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WHAT TRUTH SAYS.

Our readers, doubtless, have noticed the advertisement of "A Generous Publisher," in which Mr. S. Frank Wilson, the proprietor of TRUTH, offers a lady's silver hunting case watch and other valuable prizes to each one of the first four persons who send us the correct answer to the question, Which is the longest verse in the Bible. The competition for these prizes closes on the 20th November—a month from to-day, exactly; and those, therefore, who intend competing have little time to lose, and we therefore urge all such to send in their answers, with 50 cents, immediately. Read the advertisement carefully, and conform to all the conditions therein, as there will be no deviation whatever the reform.

The various charitable organizations throughout the city propose to combine their efforts this winter. Undoubtedly much more good, efficient work could be done in that way, than by the present system of individual endeavors. There would be better security that no really deserving case was passed over, while a very necessary check on loafers and dead brats would be afforded.

The International Fisheries Exhibition was lately held in Britain. Canada has every reason to be proud of her showing on that occasion. She obtained no less than ten gold medals, fifteen silver medals, six bronze

ones, and four diplomas. Newfoundland obtained at the Fisheries Exhibition ten gold medals, eight silver medals, five bronze ones, and three diplomas.

The opening of the Rosedale Lacrosse grounds was quite an event, and a very large audience, variously estimated at from 4,000 to 6,000, was present, despite the somewhat chilly weather. The lacrosse match was, of course, the great event of interest; and was one of the best contested games witnessed here. Those who imagined that the recent victory of the Torontos over their almost invincible opponents was the result of a piece of good luck, must acknowledge that the champions have again asserted their right to the title, not, however, without a hard fight on the part of their opponents. How hard the battle may be guessed by the fact that five games were found necessary to decide the match: The Toronto boys now hold the championship; let them see to it that the hardly-won honor is kept here.

So General Sherman retires from the command of the United States army and Phil Sheridan takes his place. All honor to them both; they are good soldiers both, though Phil swears at a most inconceivable rate of profanity. His early advantages were few and he therefore never managed to become a gentleman, for no gentleman ever swears. Some mighty big well-dressed fellows do, but they are not gentlemen all the same.

The Temperance vote is becoming formidably strong in the United States. In the recent vote in Ohio the prohibition ticket did not carry, but it rather reached a figure which is ominous threatening to the traffic in the bodies and souls of men. There seems to be nothing more certain in the future than that prohibition will carry all over the States when the hideous monster—liquor traffic—shall neither be muffled nor muzzled, but have the knife of prohibition passed completely through its heart.

The affairs the Exchange Bank are no better than they were. If TRUTH were speaking of the officials as they deserve quite unbecomingly strong language might be employed, therefore it is best to forebear, only it must be added once more that a wise man will think twice before sinking his surplus cash in bank stocks. The rascality and meanness which are so often seen to have been the practice in banks, etc., are such that the cautious man should make a thorough inspection of his affairs before committing himself to what may be all right but is even more likely to be all wrong. In going over the official list of the shareholders in the various banks, it is most distressing to see how many are widows and orphans and with amounts against them which are quite encouragingly large.

If the Anglican Church and the Presbyterians manage to form a union then certainly the millenium is at the door. TRUTH will be right glad if it is.

The terrible earthquake in Anatolia adds one more to a fearful series of calamities, which has made 1883 a black year in the history of the nineteenth century at any

rate, if not in that of the whole history of mankind. Thousands of people killed, thousands more utterly helpless. Desolation and destruction on every hand where only a few days ago peace and plenty reigned. Scarcely has the mind recovered from the shock of hearing of one case of the kind when it is called on to face another equally appalling.

Though the price of the N. Y. Herald is really only two cents, hundreds of people are willing to give three cents for it, the news vendors refusing to take any less. Naturally the Herald congratulates itself on being such a good paper that so many will give a half more than its real price for the privilege of reading it.

The Bishop of Algoma has, as was expected, been elected Bishop of Huron, and that with very little trouble, and by an overwhelming vote. The diocese has always been very Low Church. Dr. Sullivan is in every way a very admirable choice. If the whole continent had been searched perhaps a better could not have been secured. The worthy doctor, however, for reasons which no doubt appear good and sufficient, to him has declined the proffered honor; and at this present writing it is impossible to say what further steps will be taken.

Toronto has every reason to be proud of her volunteer regiments. The Queen's Own had a fine turn out the other night. The officers may congratulate themselves on having such a fine body of men under them, and the men on having such first-class officers to lead them.

The City Council cut down the appropriation made by the Board of Works for mending the city sidewalks. The result is that many of these being in an altogether horrible state, accidents are of almost daily occurrence, and constant claims for damages are being made. Penny wise and pound foolish with a vengeance. It would serve those men who voted for the reduction, just as they deserve, if they were forced to pay these damages out of their own pockets.

Good results have followed the system lately introduced, of having police officers act as Sanitary inspectors. Dr. Canniff has given very strong testimony to the efficacy with which they have performed their duties.

There are not many men who can celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of their first introduction to a pulpit. Dr. Irenaus Prime, editor of the N. Y. Observer, however, has just done so. Last Sunday he preached in the same Presbyterian church where, fifty years before, he had delivered his first sermon.

All readers of TRUTH who frequent restaurants, must have noticed the greed with which some of the patrons of the establishment seize upon the toothpicks. Some of them are modest enough to take only two or three. But nothing short of a whole handful will satisfy others, and these not the best customers always, —not by a long way. But they seem to make for by the smallness

of their purchases, by the eager way in which they chew the wooden toothpicks.

No gentleman ever uses his toothpick in a public place if he can help it, and if circumstances force him to do so, he takes every precaution to make the procedure as private as possible. He uses his handkerchief or some other convenient mode of preventing unnecessary revelations.

The musicians in the city are strongly in favor of making Toronto a great musical centre, and the erection of buildings that will be worthy of such a metropolis. TRUTH says Amen to the scheme. Toronto is by all odds the most proper place for a musical centre; and by all means let it be made the Cincinnati of Canada.

Every now and then cranks are pushing themselves into momentary notoriety by declaiming against certain articles of food which everybody uses and nobody has yet found to be injurious. First it is one thing that ought to be given up and then it is another. Happily for the comfort of mankind these people have no great attention paid to them.

The latest craze is objection to the use of salt. This is said to be injurious to the human system. To utter such nonsense as this ought to be enough to consign a man to Bedlam for the rest of his natural days. Why there is no more important constituency of the human system than common salt, nothing that the system needs more, or craves for more. It aids the nutrition of the body. It is the chief salt in the gastric juice. It helps the promotion of bile and assists in a thousand and one other processes, which are constantly going on in these bodies of ours. But for it these processes could not go on at all, and these cranks probably owe their very power of crying out against this useful article, to its unseen workings.

The Mormons are going to give trouble. The Governor of Utah reports to Washington that there is a conspiracy still going on to defeat all the laws of Congress, and to keep up the peculiar institution of the saints in full force. The Mormons are so strong and so thoroughly organized, that it will be a very difficult job to bring them into subjection. They have possession of a very difficult country, the militia raised within the territory can not be relied on to carry out the Governor's wishes or to support the Federal laws. In short, the trouble is so formidable and grows so rapidly, that the Governor asks for the dispatch of Federal troops into the district. This, of course, is an extreme measure resorted to only on rare occasions and indicates the gravity of the situation. Though polygamy has long since been abolished by law, it still flourishes in fact and will not be given up without bloodshed. The most of people find one wife quite sufficient. Some are ill-natured enough to allege that they find even one too many. What anybody can do with a dozen is a mystery, according to Canadian ideas. But when it is borne in mind that a patriarchal Mormon makes his wives support, not only themselves and their children, but the great, much married husband as well, the wonder to a good degree ceases,