Planet AND WEEKLY

CLASS LEGISLATION IN FAVOR OF INSURANCE COMPANIES.

If there is class legislation in this buntry it is in favor of insurance apanies and insurance societies. Why are they exempt from being made responsible for the acts of their agents? The public are compelled to a great extent to trust the agents. After paying their good money, which is of course accepted, it frequently turns out that the agents have not acted in good faith and the victim loses his insurance. He rushes to law and asks but simple justice, yet it seems the judges of this country do not give the companies any the worst of it, if some musty old precedent can be found to help them out.

Here is a case that has just been decided by Rose, J., in the usual way: Pigott and Ingles v. Employers' Liability Assurance Corporation.-Judgment in ac tion upon a policy taken through their local agent in Hamilton by which defendants, a foreign corporation, agreed to indemnify plaintiffs against claims for compensation for accidental injury caused to their employees while engaged in the plaintiffs' work at the places mentioned in the schedule from May 26, 1897, at a premium of \$300 a year. One Rose St. Croix obtained a judgment for \$600 damages and costs against plaintiffs owing to injuries sustained on August 31, 1897, by her son, and this action is brought for indemnity and for a return of the unearned premium, the defendants having on September 10, 1897, cancelled the policy. The accident to St. Croix occurred near Stonefield, on the Ontario side of the Ottawa River, a locality not covered by the orginal policy, but which plaintiff alleges was subsequently included therein by the officer of the defendants and inserted in the application. Held, that the power to make the change in the policy did not rest with the chief agent for Ontario who made it, but was vested in the manager and attorney for Canada, who had to notice or acknowledge of the change, and therefore the defendants were not bound. They could not be held to have authorized the change, because the chief agent for Ontario knew it, but did not re port to the manager. The plaintiffs are enticled to a return of the unearned premium, \$286, but as defendants were willing to pay this the costs of the action must be paid by the plaintiffs.

That may be the law but if so it is a mighty poor law. How many people know what authority the representative of an insurance company has? They go for him for information. He is the company's agent. They necessarily believe what he represents. Then if a claim follows a company will generally repudiate the act of it own agent and the courts will s stain it.

Hurrah for the heroes of Mafeking.

Baden-Powell's a brick, and real gold brick at that.

Is Edison had discovered M. K. Cow-an's mouth before he did the phongraph, he would never have troubled himself inventing the latter.

Kimberley Ladysmith, Wepener, Mafeking,

The Boers failed at them all.

George H. Perley, chairman of the Ottawa Hull fire relief fund, acknow ledges the receipt of \$40 through the Planet and adds: "On behalf of the Relief Committee I would ask you to accept my hearty thanks and appreciation for your kindness, and convey the same to those friends who have been so kind and generous." The thanks are hereby conveyed.

Rabbits devour dandelions. Let's turn a let of rabbits loose upon the yellow nuisance in the city and destroy it. Then lets turn the hundreds of "valuable" dogs in the city loose upon the rabbits, and destroy them. Then letyus arm all the police with Mausers and turn them loose on the "yaluable" dogs, and destroy them. Then we'd all be happy .-- Hamilton aspectator. What about the police? How would you settle them ?

The Duke of Orleans, who recently associated himself with the Anglo phobe outbreak in Paris by congratu-lating a draughtsman upon some caricatures that were offensive to the British, was requested to resign his membership in the London Bachelor's Club. He has written from Venice refusing to resign, because he was asked to do so, although he had intended to withdraw from the club of his own volition. In the course of his letter he says:-"You have forgotten that you are addressing the heir of the kings who made France, and are exacting from him as the price of England's hospitality the abdication of his French sentiments."

GAME WARDEN CHARGED HIM-SELF.

mitted the offence through ignorance

Muskoka Herald. One of Her Majesty's deputy game wardens, Mr. Elias Traves, was before Police Magistrate Spencer, charged with selling speckled trout, contrary the game law. Defendant laid the sation himself but said he com-

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of the law. The court was of the opinion that defendant should have known the law, and as the informant received half the fine it would be \$20 instead of \$10.

WHEN WAS GOD SAVE THE QUEEN WRITTEN ?

Hamilton Spectator. R. E. Finn, writing from South Africa, says the following verse has been added to God Save the Queen by the Cape Town people O Lord, our God, arise,

Scatter her enemies And make them fall. Confound their politics, Frustrate their knavish tricks, On Thee our hopes we fix,

God save us all. That verse is understood to have been composed about eighty years ago, to fit the case of Queen Caroline, wife of George IV., whose exclusion from her rights as queen was a subject of Brougham on one side and Eldon on other.-Hamilton Times.

Something wrong here. When Queen Caroline's case was causing excitement in England there was no such hymn as God Save the Queen. It was God Save the King then, and had en God Save the King for a century. The stanza in question was written before Queen Caroline was born.

WALLACEBURG.

May 18.-Chas. Swainson was in Hamilton this week.

A first of July celebration is talked of here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Swainson are on

a visit to Learnington.

The building of the new public library and fire hall is to be started.

Fred. Colwell returned home Wed-nesdty night with a badly crushed hand Two new tables have been placed n the billiard hall. in the billiard hall.

The John Lee with a crowd of excursionists on board on her way home from Detroit, grounded at the head of Walpole Island. She succeeded in arriving here at 4 a. m. with a very tired growd.

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240,715,520 times. The player was Capt. J. W. Nash, and he is feeling pretty proud and wondering how o d he will be when he holds another such hand. It happened this way: He re-ceived on the deal, which was by his partner, the five of diamonds, hearts and clubs, jack of spades and a seven, the latter card being discarded into the crib. The turn-up was the five of His hand then counted 15, 16, four of a kind, and his nob, or 23, which is the largest number possible.

WORTH REMEMBERING

A druggist in Santiago, Chile, received from a New Orleans house some toothache drops which were guaranteed by an advertisement on the la-bel, to cure aching teeth in ten minutes. A sufferer bought a bottle, tried the drops, and held his watch while he waited for relief. At the end of ten minutes his tooth ached as badly as ever. He had the druggist arrest ed, and he had to pay a fine of \$1,000 and was sentenced to three months in jail.—New Orleans Picayune.

The credit man of one of the large department stores in New York was asked what class of customers were most trustworthy. "Army and navy people can have all the credit they people can have all the creut they wish, and no questions asked," was the reply. "The standard of business morality in the army and navy is posmorality in the creut the creut the people of the creut t itive assurance that we will get our

The story that a painted advertisement of a liver remedy on the side of an Iowa barn caused a span of mules to run away, resulting in the death of one mule and the driver, causes Gomer Davies to remark that nobody but a fool mule would stop to read an advertisement painted on a building of a fence, anyhow.-Topeka Capital.

When feeding, the stride of theostrich is only twenty or twenty-two inches; when walking, but not feeding, the stride is twenty-six inches, but when terrified, the bird possesses wonderful sprinting qualities, and takes steps varying from eleven and onehalf to fourteen feet.

It is said that a new industry is that of lullaby singers. Young women who are studying vocal music turn their growing talent to small account at least by going to nurseries two or three times a week to sing to the children at bedtime hour soft, crooning lullabies.

Rice forms the principal industry of Siam. There are twenty-six rice mills in Bangkok, and, although the first one in the country was started by an American, of these mills to-day four are European and all the rest are owned or managed by Chinese. A favorite Boer sport is to dig a hole

in the ground and put a turkey into cloth with a hole in it just big enough to let out the turkey's head. The head of the unfortunate bird is used as a target.

Almost all the towns in Siberia are having are lights for street use and very earnest political discussion, with | incandescent lights for houses, and the larger proportion of the people of Siberia have never seen gas, which they regard as an illuminant of a past Berlin is the music-lover's paradise

There are four or five, sometimes even more, concerts every evening, and the critics have a hard time of it running from one hall to another. It is said that dealers in charcoal in

Havana never have yellow fever. The absorptive properties of the carbon appear to free the air of the impurities which breed the pestilence. The children of the poor in Japan

are nearly always labeled in case they should stray from their homes while their mothers are engaged in domestic Soil was brought up from a depth of

326 feet from a coal mine in Belgium, and from it sprouted weeds of a species unknown to botanists. Spiral armlets of copper form good protection for the arm in battle, and

the King of Dahomey uses his as defensive weapons. Horses in their wild state live to the age of thirty-six normally, being still fairly fresh and hearty at that

age in the desert. Switzerland has three institutions for the cure of drunkards which record permanent cures in one-half the cases treated.

An important element of the voting population of the cosmopolitan city of Buffalo is composed of the Polish vot-

The superintendent of a children's home in Cincinnati refused to send any children to Kentucky for adoption, ecause of the bad record of that state. A movement is on foot in Hamburg to unite the various scientific insti-tutes in the city into a bort of univer-

A system of preventive inoculation against typhoid fever is under extensive trial in India and South Africa. Russia in Europe has a forest area of about 500,000,000 acres. One-third of the country, indeed, is forest. More than 100,000 acres of peat are said to be still available in the Cana-

dian province of Ontario The Parliament Building in Wellington, New Zealard, is the largest wooden structure in the world,

DON'T FORGET

Every person is a foo! In some particular. Therefore, stri gently at the others, my friend.

A pessimist is a man who growls because he cannot wear his shoes in-terchangeably. Like evil itself, virtue often shrinks from the light; but from what differ-

ent motives! No occupation can ennoble any one but any one can ennoble any honest

occupation. The man who can lead learned first

Don't jest with strangers. Nine out of ten they will misunder stand you.

Emphasis in the wrong place creates the weakness it would avoid.

A Norway, Me., cribbage player had a hand the other day which the law of chances says comes but one in 288,240.715.520 times. The player was

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"But I didn't know it until three

years after the occurrence," he continued. "He was ticketed for Southern California, and several times daring the day he asked me questions. Soon after his last question I missed him from his seat. Later in the day ne was still missing, but his overcoat was

on the back of the seat. "I asked other passengers if they had seen him leave the car. No one remembered it. I searched the train, but failed to find him. I then took his coat, and turned it in, making a report on the case. The company held it for some time, and when no inquiry was made the company advertised the coat in the hope that the mystery might be solved. There was no response. This only spurred the company to renew its search, and I know that several hundred dollars were spent in an effort cto find the owner of the coat. You see railroad companies have souls, in spite of an opinion held

by some to the contrary.
"And now here is one for the country editor. Such a one heard of the incident and printed it in his paper. curiously enough, one of his subscribers who read the story, was the man who lost the coat, and he presented himself at the company's office, proved his property, and got it.

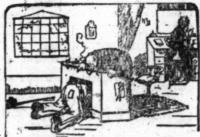
"His story was that he imbibed pretty freely, and stepped out on the platform to get fresh air. The wind was blowing a gail, and before he could get a purchase it swept him from the car. As he was drunk the fall did not hurt him. I do not say this, however, as favoring too free indulgence in liqu-

or."
When he sobered up he felt ashamed and stopped in a farmhouse nearby, where he found a bargain in farm land, and purchased. He cancelled his far Western trip and settled on his newly acquired purchase. This was

John Picked It Up,



der my desk; pick it up for me!





COMIC CORNER

"I observe," ventured the hero of trilogy, "that you always belch fire from your mouth when you are preparing to eat anybody!"
"Oh, yes" replied the dragon, "It is

not considered good table manners for one's mouth to water, don't you And then with a loud laugh the monster proceeded to his repart.-Detroit Journal.

Doctor-Did your teeth chatter when you had the chill? Patient-No; they were on the table.

"I have been buying some things on the instalment plan and have given you as a reference. You know how I stand financially, and all that." "Well, I am not sure that I do. Are you so fixed, for instance, as to lend me \$25 on the spot?"

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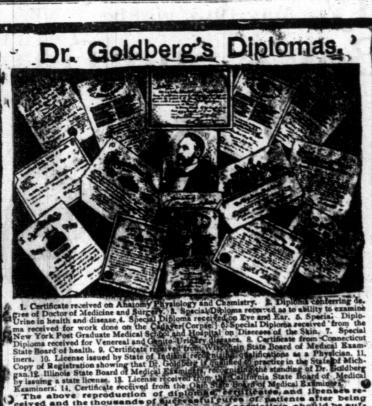
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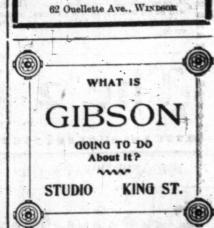
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