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LORD MILNER IN CANADA.

Lord Milner has delivered a series of speeches to Canadian Clubs in the course of his leisurely journey across the continent, and in some respects has agreeably disappointed his hearers. His hostility to the grant of self-government to the Transvaal, and his reputation as a foremost advocate of Mr. Chamberlain's ideas, led many of us to expect from him a theory of imperialism, or some opinions on that subject, which would conflict with a large body of Canadian sentiment. While a staunch imperialist, he did not outline any rigid or mechanical scheme of imperial unity. He frankly acknowledged the utility of any policy of centralization which would weaken Canadian control over Canadian affairs, or limit Canadian development in any form. For instance, he rejected the argument advanced by many so-called imperialists, that this country should make a money contribution to the British admiralty. He did not believe Canadians would consent to appropriate money in the expenditure of which they would have no voice. For sound political reasons he favored the alternative of a Canadian navy, upon a plan which would make it a factor in imperial defence. Similarly, he advised the organization of the military forces of the various states of the Empire upon the same lines. While each state would have full control over its own military and naval forces, these should be co-ordinated for imperial purposes.

So far, Lord Milner has been in agreement with Canadian opinion. He looks forward, however, to the creation of an Imperial Council, dealing with interests common to the Empire; and it is here that he enters on more debatable ground, by raising the vexed question of imperial federation. However, he does not advocate taking such a step immediately or in the near future, but thinks circumstances will lead up to it. His suggestion is that the different countries of the Empire shall begin doing some big thing together and that the necessary organization will develop naturally and logically. His plea for a system of mutual preferential trade again raises a difficult problem. Canada is prepared to complete the experiment in which she has taken the initiative, but many Canadians doubt whether a system which would bring into conflict great producing interests in Great Britain and the daughter nations of the Empire, would strengthen imperial ties.

Lord Milner must be thanked for a cogent definition of imperial sentiment. He thinks that in Canada and the other daughter states it should take the form of loyalty to the Empire as a whole, instead of to the mother country.

POLICEMEN AS PEACEMAKERS.

The city of Cleveland, Ohio, is just conducting an experiment in dealing with minor offenders against the law, which is attracting much attention. For some years past that city has had a method of its own of treating misdemeanants, sending them to a farm, maintained for the purpose, where they are taught to be good citizens, the aim being reformation and not punishment. Its latest efforts are in the direction of dealing with offenders without arresting them or requiring their appearance before a magistrate. To accomplish this the police are given wider discretion, so that arrest is only a matter of last resort. Officers are encouraged to act as mediators in settling minor disputes, street quarrels, etc., and are empowered to use their own judgment in dealing with cases of drunkenness and disorderly conduct. The experiment has been eight months in force, and in that time, according to Mr. J. J. Kelso, superintendent of neglected children for Ontario, who is taking a special interest in Cleveland's experiments, the number of arrests in the city has dropped to 7,381, as compared with 20,592 in the same period last year.

Any system that will lessen arrests and save men and women from the disgrace of appearing in the prisoner's dock, is to be commended, if the same ends can be gained by another process. Except in the case of the criminally-hardened arrest is a positive injury, and has meant the ruin of many a lad who might otherwise have been redeemed. As an example of this, Mr. Kelso relates the case of a youth of nineteen years who was sent out by his employer to collect money. He retained \$11, and this being discovered, the police were notified, he was arrested at his boarding-place, taken to the police station, remanded to jail, tried, convicted and

sentenced to sixty days imprisonment. The youth was repentant, wept bitterly, and offered to pay back the money if given an opportunity. His employer relented and was agreeable to a compromise, but the magistrate held that as he had betrayed a trust he must go to jail. After his discharge he was quite indifferent, being assured, as so many young fellows are, that he had paid the full penalty. Moreover, he had formed the acquaintance of others in the same predicament as himself, who persuaded him that he had a grievance against society, and ought to avenge himself. Without employment and having no desire to meet former friends, he threw in his lot with outcasts, and is today a confirmed criminal. Had discretion been exercised this boy might have been saved.

Given discretionary powers a level-headed policeman would be able to patch up many a difficulty without the necessity of anyone appearing in court, and society would be the gainer in consequence.

THE CANNERS' COMBINATION ACCUSED.

The Toronto Star makes serious complaints against the canners' combination. It alleges that this body hampers the freedom of the middleman; makes it almost impossible to establish or maintain a canning factory outside of the organization; squeezes the grower of vegetables in the matter of price paid for those on the one side, and puts a still harder squeeze on the consumer of the finished product on the other. Consumers of canned goods will this year, says the Star, pay 40 per cent more than the actual value of the goods, as determined by the cost of production.

The Star cites a case in Western Ontario to show that growers suffered ruinous loss. Through the exertion of tomato-growers a canning factory was established in the locality in question, the intention being to run it on an independent basis. This was soon found to be extremely difficult.

The combine was powerful enough to hamper the sale of goods from this independent factory to such an extent that the institution was obliged to close down in the middle of the past season, and growers found themselves with a crop which it had cost probably \$50 an acre to produce, left on their hands and wholly valueless. One grower had 400 bushels of the very finest stock and every tomato grown by him was left to rot on the ground. Another case is reported from Eastern Ontario, where a few growers erected a small canning plant and produced excellent goods, but found that no sales could be made to wholesalers, who did not dare to touch the stuff because of iron-clad agreements which bound them to handle only trust-made goods.

The Star says that these evils are made possible by the tariff of 14 per cent per pound on American canned vegetables, and it calls upon the Dominion Government to apply the remedy by reducing or abolishing the duty. The members of the canning combination cannot afford to ignore these charges. If there is another side to the case, the public should know it. The Government cannot allow any organization of producers to abuse the privileges conferred upon them by the tariff, but it should be certain that there are evils to justify the sudden exposure of an important industry to a flood of foreign competition.

This city is not slow in some things. It has a hospital that would be a credit to a city of 200,000 people.

The American tariff is to be revised by its friends. It is safe to say it will be manipulated very tenderly.

A letter signed "Lawyer" will be published if the writer will send his name as a token of good faith.

The electors were rather hard on Mr. Borden in serving him with so large a dish of crow on the eve of Thanksgiving.

King Edward, who owes his position to his pull with Laurier, was 67 years of age yesterday. Which reminds Canadians that Laurier himself will be 67 next week.

"Les Cloches de St. Boniface," the official organ of Archbishop Langevin of Manitoba is very angry over Laurier's victory. It has the sympathy of the Orange Sentinel.

Sir Hugh Graham, of the Montreal Star, ought to be well satisfied. He has had an apology from Mr. Borden and a knighthood from the King in the space of six weeks.

A United Stateser has been granted a divorce because his wife joined a baseball club. The ex-husband is said to be the only living American who has repudiated the national game.

The Century Magazine has suppressed an interview with the Kaiser by request of the German foreign office. Even to the elder statesman of his own country, he has become the "Enfant Terrible."

ONE OF THE "HAVE-NOTS."

(Indianapolis News.)
Not being one of them, it makes us pretty sore to learn that 30,000 men own half the wealth of this nation of 90,000,000 people.

IMPORTANT POINT.

[Judge.]
Biggs—I'm afraid I am working too hard.
Diggs—When are you working?

NOT A LIBERAL APPOINTEE.

[Ottawa Free Press.]
It is a good principle to avoid prejudicing the case of any man before judgment is rendered upon his case. But it can do no harm to point out that J. U. Gregory, the former agent of the Marine and Fisheries Department at Quebec, whose methods Judge Cassels is now investigating, was a Conservative appointee, having been nominated on July 1, 1885.

WHISKERS.

[Washington Post.]
The beard of the physician, that silky bluff of dignity and wisdom, is doomed if the health commissioner of Topeka has his way about it. He asserts that the flowing whiskers of the family doctor are death-conveying germ carriers, and that modern hygiene requires physicians to be smooth-shaven of chin, jaw and head.

A NOVEL MAUSOLEUM.

[Tribune.]
Stranger—That hat of yours has seen some service, I reckon.
Undertaker's Man—Ay, young fellow, I've buried a good many people in that 'at!

THE SIMPLE SONG.

[S. E. Kiser.]
He wrote a little lyric from his heart,
While youth still claimed him and ere manhood came.
To bid his simple, boyish hopes depart
And cause him to have dreams of deathless fame.

He travelled far and studied well and long,
He delved in dusty tomes and won degrees.
He sought to solve the mysteries of song,
To charm with flowing, flawless rhapsodies.

He mastered forms, and for the critic's ears
Wrought with a graceful and a facile pen,
But in his lines there was no trace of tears,
No cry nor call to stir the hearts of men.

We read his simple little lyric till,
And, reading, have the thrill of youth again;
His flawless odes and studied sonnets fill
Nooks where dust is permitted to remain.

WHAT SHE MIGHT BE.

[Chicago Record-Herald.]
"What would woman be without her hair?"
"Well, she might occasionally manage to be on time."

CONTEMPT ALL ROUND.

[Brockville Times.]
It is said in England that there is in Canada a contempt for Englishmen. It would console the people in England somewhat, if they could hear the biting contempt of the western Canadian for the eastern Canadian; or if he could get a glimpse of the contemptuous dislike of Newfoundlanders for Canadians generally. The detestation of the westerner for the Ontario is genuine and profound. And we haven't any idea how unpopular we are in the ancient colony of Newfoundland.

FRAZZLE.

[New York Times.]
The noun "frazzle," with its accompanying verb, "to frazzle," will now take its place in the dictionary. "We have been beaten to a frazzle," the President remarked on Monday. The word was not new, but previously it had not had the sanction of a patron of the language. The election returns the significance of the word is made manifest. Mr. Bryan and his cohorts now know what a frazzle is. They have been beaten to the very limits of one.

ST. THOMAS' WHITE ELEPHANT.

[St. Thomas Times.]
If ever a city was burdened with a white elephant on its hands, St. Thomas has one of the Jumbo variety in its street railway system. Every day it costs a paying, even a self-sustaining proposition, has had no effect in increasing the receipts. Not that any radical efforts have been made to get rid of the monster, but a paying, even a self-sustaining proposition, has had no effect in increasing the receipts. Not that any radical efforts have been made to get rid of the monster, but a paying, even a self-sustaining proposition, has had no effect in increasing the receipts.

WHAT IS AN EGG?

[Western Christian Advocate.]
Master—What part of speech is the word egg?
Boy—Noun, sir.
Master—Is it masculine, feminine or neuter?
Boy (perplexed)—Can't tell, sir.
Master—Is it masculine, feminine or neuter?
Boy (looking sharp)—Can't tell, sir, till it's hatched.

TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE.

[Puck.]
Bronson—I understand he painted coats on the ceiling so perfect that the maid would herself out trying to sweep them down.
Johnson—There may have been such an artist, but there never was such a housemaid.

A FUZZY FEELING.

[Harper's Weekly.]
In the soft twilight of a summer afternoon mother came upon Young Hopeful standing in a brown study by the greenhouse door. His hands were clasped before him, and his lips were delicately parted.

"SO SWEET OF HER."

[Cleveland Plaindealer.]
"I notice that a leading actress telephoned that her automobile was broken down, and she couldn't attend a meeting of her creditors."
"Wasn't that sweet of her! Going to all that trouble for a lot of rummy old creditors."

A TOUGH STORY.

[Cleveland Plaindealer.]
"That was a dreadful tough story you sent me yesterday, Mr. Beebeigh."
"Was it, ma'am? You should have sent it back."
"Yes, I meant to, but husband was too quick for me. Before I knew what he was going to do he cut it up into strips and used it for hinges on the henhouse door."



Rip Van Winkle.

Large audiences were the rule yesterday at the theatre, and the Grand had large patronages at both performances. The attraction was that standard play immortalized by Joseph Jefferson, "Rip Van Winkle," and despite the fact that the play continues to have a great interest for theatre-goers.

It was belittling that one of the Jefferson family should perpetuate the role, and the appearance of Mr. Thomas Jefferson in his father's character was pleasantly commented on. The play is very familiar with the public. That Mr. Jefferson yesterday enacted the role to the pleasure of the audience is a tribute both to his ability and to his judgment in giving the play.

The cast was a good one, well balanced and capable. The work of the children, Gladys Egan and Oscar Johnson, was excellent. The play pleased all.

The Real Thing.

Another big bill at Bennett's pleased two of the largest audiences ever crowded into this pretty playhouse on Thanksgiving Day. There was a vast sea of people at either performance, and many were turned away, as it was impossible to crowd them in. The stage manager was compelled to refuse many applicants. The show itself was a big one, in keeping with the many good ones that have been seen at the theatre. Few more enjoyable entertainments have ever been provided theatre-goers.

Every act save one has merit, and the diversity of talents displayed gives everybody a good opportunity to have just what he wants.

The real headline is the military travesty, "The Battle of Too Soon," given by Kelly and Barrett. It is one of the best ever seen here, depending altogether on good acting and clever lines, not horseplay, to please the audience. The staging shows the general's tent on the battlefield. His aide, Careless Casey, comes in and reports to his head officer. Then for fifteen minutes they discuss the preparations for battle, studying charts, appointing officers and what not. The person who does not laugh at the dialogue would make a grave image look like a little merry sunshine. His place is not on this hemisphere. Kelly and Barrett are clever, the latter's Irish character work being excellent. They are assassins.

Character impersonations are a decided bore unless there is ability amounting almost to genius displayed. Charles Leonard Fletcher's impersonations are decidedly not a bore, but on the contrary are as clever—in fact, the cleverest of the kind ever seen here. His impersonations cover a wide field, and are excellent. His best piece of work is perhaps his impersonation of the blind soldier.

Good voices are a rarity on the vaudeville stage, but Miss Emma Partridge possesses a contralto voice the equal of which has not been heard in vaudeville in London. Of excellent quality, well cultivated and of splendid range, her voice made a good impression. Backed by a dainty personality and winning manners, Miss Partridge will make a good singer in vaudeville anywhere. She has had a wide concert experience, and has made good everywhere. Last night she was given a great reception, and will continue to be a favorite.

Johnson and Wells head a company of ten colored singers and dancers in the scenic production, "In the Sunny South." It more nearly approaches the old-fashioned "darkies" acts, with his eccentric ways and melodious singing, than any good company of colored performers has been seen here in years. It is refreshing. There is some excellent comedy work, some good singing, and altogether it makes a pleasing act.

Eckert and Berg are back again with their good singing and fine piano imitations. They were welcomed like old friends yesterday, and made as good an impression as on their former visit.

The Flying Martins have a marvellous trapeze act. They work fast, gracefully and make good every minute.

Smith and Arado have a little song and dance act that gets away fairly well, but the jokes are all ancient history.

The pictures complete one of the best bills of the year. Manager Driscoll guarantees it, and his guarantee is worth something here.

"Messenger Boy 42."

"Messenger Boy 42," a new play by Charles H. Fleming, will be given at the Grand on Thursday. The play is under the direction of the Charles H. Yale company, and comes with excitement and novelty. The story is that of Bessie Courtwright, a farmer's daughter, who dons male attire and takes the service of a messenger boy in order to secure evidence against a man who is plotting the downfall of herself and the financial ruin of her father. A number of high-grade vaudeville specialties are introduced throughout the play. The big feature of the play is the work of the nine Landseer dogs, who play parts in a manner that will convince anyone that they are almost human.

Fiske O'Hara.

"Nora McNamara," "Just a Sprig of Shamrock," and "See-Saw," are three of the songs which will be sung in "Dion O'Hara," the new romantic Irish comedy-drama which Charles E. Blaney will present at the Grand on Friday and Saturday, with Fiske O'Hara in the title role. They were written by Mr. O'Hara especially for this production. This will be Mr. O'Hara's last appearance as a star under Mr. Blaney's management, and he has more than proved himself worthy. His new piece this season is purely an Irish piece, and the entire act of the play takes place in the Emerald Isle. The usual matinee will be given on Saturday, when all children will be admitted to any seat for 50 cents.

PETROLEA JUNIORS

DEFEAT LONDON

The London-Petrolea game at Petrolea yesterday was one of the best junior games that the patrons of the sport have been able to witness for some time. Though London lost, giving Petrolea the series, it was not because they did not play good rugby, but it must be admitted that they could not put up as good an article as Petrolea.

London was strong in the line and held Petrolea backs with ease, but the fast outsiders of the Petrolea team repeatedly made things interesting for the Londoners' back division. If it were possible to lay London's defeat to Petrolea's back division, it would be the poor handling of the back division which fumbled considerably. Fortunately the players could rejoice in competent officials. Hayes and Robins, conducting the game to the satisfaction of both sides, in itself no mean task. The game was clean throughout

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS AT OAKLAND

Oakland, Cal., Nov. 9.—The winners in today's events were as follows: Cotoy 7 to 10, Aftermath 7 to 5, Mike Jordan 9 to 5, Woodcraft 8 to 5, Kermit 12 to 1, Anna May 9 to 5.

PETERBORO DEFEATED AT BASKETBALL

London Y. M. C. A. seniors succeeded in defeating the Peterboro Brownies in a rattling game of basketball at the Y. M. C. A. last evening. The play was marked by close and hard checking, which gave Peterboro a great advantage, as they are considerably heavier and have been working together for years. But London succeeded in keeping them at a distance, while they were enabled to bore in towards the Peter-

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Refers to Delmonico's, Wu Ting Fang (Chinese minister to the United States) and Lord Northcliffe, better known in this country as Alfred Harmsworth the British newspaper owner, were the principal guests. Mr. Wu was the first speaker, and his subject was "China, the Oldest and Newest of Empires." A plea for a universal language was the principal topic in the Chinese minister's address.

Forestry in Korea is to be taken up by the Government under new forest laws, said to have been enacted under a co-operative agreement drawn up by Japan and Korea. It is also reported that a Club, the birthday of King Edward school for Japanese, Korean foresters has been celebrated last night with a dinner established.

REMEMBERED THE KING.

New York, Nov. 10.—Under the auspices of the Schools and Universities and the Club, the birthday of King Edward school for Japanese, Korean foresters has been celebrated last night with a dinner established.