 40c, but slightly soiled, special Saturday at each 25c | Ladies' coats at your own prices. Stylish coats clearing at \$2.48, \$3.48, \$3.98, \$4.48, \$5.48 and \$6.90. |
| 5 pieces French Cheviot Dress Goods—superior all wool quality, heavy weight, 48 to 52 in wide, in rich shades of mid and dark brown, regular price \$1 per yard. Special Saturday, 50c | Camel's hair tams—3 dozen only fancy camel's hair tams, large range of styles and colorings, regular value up to 75c each, clearing Saturday at 39c | 1 only caprine Electric Seal and Muskoon, extra full size, rich quality, heavy satin lined, large head and tail trimming, regular \$25, clearing Saturday at \$10.00. |
| 10 doz. Zephyr Windsor Ties, in assorted plaids and checks, clearing Saturday at each 1c | 1 piece cream camel's hair cloakings, 54 inches wide, fine heavy quality, suitable for children's wear, regular price \$1.25 yard, special Saturday 60c | 1 only Sable caprine, superior quality, large collar, rich satin lining, trimmed with eight large Sable tails, regular price \$30, Saturday \$18.00. |

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1 Berliner Gram-o-phone, worth \$15 for \$12.

6 Ladies' Solid Gold Watches, worth \$25 for \$15 each,

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Over fifty years a household remedy for Burns, Sprains, Wounds, Bruises, Coughs, Colds and all accidents liable to occur in every home.

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From Capt. P. L. Lyle, Police Station No. 4, Montreal:—"We frequently use PAIN-KILLER for pains in the stomach, rheumatism, sciatica, frost bites, chilblains, cramps, and all ailments which befell men in our position. I have no hesitation in saying that PAIN-KILLER is the best remedy to have near at hand."

Used Internally and Externally. Two Sizes, 25c. and 50c. bottles.

The D.P. Emulsion

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Will GIVE YOU AN APPETITE! TONE YOUR NERVES! MAKE YOU STRONG! MAKE YOU WELL!

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Your Wheat, Beans, Barley, Oats, Corn, Buckwheat and Grass Seed to the Blenheim Mills, Blenheim, or at Kent Mills, Chatham, where you will get the highest cash price.

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WRITE YOUR NAME AND ADDRESS PLAINLY.

There is nothing like Asthmalene. It brings instant relief, even in the worst cases. It cures when all else fails.

The Rev. C. F. Wells, of Villa Ridge, Ill., says: "Your trial bottle of Asthmalene received in good condition. I cannot tell you how thankful I feel for the good derived from it. I was a slave, chained with a paralytic more throat and asthma for some ten years. I saw your advertisement for the cure of this dreadful and tormenting disease. Asthma, and thought resolved to give it a trial. To my astonishment the trial acted like a charm. Send me a full-size bottle."

REV. DR. MORRIS WECHSLER, Rabbi of the Cong. Bnai Israel, New York, Jan. 3, 1901.

Drs. Taft Bros., Medicine Co.

Gentlemen,—Your Asthmalene is an excellent remedy for Asthma and Hay Fever, and its composition alleviates all troubles which combine with asthma. Its success is astonishing and wonderful.

After having it carefully analyzed, we can state that Asthmalene contains no opium, morphine, chloro-

Feb. 5, 1901.

Avon Springs, N. Y., Feb. 1, 1901.

Dr. Taft Bros. Medicine Co.

Gentlemen,—I write this testimonial from a sense of duty, having tested the wonderful effect of your Asthmalene, for the cure of Asthma. My wife has been afflicted with spasmodic asthma for the past 12 years.

Having exhausted my own skill as well as many others, I chanced to see your sign upon your windows on 130th street, New York, I at once obtained a bottle of Asthmalene. My wife commenced taking it about the first of November. I very soon noticed a radical improvement.

After using one bottle her Asthma disappeared and she is entirely free from all symptoms. I feel that I can consistently recommend the medicine to all who are afflicted with this distressing disease.

Yours respectfully,

C. D. PHELPS, M. D.

Shareholders' Meeting

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