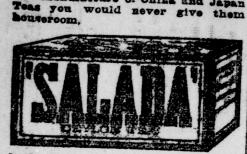
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for that night, which, a little time before, it would have cost her a bitter pang to refuse; yet she hovered kindly and cheerfully now about Alice Myd-delton, and entertained her pleasantly with desultory chat, which, though it might not be of deep or original character, was yet varied withal, and sufficiently enlivening to make these waiting hours pass easily for Alice. Yet Phoebe was all the time listening anxiously for the sound of wheels, or the visitors' bell, or the sharp, double rap of a telegraph messenger. And when at last a cab stopped, and a familiar step ascended the stairs, it was Phoebe who sprang first to her feet, and it was Phoebe's eager voice which uttered the first greeting and ques-

"Oh, Hervey, we are so glad to see ou! Where is Honore? How is Mr.

"No better," she echoed, mournfully. "Oh, Alice, think of that, after our long waiting!" But Alice had hidden her face and was crying bitterly; so Pheebe's energies were immediately devoted to soothing and cheering her; and Hervey (totally at a loss himself) felt little

Will you take Mrs. Myddelton, Hervey, and I will follow?" Of course he offered her his other arm, but she refused it, with a remembrance of his old prejudice, and walked demurely behind them, with no anxiety about a cover not being laid for Hervey, so long as any one of Henore's servants knew that he was in the house that he was in the house the servants knew that he was in the house the servants knew that he was in the house the servants knew that he was in the house the servants knew that he was in the servants k

of the little party the presence of the servants during the next hour was a relief. The restraint, and the necessity for trivial subjects of conversation, were a preparation for what there was to tell and to hear, and a pause of rest between the old suspense and the new certainty. Hervey did his best to make the meal a pleasant one; and Phoebe, at the head of the table, did her best to take Honore's place; while the ease of both her guests, and the active courtesy of one, proved that she had to a certain extent succeeded. Yet could they not shake off the vague shadow of fear which brooded among them?
"May I come?" inquired Hervey, as
Phoebe and Alice passed him at the door. "I have no wish to stay-if I shall not intrude."

They nodded with a smile, and he followed them to the drawing-room, for he was in reality anxious to get their questions all answered, and his their questions an answer their questions and their questions and their their

duction, as he stood beside the win-dow, her hands locked before her. "It is a very hopeless household just at present," he answered, sadly; "but Honore said I must tell you that Sir Edward Graham had great confidence in Mr. Keith's fine and unimpaired con-Mr. Keith's fine and unimpaired constitution, and thinks if he can sleep it simply.

may be all right. I fear the other doc"And do you think that you could he layed you. may be all right. I fear the other doctors do not agree with him; but still trust any one who said he leved you, find me te tell you that; and if he owned at the same time that you were not his first leve nor—nor leved the issue is in kinder hands than any quite in the same way of ours, and that it—it is a life worth praying for," continued Hervey,

"Hed Honore seen him?" asked Phoebe, presently. "Not before I left. I would not wait to see her afterward, if I could have done so, because Miss Henderson told me that if she lov—if she felt for him, who ever came into the world in this the advisory board Mr. Whitney and his the sight of his suffering would be like country. It weighs 17 ounces, and in friends would substitute for the office "Phoebe!" cried Alice, as Phoebe moved toward the door at these words, please do not go. My husband's is phoebe stopped and turned, blushing as she met Hervey's core

ing as she met Hervey's gaze, for it betrayed both his appreciation of her thoughtfulness and his pleasure at her return to the group. The message was soon given, and then, in softened voices, as they listened together, they talked still of Royden. But after the subject had broken down by the entrance of the servants with coffee, they each avoid-ed-perhaps in thoughtfulness for the others—a recurrence to it.
"Hervey," said Pheobe, very much appreciating her novel position of the

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most useful and important mamber of the party, "were you not surprised when you heard that Lawrence Haugh-toh had gone abroad?" and manufacture of China and Japan "Not so much surprised as I was when I called for my letters a few hours ago, to find that Theo and her mother go abroad tomorrow. My aunt sends me the information in time for me to call—if I chose."
"And you will?" questioned Phoebe, with a quick and inexplicable blush.

"Can you picture Jane alone at the arches?" she asked, with a percept-ble lightening of her tone. "Honore ible lightening of her tone. "Honore is going to ask her to Abbottsmoor, ough she has so many times refused

"But have you heard the latest news of all?

"About whom?"
"Your ex-guardian's ex-clerk. My man told me this evening when I called at my rooms. It seems that the day before yesterday Slimp wrote to Mrs. Trent (with whom Lawrence had always had business intercourse), saying that, as he had a private communication of great importance to make to cation of great importance to make to her, by which he would save her from CHAPTER XLI.

CHAPTER XLI. horse before my aunt's door some-thing frightened the animal, and it shied suddenly. Slimp had been leaning back in his seat at that moment, neck against the edge of the rails, and the sudden start in that attitude broke his neck. He lived for an hour, and spent that hour in a vain and horrible effort to speak—useless, of course; and no one will ever know either what important information he had been going to give my aunt, or what possible confession he might, in that last hour, have wished to make. I don't know, of course," concluded Hervey, "but I rancy that the statement he wished to make would have been a betrayal of somebody's confidence, for a purpose of his own; but let us give him the benefit of the doubt, as death overtook him so herribly." "It was horrible indeed! I remember

Lawrence told us he was in London." eith?" he answered, as he took saw him going from here only a few minutes before he sent the letter to Mrs. Trent. I cannot understand it." Nor, of course, could either of his companions. Of the only two who understood it, one was on the Atlantic, and the other watching beside a sick

Hervey Trent had decided to go back to Westleigh Towers next day; so, beinclination to treat her excitement fore he left, Alice Myddelton went To his great relief dinner was soon announced, and Phoebe turned to him with a simple, but to him rather comical, assumption of the matroniy hostaway te write a letter to her husband. to have to read letters now." He was looking curiously at her, wishing he could have heard or seen Of course he offered her his other her reception of the news of Lawrence

"I mean-pardon me, Phoebe, because we are such old friends-I mean, are you sorry Haughton has left Eng-

A real laugh ran thruogh her lips.
"I did not eare at all," she said, honestly; "I cannot even understand now how I ever could have cared." "That's right."
"Why?" she asked, puzzled more by his manner than his words. "It would

have been quite natural to have fretted for my old guardian." "Quite. But still I would rather you did not." "Why?" she asked again.
"You would have fretted for him if you had loved him still." "Of course I should."

"And equally, of course, I would rather that you did not fret." "I thought it unnatural not to feel it more," she said, only vaguely comprehending Hervey's meaning, yet feel-in a quiet sense of happiness steal over her, as she read a new interest in his face and tones.

"Phoebe," he said, presently, "do you think that any one who has spent a good many years of his life loving one had once been used as an argument person with all his heart would be wrong to end by loving some one

were not his first love, nor-nor loved

(To be continued.)

A 17-OUNCE BABY. Wabash, Ind., Feb. 3.-A girl baby born yesterday to the wife of Frank ed as fairly as children of parents of Mossmann, five miles south of Wa- any other denomination. Amid apbash, is the most diminutive infant plause, Mr. Ross exposed the fallacy of



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Itis if avid it I tangley of Lancing Morgan Cl. Tena, in a recent letter to Dr. Pierce, writes: "I am now thirty-six years old and have given birth to ten children. Right only are living. I have twin boys six years old. The same spring after they were born I was confined to my bed all spring and summer with female complaint; had it so badly I could hardly walk around the house without feeling worse. I was restless at speleton. I did not call my doctor as I had tried the doctors twice before when I was down with the same trouble, and my husband paid out a great deal for me. I received no lasting benefit; I had almost lost all bope of ever being able to do suything. My husband had to work very hard and I could not even attend to the babics. No one can know the distress of my miad as well as body. Dr. Pierce's Pavorice Prescription was the only medicine that seemed to do me any good. After I had taken the first bottle and part of the second, I could sleep well and all my troubles began to get better. I believe I took eight bottles and then I felt like a different person. I gave birth to another baby and my old complaint came back. I began using the Prescription and was soon relieved and was able to do my work, including the Wottlers would be immensely helped in

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The Minister of Education Addresses Another Large Meeting.

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Significance of the Sectarian Cries municipalities through Raised by the Opposition.

[By Our Own Reporter.] Appin, Feb. 3.-The violent storm that not prevent a large and enthusiastic gathering in the town hall tonight, Mr. Ross admitted a large amount of the electors. The reception by his old purposes, but showed that every dollar constituents was very cordial, and inconstituents was very cordial, and in-dicated that his election was assured. There was said to be no surplus. The government did not wish to use the Among those present were: C. J. Campbell, J. W.Mor'ie, Charles McFie, George Elliott, A. B. McDonald, Wm. McDonald, Angus McTaggart, John McTaggart, D. McTaggart, Charles Young, Archibald Murray, Henry McLellan, Peter McTaggart, John McFle, Charles Strachan, Allan McLean and Emmanuel

George Scates was moved into the chair, and after kindly asking any opposition speaker to address the gathering, an invitation which elicited no response, he introduced

HON. GEORGE W. ROSS. who was awarded a hearty round of applause. The minister of education thanked his many friends for braving the elements in coming out on such a tions, sheep and swine associations, wild night to hear an intelligent dissures foremost in the public mind. The old cry had been raised once more that financially. The good efforts of the the government of reform was going to dairy schools was widened by the proved false times innumerable in pre- country markets, the increased demand one now on. (Cheers.) He warned his adian farmer. All these grants had been opposed by Mr. Whitney and his urged the necessity of having every friends. vote polled favorable to good, clean, government, such as had been enjoyed under the Liberal administration. The speaker could find no good reason for the election of the opposition. The only fault seriously charged against the government was that they had been in power too long. What good farmer would trade a good horse, well-tried, sound, full of life, for an animal afflicted with ring-bone, spavin, corns, heaves -in fact, a general wreck-for other been in the family service for a numperance had also been made an obliber of years, and it was time for a gatory subject, in response to the petichange, even though it was for the worse? (Cheers.) What sensible man would advocate leaving a good wife her reported change, in response to the peuwould advocate leaving a good wife be-reported changes in school books, Mr. cause he had lived with her too long? Ross said the readers had been chang-The argument was absurd. Pointing ed but twice in 50 years. The cry of out acts of the government beneficial dear school books was also proved a to the farming interests, Mr.Ross show-fallacy. A child could receive a public ed how the appointment of a farmer to school education for \$4.95 expended in the position of minister of agriculture literature. An independent committee, had been opposed by Mr. Whitney and comprising Judge Morgan, Mr. Bain, his friends. The great industry of farm- Toronto's public librarian, and Mr. ing needed a capable champion, and Blackett Robinson, had reported that

LABOR PROBLEM

Mr. Whitney had opposed the legisla-

had once been used as an argument 25 years behind them, the Liberals this contest, publicly, at any rate, had inaugurated despite bitter opposition, been dropped. Mr. Ross prided himself and he felt sure the electors on March on being in favor of fair treatment to 1 would confirm the confidence reposed was proud to be able to state that under his direction the separate schools cord is before the country. had been brought to such perfection that today they are almost as efficient as the public schools, and were to be for the speakers. still further improved. Mr. Whitney's friends had opposed all legislation to improve the condition of children of Roman Catholics, who should be treatdeath to her. I'm sure it seemed to have almost that effect upon your husband. Mrs. Myddleton. Now may I try to give you his long message?"

"Phoebel" cried Alice, as Phoebe moved toward the dear at these world surples 17 ounces, and in sipte of its diminutive proportions is heaithy and strong, and, it is believed, will survive.

The best results of minister of education. The proposed board and the people of Ontario could not both be served with satisfaction. In England, the Ontario system was in operation, and he thought that was a eration, and he thought that was a good enough example for Canada to

follow. (Cheers.) Touching the EXPENDITURE OF PUBLIC

MONEY, Mr. Ross showed how the opposition had opposed the erection of the asylum at Brockville, an institution that today was crowded with people unable to care for themselves, and who would have had to seek shelter in jails had not the wise provision been made for their accommodation. What would Mr. Whitney do with these poor unfortunates? The policy of the opposition was picayune. They were busy taking and time talking about officials eating up time talking about officials eating too many eggs, about a calf with a cough, about pigs and piggeries, but the great public questions were avoided because no serious fault could be found with the acts of the govern-ment. The temperance question had been handled with benefit to the Canadian people, Mr. Whitney opposed every move. In one year 153 licenses had been cancelled and power left in the hands of municipalities to still further control the traffic in the interests of the rising generation. When a bill was proposed to appoint an offi-cer to look after neglected children, the opposition, of course, opposed it. Since this officer had been in charge of the various societies over 500 chilaren had been placed in comfortable homes. The opposition stood in the way of every move of the government.

DISEASE AMONG FRUIT TREES threatened to lose farmers many thou-sands of dollars, and when an officer was appointed to devote special attention to the matter, at only \$500 per annum, a great cry of extravagance Was it extravagance?

was raised. A Voice-No.
Mr. Ross pointed out that forests were proposed to be protected. They yield \$1,000,000 a year to the province, and it was thought the pine lands were

the reduction of county councilors. Middlesex in 1896 expended \$1,774 50 for ccuncilors; in 1897 they cost but \$899 70, and it was said the work was better done than under the more expensive system. Everyone recognized the wisdom of making good roads. Money was being wasted in bad roadways—about \$500,000 annually—and it was considered advisable to appoint a commissioner to make a special study of the matter, and he had proved a great success. Eis work had been praised in various parts of the Dominion. This was again in opposition to Mr. Whitney's wishes. When the Poultry Association was When the Poultry Association was granted \$1,400, the cry of extravagance was again raised. Canada exported about \$2,000,000 worth of eggs, an in-How the interests of the Workers dustry worth fostering, and an officer was selected to devote his whole attention to advice formers in this part tention to advise farmers in this particular direction. The opposition again protested that it was a useless expense. Some \$300,000 had been lost by

DEFALCATIONS OF TREASURERS, and when a provincial auditor was proposed whose duty it was to personally oversee accounts of muncipalities, the opposition opposed the move. raged all yesterday and last night did Many thousands of dollars had been saved since the officer took charge, and where Hon. George W. Ross addressed money had been expended for public provincial resources just for amusement. Enough only was spent to meet economical requirements. But in spite of careful figuring the surplus was an assured fact, and Mr. Ross invited Mr. Campbell to pay Toronto a visit and take a look at Ontario's

TEMPTING PILE OF GOLD. Agriculture had been stimulated by aiding associations which took an interest in cheese-making. As a result, Canada exports three times as much cheese as goes from the whole of the United States. Fruit growers' associations had been aided, and the immense demand for fruit in England was being supplied by Canadians as a result. Aid had also been given to entomological pork and piggeries. Every legitimate the wall, a prophecy that had been superior class of product shipped to old vious campaigns, as it would be in the for which meant wealth for the Can-

THE SCHOOL SYSTEM was defended by Mr. Ross vigorously. The broadening policy proposed by the opposition was a profound mystery. The subjects taught were sufficiently numerous now, and many additions to the curriculum would prove disastrous to teacher and pupil. In rural schools the elements of agriculture would be taught in the near future. Mr. Ross reinted out how thoroughly Canadian history had yeen taught since he had t general wreck—for other history had yeen taught since he had taken charge of the department. Temhe asked Mr. Campbell to tell the electors why there was no use for a minister of agriculture? Turning to the Frost. All the provinces in the Doministration of the provinces in the provinces ion used our books, which went to prove their

Mr. Ross howed how the Ontario gov- CHEAPNESS AND EXCELLENCE. ernment had introduced legislation, re- Uniform text books had also been inducing the hours of labor in shops and troduced by the Liberal government, factories, to the great benefit of the and all school books were produced in army of workers, who for many rea-Ontario, where previously they were largely imported. The minister of education asked the electors not to judge tion, also voting against the bill for the government on the narrow policy of eggs and pigs, but rather on the broader questions of good government of the whole people. With a record of against the present government, but in could point with pride to great reforms in the government for so many years. Promises were unnecessary. Their re-The meeting broke up with a vote of thanks to the chairman and cheers

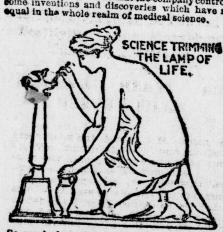
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