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## A Welcome Announcement.

The announcement that a manual training course is to be extended to the London Normal School, through the kind offices of Sir William Macdonald, is a matter for congratulation. The Dominion owes a great deal to Sir William Macdonald's munificence. In the short time since his plan of introducing manual training in various provincial centers was set in motion, the results have been highly encouraging, and a permanent impulse has been given to a branch of education which no country can neglect if it is to keep in the van of industrial progress. There is a popular misconception as to the nature of manual training. It is often confounded with technical instruction, and some labor organizations have opposed it on the belief that it involves the teaching of trades in schools, to the detriment of working mechanics. The system does not contemplate the teaching of trades, but it will develop aptitudes in a boy which will make him a better mechanic if he afterwards chooses an industrial occupation. The primary object of manual training is intellectual exercise, not mere physical dexterity, although it does not require to be proved that skillful handwork is mindwork in a high degree. The instruction cultivates the perceptive and the inventive faculties. The pupil is given a set of tools, and is set to work fashioning wood, under the teacher's directions. The mere act of making something, of seeing form and design grow under his hand, is a mental stimulus to the boy, calculated to develop his constructive powers, his ingenuity, and adaptiveness. While manual training and technical education are distinctive, the former is a groundwork for the latter. The more general manual training becomes, the better basis there will be for a national system of technical education, and consequently an efficient industrial population.

Sir William Macdonald, at his own expense, has brought skilled teachers from Great Britain to conduct classes in manual training, and has afforded facilities by which Canadian teachers may acquire the instruction at home and abroad. One of the teachers from England will be in the city this week to inaugurate the course at the Normal School. The arrangements are such that Collegiate Institute classes may attend, free of charge, in the afternoon if the local Board of Education sees fit. It is to be hoped the school trustees will take advantage of the opportunity without delay. Domestic science and manual training are complementary, and in time both will be extended to the public schools of this city. Manual training is already a part of public school instruction in nearly 20 Canadian cities and towns, and is being taught to thousands of pupils. Domestic science is also becoming general. It is to be regretted that a majority of the school trustees in this city have opposed these progressive tendencies, and are now denying public school girls the advantages of domestic science tuition which could be obtained at very small cost by utilizing the equipment at the Collegiate Institute building and the services of the teacher there. An absurd ruling by the chairman of the school board should not be allowed to stand in the way of this very necessary and desirable step.

## The Danish West Indies.

Nations are still governed to a large extent by sentiment. The sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States would be a good business bargain for both countries, but in this particular case Danish sentiment is stronger than Danish commercialism, and the deal is off for the present. The value of the islands to the United States consists solely in the usefulness of one of them—St. Thomas—as a naval base. Neither Cuba nor Porto Rico can quite supply the Americans with what they are looking for, a large and safe deep water harbor from which the Isthmian Canal, among other things, may be protected. St. Thomas precisely supplies this. Steamers and battleships of the heaviest draught can coal in security in the harbor of Charlotte Amalie. The entrance to it is narrow and almost landlocked, and the island in addition is furnished with a large drydock and cable station. Forty or fifty years ago it was the rival of the West Indies, the meeting place and the distributing center of the South American trade. Now that merchants purchase direct in the European or American markets its commercial importance has almost vanished; but it remains, as an American admirer once described it, "the keystone of the West Indian arch, the central point from which any or all of the West Indian Islands may be assailed."

In 1867, Denmark offered to sell both St. Thomas and St. John for \$7,500,000, but the United States Senate rejected the proposal. Now the United States is willing to buy, and the Senate last February ratified the treaty, which fixes the purchase price at \$10,000,000 for the three islands of St. Thomas, St. John and St. Croix. The Lower House of Denmark has also assented, but a few days ago the treaty was

voted down by the Upper House. The islands have been in the possession of Denmark for nearly 200 years, and have been administered on a mild and equitable system; but latterly owing to the changed conditions of trade, the fall in the price of sugar, and the high tariff of the United States, they have ceased to pay their way and are now heavily in debt to the imperial exchequer. The islanders are mainly negroes, who are not anxious to come under American rule, knowing how negroes are treated in the Southern States. The upper class of Denmark have been all along opposed to the sale, from motives of national pride, and they have carried their point in the Upper House.

## Tarte Before and After.

The suddenness with which our esteemed contemporary, the Free Press, discovered the virtues of Mr. Tarte, when he ceased to be a cabinet minister, causes the Ottawa Journal some amusement. "Who shall say," asks the Journal, "that our politics are rude or venomous when a party organ can so handsomely make amends for somewhat flippant remarks? Laboring under some sad aberration, the London Free Press on Sept. 30 remarked absent-mindedly, no doubt, that Mr. Tarte's cranium was enlarged, but now nobly, on Oct. 22, it admits, without solicitation, that he is most capable. Unhappily, of course, on Sept. 30 the Free Press let slip an idle theory that Mr. Tarte has a vanity like unto a peacock's tail feathers; but on Oct. 22 the Free Press manfully concedes that he is an attractive and clever statesman. On Sept. 30, too, thoughtlessly, the Free Press happened to drop a remark that Mr. Tarte thought himself the whole earth; but on Oct. 22 bravely the fact is accepted that Mr. Tarte is a leader of broad ideas for Canadian advancement. A misconception by the Free Press on Sept. 30 so strange that the Free Press cannot itself understand the aberration now, was that Mr. Tarte was willing to smash Sir Wilfrid to rise upon the ruin, whereas on Oct. 22 the Free Press fully realizes that Mr. Tarte is a high-minded and consistent statesman on the same level as the Conservative leader, Mr. Borden. Thus at the moment when we see it illustrated how politics may contain at times the strangest injustices, we also see illustrated how ample and eloquent a reparation may be. Mr. Tarte must admit that nothing can be handsomer than the remarks of many of the Conservative papers since his retirement from the cabinet. What they used to say about him for a few years before they find to have been a most mysterious misconception. The whole-souled way in which they are making amends this week must no doubt be accepted as an exemplification of the political virtues of our people, or at least of some of the people."

## A Light Gone Out.

The death of Frank Norris eclipses the greatest light in contemporary American literature. His earlier works brought him reputation, but "The Octopus," his last published work, brought him fame and proclaimed the rise of a new force in the world of letters. It is the most virile production that has fallen from the pen of an American author in a generation. Its theme is the titanic struggle between the ranchers of California and the Northern Pacific Railway. Romance and realism are blended with an epic power which justifies its title, "The Epic of the Wheat." It was intended by the author to be the first of a trilogy, and it is not yet known whether he had completed the second of the series, which was to deal with the bulls and bears of the wheat pit. Norris was a comparatively young man, and his loss is the sadder, as he had probably not yet given the world the flower of his genius.

## Mrs. Lot's Failing.

[Harvard Lampoon.] Sunday School Teacher—And so Lot's wife was turned to salt. Can anyone tell why? Willie (from the rear)—She was too fresh.

## It Has To.

[Baltimore American.] "Remember, my boy," said the gentle sage, "that the worm will turn at last." "It has to, mister," answered the open-faced youth with the fishing-pole over his shoulder. "It has to or else it won't fit the hook."

## Autumn.

[Lee Fairchild.] On yesterday Jack Frost was camping out. And, like a careless hunter bold, Set the green trees afire; now all the wood Is wrapped in flames of gold.

## Loaded Down.

[Punch.] Visitor—No, I won't come in. If I could see Mr. Jones for two minutes? Servant—What name shall I say, sir? Visitor—Prof. Vandersplickentootie-helmer. Servant—Och, sure, ye'd better step in and bring it wid ye, sorr.

## The Tables Turned.

[Toronto Telegram.] October saw us looking for hard coal and December may see hard coal looking for us.

## Kept His Eyeglass.

[Pearson's Magazine.] Monocles were plentiful in Cape Town, but in Johannesburg and Pretoria they were conspicuous by their absence, for the reason that Lord Kitchener objected to them. Of all the "swell" officers, a captain of a famous cavalry regiment alone refused to give his monocle up. It was a current report in the regiment that he

## The Cat Knows.

[James Y. Hunter.]

In one of the old towns of Scotland, each citizen had to answer the burgess roll at the Cat Knowe, near St. Andrew's Gate. It is only fancy that still sees once, as each year comes round, our burgesses lead the world over, gathering to answer the roll amid the silence and the heather?

Out through the pines in the summer-tide, And far in the broken swaying; And aye I turn with a strange sweet pride To the breath of smoke on yon far hill-side.

Where my thoughts are ever straying; But soft in the silence of summit and glen, When the sunlight is purpling the heath, I catch the whisper of unseen men, And a leesome sound on the hills again, For methinks the Dead together.

And my eyes seem touched to a vision keen, Was it breeze or breath of an angel? Till where only the glint of a stream had been, And the lavender's ceaseless carolling, Like some far-off sweet evangel.

Lo! the braes are tuned to a wondrous tread, Yet shadow is never that fallible; And never a heath-flower bows its head 'Neath the joyous step of the gathering Dead.

O'er the paths where the plover calteth, And the whispering bracken croons tenderly, Of deathless years in the days gone by, Dear dim faces that never shall die, But swift as a shadow that spans the hill.

From our ancient Border stricken, Comes a quiet of peace unbroken, wure it in bed and even when he took his bath.

One day Lord Kitchener met the "single-pane" officer outside of the Transvaal Hotel in Pretoria. "One minute, captain," said the commander. "May I ask if it is absolutely necessary for you to wear that glass in your right eye?"

"Ye-es, certainly," Lord Kitchener answered. "I could not see without it."

"I am sorry to hear that, captain, as I intended to give you a staff appointment, but I must have men around me who can see well. Kindly report for duty to the officer commanding the lines of communication."

The discomfited cavalry officer obeyed the instructions. The next day afterwards he was taken prisoner by the Boers, who stripped him of his clothing and sent him back to camp, still attired in his eyeglass, but little else.

## Too Early.

[Ohio State Journal.] "Do you take this woman for better or for worse?" began the clergyman; but before he could proceed further he was interrupted. "It's too early to tell yet," answered the groom; "you'll have to give me a few weeks' time, sir."

## A Drastic Measure.

[Punch.] Old Lady (to district visitor)—It's my 'ead that's been troublein' me so, miss, but the doctor, he says, "You must take these pills and you'll soon shake it off."

## Forgiving and Forgetting.

[Smart Set.] Forgiving and forgetting might be practiced off in debt. Were lenders willing to forgive As borrowers to forget.

## THE MULLAH'S PLAN FAILED

White Officers Stayed the Riot of Soudanese.

SPLENDID CHARGE OF BRITISH

Col. Swayne and His Forces Continuing Their March to Berbera Unmolested.

London, Oct. 27.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Simla, India, reports that Col. Swayne and his forces are continuing their march from Bohote to Berbera, Somaliland, East Africa, and that they are not pursued.

THE MULLAH'S PLAN. The correspondent of the Daily Mail, who is with the force of Col. Swayne, says, in a communication to his paper, that the original idea of the Mad Mullah to hold and fortify Mudug, which he found commanded the only wells available, and compel Col. Swayne to attack him at enormous disadvantage, was a good one, and was spoiled by the unexpected drought and terrible heat, which dried up the wells and killed the Mullah's live stock and ponies by the thousand. Finally, in the beginning of October, it was reported that the Mullah's forces were scattered, and that the Mullah himself had only a few riflemen left with him. It was then that Col. Swayne decided to advance. His friends are well aware that a successful engagement would result in the Mullah's capture.

BRITISH BRAVERY. Details of the fighting in Somaliland on Oct. 6 between the British expeditionary force and the followers of the Mad Mullah show that a more serious disaster was only averted by the splendid example of the few white officers.

Shortly after the British expedition left their fortified camp, the Mullah's forces were reported about a mile ahead and within half an hour, while the British were advancing in single file through a dense jungle, the enemy charged the British right flank. But the Mullah's troops were met with such a severe fire that they swung round towards the British center and left.

In the meanwhile the transport got mixed up with the firing line, which was rushed and captured, as were many camels. Major Phillips was shot while gallantly attempting to rally his men, and Lieut. Everett was wounded while attending Major Phillips.

The disorder spread to the gun teams, which were driven back. Capt. Angus was killed while serving a gun. Sergeant Cobbe, with a single Somali soldier, continued serving a Maxim, and then Col. Swayne led a splendid charge, checked the Mullah's hordes and recaptured some of the transport, but he was unable to recover the Maxim.

The enemy later tried to get away with the captured camels, but Col. Swayne took out three companies of troops and after a sharp fight recovered most of them.

## GLOOMY TALES FROM CAPE COLONY

The Transvaal and Other South African Sections.

CHAMBERLAIN WILL GO THERE

The Colonial Secretary May Also Pay a Visit to Canada While Traveling.

London, Oct. 27.—Gloomy accounts of the state of affairs in Cape Colony, the Orange Colony and the Transvaal have been received from time to time through private channels, but the whole matter absolutely in the hands of Lord Milner. The feeling between the British and Dutch people in Cape Colony just now said to be more bitter than it was in the days before the war. The Transvaal and Free State colors are worn freely in the Dutch towns of the Cape. The loyalists are naturally alarmed at this state of things.

Ever since Mr. Chamberlain became colonial secretary he has disregarded precedent, and now he is about to make his visit last autumn to Malta to inquire into the petition of the Maltese against compulsory adoption of the English language. When he returned to London he consulted with his colleagues and soon afterward came an intimation that the objectionable editor of the Cape Times, Mr. J. H. van der Merwe, had been withdrawn. It is possible that his long experience which has prompted him to study for himself the present position of affairs.

LOYALISTS ANNOYED. A Cape Town correspondent says that the Government order for the disbandment of the town guards through the Cape Colony has caused strong indignation among the loyalists. The Afrikaander Bond, the correspondent adds, resents the order, which were raised to defend the loyalists throughout the country, and it naturally desires their abolition.

The proposition of the Transvaal has been considered with considerable consternation, says a Johannesburg correspondent. People have been waiting in the hope that the London circumstances would give them the first start on the road to progress. They must now make up their minds to look only to themselves, to make the country go ahead steadily.

A Brussels correspondent says that the Dutch subscriptions received by the committee formed to aid the Boer war sufferers exceed \$100,000. The Belgian subscriptions amount to \$90,000, which is less than a penny per head for the population of Brussels.

WILL SOON START. Mr. Chamberlain proposes to start for South Africa towards the end of November, and to return the early part of March. His visit will embrace the Cape, Natal, the Orange River Colony and the Transvaal.

MAY COME TO CANADA. The Daily Telegraph thinks that this step will be the precursor of similar visits to Canada and Australia.

References are made to the "new diplomacy" and the new statesmanship, as well as to the political aspects of the situation. The strongest minister at a time when the Government is passing through a critical phase of its existence. There are also some hints that Mr. Chamberlain will be glad to be absent during the awkward discussions arising from the Government's education bill. On the whole, however, the colonial secretary's decision is warmly welcomed as timely and sensible.

## HE CAN PROVE IT

Mr. Chalkers Is Prepared to Substantiate the Truth of the Statements He Has Made.

Housey's Rapids, Ont., Oct. 27.—The open letter of Mr. George C. Chalkers to the Daily Advertiser in the daily papers some time ago, has created quite a sensation and considerable inquiry from those who do not know Mr. Chalkers. His friends are well aware that he would not put his name to any statement that he could not substantiate in every particular, and to those who do not know he announces that he is prepared to substantiate the truth of every assertion he made. In the letter he said:

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