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AMBASSADOR GAVE FANCY DRESS BALL

BERLIN, Feb. 1.—Ambassador and
Mrs. Charles Tower, gave a fancy
dress ball at their Berlin residence
last night. Crown Prince Frederick Wil-
helm and the Crown Princess and many
distinguished personages of the court
were present. Among the Americans
who attended the ball were Robert S.
McCormick, ambassador of the United
States to France; Mrs. Cornelius Van-
derbilt and Miss Gladys Vanderbilt;
Mrs. John T. Drexler; Mr. and Mrs.
Henry S. Lehman and George Von L. Meyer
who until recently was Ambassador of
the United States to Russia. Mr. Meyer
wore the uniform of a Cossack Gen-
eral.



These Dear Girls

"He said I adored him like old
time."
"I suppose that was a delicate way
of intimating that you improve with
age."

BOSTON, Feb. 1.—The steamer Gov-
ernor Cobb, which had been in dry dock
at East Boston to replace a broken
propeller, came out of the dock at high
water today and left tonight for Port-
land, taking the place of the Calvin
Austin, which has been transferred to
St. John, N. B. It is understood that
the change is only temporary.

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THE WARD SYSTEM.

In connection with the decision in
favor of the ward system in civic
elections, it is of interest to look over
the returns from last year's contest to
see how many aldermen were success-
ful in their own wards. The figures,
along with the total vote polled, are as
follows:—

	GUY.	
Tilley..	156	2,993
Baskin..	238	2,190
Brooks..	159	3,805
McManus..	46	1,116
Sydney..	158	3,554
Bustin..	65	1,399
Dukes..	221	2,527
DeForest..	234	2,483
Kings..	278	3,463
Hamm..	73	1,500
Prince..	245	2,623
Kickham..	206	1,892
Green..	81	677
Victoria..	248	3,025
Pickett..	138	2,061
Willett..	140	2,513
Dufferin..	230	2,465
McArthur..	145	1,703
Rowan..	73	1,048
Lorne..	346	2,920
Holder..	115	2,000

It will thus be seen that of the suc-
cessful candidates Ald. Tilley, Van-
wart and Willett were beaten. Ald.
Baxter, Lewis, Hamm, Sprout, Pickett,
Rowan and Holder were successful in
their own wards. Ald. McGoldrick,
Christie and Bullock were unopposed.
At the meeting a few days ago when
the decision in favor of the ward sys-
tem was reached, those favoring the
change were Ald. Lantulum, Bullock,
McGoldrick, Rowan, Christie and Bax-
ter. The only two ward aldermen who
among these who were opposed at the
last election were Rowan and Baxter,
and they were successful in their own
wards. Ald. Willett is another who
voted in support of the change, but he
did so after declaring himself against
the proposed system. Ald. Willett, it
will be noticed, was defeated in his
own ward last April. Those who voted
against the change were Ald. Tilley
and Sprout.

KEEP DOWN THE TAXES.

The unvarying cheerfulness and free-
dom from all anxiety which the alder-
men display in arranging for the ex-
penditure of other people's money,
should be an example to those citizens
who now worry about making both
ends meet. The Lord loveth a cheerful
giver, and the present board of alder-
men no doubt stand high in the esteem
of Providence. But it is nearly time to
stop and consider, for though gener-
osity is always to a certain extent
commendable, it can be carried too
far. The idea which seems to control
the minds of the common council is
that the rate of taxation will be in-
creased some eight or ten cents any-
way and the only thing to be considered
is how this extra income can be most
easily disbursed. If the feelings of tax-
payers are to be regarded, the only
clear cut policy of aldermen should be
tax reduction. Under the present ar-
rangement the middle classes bear the
burden; under the proposed new assess-
ment law there will perhaps be a some-
what more even distribution but the
same classes will pay more. They are
mildly interested in what is going on,
and there does not seem to be any par-
ticular gratification over the fact that
this year their assessment will take
another jump. Estimates for all lines
of work are increasing; yesterday a
loan of three-quarters of a million was
added to the city's debt and still there
is talk of new projects which will in-
volve the expenditure of a great deal
of money. These schemes or at least
some of them, have much in their fa-
vor, but back of everything should be
kept the main idea that taxes in St.
John are now higher than they ought
to be and nothing should be done which
will add to the burden.

THE CENSUS IN FRANCE.

The census in France was taken in
March last, and the result has just been
officially announced. The population at
that time amounted in all to 39,252,357,
which total shows an increase of 230,322
over the returns reported in 1901. It has
been found that in France as in most
other countries, the general tendency
is to get away from the land. People
are swarming to the cities and the in-
habitants in the large centres have
greatly increased in numbers. Paris
now has a population of 2,763,393. Mar-
seille is a poor second with 517,495, and
Lyons third with 472,114. The foreign
born population numbers 1,069,417
which is a decrease of 106,000.

REUBEN AT BABYLON.

When Deacon Hiram journeyed from
his little town of Tyre,
He found the price of things at Thebes
Was just a trifle higher—
They left his whiskeriness to him
And blessed his dear old soul!
If Reuben went to Babylon
I'll bet they got his roll.

The world's not greatly changed, you
know,
'Twas really much the same
When Adam took the pippin and
Made Eve take all the blame;
'Twas just as tricky in the days
When Egypt boosted the Jews,
Or when Delilah dropped the dope
In Mister Sampson's booz.

And when the Tower of Babel rose
To greet the mocking skies
The chief contractor's sudden wealth
Produced profound surprise.
When Carthage's wandering boys
Got rather flushed with wine
The barkeepers gave them wooden
change.

In dear old Palestine,
When Egypt's daughter plausibly
Found Moses on the strand
The sewing circles straitway raised
A question in that land:
When Pharaoh's Joseph to the
Some Athens broker hollered 'Gratit'
And 'Gratit' is still the cry.

And when the Tuscan shepherd lads
'Excused' down to Rome
On Circus Day, they found some
crows.

They'd never seen at home;
When Jason from the roddy West
Came romping back to Greece
Some Athens broker sold him stocks
And got Jay's golden fleece.

When Uncle Hiram journeyed from
His country seat at Tyre,
The gold-brick men of Nineveh
Would meet the dear old Squire
And fill his dear old carpet bag
And bless his dear old soul—
When Reuben went to Babylon
He always dropped his roll.

—Atlanta Journal.

MIXED.

Edwin Markham, at a dinner in New
York, said of mixed metaphors:
"When I was teaching in Los Angeles
I used to read every week a little
paper whose editor's meta-
phors were an unfailing joy to me.
"One I remember, this editor wrote
of a contemporary:
"Thus the black tie issuing from
his base throat, becomes a boomer-
ang in his hand, and, heaving him by
his own end, leaves him a marked
man for life."

"He said in an article on home life:
"The faithful watchdog, and his wife,
standing at the door, welcomes
the master home with an honest bark."

"In an obituary of a farmer he wrote:
"The race was run at last. Like a
tired steed, he crossed the harbor bar,
and, casting aside whip and spur, lay
down upon that bonfire from which no
traveler returns."

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named McGann was the attorney for
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PINS AND PINS.

"John, dear," said the wife of his
bosom, as he was about to start down-
town, "can you let me have a little
pin money this week?"
"About how much?" queried her hus-
band.
"Oh, I guess \$500 will do," she replied.
"Great guns!" he exclaimed. "Five
hundred dollars for pin money? Why,
I can buy a carload of pins for \$5."
"But not diamond pins, dear," calm-
ly rejoined the alleged better half of
the matrimonial combine.

WOULD HAVE TICKLED HIM.

"Why don't you clean that snow off
the pavement?" demanded the first
housewife. "I don't believe you want
to work!"
"That's where you do me an injus-
tice, mum," replied Sandy Pikes, with
a yawn. "I remember the time when
planned for the sight of a snow shovel."
"And when was that, pray?"
"When I was down in Florida, mum."

LOVE LAUGHS AT ZERO.

They sat out on the frosty porch, un-
mindful of the chilly blasts.
Dreamily she gazed at the stars.
"Up there," she said, romantically,
"is the great dipper."
"And down here," he laughed, snatch-
ing another kiss, "is the 'great spoon.'"
And Cupid came out in a fur-tim-
pled for the sight of a snow shovel.

AS ANYONE KNOWS.

Swift and straight as flight of crow,
Softly as the April snow,
Lightly as a word once spoken—
Meets a V when once it's blown.
—The B. hemian.

LET'S HAVE THE STORY.

"I say, D'Orsay, have you ever heard
that joke about the guide in Rome
who showed some travellers three
skulls of St. Paul, one as a boy and
the other as a man?"
"Aw, dear boy—no—aw, let me hear
it."—Boston Transcript.

FEMININE DIPLOMACY.

She (after accepting him)—And you
have a rich bachelor uncle?
He—Yes.
She—Mamma is a widow, you know.
He—Well?
She—Can't we induce them to marry
and thus keep the money in the family?

SATURDAY SERMONETTE

STREET CAR CONDUCTORS.

I had the "street car habit." I was
cured when I took a "sabbath treat-
ment." I tried to swear off but a
momentary weakness and that tired
feeling would cause me to backslide,
and the money I had saved during my
spasmotic reforms for my European
trip was rung up by the same old car
conductors.

I had to move away from the stren-
uous of the trolley to save my car-
fare. Prohibition—since a note of
this Tennyson—was the only way for
me to be cured. If I should go where
the street car tempts lay men to ride
I know I would be back again in the
trotter.

I know street car conductors very
well. They are not the careless, im-
pudent men they are sometimes in
the public press represented to be. I
have, yet, after years of experience,
to see or hear a street car conductor
insult passengers or do anything not
to the interest of the travelling public.
As a rule—almost the invariable rule—
they are patient and polite and look
after the interests of the service and
the public.

I have watched them and noted how
ready they were not only to answer
reasonable but often unreasonable
questions, how polite they were to
ladies, how attentive to children.
Street car conductors, like all public
officials, are often over-worked, their
hours are long, their nerves are on
perpetual strain. Is it any wonder
that on rare occasions the over-taxed
nerves give way and there is the
hasty answer or the momentary neg-
lect or slighting of work?

It is so easy for us to find fault with
officials that we often use them as a
safety valve for our anger or im-
patience, knowing that they can rarely
defend themselves. Why not treat the
conductor as a man not a machine?
Why not treat him as a brother, and
we will if we are Christians.

In some instances a widowed mother
is dependent on the conductor's wages
for support. In others, wife and
children. Ought we to lightly impose
fines or dismissal upon these men.
They are often severely criticised.
They feel slighted and injustice as we
do. Why not treat them kindly, why
not commend them for the good work
which he was not informed at the time
they were so ready to censure,
why so slow to approve?

I have spoken for men who cannot
very well speak for themselves. In
their own defense in their defense
they must suffer in silence.

Thaddicus

**SOME PLAIN TALK
FROM LONDON GLOBE**

The Reported Resignation of Governor
Sweetnam Used as a Text.



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—Blairville, Pa., Courier.

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**SOME PLAIN TALK
FROM LONDON GLOBE**

The Reported Resignation of Governor
Sweetnam Used as a Text.

LONDON, Feb. 1.—The Globe says it
understands that Sir Alexander Sweet-
nam, Governor of Jamaica, has
handed in his resignation, which has
been accepted. The chief reason he
gives for his action is said to be that
certain facts have come to light
which he was not informed at the time
they happened, although he should
have been made acquainted with them.
The Foreign Office has made no state-
ment.

The Globe, commenting upon the al-
leged resignation of Governor Sweet-
nam, which is not confirmed in other
quarters, says: "In the face of grudge-
ing and scanty support from a Govern-
ment which appears to be putting
only possible British policy in the
Western Hemisphere is one of fawn-
ing upon the United States, no other
course was open to him. We shall not
be far wrong if we interpret his re-
signation as a sign of the neglect to take
notice of the conduct of his bodies
who, in defiance of the Governor's ex-
press wishes, sent an invitation to Rear
Admiral Davis, which the Admiralty
has not yet refused to accept. The
opportunity of displaying American
strength and planting the American
flag in the streets of a British town
over by a cowardly government at
home. We wonder how long the sup-
ply of such men will last out, to share
the fate of Gordon, Eyre, Bartle,
Frere, and a hundred more. Presum-
ably a more pleasant time will be
chosen to succeed Sweetnam. But we
recommend the Government to inquire
whether any new appointment
would be a complete success to the
United States. Evidently it would be
the misfortune from their point of view
if they accidentally stumbled upon a man
with a backbone and an objection to
regard a British colony as a lap dog,
which must wag its tail when the
United States give it a pat on the back,
and cover when they frown.

**REPORT THAT FOUR WERE
KILLED IN TRAIN WRECK**

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 1.—A Baltimore
and Ohio freight today broke in two
near Black Lick and the rear part
crushed into a Pennsylvania freight
train. It is reported that four men
were killed. Railroad officials here de-
cline to give any information regarding
the wreck.

Another Imperial Caesar.

King Edward's net dog is Caesar, a long-
haired fox terrier, who, says the London
Truth, carries himself with a stately
bearing, the intervention of his office. "I
belong to the King." Caesar never takes a
step without a well-aimed salute. He
himself into a position where he can keep
an eye on the monarch's movements. He
is of an immense white hair, and
there are occasions when he yields to the
temptation of a snout of 400 hairs.

Can You Solve It?

"If a very weighty man pounds and
bats the even weight, what is the weight of
the bat?" Can you figure it out?—Hamil-
ton (Ont.) Spectator.

Not For Baseball Fans.

The highest degree of earthly happiness
is quiet.—Dr. Johnson.

DON'T MISS THIS SALE.

Bargain Harvest for Shoe Buyers!

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PRIEST HAS NARROW ESCAPE FROM MADMAN

Rushes Upon Him With a Large Knife,
But Would-be Victim Escapes

LONDON, Feb. 2.—Father Carr, a
Roman Catholic priest, had a narrow
escape from death during a terrible
encounter with a lunatic in Dewsbury
Work