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Advocates Prohibition of the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors and all expedient general legislation and persuasion in the meantime.

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THE ADVERTISER  
Is a believer in Christian Union, and considers the time has come when the various Christian denominations should come closer together. Those bodies which are now nearest should unite first. Under the present system there is an unjustifiable waste of men, means and effort. The differences between most of the existing denominations are no greater than the differences, natural to thinking men and women, to be found in every congregation. Even those Christian bodies supposed to be the farthest apart, the Protestant and the Roman Catholic, have more of belief that is common than of belief that is antagonistic. To the laity the differences between the various Protestant denominations are microscopic. For various reasons the clergy, even when, as is true of the best of them, they favor Christian Union, are not in a position to be as outspoken as the laity.

THE ADVERTISER  
Advocates Obligatory Voting. Most of the electoral corruption centers around "getting out the vote." Let the duty be laid on every elector of getting out his own vote.

THE ADVERTISER  
Advocates the more general use of the Plebiscite, the Initiative and Referendum, etc., believing that the interest of the people in public questions, apart from persons, would be increased, and that something would thereby be done to promote independence of political thought, as opposed to excessive party spirit.

God's in His heaven,  
All's right with the world.  
—(BROWNING.)

London, Wednesday, Feb. 22.

## SOUTH MIDDLESEX.

Mr. Robert Boston, Reeve of Lobo, has been chosen by the Liberals of South Middlesex as their candidate for the vacancy in the House of Commons created by the lamented death of the late Mr. Jas. Armstrong, M.P.

Unless through any mischance arising out of over-confidence, this nomination means election—perhaps by acclamation—certainly by a substantial majority.

Whether the Conservatives will contest the seat, either openly, or by way of what is called "an independent candidate," remains to be seen. If they think they have a chance along either of these lines, no one can blame them if they see fit to "try it on." The result will be the same in any case. On one point the Conservatives are probably already unconvicted. There will be no split.

Among the pleasing incidents of the convention was the handsome vote cast for Mr. Hyman—cast, no doubt, as indicating their good will and their sense that he had been treated unjustly in the border constituency of London.

Robert Boston, the farmer, is now Reeve of Lobo, and has been Warden of Middlesex. Mr. Boston puts on no frills as a public speaker, but is a strong man in common sense, and animated by a spirit of rectitude and sincerity. He will not set up as a rival to Wilfrid Laurier in eloquence or to David

Mills in constitutional law, but as a practical agriculturist he will stand to his guns every time as an ardent tariff reformer and a patron of progressive legislation.

**WILL NOT DOWN.**  
Col. Denison and Principal Grant deprecate what they consider revolutionary discussions respecting Canada's future, yet they themselves by their very deprecations help to raise the questions they profess to desire to allay. In like manner, when a member of the Toronto St. George's Society proposes to eliminate Goldwin Smith from the organization, he is doing more than Goldwin Smith to raise certain questions. Similarly, when the Toronto World (through a correspondent) advises that a mob should sack Goldwin Smith's house—or when the Empire editorially advises that those who favor the unification of the English-speaking peoples of the North American continent should be lynched—these journals, apart from advertising themselves unpleasantly, are only bringing certain questions more prominently to the front.

MR. WILLIAM McLEAN, M.P., proposes to set up a brazen furnace on the square in front of the Parliament Buildings, into which shall be cast all who blaspheme the N. P.

## WHY BONUS THE PROFESSIONAL PHILANTHROPIST?

Despite the fact that Canada has thousands of waifs and strays among the population of its towns and cities, and that there is constant demand for public and private assistance to sustain institutions for the reclamation of the neglected youth of the country, the Dominion Government continues to encourage the immigration of children of a similar class into Canada. These children are collected in the slums of old world cities by professional philanthropists, and are shipped to Canada by them with the connivance and by the direct financial aid of the Dominion Government. In the general election campaign of 1891 certain Conservative papers asserted that the Administration had ceased to make grants to aid in relieving old world poor law authorities of their responsibilities for the reclamation and sustenance of the neglected poor and criminal classes. But it seems that this was an election canard, for the Auditor-General's report for last year, just submitted to Parliament, shows that the Government at Ottawa in the twelve months ending June 30 last paid a large sum of money to the old world collectors of these children, who thus aided by taxes from the public treasury were able to send 976 of them into Canada.

The protests of the working classes, made year after year, have no effect on the men in power at Ottawa. They have been so anxious to swell the numbers of immigrants to our shores that they have gladly subsidized these collectors of the outcasts of old world cities to act as agents for them in Great Britain, and to send to this country a class of immigrants that even the inspector of penitentiaries, a Dominion official, in his last annual report, protests against as detrimental to the best interests of the people of this country. It is true that some of these immigrants turn out well, but it is undeniable that the class of children picked up by the professional philanthropist is not such as is calculated to permanently benefit this country.

If the Dominion Government wishes to be philanthropic it should use the public taxes, not to relieve the old world boards of guardians of their legitimate responsibilities, but to ameliorate the condition of the people of Canada. Better still, let the Ministers reduce the burdens of the poor and make them contented to stay in Canada, and they will have little temptation to swell their immigration returns by means which are condemned not only by the wage-earners of the country and by many other thinking citizens, but by their own officers of justice.

## TOPICS OF TO-DAY.

While the railroad companies are sometimes blamed for not living up to their contracts with Government in the matter of carrying the mails, it happens now and then that trains are delayed through the slowness or incompetency of servants of the Postoffice Department. Two firms of attorneys have been organized in Washington, D. C., for the express object of prosecuting the claims of railroads against the Government for damages arising from such delays and errors.

Henry M. Stanley, the distinguished African explorer, will contribute to the March number of Harper's Magazine an important article on "Slavery and the Slave Trade in Africa." This article will embrace a brief history of England's connection with the slave trade, an account of the enormous profits perpetrated by the Arab slavers, and a review of what has been done by the European powers for the suppression of the traffic, besides many entertaining details with reference to African discovery and colonization. It will be accompanied by a number of striking illustrations from drawings by Frederick Remington.

An American naval officer says that once when a great function took place in the harbor of Cherbourg several vessels of the United States Atlantic squadron were present and were drawn up in line to salute the Empress yacht as it passed. The French sailors manned the yards of their ships and shouted: "Vive l'Imperatrice." Knowing that he could not school his men to repeat those words in the brief time left to him the American admiral ordered his crews to cry: "Beef, lemons and cheese!" The Imperial yacht came sweeping on, and as it reached the fleet a mighty roar went up of "Beef, lemons and cheese," that entirely drowned the voices of the Frenchmen. And the Empress said she had never been so complimented.

Ever entertaining and instructive, and in touch with the most advanced field of thought, nearly every article that appears in Littell's Living Age is not only of present interest but of permanent value and worthy of preservation. Recent numbers are well adapted to maintain its well earned reputation, their contents covering a wide range of subjects, as their titles indicate:

"Jupiter's New Satellite," by the eminent astronomer, Sir Robert Ball; "The Poetry of To-Day and To-Morrow," by A. A. Milne; "The Days of John Company," by A. Kennedy-Herbert; "Letters of Charles and Mary Lamb"; "Lollardism"; "Aspects of Tennyson," a series of articles on the late poet laureate, by some of the best known writers; "The Lions in Trafalgar Square," by Richard Jefferies; "Of Thomas Bewick," by Annie Ritchie, with many others of equal merit. Current fiction is well represented by the short stories which appear in each issue. Specimen copies may be obtained by sending 15 cents to the publishers, Littell & Co., Boston.

Worthington's Magazine for March is a royal number. Evidently this vigorous young magazine is growing and thriving, since, though exceptionally bright from the start, each number steadily gains in interest, attractiveness and value, and its success in catering to the varied tastes and requirements of the American family at home proves its ability to give valuable points to many an older and more experienced periodical. The March number opens with a superbly illustrated article upon "The Chicago Women's Club." Written by Sara A. Underwood, one of its prominent literary members. It is of timely interest to all progressive people in these close-of-the-century days, so aptly called by Victor Hugo, "The Woman's Era." Besides the history of the club and its various methods of work, educational, social, philanthropic and reformatory, many pleasant personal items are given concerning leading members and their special lines of activity and usefulness. The article is lavishly illustrated with views of rooms and buildings occupied by the club, the Woman's Temple (W. C. T. U.), and portraits of members, which, admirably reproduced, add greatly to the interest and value of the paper. The thousands of club women, and members of the W. C. T. U. all over the United States will find this an inspiring paper, as depicting one of the most striking signs of the times, the active part that women are taking, with courage, energy and wisdom, in the most important practical forms of the world's work.

**PHILLIPS BROOKS.**  
[Wives and Daughters for February.]  
In Phillips Brooks, for long identified with Trinity Church, Boston, and latterly Bishop of Massachusetts, one sees the lineaments of a noble personality and an almost ideal life. He was an Episcopalian; but it shows how transcendently larger is the great Christian than the denominationalist, that no one stops to ask to which religious body he belonged. Phillips Brooks belongs to the church universal, to which also belonged Frederick William Robertson, and Henry Ward Beecher, and Spurgeon, and Augustine, and Fenelon, and many others of great but varying magnitude. Phillips Brooks was the greatest living preacher, at least on this side of the Atlantic. His friends and admirers were as numerous among other bodies of Christians as among his own.

**Recognized the Quilt.**  
An old lady looking out of the window of a cable car in Kansas City the other day, saw in one of the yards a silk patchwork quilt, old and faded, hanging on the line. Instantly she stopped the car, went into the house and found, as she knew she would, an old friend she hadn't seen in years. She recognized the quilt as one she had seen her friend piecing in Central Missouri eighteen years before.

**"Let-Overs."**  
Never put away food in tin plates. Fully one-half the cases of poisoning from the use of canned goods are because the article was left or put back into the can after using. China, earthenware or glass are the only safe receptacles for "let-overs."

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