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### THE GOVERNMENT'S MEASURES.

The silly Telegraph expresses the opinion that the speech at the opening of Parliament does not promise much in the way of Government measures. Of course the Telegraph is bound to say this, but our foolish contemporary does not indicate any particular measure which ought to have been promised, but which has been omitted. As a matter of fact the measures promised are quite numerous and cover a considerable variety of topics. The bill relating to the franchise is certainly a very important one, and that subject being once more opened to parliamentary discussion at the instance of the government, it is by no means improbable that changes of a fundamental character maybe made in its provisions. The measures for improving the law of procedure in criminal cases, of which several are promised, are certainly important, and likely to take up a good deal of time, especially the one permitting the release on probation of persons convicted of first offences. This bill will probably be similar to the "ticket of leave" measure which was passed in England, at the instance of Lord Grey, in 1853. The bills promised to assimilate and amend the laws which now obtain in the several Provinces of the Dominion in regard to cheques, bills of exchange, promissory notes, and bills of lading, are likewise highly necessary to the commercial world. These, and the other measures promised, will make up a by no means inactive session, and Canadians generally will be well pleased that more legislation is not needed, and that there are so few matters in the Dominion that need amendment.

To oppose the legislation promised by the government, the opposition will have nothing to offer but their resolution of last year, on unrestricted reciprocity. This ridiculous fad is, at present, the only policy upon which the members of the opposition are agreed. Yet it amounts to nothing, for if a resolution favoring unrestricted reciprocity with the United States, should be carried in both Houses of Parliament, by a unanimous vote, it would not have the slightest effect on the legislation of congress. Liberal leaders dishonestly try to make their dupes believe, that in order to obtain unrestricted reciprocity with the United States, Canada has only to ask for it, whereas the truth is, Canada has been told, over and over again, that the United States will have no closer trade relations with us, unless as a result of political union. If the Liberal leaders are in favor of political union, let them come forward and declare their sentiments, but let them not deceive their followers into the belief that Commercial Union is possible without political union.

### HUNGERING FOR CANADA.

Our American cousins feel it very difficult to let Canada alone. They hunger for our broad acres, our magnificent agricultural lands, our splendid forests, and boundless prairies, our vast mineral resources and all the other treasures which a beautiful Providence has lavished on the Dominion of Canada. Almost every American in public life has something to say in favor of the annexation of Canada; almost every newspaper writer in the Union has spread himself in type on the same all absorbing subject. Not long ago a committee of the Senate of the United States, of which Senator Cullom of Illinois, was made chairman, was appointed to investigate the Commercial relations between Canada and the United States. Senator Cullom, in a speech made on Tuesday last, to both branches of the Illinois legislature, on the occasion of his re-election to the Senate, unbosomed himself in the following fashion:—

"As we all know there have been questions connected with our relations with the government that have been constantly annoying and a constant source of trouble. That is true with reference to our railroad connections between our people and those on the other side of the border. I expect a committee with which I am connected to investigate that subject during the coming summer if we are not kept in continual session at Washington. I am not going to discuss it now. I simply desire to intimate that my feeling is that the people of the United States should so control affairs as that eventually—not with war, not with violence—a policy will be adopted that will result in the end in planting the American flag upon Canadian soil. (Applause.) While today there is not much inclination to come together on the part of the United States and Canada, yet in my opinion it will only be a very few years before they will find the means whereby we will be all one country, and Canada, that stretches four thousand miles along our northern border, will become a part of the United States of America." (Applause.)

Senator Cullom does not express his desire to possess Canada in quite such offensive terms as are used by some of his countrymen, but the desire is there all the same. He wants Canada, and the members of the legislature of Illinois seem to want Canada also, for they were hearty in their applause of the speaker when he touched on this subject. But the very reasons which make Canada a desirable thing for the Americans to acquire, make it a desirable thing for the people of Canada to keep for themselves. The Americans evidently are unable to understand that any Canadian should have such a thing as pride of race or loyalty to his own flag, or we would not hear such proposals from them, asking us to surrender our birthright as British citizens and become part of the United States. But as this matter comes to be more discussed among them they will be given more plainly to understand, that a political union of Canada with the United States can never be, and that their hunger for our country and its great resources, must ever remain unsatisfied.

### SOME INTERESTING COMPARISONS.

In 1887, the Customs revenue of the United States amounted to $217,286,893, and the Interval revenue to $118,823,391, a total of $336,110,284. In the same year the Customs revenue of Canada was $23,378,800 and the Internal revenue $6,308,201, a total of $29,687,001. The revenue per head from these sources was therefore much smaller in Canada than in the United States. But it must be remembered that while all this revenue was disposed of for Federal uses in the United States, in Canada one seventh of the revenue went as subsidies to the Provinces for the support of the Provincial governments which, in the United States are supported by direct taxation. Of the U. S. federal expenditure $80,000,000 went to pay pensions to soldiers engaged in the late war, of whom there were 406,000 on the roll at the end of the fiscal year. As one of the great grievances against Cleveland's administration was his vetoing so many pension bills, and as the members of the Grand Army of the Republic, are mainly in favor of a service pension, it is impossible to resist the conclusion, that a service pension bill will be passed by the next Congress, giving a pension to every man who, served three months in the army during the Civil war. It is estimated that a measure of this kind would increase the annual pension expenditure of the United States to $200,000,000 or almost four times the net revenue of the country prior to the Civil war. Such an addition to the pension list would bring up the annual expenditure of the United States to about $400,000,000, a prodigious sum for a nation to disburse, which maintains so small an army and so mean a navy, and which does not contribute one cent to the support of the state governments.

### ST. JOHN, PORTLAND AND CARLETON.

The union of St. John and Portland does not seem to have received that impetus that was expected after the report of union was made public. As explained in THE GAZETTE last evening, the commissioners are not to blame for this. Their scheme of union is, generally speaking, a good one. The only real objections to it are those that were pointed out last evening; and they are not of such a serious character that they cannot be amended.

There is undoubtedly a strong sentiment in favor of union in all three places, but the union that is needed is one that will reduce the present rate of taxation instead of increasing it, and it does not require a prophet to foresee the defeat of any scheme of union or otherwise that will make any appreciable increase in the city debt of St. John. No one can deny the necessity for better streets in Carleton than the present thoroughfares, and none will question the desirability of paving the highway from Market Square to Indiantown. But the suggestion for a city which already owes in the vicinity of $3,000,000 to take upon itself the additional burden of $120,000 seems like asking too much.

### NOTE AND COMMENT.

It is rumored in London that the Yacht Thistle is being secretly lengthened with a view of again challenging for the America's cup. This rumor, however, is probably untrue for no British yacht is likely to cross the Atlantic again for that purpose while the present regulations, imposed by the New York yacht club, prevail. They appear to have been made with a view to prevent any more challenges being offered for the cup.

The street car strikes on the surface roads of New York and Brooklyn, have been attended by scenes of violence and bloodshed, which show how powerless the authorities of these cities are to grapple with disorders, and how the lawless elements are able to do pretty much as they please in the two cities. The right of a man to refuse to work for such wages as are offered him, is unquestionable, but when he attempts to prevent other men, who are out of employment, from doing so, he becomes a law breaker and should be dealt with in a summary fashion.

The Globe is quoting the views of Sir Charles Dilke on annexation, with the observation that he is "one of the shrewdest observers of events." Dilke is the man, who a few years ago, was proved, in a court of law, to have seduced the wife of his close friend, and no doubt this vile act commends him to the favor of the editor of the Globe. Sir Charles Dilke is an utterly discredited man in England, just as Ellis is an utterly discredited man in Canada, and the opinions of neither of them, on any subject, are worth a straw.

The courteous dispatch, which came yesterday morning from Vancouver addressed to the Telegraph, Globe, Sun and GAZETTE, has had a curious effect on the two first named papers. How to get clear of publishing the name of the hated GAZETTE was the problem which the Globe and Telegraph had to solve. The Globe solved it by omitting the names of all the papers to which the World's telegram was addressed, while the silly Telegraph showed at once the bad manners and the ignorance of its editor by not publishing it at all. We are truly sorry for the sad plight in which these two great twin-brethren find themselves.

The senate of the United States, by a close vote, has passed a resolution to designate their representatives to Great Britain, Russia, France and Germany Ambassadors instead of Ministers, as at present. The proposition was violently opposed by some of the representatives of the wild West who regard bad manners and ill fitting clothes as the proper equipment of an American citizen abroad. The House of Representatives will no doubt promptly strike out this resolution from the appropriation bill, in which it appears.

What a delightful law-abiding country the United States is, anyway. It is impossible to open a newspaper without seeing half-a-dozen crimes of violence recorded, which have resulted from political or race hatreds. The other day, John M. Clayton, a leading politician of Arkansas, was assassinated in cold blood. At Iberia, Louisiana, the night before last, a party of regulators rode into the town and hung a colored man named Rosemond, from the beam of the bridge, simply because he was colored; and now at Oklahama, a civil war is threatened between the U. S. soldiers and the boomers and land thieves settled there.

### HERE AND THERE.

Lady Eva Quin has just killed five tigers in Upper India.

Lady Morier, Sir Robert's wife, is an expert fisher for salmon.

Jeremiah Howard, aged eighty-five years, a man of all work at Mahattan College, 131st New York was found dead in his room at the college yesterday. The room was full of gas. A gas jet had become loosened and leaked.

The imperial astrologers declare that the recent fire in the Emperor's palace, at Pekin, is an evil omen, interpreted as a warning against the approach of Western inventions. As the result of this declaration an imperial decree has been issued prohibiting the further extension of the Tientsin Railway.

One curious effect of the strike in New York was the increased patronage of the city theatres that it produced. Every one of the big Broadway playhouses had an audience of generous proportions, although the managers had feared that the tie-up, especially on Broadway, would make itself felt in the box offices by a diminished attendance of patrons.

The hundredth anniversary of the incorporation of the town of Deer Isle, Me., was observed yesterday by a public meeting at the First Congregational church. A. A. Crosh presided and F. P. Spofford and C. W. Bryant delivered historical addresses. The village was elaborately decked in bunting. One hundred guns were fired at sunrise.

A dispatch from Port Townsend, W. T., says that advices from Alaska say the winter there has been so far a very discouraging one to the people of the Territory owing to the severe storms. The heaviest snow storms since 1875 have occurred this winter, and owing to the depth of snow traders and hunters, have suffered great hardships and much delay in preparing for the coming hunting trips.

Two men, apparently drunk, were seen on Congress street, Portland Me., yesterday and later one was observed to choke the other, throw him down and snatch his pocket book. The officers were notified and soon arrested both men. John Harrington, who stole the pocket book claims to belong to Boston, John Graham, a Canadian, was the man robbed. The pocket book and $730 in money were found on Harrington.

At a special term of the supreme court at St. Johns, Newfoundland, a true bill has been found against Parnell, who killed his partner, Sillars, a short time ago. Mr. Sillars was found dead in a chair in his office one morning, while his partner, Mr. Parnell, was found at his home in charge of a physician, who was endeavoring to save his life, he having taken poison. A business quarrel was supposed at the time to have led to the killing of Sillars and Parnell's attempt at suicide.

The Princess Louise is at work on a statue, which is to be erected in Kensington Gardens and which will represent Her Majesty as she appeared on that morning in June, 1837, when it was announced to her that she was Queen of England. The Princess Victoria on this occasion appeared in her night garment, with a shawl loosely thrown over her shoulders, and it is this costume she appears in Sir George Hayter's well known picture.—Country Gentleman.

Two school children perished in the storm at Aberdeen D. T., Friday night and a third is not expected to survive the exposure. The party consisted of two little boys and an older sister aged eighteen, all belonging to a family named French. It appears their brother started for them but could not make his team face the storm and consequently gave it up. After waiting till dusk the three children started home, but lost the road and wandered in the deep snow until exhausted.

Mr. Edward Goschen, the younger brother of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, about whom there has been some talk as possible successor of Lord Sackville at Washington, is a charming diplomatist, who is now first secretary of the legation at Stockholm. He is one among the many who has married American wives, and those who know him say that he would probably be a great success at Washington. The step up is, however, rather high, but the appointment is not impossible.—Pall Mall Gazette.

Emma Barclay, a pretty brunette, aged fifteen, daughter of Henry Barclay, of No. 100 East Grand street, Elizabeth, N. J. has eloped from the city with the nineteen-year-old son of Philip Rushmar, a well known liquor dealer. Mr. Barclay has notified Chief Austin, and wants his daughter taken into custody. The couple left town Monday night and are supposed to have come to this city. The girl's father is furious over the escapade, but the liquor dealer, takes it philosophically and says the runaways will turn up all right.

The Prince of Wales is going to Berlin in the spring to pay a formal visit to the Emperor in his military capacity as colonel in chief of the Blucher Hussars. Etiquette requires that this visit should be paid before the Emperor comes to England. Emperor William will come to England on a visit to the Queen as soon as the year of mourning for his father is over. It is probable that the Emperor will be Her Majesty's guest at Windsor early in July for a few days, and while in London he will reside at Buckingham Palace, but his stay in the country will not exceed ten days.

Mrs. Anna Raas, a widow with three small children, slept last week for four nights on the ground in the rear of a tumble down tenement in St. Louis, Mo., which she had formerly occupied. The rent was only $5, and failing to pay this sum, she was evicted last Tuesday. Her possessions consisted of a stove, some bed clothing and kitchen utensils. The unfortunate widow placed her children under the clothes and went about the streets applying for work. They slept in the open air from Tuesday until Sunday night. Saturday night the temperature fell to 10 above zero, and at three o'clock in the morning a policeman stumbled on the family huddled up in the bed clothing with the snow beating down upon them.

The height of ocean waves in a gale is a topic of which your deep sea yachtsmen is bound to take an interest in. It has been said that few waves in a heavy gale ever exceed thirty or forty feet in height. But now comes a captain of the marine who, according to Land and Water, has taken careful observations as to the height of ocean waves in a gale. He made them during a voyage around Cape Horn, and to do it he went up in the main rigging to get, if possible, the top of the wave coming up astern to a line of sight from the mast to the horizon at the back. It was a difficult operation, but the captain obtained some good observations, marking the height of the waves on the mast. On making the distance from these to the mean draught he found them to be as follows:—Sixty-four, sixty-one, fifty-eight and sixty-five feet respectively, varying in length from 750 to 800 feet.

### CRISP CONDENSATIONS.

It is stated that the United States government has paid more money in the investigation of the disease of hogs than it has for all the diseases affecting the human race.

An Italian named Antonio Boggie, lately keeper of a peanut stand at Amsterdam, N. Y., has fallen heir to an eighth of a fortune of $500,000 left by a relative in Italy.

A person is not a man in Corea until he has a wife. Boys and bachelors part their hair in the middle, and it is braided in a strand which hangs down the back. When a boy is married he has the right to cut off his hair.

The hind buttons used on the coats worn in America cost $2,320,000 a year, and are of no earthly account. Think of how many bars of soap that money would buy! And soap is something that you feel the direct benefit of.

James Price, of Oconee, Ga., dreamed that if he would go to Athens on the second day after Christmas he would find a draft for several hundred dollars awaiting him. He went, and found the draft awaiting him according to his dream.

There are in South Carolina 15,000 whites who cannot read or write, an equal number in Tennessee, 20,000 in Georgia, 20,000 in Alabama, 15,000 in Missisippi, 30,000 in Louisiana, 20,000 in North Carolina and 25,000 in Virginia.

Experiments are being made in England with a new "safety" gun which is said to be capable of discharging sixty shells a minute, silently and invisibly. The gun is discharged by steam or vapor at a pressure of 300 pounds to the square inch.

One of the latest "wrinkles" in photography is the ghost picture, in which a person's likeness is taken by an instantaneous exposure, with a result so shadowy that the background, subjected to a longer exposure, can be seen through the ghost.

At Pittsburg, Pa., recently a woman asked the agent of the Anti-Cruelty society to help her get redress in the courts from a man who has exercised mesmeric influence over her for the past nine years, and which, she alleges, is gradually killing her.

Ski running, a Scandinavian sport, is becoming popular in Minnesota. The performer slides down hill on long wooden skates, or foot toboggans, and at a prepared jolt makes a leap into space. Ninety-five feet is the longest ski jump on record in Norway.

Probably the richest newsboy in the west is Moses Jacobs, who sells papers on the streets of Des Moines, Ia. He is 18 years old, and has sold newspapers for the last fourteen years, during which time he has acquired $4,000 worth of real estate from his savings.

If a box six feet deep were filled with sea water, and the water allowed to evaporate in the sun, there would be two inches of salt left at the bottom. Taking the average depth of the ocean to be three miles, there would be a layer of pure salt 230 feet thick on the Atlantic.

It seems that the average New England father reserves the right to tan his son's jacket until the very day that the boy reaches his majority, while in the west the "old man" lets up at about the age of 16. Some one should collect statistics to show which practice proves the most beneficial to the boy.

In a row at Terre Haute, Ind., a negro known as "Jasper" was struck on the head by a bullet fired from a revolver of heavy caliber held quite near him. The bullet was flattened by the man's skull and fell to the floor, leaving only a sore spot on Jasper's head to remind him that his thick skull had saved his life.

A Rising City, Neb., man drives into the country several miles every day to work. He leaves his buggy standing in the barn yard from morning till evening. Every evening when he returns from the fields he finds a hen in his buggy. It lays an egg every day under the buggy seat and will not lay any place else.

A Massachusetts mother went to the room where her little girl was sleeping, and when she turned up the light noticed something dark under the little one's chin. Stooping to see what it was, a mouse sprang away like a flash and was gone. The little girl had been eating crackers in bed, and the crumbs had attracted mousey, who tried to hide under her chin when the light was turned on.

—A pain centrally located may double a man, and thus naturally increase his sighs.—Binghamton Republican.


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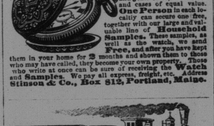

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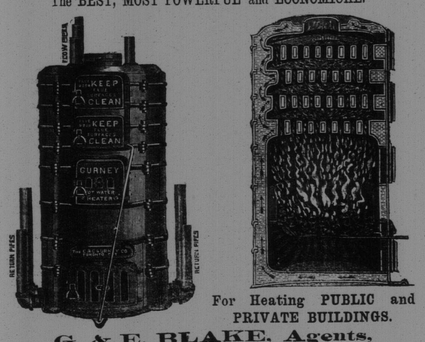


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