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London, Tuesday, March 11. THE expense for cremating a body in Paris is 60 cents; on this continent it is about \$25. But it costs a great deal more where the cremating agency is a child playing with matches.

TORONTO TELEGRAM: While the mem bers of the Opposition in the Local Legisla-ture are hurling their oratorical thunder at least as much oratorical thunder as they can muster up-at the Ontario ballot system they seem to forget that they have never raised a breath against what would be regarded even in autocratic Russia as an outrage on liberty, namely, the Dominion

MRS. JEFFERSON DAVIS, wife of the recently deceased leader of the Confederates in the United States Civil War, writes to say that she is preparing a biography of her late husband, which will be published at an early date. In order to make the book as complete as possible, she will be greatly obliged if the friends of the family, whose personal collections of Mr. Davis would throw light on any event of his life or tend to illustrate his character, will record them and forward them to her. As she will endeavor, as far as possible, to tell the story of Mr. Davis' career in his own words, she will regard it as a real service to be furnished with copies of any letters from her husband relating to any public topic that his surviving friends may

THERE are lots of Tory newspaper compliments to the honosty, integrity and ability of Hon. verified a Mackenzie now that he is interested to the state of the sta

actual employment, that any other person applying for said employment, or desirous of relating the same under either a verbal or written contract, shall become a member of any association or union of which said applicant or employe is not then or does not desire to become thereafter a member, is guilty of a misemean and liable, on summary conviction, to pay a fine of \$50, and in default of immediate payment, to be imprisoned for a period not exceeding six months.

The bill will no doubt be vigorously opered by the friends of trades unionism.

posed by the friends of trades unionism It is an outcome of the row which recently took place between Chapleau and the printers employed in the Government Bureau at Ottawa.

In Belgium any one may establish a school and teach it. A father has the right to select whatever school suits him best; he has also the right to "reject" them all and leave his children to enjoy the bliss of It seems to leave his children to enjoy the bliss of ignorance. "The right of ignorance is a the several Governments to tackle. Everyprecious right!" said Deputy Jacob, the leader of the Conservatives. Eighty per cent. of the Belgian day laborers cannot Canada and farm. What better farming read or write—that is, 15 per cent. of the total population. Deputy Jacob is a typital Tory. When popular education, by the sal Tory. When popular education, by the sal Tory. agency of the taxpayer, was first proposed formed that we have plenty of farmers in Great Britain, it was bitterly opposed by ready to teach new comers in return for the Tories, who held to the doctrine that if the classes were educated they would not "keep their places," but would desire to inprove the position in which it had pleased Providence to place them !

WHAT the farmer wants, pertinently remarks the Lindsay Post, is a reduction of public expenditure, a return to simple ways and to the practice of economy, not alone on his own part, but on the part of those who administer and expend public money from the Premier down to the lowest in the department. Then the larmer wants "equal rights" under the tariff. He wants tariff reform and tariff reduction, so that as the largest consuming class the farmers will not have to bear the biggest share of the taxes. Many more reforms the farmer wants; and he can secure them all if he will not allow himself to be led away by partisan appeals or by sectional issues. Even race and re-igious cries will be raised to divert the atsoon present itself. They can speak with socion of Journalists.

no uncertain sound; or forever after they nust keep silent and meezly bear whatever oads and taxes the monopolists may heap

THEY have a school for physical culture in New York. It is adapted to the wants of the female portion of the community and if the experiments undertaken in it are all as successful as was the address and illustrations on the topic "Artistic and Correct Dress," by Mrs. Jenness-Miller, given the other day, no doubt the graduates of the school will have a healthy influence on the fashionable world. A natural system of dress for women, said Mrs. Miller, should be absolutely without ligatures and bands. The gown she wore illustrated how innecessary corsets were to a good fit. It was of olive green plush and hung in short full folds from the waist. When she disappeared to change it for another she asked to be timed. She was back on the platform in two minutes and a quarter, although she had to go down stairs to the dressing-room. She reappeared in a pink gown of India silk, made in one piece on what she called the gown-form foundation. This, she said, was a good model for schoolgirls' dresses, because it did not cramp them in taking proper exercise. Then she disappeared to put on a street gown-time, 2:20. This, she said threw little weight upon the hips or the back. A woman who can change her attire in two minutes and a quarter will be in great demand by the average impatient male. With such a hepmeet domestic felicity would be promoted, and late-comers at public entertainments would be few-that is, if the customary excuse of men for such dilatoriness is not a slander.

PUT A STOP TO IT. The following letter from the pen of Registrar Pattullo of Oxford is published

in the Woodstock Sentinel-Review:

This terrible tragedy by which a respectable young Englishman has been wickedly lured to Canada and here foully murdered in the center of one of our oldest communities, may do much harm to Canada in England, where the conditions of our society are even yet very imperfectly understood. I think, therefore, that the English press should be drawn to the fact, already abundantly made plain, that the murder was not committed by a Canadian, if indeed it was even planned on this side of the ocean. This much may with safety and propriety be affirmed, and it is a cause for profoung ratitude to all Canadians that our country and Province have been spared the disgrace of so inhuman and villainous a crime against an innocent and unsuspecting stranger.

The suggestion is a good one; but to be as effective as it should be it should include a in the Woodstock Sentinel-Review:

effective as it should be it should include recommendation to the authorities in both countries to aid in the suppression of these swindling agencies. We have not the slightest doubt that Birchell, whether or not he was guilty of the murder of poor Benwell, grossly deceived both that victim and Pelley, and no doubt he had other dupes. But it is an ascertained fact that Birchell is not the only sharper who has coined money out of the gullible old country people, and it is equally parent that the good name of Canada has been tarnished by the

a young fellow to study agriculture in

Is it not time that a stop were put to a practice so pernicious in its results? Can-adians do not need to be told that a willing young man can receive the very best in-struction from leading agriculturists in Ontario without paying one penny of premium. Indeed, we know of many good farmers who would be willing to give the necessary instruction and board and lodging in return LIBERTY may not always be a blessing. for services rendered, always provided the novice were ready to fall in with the regula-tions governing work on the holding. Why should not the British public be made aware

where it is recognized as desirable that ready to teach new comers in return for the labor given, without a premium. It is about time that this fact were given as widespread publication in Great Britain as has Benwell's dreadful and un-timely end. Then, let the British moneyed young men, who wish to begin life in Canada, be requested not to put their trust in "fake" advertisements in metropolitan journals, and offering big returns for "a consideration," but to apply direct to Hon. consideration, but to apply direct to Hon.
Mr. Drury, Minister of Agriculture, who is
farmer enough to be able to give them
advice on the subject, and, if need be,
supply a list of noted agriculturists, someone of whom, we doubt not, would be glad to give tuition on his farm on the far from

onerous terms indicated. The farm student premium shark should

be given a wide berth. A DEFINITION of a journalist as given by the Pall Mall Gazette is one who is pro-fessionally and habitually engaged as editor igious cries will be raised to divert the attention of the farmers from the hard times, the low prices and the high taxes. If the farmers are again deceived and humbugged they will have themselves to blame. The remedy is in their own hands. If they do not act and act in the right direction it will be their own fault. The opportunity will soop present itself. They can speak with

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS. There are now 115 high schools and col-legiate institutes in Ontario. The cost per pupil has recently decreased.

In the Judicial Committee of the Swedish Parliament the majority of member consists of graduates of the normal schools. consists of graduats of the normal schools. Two teachers, two mayors and an attorney, five men who passed through normal schools instead of classical schools. "This is significant," says the Faedrelandet (Faderland), "since it shows that our normal schools not only aid in building up a profession of teachers, but that its students can be found aiding the nation in its legislative council." its legislative council.'

In Russia, Servia, Roumania and Bul garia (not to speak of Turkey) over 80 per garia (not to speak of Turkey) over 80 per cent. of the population are illiterate. In Spain 63 per cent., in Italy 48 per cent., in Hungary 43 per cent., in Austria 39 per cent., in Ireland 21 per cent., in France and Belgium 15 per cent., in Holland 10 per cent., in the United States (white population) 8 per cent., in Scotland 7 per cent., in Switzerland 2.5 per cent., in some parts of Germany 1 per cent. In Sweden, Denmark, Bavaria, Wurtemberg and Saxony only rarely a person is found who cannot write, and he is usually in advanced years.

According to the recently-issued report of the Ontario Minister of Education, in 1888 there were 7,794 public school teachers, 2,824 being males, and 4,972 of these females; 258 held first-class ceatificates, 2,651 second-class, 3,971 third-class, and 916 other certificates, including old county board certificates. The highest salary paid was \$1,500—the average salary to males \$424, and to females \$292. There are now 5,626 school houses in the Province, distributed as follows: In rural districts 5,209, 230 in towns and 187 in cities. The log school house is fast disappearing, there being only 584 in 1888, as against 1,466 in 1850. In the same period brick school houses have increased from 99 to 2,086; 5,497 school houses are freehold and 129 rented. The number of maps now used amounts to 44,971; in 1850 there were only 1,814,. 1888 there were 7,794 public school teachers, 1,814,.

It is interesting to find the following statement in the annual report of Mr. Girardot, school inspector for the county of Essex, where there is a large French-speak-

ing population:

I am happy to say that the new regulations regarding French schools are carried out without any opposition, and that during the nineten years I have been inspector I never found a single French Canadian who was not anxious that his children should be taught English with French. Being the language of the country, people know that its use is absolutely necessary, and that, with the two languages, they have immense advantages. If we compare the present position of our young French Canadians in this country with their position 25 years ago we will find that quite a number occupy, not only here, but also in Detroit, good positions in the different professions—leve, medicine, Government and municipal prices, teachers, business men, etc. These approach of their wonderful advancement in education, and that they do not intend to be behind others.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

The fourth number of the Illustrate These are very pertinent questions, but we venture the belief that they will not be answered by the men who so shamefully slandered Hon. Alex. Mackenzie when he was able to take an active part in public life as a leader of the Liberal party, and who now pursue the same tactics with regard to Hon. Mr. Mowat, Sir Richard Cartwright and other well-known public men. They, too, we suppose, will in duc course be praised, in order that their successors in active leadership may be vilified. It is a way which the more unscrupulous organs of the Tory party have.

Hon. Mr. Chapleau, a member of the Dominion Government, has prepared a bill for submission to Parliament which will prove very objectionable to trades unions. The second clause reads:

Whatsoever, whether verbally or in writing, and whether acting for himself or for any corporation, company, association, permitted the submission and plying for said employment, that any other person applying for said employment to refer the contract, shall become a verbal or write ten contract, shall become the verbal or write ten contract, shall become American shows a decided improvement

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The meeting of the Int at the Tecumseh House probably bring baseball m position. Detroit now p mination to stay with but Detroit has said a ge things recently, and its le love is perhaps slight its inability to gain the or affections. The six-club probable. Manager Fe option, as before state grounds, and a club may This, with Toronto, Ham on the Canadian side, and BASEBAL on the Canadian side, and on the Canadian side, and or one other American a league that we amount of good bailing season. If all as sanguine and enthusia as the Tecumseh direct certainly to have a pros summer. To-morrow's 1 ably throw a light on the a definite idea of what mises.

nises.
The Toronto Globe refe Detroit stays in, the ment to rehabilitate the taken. The Toronto, Detroit and Saginaw of

Detroit and Saginaw constitute the representating. The Toronto club graphed President Mills call a meeting."

A dispatch from Det the prospects as follows:

"The directors of the Club have decided to strong Leave and to de tional League, and to do to put the league on a They came to this concl to put the league on They came to this cond held to-day. Presider for a special meeting of held at the Tecumse Wednesday afternoon, of how the league can be discussed. The play Club have been ordered. Detroit, April 1."

The Detroit Free

situation pretty well as
"The management of
has made superhuman team in a major league, they failed is evidence t sible. Bereft of the existence of large nur during the summer we by these a proportion of will be gladly accepted "There is one thing the do well to look after. champions have been in ing uncertainty as to play the coming season more than a month to more than a month to season and the player The Brotherhood is per and unless the Detroit given some definite in yield to Brotherhood leave Detroit in the lut

leave Detroit in the lut CLEVELAND, March concerning Detroit's pc hood, Secretary Brunel mere bluff at the Let think for a moment o Why, that man Steam the past five years abarterer in baseball fle would be going right bif we were to think for anything to do with h Detroit is no ball town ternational League ch ternational League ch last season and lost \$1 We don't want any Brotherhood." INTERNATIONAL L

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