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PROF. JOWETT'S SUCCESSOR.—Mr. Gladstone has appointed Prof. Ingram Bywater to succeed the late Professor Jowett as master of Balliol college, Oxford university. Prof. Bywater has the highest European reputation as a Greek scholar.

THE GOVERNOR GENERAL DISAPPROVE.—Lord Aberdeen refused to extend his patronage to a performance of comic opera, "The Mascotte," by local amateurs in Ottawa. The entertainment was arranged for to aid the charity fund of the Grace Episcopal Church.

THE PENITENTIARY FARM.—7,000 bushels potatoes, 4,500 bushels turnips, 5,000 bushels mangolds, 7,000 bushels oats, and a large quantity of buckwheat, corn and barley were gathered from the farm in connection with the penitentiary at Dorchester this year. A stone silo of 100 tons capacity has been built on the farm and filled with corn, red clover, etc., for use during the winter.

DISCUSSION OF RAILWAY EXTENSION.—A deputation from the Halifax Board of Trade interviewed Premier Fielding on Tuesday morning, in re the extension of Railway in the Western parts of the Province. The Premier heard the views of the representatives of the Board with characteristic courtesy and then explained the situation from the Government's standpoint. It is encouraging to note that the city Board of Trade is alive to the interests of Halifax.

A BAD CHARACTER.—While it is questionable whether the biography of the late Richard Savage now being made public will prove profitable reading, it has brought to light a solution of several mysteries. Savage tells of stealing a gold headed cane from Sarre's George St. store, a beaver cap from Kaiser's fur store and a large amount of jewelry. The account of Savage's life as given by himself shows evil to have been inherent in his character, and the tragedy which startled Halifax last week was but a finale to a life of deceit and crime.

BACK FROM THE FAIR.—The party of Esquimaux who formed one of the exhibits at the World's Fair arrived in Halifax on Saturday night en route for their homes on the north coast of Labrador. They took passage on the *Hurlar* for Newfoundland on Tuesday. It would be interesting to know what development has taken place in the minds of these people, who have witnessed so many new scenes during the past six months. What strange stories of their varied experiences they will have to relate to the friends and relations whom they left at home.

MORE HONORS FOR SUNLIGHT SOAP.—A Diploma and Medal (highest award) have been received by "Sunlight" Soap at the World's Fair, Chicago. The manufacturers, Messrs. Lever Bros., Ltd., are to be congratulated upon the long list of successes which "Sunlight" Soap has won for them. Their achievement at Chicago Exhibition once more proves their claim to the unequalled quality of "Sunlight" Soap. They have now two World's Medals to their credit—Paris Exposition, 1889, and Chicago, 1893; besides 13 other Gold Medals obtained in different parts of the world. This is a record-breaker in the soap kingdom.

THE "WITNESS."—The Montreal *Witness* is now offering the remainder of the present year free to new subscribers for next year as an encouragement to give that valuable paper a trial. The *Witness*, both Weekly and Daily, has, during the year, adopted what it declares to be the model form, with neat, small, convenient pages, being enabled, by the possession of one of the most complete printing presses ever built by the Hoes, of New York, to vary the number of pages at will. The paper enters the press at two places, on rolls broad or narrow as required, and the newspapers come out at lightning speed, folded, pasted and cut. Besides the improvement in form, there is a remarkable improvement in typography, the type being set by the wonderful Linotype machine, which attains the speed of five men, and casts a new type face every time. The proprietors invite visitors to Montreal to see these machines. The picture element has so greatly developed in the *Witness*, that it may now be fairly called an illustrated paper. The *Witness* has moved to the busiest corner in Montreal, the junction of Bleury and St. Peter streets with Craig street, and has a spacious building there which is in some respects as fine a newspaper office as is anywhere to be seen. The price of the *Daily Witness* is three dollars, and of the *Weekly Witness* one dollar, while the little pioneer paper, the *Messenger*, costs only thirty cents.

Clergymen, students and overtaxed business men will find a wonderful recuperative agent in Puttner's Emulsion, which contains Phosphorous (brain food) in the most assimilable form.

WORK PROVIDED BY THE "SYNDICATE."—The Dominion Coal Company is advertising for 200 laborers to work at the Intercolonial Pier at Sydney during the coming six months. This will prove a good thing for the unemployed of Cape Breton, and will also benefit the business men of Sydney and vicinity. The Company intend spending \$80,000 on the enlargement of the pier.

THE RAILWAY NEGOTIATIONS.—It is stated that the Windsor & Annapolis R. R. company are considering a proposal to purchase the Nova Scotia Central R. R., and add it to their system. Some time ago the Nova Scotia Central had an offer of £100,000 from the W. & A., but it was refused. The road is a more valuable property now than it was when the offer was made, and if it is disposed of it will probably be an advance on the figure named above.

THREE VILLAINS IN CUSTODY.—Three men have been committed for trial in the Supreme Court, charged with burglarizing E. J. Miller's house on Spring Garden Road last week. It appears that the trio belong to a gang of thieves who have been carrying on their criminal business in Halifax for the past two or three years, and it is greatly to be desired that their punishment will relieve Halifax of their presence for a long period, and will at the same time prove a warning to other evil-doers.

MR. ELLIS BACK IN ST. JOHN.—Some ten thousand people gathered at the depot in St. John on Monday evening to welcome Mr. J. V. Ellis on his return from Fredericton where he had been in prison for 30 days under circumstances known to THE CRITIC'S readers. The scene was one of intense excitement, and the cheering of the multitude mingled with the music of bands. A public meeting was held later on to which Mr. Ellis was escorted by an immense torchlight procession. Mr. Ellis has had the sympathy of a large number of Conservatives as well as of every Liberal in Canada.

SAN FRANCISCO'S FAIR.—California is putting forth every effort to ensure the success of her mid-winter Fair. The idea appears to be to move as many of the exhibits as possible from Jackson Park to San Francisco, which together with a large number of new exhibits will form a strong attraction for the people of the other parts of the continent. One of the features of the mid-winter Exposition will be an electrical tower 266 feet high, and containing over 5,000 incandescent lights of different colors. The tower is to cost \$80,000. A trip to California in mid-winter would prove a delight to Canadians.

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THE SOUTH AFRICAN TROUBLE.—Lobengula knows more than he did two weeks ago. He has found out that trying to oppose the white man in battle is worse than endeavoring single handed to capture and kill a whole herd of elephants. He and his Matabeles can only make the best terms possible with the British conquerors and settle down as dependents who must henceforth walk humbly and behave themselves. For 30 years fat old Lobengula tortured, slaughtered and enslaved the Mashonas and other tribes around him at his own sweet will. He has found his master at last. Whether Zambesia will become a part of Cape Colony or whether it will be erected into a colony by itself is a question to be determined leisurely in future.—*Canadian American.*

THE GOVERNMENT TO SETTLE THE COAL STRIKE.—The Imperial Government is to take steps to have the great coal strike, which has been attended with such dire results in England, settled. Mr. Gladstone stated in the House of Commons on the 13th inst., that he had addressed to the employers and miners respectively a duplicate letter containing this passage: "It appears to the government that advantages might accrue from free discussion of the points at issue between the parties under the chairmanship of a member of the government, who it is hoped will not be unacceptable to either side. Lord Rosebery has consented, at the request of his colleagues, to undertake the important duty which the position involves. I therefore invite the Miners' and Employers' federations to send representatives to the conference to be held under his chairmanship."

A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.—The following resolution to be forwarded to the City board of works was passed at a meeting of the board of health on Tuesday evening.—"Resolved, that the city health board regrets that your board has seen fit to order the discontinuance of the carts for the removal of ashes and garbage, and in the interests of the public health would urge you to continue the work of such removal until the severe frost of winter sets in, and puts an end to any decomposition which might occur in these accumulations." This year the city abscorts ceased their r uads on Friday, Nov. 3rd, but notice of their discontinuance was not posted until the 4th inst. The action of the authorities in this matter has called forth complaints from a large number of citizens who see no reason why the weekly removal of ashes and garbage should not be continued until the winter sets in.

A SUGGESTION FOR THE THANKFUL.—Next week we are to devote one day to thanksgiving for the blessings we have enjoyed as a nation during the past year. There will probably be many festive gatherings around family tables to partake of the good things provided for the occasion, and it is to be sincerely hoped that all such meetings will prove enjoyable. While it is well to give thanks for the good things of this world and to show an appreciation thereof, we should bear in mind that while we have been highly favored, there are those all around us who feel that they have little to be grateful for. To such let us give a helping hand, and, while stocking our own larders preparatory to a thanksgiving feast on Thursday next, remember in a practical way some less fortunate ones whose table promises to be bare of necessaries, let alone provided with any luxury. Such a form of thanksgiving cannot but be acceptable.

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