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THEY COVET CANADA.

Leslie J. Perry, of the War Record Office at Washington, has an article in the New York Independent which indicates that the Americans have not relinquished their idea of absorbing Canada, and that their real object in the present international conference is to get things in shape that Great Sriesia may be induced to transfer this to get things in suspent that the great dominion to them.

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Aside from the hostile attitude of the European powers. Mr. Perry tells us, there are so many and such palp-able evidences of Great Britain's de-sire for a U. S. alliance as to make unnecessary any argument of the mat-ter. She is no coy maiden blushing-ly awaiting Uncte Sam's ad-vances, but a bold, dashing widow, who is manifectly ready to fall into Uncle Sam's arms at the drow of a Uncle Sam's arms at the drop of a hat, and to drop the hat herself. These wast territories to the north rightfully vant territories to the north rightfully belonged to the U.S. at the close of the Revolutionary war. Mr. Perry feels assured that this "great acquisition" can be secured without striking a blow, "with the cheerful assect of the mother country, and the local author ities of all the British North America

Provinces."

Mr. Perry says: "Let this cession be the sine qur non of an alliance in the spirit and for the purpose for which Ragland evidently desires and requires it, and all Canada, and the other British North American Provinces (presumably Newfoundland and the West Indies) will soon be happy and prosperous States of the American Union."

Mr. Perry thinks the provinces would be admitted into the Union as perhaps not less than six States and as many be admitted into the Union as persays not less than six States and as many more territories, and from the outset would assume a position of consider-able influence at Washington, in the counsels of the Great North American

counsess to Republic.

The advantages of all this to Canada are glowingly depicted. It is the same old position taken by Blaine—"You can old position taken by Without politics. not have reciprocity without political

nnion."

The grand elimacteric of this article is as follows.—"Here is a great opportunity for President McKinley, greater than has ever fallen to the lot of an American President. If he can so diplomatize as to make the waters of the can be applicated to the can be call the can be called the can three oceans and the Mexican Gulf the boundaries of one homogeneous, cohe-sive Republican nation, he will be

Ferry, make the cession of various condition of a league with Great Britain. Observe that we would never apeak of the annexation of Canada British America is too large a territory to be annexed; it would be a case rath-

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St. Thomas gained 135 in population last year. It now has 11,156 inhabi-tants. At that rate of progress, in just 225 years it will be as large as its near-by neighbor, London, is at present.

After this fall who will ever again After this fall who will ever again find fault with Canada's glorious climate. Here it is October 24 and we still have summer weather, while storms are devastating the shores from which Kipling ignorantly called this Dominion Our Lady of The Snows.

"Men are natural speculators, and it would be as hard for the legislature to stop speculation by legislation as it would be to stop men from eating and sieeping," was a remark made by Mag-istrate Lefontaine of Montreal, in dis-

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sive Republican nation, he will be counted by future historians as the second father of his country. The times and temper of the people are ripe for this great diplomatic coup."

Commenting on this article the Independent says:

"While we think it quite likely that one of these days Canada and the United States will be one country, we would not for a moment think of hastening the union, nor would we, like Mr. it is after these months that the drop comes each shipping season.

THE SEWER CONTRACTS. Editor of The Planet.

Editor of he small space in your valuable paper to say a few words about the tenders which came before the council of Wednesday night last I" In the first place, what was the tenders for—the highest or the lowest f Owing to Measrs. Field

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HOPPMANS HEADACHE POWI

Using the Watch as a Compass.
For the benefit of those who are. Iend of hunting and who are apt to lote their way in the woods, a sportsman tells how he finds his way back when he is placed in such a predicament. Two things are necessary—the sun and a pocket watch. A man who knows the four points of the compain can work his way out of the woods with the assistance of the run; but with his watch he can do it much better and more exactly. If it is morning-and the hunteman watche he get clear of the woods in a southerly direction, he must open his watch and hold it in his better and more exactly. If it is morning and the hundram weahas be get clear of the woods in a southerly direction, he must open his watch and held it in his hand face up. If the small hand points to 10 o'clock, for inciance (it makes no difference where the large hand points to), the watch must be not so that the small hand points circlight to the small hand points circlight to the small hand. Take the distance from X to XII, divide it late equal parts, and the result is, of citrue, XI, which points to the direction in which it is desired to travel. If the destination cought is to the more, the direction of V, the opposite of XI, must be fullowed. If it is towards received for, the watch must be placed so as to get the other curden watch must be placed so as to get the other curden watch must be placed so as to get the other curden watch must be placed so as to get the other curden watch must be placed so as to get the other curden watch must be placed so as to get the other curden watch must be placed so as to get the other curden watch must be placed so as to get the other curden watch must be placed as as to get the other curden watch must be placed to visited for, the watch must be placed so as to get the other curden watch must be placed to visited for, the watch must be placed to visited for, the distance from IV to the direction, but the divided; the result of this in II, which gives the southerly direction, the northerly direction being the the south by the opposite VIII. If the sportsmass though and is uncertain as to his whereabouts, he should examine the forest trees, and he will find that on the side where the lark is dight.

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The customs observed in marriage among the aristocracy of the Kalmuka, in the Cancaste, are interesting and curious. The preliminaries consist in stipulating the amount to be exchanged in horese, cattle and money which the grooms is to pay the bride's fasher; this being estiled, the young man sets out on horseback accompanied by his chosen companions, to carry off his bride. A sham resistance is always made by the people of her camp, but in the end she is always carried away on a richly caparisoned horse. When the party arrives at a certain spot, the couple dismounts, kneal on a carpet-covering and receives the hendicities of their priests; then they rise and, turning towards the sun, address their invocations alout to the fout simulate. At this moment the horse on which the heride has ridden in extrpped of

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