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### NO EXCUSE

The plea that "the other party is just as bad" would be no excuse if it were true. But the reverse is proven to be true in two of the cases tried in court.

In Muskoka Mr. Mahaffy was confirmed in his seat after a trial which showed no evidence of misconduct. Now Centre Bruce is declared to have been won fairly by Major Hugh Clark. No evidence whatever was offered in this case. Mr. Clark testified in his examination for discovery that he expended only \$70 on his election. This left no margin for the employment of "human devices."

It must make every decent-minded Liberal ashamed to hear of the dirty tricks which befell so many of their elections. Can any respectable church member continue to adhere to a party which stands for that sort of thing?

### PROPOSED PEACE CONGRESS.

It is said that President Roosevelt will be asked to issue a call for a world's peace conference similar to that held a few years ago at the Hague. The President is to be requested to take this action by the Interparliamentary Congress, which has assembled at St. Louis. It is believed Mr. Roosevelt has given assurance that the call will be issued.

This is a highly interesting announcement. Since the conference at the Hague there have been three wars. The United States has conquered the Philippines; Great Britain has destroyed the Boer republics of South Africa; Russia and Japan are fighting for supremacy in Southern Asia. Because the Hague conference did not immediately usher in the era of universal peace some cynical persons assert that it was a melancholy failure; that there is no use in having an international exchange of views for the purpose of promoting the cause of arbitration. There is no force in their objections. No important reform was ever effected without persistent agitation and persistent labor. Universal peace is an ideal which is well worth striving for. If it cannot be attained now it may be possible to persuade the nations to go to war only as a last resort and for a vital principle.

### MODERN BATTLESHIP.

Sir Hiram Maxim, the noted expert, was recently interviewed in London about the performances of the battle-ships in the present war. He does not consider that the Russians are as good fighters, man for man, as the Japanese, and that one Japanese ship is as good as any two Russians, considering the way they are handled. He does not think that it would be wise for the Japs to go into Port Arthur and attempt to sink the Russian fleet bottled up there, even if they lost only two ships, because then it would not be in a position to meet the Baltic fleet. Continuing, Maxim said:

"All the world knows that England is building two big battleships for Japan, but we are not allowed to deliver them until the conclusion of the war. The Japanese, however, having lost one battleship are always keeping a good distance away. They are acting very cautiously and endeavoring to preserve their ships until the Baltic fleet arrives, as of course, there is a possibility they may do. But if it does, it is extremely doubtful that the fresh fleet could overpower the Japanese."

"As to modern armor-plate, so far the present war has shown that armor is proof against the heavier guns at the distances which have invariably separated the fleets—from two to four miles—but if the ships got to close quarters it would be quite the reverse. Naval battles are now so different to the old days when the practice was for every ship to fasten on to its opponent. Nowadays, no two ships would remain afloat long at close quarters."

"It would appear to me on this side of the water that the old French saying that Nephew is always on the side of the Anglo-Saxon race is quite true, and I think we shall find that in the fighting in the far east the Japanese will show themselves as much superior to their enemies as the Anglo-Saxon has shown himself superior to the Latin races in the past."

"I do not see any reason why Japan will not in the immediate future become the Great Britain of the east. Its population is just about the same as England, Scotland and Ireland—40,000,000. This war, without the least doubt, will be an epoch-making event. Heretofore, the Christian nations had it all to themselves, but in Japan we have a non-Christian na-

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tion that is showing itself superior to its Christian antagonist. The war will make us more tolerant as to the rights of the far eastern nations, and will make us allow them to acquire the same rights there that we claimed for ourselves."

### THE ART OF WARFARE.

Toronto Telegram.  
The only thorn to the blossom of any victories the Ottawa Government may win will be to hear Ontario's proud boast:  
"Cap Sullivan learnt 'em the art of warfare."

### HEROIC EFFORTS.

Guelph Herald.  
The heroic efforts of the pluggers of the Minnie M. to secure good government for the Soo should call forth from the head of the Mercury's morality department the ejaculation:  
"Bless you, my children!"

### HOW THEY SIZE IT UP.

Toronto News.  
From the comments of the Liberal press we gather that there was widespread, sickening but untraceable corruption in Muskoka, and a solitary, isolated and regrettable indiscretion in North Perth.

### SLINKING INK.

Guelph Herald.  
Surely our literature will be enriched and our politics elevated when Frank Sullivan and the editor of the Globe begin slinking ink at each other in a mad attempt to solve the problem—Who Are The Barnacles, and How Should They Be Removed.

### WHAT THEY CONDEMN.

Toronto News.  
The corruption condemned by the Liberal press is (1) all that which the Conservatives have perpetrated or are suspected of having perpetrated; (2) that portion of Liberal corruption which is admitted by a court to be established by overwhelming evidence and proof of agency.

### THE SOO REVELATIONS.

Galt Reformer.  
The revelations at the Soo election trial now in progress will bring the blush of shame to every honest Liberal. The desperate and disgraceful attempts of the local organization to secure Mr. Smith's election have well nigh encompassed the candidate's political undoing and involved the whole Liberal party in the odium which must for years attach to the Soo election of 1903.

### RUSSELL SAGE'S "FRUGALITY."

Exchange.  
Mr. Russell Sage attended a financial conference not long ago, at which Mr. Gates was present. After the business was completed, Mr. Sage suggested that inasmuch as the lunch hour had arrived all the party join him to a "frugal bite." The word "frugal" caught Mr. Sage's ear, and he assented. Mr. Gates led the way into one of the most expensive of New York's restaurants, and ordered what he termed "a neat little appetite-stayer, including some wine. Mr. Sage asked for a glass of milk and some biscuits. At the conclusion of the meal, Mr. Gates slipped a \$5 bill to the waiter and told him to keep the change. Mr. Sage calmly laid a 10-cent piece on the table and the watchful waiter picked it up and walked away. "Why, Uncle Russell, I did not know that you ever tipped the waiter," said Mr. Gates facetiously. "I never do," replied Mr. Sage, sharply. "That time was to pay for my luncheon."

### NOT GUILTY.

Exchange.  
"We propose to show, gentlemen of the jury," said counsel for the defense, "that it is impossible for the defendant to have committed this crime."

"In the first place we will prove that the defendant was nowhere near the scene of the crime at the time the crime was committed."

"Next we will offer the indisputable testimony of persons who saw defendant on the spot and who did not see the defendant commit the crime."

"We will show that no poison was found in the body of deceased."

"Not only that but we will prove that it was put there by the prosecution in this case."

"We will furthermore show that the deceased committed suicide."

"And last, but not least, we will prove beyond the shadow of a doubt, that the deceased is not dead."

"In view of all of which corroborative facts, gentlemen of the jury, we respectfully ask for an acquittal."

Lifeway Soap—disinfectant—is strongly recommended by the medical profession as a safeguard against infectious diseases.

### SATCHEL OF THE SATELLITE

Chatham are the champions.

Poor Daddy Grace got battered, but we won.

Hurray for the Tecumsehs! They are the winners!!

The Galt people knew a good team when they saw one.

I'll tell you I think Frank Babcock is the goods as a team manager.

Jack McCoig wears a smile and the Chatham boys brought home Orillia money.

And the Grits still use the mails for the free distribution of political literature.

Mr. R. L. Borden quickly gave his temperance views. His statement was mainly and straight-forward.

"Let us heed the call to Consecrated Canadian Citizenship"—R. L. Borden to the people of Kent.

The lacrosse team and their admirers came home last night with cheering news. You could hear the cheers all along King St.

I guess when Will Coupland and Aussie Jahnke missed the train yesterday morning, the Chatham team left their hoodoo behind.

The Galt people covered all the Orillia money before Chatham arrived, that's why Galt feels so cordial towards Chatham.

According to law no one except the cabinet ministers can frank any mail after the gun fires for pro-rogation, but what do the Grits care for law.

John W. White said Borden was very good so far as he went, but that he didn't cover enough ground. The champion sprinter should be an authority on this point.

Of course it's not to be expected that Mr. Borden with one definite policy for all Canada should cover as much ground as Sir Wilfrid with a different policy for every township in Canada, etc., etc.

Tom Martin—Whoever is sending me that Grit campaign literature can save themselves the trouble and Canada the expense. It isn't doing me any good and I have to pay two cents to send my letters away just the same as ever.

T. A. Smith—I couldn't go to that Boer war show. I would have been sure to say something. Yes, I'm home safe and sound. I don't know whether I weigh as much, but I know I'm considerably lighter.

### ...SOCIETY...

### BLACK-BRACE.

Peterborough, Sept. 21.—A very interesting wedding ceremony was performed at the residence of the Rev. A. H. Brace, this afternoon, when his only daughter, Annie Arnold, was married to Mr. Arthur J. Black, of Chatham, son of Mr. William Black, of Abingdon, Ont. The ceremony was performed by the father of the bride, who is pastor of the Park Street Baptist Church, assisted by Rev. A. P. Brace, B. A., of Newtonbrook, brother of the bride, and Rev. M. McKinnon, of Gilmour Memorial Church. The wedding took place beneath an arch of flowers, and as the wedding party entered the drawing-room Mendelssohn's Wedding March was played by Master Lincoln Brace, the bride's youngest brother.

The bride was dressed in a beautiful gown of ivory silk, with berthe of satin ribbon on a ground work of lace and a shirred silk yoke of white roses. The bridesmaid, Miss Lillian Butler, of Hamilton, was dressed in a champagne silk voile over taffeta, and carried pink roses. The bride's mother wore a black silk voile dress over taffeta, with a berthe of real lace. The groom was assisted by Mr. Garfield Brace, of Toronto, brother of the bride.

After the wedding the guests, numbering over one hundred, partook of a dainty dejeuner, and the bride held a reception prior to their departure on the 5:10 C. P. R. train for a wedding trip including in its itinerary, Toronto, Newtonbrook, Hamilton, Brantford, London, and to their future home in Chatham. The bride's going-away gown was blue ladies' cloth, trimmed with black silk and buttons, with hat to match. She was the recipient of many beautiful gifts, those of the groom being a piano and a pearl crescent.

Mr. and Mrs. Black will take up their residence on Lacroix Street, on their return. Mr. Black is a tin-smith in the employ of J. C. Wanless.

### STEPHENSON-SUTHERLAND.

Hamilton, Sept. 21.—The marriage of Isabelle McLaren, daughter of Mr. Angus Sutherland, to Mr. George E. Stephenson, of Toronto, took place yesterday at the residence of the bride's parents, "Dunrobin," 181 Jackson street. The officiating clergy-

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man was the Rev. Dr. Fletcher, assisted by the Rev. J. D. Cunningham, M. A. The bridesmaid was Miss Jean Sutherland, cousin of the bride, and little Margaret Fisher, of Chatham, the bride's niece, was flower girl. The bridegroom was assisted by Mr. John A. Pettit, of "Balsam Lodge," Burlington, Ont. The bride was dressed in white poplin de chine, over taffeta. The bridesmaid wore cream crepe de chine; and the flower girl a frock of Swiss muslin. The house was beautifully decorated with pink and white asters. The bridegroom's present to the bride was a pearl sunburst, to the bridesmaid a pearl crescent, to the flower girl a gold bracelet, and to the groomsmen a pearl stick pin. Before the bride entered the drawing-room, Miss Annie Sutherland sang "The Voice That Breathed O'er Eden," and the wedding march was played by Mrs. James Pettit, of Burlington. After the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Stephenson left for the Eastern Provinces. They will reside in Toronto on their return.

### CANADIAN MANUFACTURERS.

Committee Meetings Arranged After Which Reception Was Held.

Montreal, Sept. 21.—The thirty-third meeting of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association convened yesterday at the Windsor Hotel. The morning was taken up with arranging the committee meetings of the various trades.

A reception was held in the afternoon, and the first business meeting took place in the evening. Rev. Dr. Barclay, pronounced the invocation, after which Mayor Laporte extended the welcome to the city to the delegates. Mr. McGill, president of the Montreal branch, and W. K. George, vice-president of the association, replied. The vice-president referred to the progress made by the association in three years, when it increased from 800 to 1,500 members. George E. Drummond, president of the association, then read the annual address.

### DISTRICT DOINGS.

#### TILBURY

Sept. 22.—Mrs. Hallett visited Miss Irwin, Chatham Public School, yesterday.

Mrs. Scriven, sr., leaves to-morrow to spend the winter with her son, Robert, at Springfield, Ont.

Rev. T. W. Blatchford, of Thamesville, will conduct the Methodist Harvest Home Services here next Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Uren, are visiting friends near St. Marys.

The dwelling of George Chalmers had a narrow escape Tuesday afternoon from fire. A young nephew of Mrs. Chalmers was playing in the basement with matches, and is thought to have started the fire, which burned through the floor in several places. The furniture was removed, the fire department called, to the scene, and the loss from smoke and water will be considerable. Mrs. Chalmers was attending the Borden demonstration in Chatham and knew nothing of the disaster until his return on the midnight train.

#### NORTHWOOD.

Quite a number from here went to Chatham last Tuesday to hear R. L. Borden, the coming premier, speak.

The harvest home supper in the Methodist Church on Monday evening was a decided success. There was a large crowd present and everybody enjoyed themselves. The proceeds of the evening were \$58.

James Reid has leased his farm for a term of years and will move into town.

Mrs. A. E. Osterhout and her mother, Mrs. Robinson, of Coatsworth, are visiting friends and relatives in the vicinity.

The prospects for a good bean harvest are poor.

There is not much wheat going in this fall.

There is a large crop of apples this year, but not many buyers.

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

At Chatham Grand.  
Romeo & Juliet—Sept. 25.  
Geo. F. Hall in "A Ragged Hero"—Sept. 28-29.  
Real Widow Brown—Oct. 1st.  
Princess Chic—Oct. 4.

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### ROMEO & JULIET.

Simville's scenic and electric production of the immortal bard's most beloved and popular play will be given in its entirety at the Grand on Monday, Sept. 26.

The plays of Shakespeare are the most widely read literary productions that have ever been written in the English tongue—or in any other tongue, the Bible alone excepted. If it were possible to collect a copy of each of the various editions that have been printed since Shakespeare's time a large library could be made of them alone. His plays have been translated into the language of all civilized nations, and they have been printed and circulated in almost every conceivable fashion. His plays have been enacted in every land that has a stage by actors of high and low degree. Even the Japanese have played Romeo and Juliet—and a peculiar Romeo and Juliet it must have been in the land of haki-kari. These facts show the immense popularity of Shakespeare as a literary force—greater probably than that of all other writers combined.

Every college that even pretends to liberal culture has the plays in its course of study. Congressmen quote from Shakespeare in their speeches; lawyers repeat his sayings in summing up their cases; divines weave his good and wholesome advice into their sermons. Many business men and women read Shakespeare after a hard day's work for relaxation and instruction. The vagrant, arraigned before the magistrate, holds up a well-thumbed volume, and tries to prove that he is respectable because he reads Shakespeare.

Why is Shakespeare every man's author? Why is there not the same interest attached to Johnson, or Marlowe, or the dozen other great writers of Shakespeare's time? Why do we read or see Shakespeare's plays at all?

It is because Shakespeare knew the human heart and soul as no other writer has known them; because he was not only a great writer, correct in form and artistic in expression, but also the greatest philosopher of all ages as well.

Those who are familiar with Shakespeare embrace at all times the opportunity to see any of his immortal plays. To those who are not it is a revelation—so far beyond the petty plays of modern dramatists from any and all points of view that there is no possible chance of comparison.

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