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New Edition of Gilbert Parker

Though Sir Gilbert Parker is yet comparatively young, and is still an active writer, he is enjoying the tribute of the publication of his complete works, in an 18-volume subscription set, called the Imperial edition, by Charles Scribner's Sons, New York. It is barely twenty years since Gilbert Parker, his education gained in Toronto, his wanderlust satisfied for the time by extensive travels, including a stay in Australia, returned to London with a satchel full of stories, for which, like most other authors, he thought the world was impatiently waiting. He persuaded his friend Archibald Forbes, the war correspondent, to look them over. When Parker went to luncheon with Forbes a few days later it was to learn the verdict on "Pike Pole Sketches on the Madawaska." When the hero of many campaigns came to the subject, it was to say: "Those stories, Parker—you have the best collection of titles I have ever known."
Parker understood, and took his little brown bag home.
"I sat down before the fire on this bleak winter's night with a couple of years' work on my knee," he now writes. "One by one, I glanced through the stories, and in some cases read them carefully, and one by one I put them in the fire, and watched them burn. I was heavy at heart, but I felt that Forbes was right, and my own instinct told me that my ideas were better than by performance—and Forbes was right."
Oh, ye beginners, whose confidence is so much greater than your performances profit by the hours which Gilbert Parker spent in the valley of humiliation!
It was the next day that Parker

received his inspiration. In the window of a second-hand shop in Covent Garden he saw the uniform of an officer of the time of Wellington, and, beside it, the leather coat and fur cap of a trapper of the Hudson's Bay Company. He went home before the fire that had destroyed his two-years' writing, took pad on his knee, and began to write "The Patrol of the Cypress Hills," the story that opens "Pierre and His People." Though the knighted author and present member of the British House of Commons has since wandered far in body, in interest and in literary back-grounds, he has never eclipsed his studies of early life in Canada. "Pierre and His People" and "An Adventure of the North," the latter of which is issued in this edition as "A Romany of the Snows," comprise thirty-nine stories, all more or less centered around Pierre, the French-Canadian half-breed of the plains. They were the beginning of the school of writers which exploited the early northern wilderness for fictional purposes. Mr. Parker was a pioneer, the ploughman of a virgin field, and none has excelled his simple, faithful realism, his sympathetic understanding of the half-breeds, the whiskey traders, the heroism of the Mounted Police. In his introduction to the "Mrs. Falconer" volume in the Imperial edition, Mr. Parker says that, while this was his first real novel—the product of his South Sea visit—"the thing which was still deeper in me was the life which 'Pierre and His People,' 'The Sea's of the Mighty,' 'The Trail of the Sword,' 'The Lane That Has No Turning,' and 'The Right of Way' portrayed. That life was destined to give me an assured place and public."

Mr. Parker had the foresight and the imagination to realize what the western prairies meant to a creative writer. He was to literature what Sir William Van Horne, Lord Strathcona and other C. P. R. promoters were to railroading. Since then the railroads and the banks and the pulp mills have captured most of our men of creative imagination.

After a long absence and exploitation of other fields, Sir Gilbert Parker returned to the west in 1905, and again fell under the spell. The result was another volume of short stories, called "Northern Lights." The conditions under which Pierre had lived had practically ended with the advent of the railway.

"From that time forward, with the rise of towns and cities, accompanied by an amazing growth of immigration, the whole life lost much of that character of isolation and pathetic loneliness which marked the days of Pierre." Then he undertook this series of stories to "catch the fleeting characteristics and hold something of the old life, so adventurous, vigorous, and individual, before it passed entirely and was forgotten." "Northern Lights" lacks some of the spontaneity of the earlier books, and suffers a little from the labored style which possessed Mr. Parker for a time; but in several of the stories there is a high level of interest as well as of literary art. This is especially the case in "The Stake and

the Plumb Line," which pathetically contrasts the life of wealthy American families with that of a poor Arrowhead Indian Chief.

This edition, in which the four volumes mentioned above have been issued, is of especial interest for the candid introduction which the author supplies to each. These are more than usually self-revealing, and are the confessions of a man who admits he has succeeded. Concerning the relation of his stories to historical fact, Sir Gilbert makes this interesting revelation:

Most of the novels and most of the short stories were suggested by incidents or characters which I have known, had heard of intimately, or, as in the case of the historical novels, had discovered in the works of historians. In no case are the main characters drawn absolutely from life; they are not portraits; and the proof of that is that no one has ever been able to identify absolutely any single character in these books.
It is sufficient to add here that the edition is a credit to the book-maker's art, and a worthy setting to the work of the best-known Canadian novelist.
M. O. H.

INCREASING THE SOUND OF A TELEPHONE.

A novel method of increasing the sound in a telephone is to heat up the transmitter, and it is claimed that surprising results can be obtained in this way. M. Petersen, a Danish engineer of Nykøbing, applies heat to the microphone transmitter so that the air becomes rarefied and consequently has a different action on microphone, as he claims, and speech is much louder than before.
Prof. Hannover, of the Danish state experimental establishment, took up the matter and made a number of researches showing that the effect is well marked. Then the apparatus was tested on a telephone line between Nykøbing and Copenhagen, and speech was so loud at the receiving end that it could still be heard when the receiver was laid on the table and the persons stood off at some distance. It appears, however, that the idea is not a new one, as a heated microphone was used before this by the Paris telegraph engineer, Germain, with good results.—Elektronische Zeitschrift, Berlin.

A black fox, said to be worth more than its weight in gold, died at Cornwall, near Charlottetown, the other day, and thereby hangs a tale. The fox, it is declared, was one of a pair bought recently for \$15,000, and was supposed to be of tender age. That the dead animal was not young seems to have been established by post mortem examinations made since he took his departure for the fox heaven. Indeed it is said that those who participated in the post mortem exercises declare death was due to senile decay.—Summerside Journal.

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Joker's Corner.

PROBLEM IN PHYSICS.

A native of T., on the coast of Scotland, when the contract for the building of the first three steamers fitted with electric lights at the local shipyard was completed, formed one of the social party gathered to entertain the electricians. In a burst of candor and comradeship he was heard to say to one of the workmen:
"Mon Peter, after working w' you on' yer boats I believe I could put in the electric light mase' but there is only one thing that bates me."
"Aye, aye, Sandy what is that?" inquired his interested friend, willing to help him if it lay in his power.
"Weel, mon," replied Sandy "it's juist this: I dinna ken hoo ye get the ile ta rie along the wires."—Ideas.

There is at least one Boston banker who has a measured admiration for Thomas Lawson. "He is always full of quips," says the banker. "Not long ago I attended the funeral of a millionaire financier—one of those real high financiers whose low methods Lawson loves to turn the light on. I arrived at the funeral a little late. I took a seat beside Lawson and whispered: 'How far has the service gone?' Lawson nodding toward the clergyman in the pulpit, whispered back: 'Just opened for the defence.'"

NOT HIS KIND.

A German farmer was in search of a horse.
"I've got just the horse for you," said the liveryman. "He's five years old, sound as a bell, and goes ten miles without stopping."
The German threw his hands skyward. "Not for me," he said, "not for me. I live eight from town, and mit dot horse I haf to walk back two miles."

HELPING FATHER.

A preacher raising his eyes from the pulpit in the midst of the sermon, was paralyzed with amazement to see his son in the gallery pelting the hearers in the pews below with horse chestnuts. Whilst the good, but outraged man was preparing a frown of reproof, the young hopeful cried, "You tend to your preaching, daddy, I'll keep 'em awake."

ON THE MEND.

She:—And how is your bachelor friend?
He:—When I saw him last he was mending very slowly.
She:—Indeed! I didn't know he'd been ill.
He:—He hasn't been. He was darnin' his socks.

"My husband is particularly liable to seasickness," remarked the lady passenger. "Could you tell him what to do in case of an attack?"
"Taint necessary, mum," replied the captain, "he'll do it."

Hewitt—What do you think of this suffrage business?
Jewett—If it is carried to its logical conclusion it will result in woman putting her money in her husband's name.—Judge's library.

Adam heard them blame the high cost of living on the middleman.
"The only thing they don't blame on the first man," he thankfully observed.
—New York Sun.

Husband—By jove I want something exciting to read; something really blood-curdling.
Helpful Wife—Here is my dress-maker's bill, dearest.—Puck.

"Earlie, why don't you let your little brother have your sled part of the time?"
"I do, ma. I take it going down the hill, and he has it going back."

Beggar—Will you please, sir, give me ten cents for a night's lodging.
Philanthropist—I'll give you five cents if you raise the other five.

Market Quotations

The Digby market quotations published herewith are furnished by the Digby County Farmers' Association to the Digby Courier, while the quotations in Annapolis County are furnished by one of Bridgetown's representative merchants. The contrast between the prices will be of interest to many of our readers.

DIGBY COUNTY	
RETAIL	
Apples, per bbl.	\$1.50 to 2.50
Beans, per lb.	.06
Butter, choice dairy, per lb.	.30
Butter packed, per lb.	.28
Beets, (table) per bus.	.70
Beef, fresh roast, per lb.	.12 to .15
steak, per lb.	.15 to .16
corned, per lb.	.11
Carrots, (table) per bus.	.70
Cranberries, per qt.	.10
Chickens, per lb.	.18 to .20
Cabbage, per doz.	.60 to 1.00
Celery, per doz.	1.80
Cider, (sweet) per gal.	.20
Eggs, fresh, per doz.	.35
Fowl, per lb.	.16
Ham and Bacon, per lb.	.22
Lamb, per lb.	.12 to .15
Onions, per lb.	.04
Potatoes, per bus.	.70
Parsnips, per pk.	.25
Pork, fresh, per lb.	.12 to .15
salt, per lb.	.18
Turnips, per bbl.	.65
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Pork, by carcass, per lb.	.10
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NOVA SCOTIA INTERESTED IN THE FRIEDMANN TUBERCULOSIS CURE.

Monday afternoon in the House of Assembly Mr. Tanner, leader of the Opposition, asked what steps the Government intended taking with reference to seeking information regarding the Friedmann tuberculosis cure. He also asked if it was the intention of the Government to send a representative to New York to be present when the test as to the results of the treatment of those affected would be conducted by Dr. Friedmann. Mr. Tanner thought that if such was the case Dr. Miller, who is in charge of the Provincial Sanitarium, would be the proper person to represent Nova Scotia.

Premier Murray in reply to Mr. Tanner said that it was known that the Federal Government intended sending a qualified expert to New York to see how the test on Dr. Friedmann's cure worked out. While the Provincial Legislature had not contemplated sending any representative to New York, they had the interests of the tubercular public at heart, and had instructed Dr. Miller to keep in close touch with Dr. Friedmann should he visit Canada, and if it was necessary the Premier announced that Dr. Miller should attend any demonstrations that Dr. Friedmann should give while in the Dominion.

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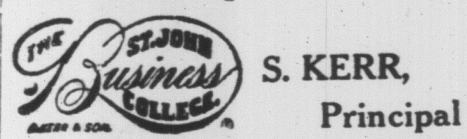
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ROADS TO INSANITY.

The New York State Charities Aid Association has published a pamphlet "The Prevention of Insanity," which shows that a large per cent of insanity is entirely preventable, and comes from the former actions and thoughts of the patients themselves. It is not inherited, and not inevitable, but is the result of habits that need not be formed at all.
For example, paresis, one of the worst and most hopeless forms of insanity, is, in nine cases out of ten brought on by vicious living. Over one-fourth of all cases of insanity observed in the State hospitals of New York owe their mental derangements to alcohol. Overstrain and worry are responsible for another group of cases. Then there are many who go insane through "bad mental habits," which means excessive brooding upon oneself, forming what is called among alienists, the "shut-in personality."
Down these roads to insanity many people journey every year. There is not the slightest reason why they should, except their own choice. No human being is obliged, either by heredity or circumstance, to drink, to be vicious, to worry, or to concentrate all thought on self.

STRIKE LEADER BARRED FROM CANADA.

Blaine, Wash., March 8.—Joseph Ector, a leader of the strike of members of Industrial Workers of the World, at Lawrence, Mass., returned to the United States today, having been taken from a train at White Rock, B. C., last Friday and deported, on an order from Ottawa. Ector was kept under guard between trains by immigration officers, who reported that he refused to answer questions. He declared that he was a citizen of the United States on his way to Victoria to lecture, and that he could not be detained. He refused to permit his baggage to be searched.
The order from Ottawa gave no reason for deportation except that Ector was regarded as an agitator, and as such he was not wished in the country.

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