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THE SCHOOL FOR SLANDER.

malice or intent may be considered in A chapter of base falsehoods has mitigation of punishment, but it canalready been printed and circulated not be used to justify a neglect to regarding Alderman John G. Richter repair the injury that has been efin the present campaign for the mayoralty. Charges so vile in character as to be libellous are found each change in the law that shall remedy evening in the columns of a newspaper that disgraces every tradition of fair The character of the something he has not done, and to rejournal is so well-known that there is lease him from confinement in the not great danger of honest men being used against Mr. Richter last year, and in spite of them, or because of them, he headed the polls. Almost superior power. A new trial, and a thing to do with it? They will say, every utterance of this gentleman has been raked up in an effort to find some chance for the use of innuendo With a genius for misconstruction that is rare, his newspaper enemy seeks in the name of honesty to besmirch the reputation of a man fairly beyond the reproach of his bitterest enemy.

There are minds low enough how ever, to be influenced by such stories as have been printed, and the lesser minions of the campaign have been seeking and securing their cue from the Master Caluminator, with the result that false stories are being whispered of Ald. Richter in the canvas of the electors. "Speak-easy" methods are hoped to defeat him among the workingmen, who have not had a more fair representative on the council board.

#### HEADLONG HOCKEY.

Cold weather brings hockey with a rush. The season is short, swift and sweet. All Canada, north of the tropics, bends to the sport with an intensity shown in no other game.

to be expected, but that such das-Not only the players, but the noncombatants as well, get exercise from hockey. Spectating is not a lolling luxury under soft airs and relaxing sunshine. First, the thousands wait in line or battalion outside the arena door. It is cold and men must stamp and jump for any warmth. Shoving, hauling and howling enliven the weary hour. It is a wild folk dance, with barbaric mirth and fleeting angers. Weaklings faint and are passed out overhead to recuperate. St. John's ambulance men get preliminary practice in rendering first aid to the

Then opens the stout door and the stamping becomes a stampede. The host passes the barrier to fill the void portioned to prices, fell by 5% per seats abhorred by managements. When fourteen human hurricanes take the ice, steadied somewhat by the referee, pandemonium arises, and with it the audience to their feet. Grandstand plays happen two or three times in a baseball game, but hockey is a moment that lasts a quarter period. The band plays when a goal is shot. The strain is awful. It is a battle. And while the players do get their regular intermissions, as well as irregular rests on the fence at the bidding of the referee, there is no entire let-up for the spectators. Between periods they jump to keep warm if not for impatience and nervous tension Now and then a fight is started by players or spectators, and any time the crowd may overleap the parapet to create a general melee. No. Canada's winter game gives no rest to the "tired businessman" or anyone else of the heroes on and off the ice.

#### THE LAW'S MISTAKE.

For five years Gerolamo Fabeari has been imprisoned in the Peniten- feet ought to "go way back and sit tiary of St. Vincent de Paul, under sentence for a crime of which it now appears he was not guilty. When his innocence became known, the jail door was opened for him; he was handed \$3 J. G. Richter is the man. and placed on the train for Montreal, where he arrived on Christmas Eve, homeless and friendless. For five years he has borne the shame of another's guilt, the enforced confinement between prison walls, and has worked at his trade as a blacksmith without pay-unless the three dollars given him may be called his remuneration. He has lost five years of life, cut out of the prime of his manhood, and now fights hard, but he always fights like faces the world anew without money, and without work, but not without the shame of the prison upon him, and a rankling sense of human injustice

within him. That he will meet charitable and kind-hearted people in Montreal, who will see that he gets employment, or assistance to go to his wife and child at Rome, may be taken for granted. Human sympathy naturally goes out to one in his circumstance, and he will doubtless receive kindly aid from more hands than one. But that does not pay the debt society owes him. For society, through the means organized for its own protection, has done him a great wrong. Unintentionally, but still it has been done. When accused of the crime, he did not commit, he fell into the grasp of the law, and the law which he was unable to compete. A lived a year after his brain had been to another as late as 1833.

counsel learned in the law, and of no removed. Baseball managers will tell mean capacity, or he would not have you of scores of players who never held the responsible office that was had one. his, prosecuted the supposed criminal,

It's a mighty poor runner who has to hang on to the coat-tails of another We do not remember whether Fabeari was able to secure as good counsel fellow to pull him along. The sportfor his defence, or any counsel at all. But whether he was able to defend ing editor would call him "a rank

was due to the superior force of the

prosecution, and his own poverty, whe-

ther or not the circumstances were

such that even with wealth and friends

at his command, he would have been

unable to produce the evidence neces-

sary to satisfy the judge and jury of

do not affect the conclusion. Society

through its courts of law, made a

requires that wrong should be follow-

ed by reparation, whether the wrong-

That the wrong was done without

There is imperative need for

this evil. To simply pardon a man for

justice is not satisfied. Nor is this

enough. The man unjustly kept in

prison should be paid for his work

have received at his ordinary employ-

under similar circumstances would fall

A STAB IN THE BACK.

slander before it was circulated ex-

tensively. The campaign of abuse was

ardly methods as the striking out of

words from a city record should be

attempted, is a reflection upon the in-

telligence and fairness of all citizens,

who are asked to vote against Mr.

LIVING AND COST OF LIVING.

statistics. At least, a paper recently

read before the Royal Statistical So-

ciety of Great Britain does not indi-

cate that the mass of wage-earners

profit by increased cost of living. A

not mean any general advantage.

few, of course, may gain, but that does

Between 1900 and 1912, according to

this paper, "real wages," or wages pro-

cent., while the cost of living was go-

ing up 71/4 per cent. and food prices

over 8 per cent. Consumption of food

means conducive to national welfare.

mother country, but one would not

infer that the mass of Canadian work-

ers are probably living better because

Normalitis is once more epidemic in

The Sunday street car is the poor

The German peril is upon us; for

When German meets German, then

Why pipe in natural gas when there

A man who can't stand on his own

If ever this city needed a "Watch

In every big circus there has

be at least one clown. The same

rule will apply to city affairs.

s so much around the city hall?

of this fact.

down.

London homes.

man's automobile.

we are together.

omes the tug-of-war.

Cost of living has increased in Can-

on a private citizen.

to suffer.

himself or not, whether his conviction outsider." The minority should always have representation in municipal affairs. Taxation without representation is always dangerous, and once brought on a war that lost England her richest

Adam was the first man in the his innocence, these are matters that world; Adam is the first man in London, and Mayor Graham is his prophet. He said so himself, and that is why mistake for which the innocent had someone called him "a silly ass," or And now society gives no reparation something to that effect. for the wrong done. Common justice

It's about time for an answer to that "C. Q. D." wireless sent the other doer be an individual or a community. day to a passenger on the Mauretania in mid-ocean. Since writing the above t is learned that a "p d q" wireless answer has been received stating that "my future as a public man" depends on the re-election of Mayor Graham. Watch for the formal announcement

The best grade of select oysters sell in the United States for 40 cents per quart retail; in London and other criminal's cell, is not sufficient to pay parts of Canada they sell for 70 cents. The same tactics were the debt society owes him for the Will the commission to investigate the wrong done him by its own machinery, high cost of living please find out for and sometimes solely by virtue of its the consumer if the tariff has anyprompt acquittal, with all possible pub- "Another argument in favor of prolicity, is certainly better than a par-tection to home industries." But what don. The one is justice, the other is about the poor man who has to pay mercy, which may be extended even if the price?

#### ANOTHER CRANK. [Louisville Courier-Journal.] have an income of \$18,600 per

while there at the same rate he would What income tax ought I to vear. "I can show you how to dodge your ment. And he should be allowed the said the alert attorney. same proportionate damages that he 'But I don't want to dodge it. I want to pay it.

would have been entitled to in a court Some fresh bug comes in this office of law had he been the victim of an every day," remarked the legal light, ordinary individual's neglect or accireflectively, as the client went out. dental mischance. Society has no moral right to escape penalties that

SHORTER.

to the shortest name in the United States, and a London journalist has States, and a London journalist has hunted up some rivals, including the The misuse of the minutes of a Marquis d'O in Normandy. In Paris council committee in an effort to dissome years ago was a cafe kept by credit Ald. John G. Richter with elec- Mme. Therese O, whose illiterate son, tors residing in the East End calls for when called to serve his term in the an investigation. A copy of the min- army created some amusement by being unable to sign his name. He was ute made use of was fortunately sent on the point of making a cross when to Ald. Richter and he was able to ex- he was shown that it was quite as easy pose the treacherous intention of the to shape an O.

#### THREE OPINIONS.

[Cleveland Plaindealer.] Augustus Thomas, dean of dramatts said to the American immortals: There is too much sex in life. God did that, I am not to blame." Meredith Nicholson told the same audience: "The sex fad is unhealthy, inwholesome and un-American." We like the Chicago Tribune's comment still better: "The sex literature is poor stuff, not because it has to do with of the the sex motive, but because it is poor Mr. Crothers' idea that high prices

#### mean prosperity is not suported by stuff." CHRISTMAS PRESENTS. [Punch.]

The choice of a Christmas present is always a matter of some difficulty. The thoughtless youth who sent a lady acquaintance a little volume recently issued, entitled, "How To Be Beautiful," has lost a friend.

> NATIVITY HYMN. [By John Milton.]

t was the Winter wilde, While the Heav'n-born-childe, All meanly wrapt in the rude manger declined about 2 per cent in the per- Nature in awe of him

iod of twelve years, a reduction by no Had doff'd her gawdy trim, With her great Master so to sympathize: was no season then for her ada much more rapidly than in the

To wanton with the Sun, her lusty Paramour.

#### HIS ONE CHANCE. [Ladies' Home Journal.]

"You eat very little, Mr. Smith," said the maiden coyly to the bashful Smith. lover who had been invited to share the family Christmas dinner. "Yes," replied he, and for once saw a chance, and, grasping his courage, he said: "To sit next to you. Miss Grace, is to lose one's appetite."

#### BEFORE CHRISTMAS. [Punch.]

A correspondent who writes from Hanwell mentions that he is at work on an article on the history of Christmas cards. He has made a careful search, but can find no mention of them in literature of the B. C. period, and would be grateful if anyone could help him in this respect.

[Charles Lamb.] And what is Christmas! Why, it is the happiest time of the year. It is the season of mirth and cold weather. Dog of the Treasury" it is now; and It is the time when Christmas boxes and jokes are given; when mistletoe and red berried laurel and soups and sliding and schoolboys prevail; when the country is illuminated by fires and bright faces; and the town is radiant with laughing children,

OLD SHIPS.

[London Chronicle.]
It is rather curious that our only

specimen of a sixteenth-century war-

ship should be the one recently dis-

covered at Woolwich, for the old wood-

en vessels often attained a ripe old

age, and one would have expected a

few of them to have been preserved as

curiosities. In 1902 a vessel dating

from the time of Columbus was re-

brought William and Mary to England,

And the small ship in which James II.

wrecked at the mouth of the Tyne.

When a fighter is forced into the A BUDDING MONOPOLIST. ring he is half licked before he starts. mb kgzqgqkz gb xkbxkgzkgoa

That is just how the mayor feels. [Ladies' Home Journal.] Willie was small, but he had learned that big things are achieved by dealing with matters in the mass instead making him friends every day. He of in detail. "Now," he said to his mother, short-

y before Christmas, "I've written letter asking for what I want, and That austere and tense look on your think it covers everything.' neighbor's face may indicate a high-"That's good," said his mother; 'what did you ask for?" souled endeavor to reform-or a burn-"Two toy shops and a candy store."

It looks as if all the "muck-rake" writers on the continent were assembled in a certain newspaper office in this city; but does it pay?

A Pittsburg man carries in his shoulder radium to the value of \$100,-000, but Mr. Jack Johnson used to

carry that much in each of his fists. ported to be still trading between Spaln and America, and it was not Pavlowa recently, on a Montreal stage, slapped the ears of her leading until 1824 that the Betsy Cairns, which man. When performing in this city it appeared as if she was trying to kick escaped from Rochester was still doing duty in conveying stores from one dock

Paris physicians report a man who

ABE MARTIN



Jack Frost is th' originator o' the loose leaf system. Ther has never been any question about th' fact that

## ENGLAND SHIVERS AS MERCURY TAKES DROP

Coldest Day This Season-Snow Falls All Night-People Go Tobogganing.

[Canadian Press.]

New York, Dec. 29. - A London cable to the Herald said: Yesterday was the coldest day this season all over England, and in several places the temperature was below the freezing point. All day and last night snow was falling in many parts of the eastern counties.

The outlook continues very wintry. The peak of the country is covered with snow to a depth of three to four inches. Tobogganing and ski-ing are being indulged in at Buxton.
The West African mail steamer

Abosso, which arrived at Plymouth yesterday, reported that she encoun-

Government Officials to Countersign Bills to Amount of Seven Millions.

Mexico City, Dec. 29. tores," Government officials, correaminers, have been appointed to look into the affairs of the Bank of London and Mexico. It is explained by the bankers that this is not an indication of the insolvency of the institution. Of the duties of the interventures close to the Canadian Pacific Palinary. sponding in some degree to bank ex-Part of the duties of the interventores will be to countersign bills to the amount of several million pesos to be

# GUARDS AT RY. BRIDGE

One Dead and Another Fatally Injured at Trinidad, Colorado-Trouble at Mines.

Trinidad, Col., Dec. 29.—One man was killed and another probably fatally in-jured yesterday when strikers attacked guards of an Atchison, Topeka and Santa guards of all Aridge connecting mines at Fe Railroad bridge connecting mines at Radiant and Rockvale in the strike disrict near here. One guard died from bullet wound, and the other fell from e bridge. The two men were armer, who was killed, and C.

They were guarding the bridge from Armed strikers approach ncendiaries. ed the structure, carrying a can which later was found to contain coal oil. The guards ordered the strikers to stop, and heir reply was a fusillade of bullets.

The mines at Radiant had been open ating with non-union miners since the trike began last September

# CALUMET DISASTER BEING PROBED

Man Who Gave False Cry of "Fire" Precipitating Panic Not Apprehended.

MOYER CASE TOMORROW Effort Being Made to Determine Identity of Those Who Ejected Leader.

[Canadian Press.]

Calumet, Mich., Dec. 29.—With the most of its dead buried, Calumet turned its attention to the coroner's inquest into the Christmas Eve panic, which cost the lives of 72 persons, and to the Houghton County grand jury investigation of the forcible ejection from the copper country of Charles H. Moyer, president of the Western Federation of Miners.

The coroner's inquest began here today, and the grand jury investigation is expected to begin tomorrow at Hancock, where Moyer was ptu aboard a Chicagobound train.

Department to Investigate. John Densmore, solicitor for the Department of Labor, is expected here today to make an investigation for the Government of the strike of the copper miners. Before reaching here he will consult with

lov. Ferris at Big Rapids.
Gathering of evidence as to the identity of the men who escorted President Moyor out of Hancock on Friday night, was continued by strike leaders.

The man who shouted the false alarm of "Fire!" thereby causing the panic at the Christmas tree celebration for the children of striking miners, is still at large. Union men intimated, however, that they have a clue to his identity, and that an arrest may be made soon.

# THIEF LIBERATED TO

Ed. P. Murphy Shows Stoney Mountain Officials Where He Placed Loot 8 Years Ago.

[Canadian Press.]

Brandon, Man., Dec. 29.—Edward P. Hurphy, born in Toronto, who was senenced in October, 1905, to fourteen years' tenced in October, 1995, to fourteen years imprisonment for stealing jewelry worth \$5,000 from the store of W. H. Mallett here, has been released on parole under unique circumstances, while still having six years of his sentence to serve.

Though Murphy was arrested shortly after Mallett's store was entered by a window, the jewels were never recovered. window, the jewels were never recovered. Murphy at the trial offered to reveal them in return for his liberty, and repeated the offer when Capt. J. C. Ponsford, formerly off St. Thomas, Ont., took charge this year of Stoney Mountain penitentiary, where

Murphy was confined. The authorities at Ottawa finally agreed to grant him parole on condition

# amount of several limited peace to be issued by the bank within a few days. HARRY LAUDER GETS ROUSING SENDOFF

Starts From Liverpool on World's Tour-Invited To Occupy Pulpit in Toronto.

[Canadian Press.]

London, Dec. 29 .- Harry Lauder, before mbarking at Liverpool by the Carmania for a lengthy trip, including North America, Australia and New Zealand, received invitations to occupy pulpits New York, Toronto and Buffalo. Lauder stated that when he addressed a mass meeting in London recently, placard announcing that the house was full had to be placed outside. The famous comedian received a send off from the St. Andrew's Society of Liv-

erpool, and by pipers belonging Scottish Territorials. He will be om England until the end of next year. Electors who have been forced to listen to misrepresentations circulated by opponents of Ald. Richter should make a point of attending ton girt's

### meeting in the Auditorium. BRALEYS POEM TODAY



A FIRST RATE BOOK.

I've been reading of slaughter and battle, Of glory and gumption and gore, Of raids upon foemen and cattle And hair-raising stunts by the score, Of heroes of mightiest bravery, Of villains with records unsavory, Of righteousness, evil and knavery, And plenty of olden time lore.

I've been reading some lovely romances And tales of adventure, as well, Of men who took uttermost chances And braved any fate that befell, I've revelled, with eyes that were glistery, In fairy tales, magic and mystery, Theology, logic and history, And poems that none can excel.

And I read all of this in one volume, One volume I'd never looked through Till I plunged in its close-printed column-And its treasures lay bare to my view.

So I learned, after decades unheeding, What wise men have long been conceding, That the Bible is chuck full of reading, And mighty good stuff it is, too! -BERTON BRALEY.

## THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

To the Editor of The Advertiser: I am about making my will, and wish to select either Graham or Richter as my executor. Kindly advise me as to the best man to look after my affairs, and

oblige. Yours truly, P.S.-I have a large estate. London, Dec. 27, 1913.

Traveller Opposes Tilbury Gas To the Editor of The Advertiser;

Re natural gas. If you really would like to get a fair opinion on this ques-tion just ask any commercial traveller who covers the territory in the natural gas section in Western Ontario, and it you find anyone favorable to it in preference to the product we are now being served I am much mistaken. People who have never travelled in that section can have no idea of the offensive oder of the stuff, bestdes the dirty, gassy mess i makes of everything. I note Mr. McChary in his letter tonight, even admits that i will mean an outlay of about six dollars for each householder or user to put on a suitable burner to use natural gas. He also emphasizes the fact that you must have a good 8-inch pipe connected with good chimney. I think those are facts which should be certainly given prominence, as it is a well-known fact that you nust have an extraordinarily good chimney to stand that stuff. As to the cost, am certain there have been misleading statements made, because natural gas users who have ever had the benefit of artificial gas will all tell you that it eally takes over double the quantity of natural gas to give you the same result is artificial, and to use it in a furnace is certainly not cheaper than coal. The port, He asked the squire to give him 90 only advantage any reasonable person will days in jail, as he had no work and no claim is that is a little handier, but that

is certainly not enough to offset the obnexious smell and grease or dirt it creates. I met a travelling man from Galt the other day, and in conversation he casually remarked that he was thinking of moving to some other town in his territory. In answer to inquiry as to why, he immediately said, 'Why, they have turned that Tilbury gas into our town and the place is not fit to live in; the smell is awful."

I am amused to hear these people talk about having suitable plumbing. Well, vou would think the people who live in the natural gas district of Tilbury, Leamington, Kingsville and those places, weuld have it, and it is because I have travelled for a number of years in that country that I am very, very much opposed to introducing the dirty stuff into

Let's stay with a good thing and not cop the bone to grasp the shadow. Vote igainst natural gas!

Yours for good of London, TRAVELLER. London, Dec. 27, 1913.

For the Manufacturer.

the Editor of The Advertiser: The installation of natural gas in London should be of material benefit to the nanufacturers and householders of this As large users of power we want to be

laced on record as favoring the bylaw. which will be voted upon shortly, and all things being equal we would have no hesitancy in using it, for through its medium we would have not only power and heat, but light as well, as we operate our own dynamo. By all means let th Cook-Fitzgerald Company, Ltd.

C. J. FITZGERALD. London, Canada. Dec. 27, 1913. On Natural Gas.

o the Editor of The Advertiser: I am heartily in favor of the passing of the natural gas bylaw, and think it should be supported by the citizens gen-Yours truly, STERLING BROS, LTD. per S. N. Sterling,

Director. London, Canada, Dec. 27, 1913. Mr. Hyman on Natural Gas.

and development of our city, that I take hours until three doses are taken. this opportunity of asking for it your hearty support. rely solely on coal for manufacturing

opportunity of obtaining the supply of and convenience, displace the coal. The action of the board of trade, taken schal investigation by a special commit-

ing natural gas, in unanimously reco ending its use by the city, should disprove any criticisms that have been made. Both as a manufacturer and a ratepayer confidently recommend your adoption of the bylaw.

London, Dec. 27, 1913.

### OOPS THE LOOP SIX TIMES HIGH IN AIR

Lincoln Beachy Establishes New World's Aviation Record in Sensational Flight at Frisco.

San Francisco, Dec. 29.—Looping the loop six times at a height of 2,500 feet over San Francisco Bay, Lincoln Beachey yesterday established another world's aviaon Christmas Day Beachey looped the

loop five times, a record in itself. Previous to looping the loop yesterday, Beachey fiew upside down.

REFUSES 90 DAYS Samuel Crockett, of West London, appeared before Squire Chittick on Saturday afternoon, on a charge of vagrancy, after he had been found wandering in London Township without visible means of sup-

His request was not acceded to, how-ever, and he was allowed to go. He is a broom maker, and an able-bodied man. He was advised to continue his search for

### The Wretchedness of Constipation

A DOMESTIC OF THE PARTY OF THE

Can quickly be overcome by CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.

Purely vegetable -act surely and gently on the liver. Cure

ness, and Indigestion.

### HEAD AND NOSTHILS STUFFED FROM COLD

"Pape's Cold Compound" Ends a Cold or Grippe in a Few Hours.

Your cold will break and all grippe The adoption of the natural gas bylaw misery end after taking a dose of so great importance to the welfare "Pape's Cold Compound," every two It promptly opens clogged-up nostrils and air passages in the head, For many years London has been forced stops nasty discharge or nose-runand heating purposes, and should we not feverishness, sore throat, sneezing now take immediate advantage of the soreness and stiffness.

Don't stay stuffed-up! Quit blow natural gas at a price which all avail- and snuffling! Ease your throbb able records prove will, both as to cost and convenience, displace the coal. Compound," which costs only 25 cent only after exhaustive inquiry and per- at any drug store. It acts withou assistance, tastes nice, and causes no tee in the different cities and towns us- inconvenience. Accept no substitute.

# HAIR STOPS FALLING, DANDRUFF DISAPPEARS--25-CENT DANDERINE

Fluffy, Lustrous and Beautiful.

of Danderine, you cannot find a single shimmer of true hair health. trace of dandruff or falling hair and your scalp will not itch, but what will please you most, will be after a few and downy at first—yes—but really hair is as pretty and soft as any—that new hair-growing all over the scalp.

Save Your Hair! Make It Soft, doubles the heauty of your hair. No scraggy, just moisten a cloth with Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. The effect is immediate and amazing-your hair will be light, fluffy and wavy, and have an appearance of abundance; an incomparable lustre, Try as you will, after an application softness and luxuriance, the beauty and

Get a 25-cent bottle of Knowlton's Danderine from any drug store or toilet counter, and prove that your it has been neglected or injured by

### immediately careless treatment—that's all. FOR CONSTIPATION, TORPID LIVER HEADACHE, DYSPEPSIA--DIME A BOX

Turn the rascals out-the headache, bile from your liver and carry off the biliousness, indigestion, constipation, decomposed waste matter and constithe sick, sour stomach and foul gases pation poison from the bowels. -turn them out tonight with Cas-

gested and fermenting food and that children—their little insides need a

A Cascaret tonight will straighten you out by morning-a 10-cent box keeps your head clear, stomach sweet, Let Cascarets cleanse and sweeten liver and bowels regular and you feel your stomach; remove the sour, undibully for months. Don't forget the

