# THE CURSE OF THE NATION IS CONSTIPATION

## "Fruit-a-tives" Alone Cures This Disease

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## CITIES DO NOT WANT ANY GENERAL LAW

### Will Oppose Some Clauses of Hon. W. J. Hanna's Assessment Act.

Toronto, Feb. 20.—Representatives from London, Hamilton, Ottawa, and Toronto will meet here some time in the next two weeks to discuss with Hon. W. J. Hanna his new bill to amend the assessment act with regard to local improvements.

Organized opposition to some of the clauses is expected, as each city and town has its own method of fixing assessments, and they do not want a general law, which might compel them to completely change their systems.

## COL. SAM HUGHES AT WASHINGTON

### Invades the American Capital, But Nothing Terrible Happens.

Washington, Feb. 20.—Well-wishers for international peace had a scare yesterday when they learned that the American capital was to be visited by no less a promoter of British imperialism the world over than Col. Sam Hughes, M.P., of Ottawa and Toronto. A little knot of Canadians pictured the neglect into which the national defence, both in word and in military procession, would fall if the gallant colonel remained long from the scenes that know him so well and hear him so often.

The colonel came on Saturday night, and instead of a regiment of blue and grey he faced merely the red-capped colored porters ready to take his suit-case and his loose change. President Taft ate his dinner in peace and quiet, undisturbed by the clamor of arms. The sunset gun was fired, and the men at Fort Myer retired as usual. Champ Clark and William S. Bennet attended a commonplace legislative duties incident to a filibuster conducted by one man, with a quiet resolution and courage that might be emulated by more talkative people. There was no burning of the capital as in the case of the late British invasion in 1815. Col. Hughes had come to confer with his friend, J. Wesley Allison, who is engaged in defeating the Long Sault power bill now before Congress, and for other reasons.

### HAWLEY GETS BALLOON.

New York, Feb. 20.—The America II., the balloon in which Alan R. Hawley and Augustus Post won the 1910 race for the Coupe International des Aeronautes, and which they were compelled to abandon in the Canadian wilds, has just reached New York, having been brought out of the forests by a party of expert guides. To the delight of Mr. Hawley the big bag was found to be in practically unharmed condition. He expects to enter it in hte race again this year.

## New York Points of Interest

### Hundreds of Them Within Comparatively Short Distances of the Hotel St. Regis.

The length of the Island of Manhattan—from the Battery to the Harlem River—varies from eight miles on the east to twelve miles on the west. The average width is one mile. Fifth avenue is the central dividing line between the eastern and western sections. On Fifth avenue, at Fifty-fifth street, is located the Hotel St. Regis, five miles from the Battery and an equal distance from the Harlem River. This location is practically the geographical centre of the city, insures the shortest distance and the least travel for guests of this hotel to the many points of interest to be found in Manhattan Borough. Central Park and the Metropolitan Art Museum are within a few blocks, the Natural History Museum requires but a five minutes' ride, while the great shopping and theatrical districts can be reached in even less time. The St. Regis—it will be remembered—was fitted up and furnished with an exquisiteness that knew no stint, yet it is the farthest removed from the ostentatious. Its atmosphere is one of homelikeness and refined comfort. The St. Regis restaurant has no superior in all the world in quality of food, skill in preparation and perfection of service; while the charges are no higher than those of other first-class hotels. Transient guests coming to New York and stopping at the Hotel St.Regis will find accommodations of the very highest grade in every particular and at standard rates. Single rooms are $3 and $4 a day; the same with private bath for $5 a day (or $6 for two people); while for a parlor, bedroom and private bath the rates are $12 a day and up.

### METCALFE LADY DEAD.

Strathroy, Feb. 21.—The funeral of Mrs. Sarah M. Blaine, wife of James Blaine, of Metcalfe, was held here this afternoon, and was largely attended. Mrs. Blaine died in Port Huron recently of pneumonia, while on a visit to her sister. She was 55 years old.

A few minutes delay in treating some cases of croup, even the length of time it takes to go for a doctor often proves dangerous. The safest way is to keep Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the house, and at the first indication of croup give the child a dose. Pleasant to take and always cures. Sold by all dealers. 1

## RESIGNATION WAS FINALLY ACCEPTED

### Engineer Van Cleve Will Leave London on First of March.

The resignation of City Engineer Van Cleve was finally accepted by the city council last night. He will leave March 1. However, Ald. Ashplant gave notice of motion that at the next meeting of the council that he would move that the position be kept open until the end of March, and that it be offered to Mr. Van Cleve, at a salary satisfactory to all parties concerned.

"The aldermen gave Mr. Van Cleve a testimonial. It was moved by Ald. Cooper, and seconded by Ald. Saunders, and was as follows:

"Resolved, that we, the municipal council of the city of London, accept with regret the resignation of Mr. A. H. Van Cleve, as city engineer, and we desire to express our appreciation of the satisfactory manner in which he has discharged the duties of his office during the time he has served the city.

"That this resolution be printed in the minutes, and that a copy of the same signed by the members of this council, be presented to Mr. Van Cleve."

There was no debate on the resolution, the council voting unanimously in favor of it.

Later, when the order of notices of motion came, Ald. Ashplant gave his notice of motion.

## MUST NOT USE NAME OF THE CITY CLERK

### Council Insists That Freedom With Official's Name Be Stopped.

No advertisement will be inserted in the newspapers over the signature of City Clerk Baker henceforth unless permission is first granted by the city council. At the meeting of that body last night, resolutions were passed to that effect.

Mr. Baker sent in a communication stating that he had not authorized the publication of the advertisement relating to the application of the North Midland Railway to have their guarantee bylaw included in the city of London bill.

Ald. Richter wanted to know who authorized the publication of the advertisement relating to the water commissioners' request for power to expropriate land within fifteen miles of the city for water and power purposes, and for the right to install meters, and other powers.

"The Water commissioners had no authority whatever to do this," declared Ald. Richter. "If they wanted an increase in their powers, they should have come to us. The council, and the council alone, has the right to say what shall go into that bill. They are asking for very wide powers, and the council should have been consulted. It simply shows how far some people will go. It is a high-handed piece of business. The same is true of the North Midland Company."

### A Resolution.

He then moved the following resolution, which was passed unanimously:

"It having been shown that the name of the city clerk was appended to an advertisement of the North Midland Railway Company in a local newspaper without his knowledge or direction; and it being further shown that the said city clerk was directed to insert other advertisements in like manner without competent authority to give such direction, this council disapproves of such irregular practices, and directs that in the event of any such unauthorized use of the city clerk's name being made hereafter, he shall take prompt action to stop same, and to bring to account the person or persons making such unauthorized and unwarranted use of his name as aforesaid.

"And furthermore, the said city clerk shall not hereafter, in his official capacity, cause to be inserted any advertisement in any newspaper or other periodical, or otherwise circulate any advertisement affecting the city's interests in any way whatever, without express authority so to do having been first obtained from the council, or a committee thereof having competent jurisdiction to so direct, or as by statute expressly provided."

"This will prevent any further trouble along this line," Ald. Richter stated when the motion had passed.

## ALD. TANCOCK WANTS ALL HOUSES CONNECTED

### Council Debated Sewers Last Night—Ald. Donnelly Is After Hucksters.

The city council was in a controversial mood last night, and for several hours discussed minor matters with all the rigor that great subjects would demand. As a result the session was somewhat lengthy.

One of the questions of debate was that introduced by Ald. Tancock that the council furnish health inspectors with profiles of the sewers of the city, for the purpose of compiling a report of all houses not connected with sewers. He thought that all should be connected, where possible, and he advocated the enforcement of the bylaw covering this matter.

For an hour and a half the aldermen battled on the subject, but did not get anywhere, and when the maze of words was disentangled it was decided to allow Ald.Tancock's motion to stand as a notice of motion.

### Protection Against Hucksters.

Ald. Donnelly "went after" the hucksters on the market. He thought that the citizens should have some protection against these men. The price of goods was raised by these professional buyers, and the ordinary citizen had no chance.

The matter was referred to No. 3 committee, and they will enforce the bylaw against these men.

Mr. C. Leathorn was awarded the contract for building the Windsor avenue sewer for $1,249, his tender being the lowest.

### A New Street.

The East End Progressives sent in an application for a street across the Western Fair grounds from Egerton to King street. The communication was sent to the board of works.

There was a large number of requests from charitable institutions for the usual grants. They were sent to the finance committee.

The St. John's Ambulance Corps asked for the free use of the East End Hall for a year, a grant of $100, and suggested that the city firemen be compelled to take up the work. They were granted the free use of the hall, while the other suggestions were sent to No. 1 and No. 3 committees.

The Brockville Board of Trade wrote, asking that the city council pass a resolution in favor of building the Long Sault dam. The communication will be dealt with by the finance committee.

The East End Progressives will hold a meeting in the city hall on Friday evening, the free use of the city hall being granted for that purpose.

Mayor Beattie, Ald. Eckert, Ald.Cooper and Ald. Ashplant were named a committee to go to Toronto when the City of London bill comes up before the House.

### Poolrooms.

The request of poolroom keepers of the city that the bylaw governing these places be amended so that some penalty could be inflicted on boys under 17 years of age who frequent such places, was sent to the city solicitor for advice.

City Clerk Baker was instructed to obtain copies of the City of London bill for the members of the city council.

Those present were: Mayor Beattie, Ald. Eckert, Richter, Bennett, Ashplant, Donnelly, Tancock, Morgan, Mitchell, Saunders, Cooper and City Clerk Baker.


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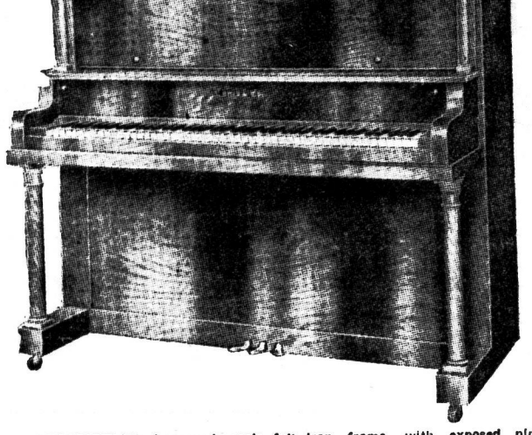

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## Amusements

### "My Cinderella Girl."

"My Cinderella Girl," a college baseball game, set to music, attracted a fair audience at the Grand Opera House last night. There was plenty of action, with some very good songs, and as a result the gallery had rather a pleasant evening. The others did not go into raptures over the entertainment. However, it was not too bad, and the majority of those who saw it were satisfied.

Frank Woods was the comedian of the play, and he worked hard and industriously all evening. He was fairly successful, too.

R. C. McKenny has a fine voice, the best of the company, and used is to good advantage.

### It's Slang, But Good.

James Forbes' famous comedy of slang and chorus girl life, "The Chorus Lady," in which Henry B. Harris is starring Edna Aug, will be the attraction of "The Prince of Pilsen" will be shown at the Grand, Monday evening next. By its long runs in New York, Chicago, Boston and London, and its uniformly successful tours through the United States and Canada, England and Australia, this delightful piece has attained a record in the foremost English-speaking countries of the world that pertinently evidences its distinctive merit. From the several companies that interpreted "The Prince of Pilsen" in America and England, Mr. Savage has selected the artists who will compose the cast to be seen here. Announced to appear in the organization are Jess Dandy, who will play Hans Wagner, and Frances Cameron, who for two seasons sang the main part of "The Merry Widow." In addition, the organization includes a special orchestra, under the skillful direction of Gustav Hinrichs, and a beauty chorus, which includes the pretty Pilsen pullets. Seats Friday.


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This will be the first time of "The Chorus Lady" here at popular prices. The star, Miss Aug, has won fame for her character impersonations, both on the legitimate and vaudeville stages of this country, and in the variety theatres of Paris and other European capitals. Her native sense of humor and her stage training fit her admirably for the role of Patricia O'Brien, the slangy, sweet-natured chorus girl of Mr. Forbes' comedy, who returns home after the burlesque company she was acting with became stranded, only to find her younger sister falling a victim to the wiles of Dick Crawford, the partner of her fiancee, Dan Mallory, in the racing stables. To keep her sister away from Crawford's influence Patricia takes Nora with her to join the chorus. But in New York Nora still sees Crawford secretly, and bets on the races on tips furnished by him. She makes out a note in his favor and signs her father's name to it. One night when she learns that her parents are in front she goes to Crawford's rooms to get the note. Patricia finds her there, and when Dan and her parents come there she allows them to think that she had come to meet Crawford. She loses the confidence of her fiancee, but Nora is saved.

### "Il Trovatore" the World's Favorite Opera.

So much has been said of the great artists that comprise the Sheehan English Grand Opera Company, and so well known is the opera of "Il Trovatore" that it seems almost useless to go into details, however, as there are many who have a mistaken idea in regards to grand opera, it may not be amiss to say a few words on the subject.

Of all the world's operas "Il Trovatore" is the most popular, picturesque and tuneful. Many of the best airs in the leading comic operas are taken from its tuneful melodies. Almost every street organ depends upon "Il Trovatore" for its melody.

The "Anvil Chorus" is one of the most beautiful numbers ever put on any stage. The famous "Miserrere," in the tower scene, is beyond description. It must be seen and heard to be appreciated. The tower of the prison overlooking the rocky coast of Spain is a most impressive sight. As for the music, when one recalls the great trio at the end of the first act, the world-renowned "Di Quella Pira," said to be the greatest tenor solo ever written, the fine baritone solo "Il Balen," the great duet between the soprano and baritone, and dozens of others, it is easy to realize why "Il Trovatore" has been for fifty years the most popular opera the world has ever known. The Sheehan English Grand Opera Company comes to the Grand Opera House, Friday and Saturday evenings and Saturday matinee, Feb. 24 and 25, for three performances of "Il Trovatore."

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### A Notable Violinist.

The following is from an American paper: "Elman's rapt absorption in the spirit of the music and his illuminating communication of it, lifted his hearers beyond the plane of critical admiration. They were spellbound, entranced, reverential. From the first thrilling movement of the Lalo concerto and its lovelier "Andante," in which Elman's violin sang and his spirit soared, to the close of the Paganini varitions, the enthusiastic demonstration of the audience were persistent and unrestrained. Four encores were given in response to uncounted recalls. Elman's greatness was nowhere more in evidence than in the playing of the simple legato melodies of some of these encores. In sheer purity and richness of tone he is the master par excellence." Grand Opera House, Feb. 28. Plan now open at Williams' piano warerooms.

## HERE IS A TALE WITH A MORAL

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