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FIGHTING GREAT ODDS:

"The work goes bravely on" in the Centre Riding of Bruce, where Mr. Hugh Clark is pitted against Dr. Stewart, backed by a phalanx of twenty-three stalwarts of the Grit party, from Premier Ross downwards. The political roster operating in the riding comprises the following: For Dr. Stewart. For Mr. Clark. Hon. G. W. Ross. Hon. John Dryden. Hon. J. R. Stratton. A. Patullo, M. P. P. C. M. Bowman, M. P. P. A. G. McKay, M. P. P. Gov't Detective Mowat. Organizer Fraser. Organizer Marshall. Organizer Vance. J. E. Truax, M. P. P. J. V. Grose, M. P. P. F. F. Pardee, ex-M. P. P. Mr. Graham, M. P. P. Mr. Pettipiece, M. P. P. Sam Clark, M. P. P. M. G. Cameron, M. P. P. J. F. Hayd. R. D. Cameron. J. E. Campbell. F. H. Preston. Mr. Dancy.

And more to follow. Mr. Clark is the Conservative David in the field to challenge this many-headed Goliath.

We feel sure the contest will be watched with deep concern by all the friends of honest politics throughout Ontario, who will wish success to the single-handed combatant. The Ministers and their emissaries above named have gone into the riding armed with the implements of political warfare furnished by two Governments to crush the unaided champion of Conservative principles and supporter of Mr. Whitney. They boast that such armaments as they can bring to bear, will add another to the majority, swollen by the purchased treason of the man of Manitoulin. If they succeed it will be a stain on the principles of fair play which ought to prevail even in politics.

The Riding was opened only by the double dealing of the Government. Minister Harcourt made a hard and fast agreement that Centre Bruce should not be contested. This agreement was over-ridden by Mr. Harcourt's political chiefs, who saw no dishonor in breaking a solemn pledge, if only a close constituency could be thrown open with the chance of reversing its verdict by the machine and the evil power at its back. In this situation most fair-minded people all over Ontario will be in sympathy with Mr. Clark in his fight against so great odds.—London Free Press.

A SWEEPING ASSERTION.

Toronto Telegram.

Hell hath no fury like a prohibitionist whose alleged principles threaten injury to his real political leanings.

THREE ADAMANTINE CANADIANS.

Montreal Star.

Now that the Americans have named Senators Lodge and Turner on the Alaskan commission, we beg to nominate Col. Sam Hughes, Mr. Gourlay and the Queenston Heights monument as the British commissioners.

IT'S AN OLD STORY.

Toronto Star.

When the commissioners meet there will be plenty of evidence produced showing conclusively that Canada's claim did not originate with the finding of gold in the Yukon, but was put forward many years earlier in representations to Washington, which were received, examined, reported on, and made the subject of official correspondence. But the American press is carefully misinforming and prejudicing the minds of the American public.

A WITNESS.

Youth.

A Yankee who had settled in the West was telling an Englishman whom he had just met that he had shot on one particular occasion nine hundred and ninety-nine pigeons. His interlocutor asked why he did not make it a thousand at once. "No," said he, "I am not going to tell a lie for one pigeon." Whereupon the Englishman, not to be outdone, began to tell a long story of a man having swum from Liverpool to Boston. "Did ye see him?" asked the Yankee. "Of course I did. I was coming across, and our vessel passed him a mile out of Boston Harbor." The Yankee's face lighted up instantly. "Well, I'm glad ye wuz on the boat, stranger, 'cos yer a witness. That wuz me that did the swimmin'."

WHAT ABOUT THE MACHINE?

London News.

One by one the referendum pluggers are being rewarded for their pains. Yesterday a couple of Toronto crooks were given a year in jail and fined \$400 each. It's a pity the law did not warrant a ten-year penalty without a fine.

THE AURORA OUTRAGE.

Toronto Telegram.

The whole episode must be disgusting and disheartening to every lover of decency and fair play. Among the deplorable bi-products of the outrage at Aurora is the white and cant of cowardly, namby-pamby platitudes like the following: "The probability is that none of the parties is responsible for the affair. The chances are that it was the hoodlum element."

THE COUNTRY EDITOR'S WOES.

Industry Enterprise.

Things have been desperate in this place in the way of news the past week. With mud shoe top deep, no one married, nor no deaths to report and but one birth, things are beginning to look gloomy. Not even a dog fight has occurred to enliven the old town, as the boys are getting too lazy to move not a single cur has been seen making his way up the street, with a tin can tied to his tail, at a 240 gait. There has been but 22 drunks, not enough to mention. A revival meeting is in progress, but has not progressed far enough to get the "old-time" members in working order, so it is hazardous to predict the final result. Yes, it is up-hill business giving the news when the public refuses to help make it.

NOT TO BE PURCHASED.

Montreal Star.

The London Morning Post remarks in connection with the Alaskan boundary matter that "England cannot always pay for the good opinion of Washington at the cost of Canadian territory."

This is a statement that would be truer if it were a little revised. The Post should have said that "England cannot ever buy the good opinion of Washington at the cost of Canadian territory"—or any other British right.

The American people are neither cowards themselves nor admirers of cowardice in others. They like to see a man play the man. When affronted, they like to see him resent it; and when his rights are threatened, they like to see him make a resolute defence. And what they admire in men, they admire in nations.

"The good opinion of Washington" is not to be won by fawning or toadyism or submission to bullying. Some scant favors may be flung in exchange for a cringing policy; but never, never the good opinion of our neighbor.

"The good opinion of Washington" is to be won and held by maintaining an attitude of manly friendliness toward the American republic—ready to understand and overlook petty explosions of irresponsible opinion, proud of the achievements of a kindred people, willing to stand together for the peace of the world, but not willing for a moment to be elbowed off our rightful ground by a pushing people, or to beg for that good opinion which is never to be had for the begging.

If British character cannot command this respect, the surrender of British rights cannot purchase it.

Welsh and English Lunatics.

There are over 110,000 lunatics in England and Wales, and the annual cost of their maintenance is £3,000,000.

London's Mixture.

It is said that there are more Irishmen in London than there are in Dublin, more Scotchmen than in Edinburgh, that half of Soho is French and the whole of Saffron Hill Italian.

Breathing.

Persons breathe less when they are concentrating their minds on study or work and also when under the influence of depressing emotion. On the other hand, we breathe more when exhilarated by pleasure and amusements.

The Dog.

The only animal besides man found all over the world is the dog.

Japanese Economy.

Japanese economy is one of the causes of Japanese prosperity. Even the charcoal dust is saved and molded into balls, with chaff or straw, for fuel.

Mother Goose.

"Mother Goose," who is probably more familiar to children than any other personage in story books, was a real person. Mrs. Goose, for that was her real name, lived with a family named Fleet, who kept a little store in Pudding lane, Boston.

Whistling in Buenos Ayres.

Any person caught whistling in the streets of Buenos Ayres is liable to be arrested. The police alone have the right to whistle.

Economy in Eggs.

When eggs are expensive, it is well to remember that it is not necessary to boil a whole egg to get a yolk for garnishing. Separate white and yolk without breaking the latter and poach it hard in salted water. The white is saved for glazing or meringue, etc.

Those who show the least consideration for others usually expect the most for themselves.

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Only For Pleasure.

In a grand old city in the southwest of England, one so grave, so solemn, that it cannot see its own jokes, may be read on the notice board of a grassy inclosure: "Pleasure Grounds. Notice—These grounds are for pleasure only. No games or play allowed!"

Newfoundland's Coast.

The coast of Newfoundland is indented by deep and narrow bays, back of which rise steep and rugged hills.

Spectacles in Germany.

In explanation of the fact that Germany is a spectacle wearing country it is pointed out that the Teutonic or black letter is much more difficult to read than the Roman characters.

Medals For Soldiers.

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Size 2 yards square at \$1.00.
Size 2 yards by 2 1-2 yards at \$1.25.

Twill bleached sheeting, fine English make, full 2 yards wide, pure bleached finish, regular 25c yard, sale price 18c.

15 pieces heavy English Oxford shirtings, fine quality, 60 inches wide, in choice patterns, warranted colors, regular 15c yard, sale price 12 1-2c.

64 inch table linen, half bleached finish, pure quality, free from dressing, in choice designs, regular 45c, sale price 35c.

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5 Pieces Heavy Mole Skin Cottonade, full width, good dark stripe patterns, regular 18c. to 20c. yard, sale price 12 1-2c.

500 Yards Heavy Shaker Flannel, wide width, in large variety of stripe patterns, regular 7c yard, sale price 4c.

10 Doz. Men's All Wool Sox, dark grey colors, rib tops, at sale price a pair 12 1-2c.

200 Yards Heavy Grey Flannels, plain and twill weaves, light and dark shades, wide width, regular 15c, to 18c yard, sale price 12 1-2c.

40 Pieces New Ginghams, very pretty designs in lace stripes, cords and checks, much below regular value at sale price 8c, 10c and 12 1-2c.

Bradford Serges, fine, heavy, pure wool, firm, bright finish, full 44 in. wide, in black and navy, regular 50c. yard, sale price 40c.

Royal Suiting, a fine, bright finish, twill cloth, pure wool, medium weight, full 50 in. wide, navy and black, regular value 75c yard, sale price 50c.

54-in. Grey Homespun, 54-in. Navy Cheviot and 54-in. fine, pure wool Habit Suitings, costume weight, regular 75c. to \$1.00 yard, clearing at sale price 49c.

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Children's fine, heavy, pure wool Cashmere Hosiery, 3-fold knees, double heels and toes, sizes 5 to 8 1-2, regular value 35c, 40c and 45c a pair, sale price 25c.

10 Doz. Ladies' Cashmere Hosiery, all wool, rib, elastic finish, seamless, spliced feet, sizes 8 1-2, 9, 9 1-2, regular 40c pair, sale price 25c.

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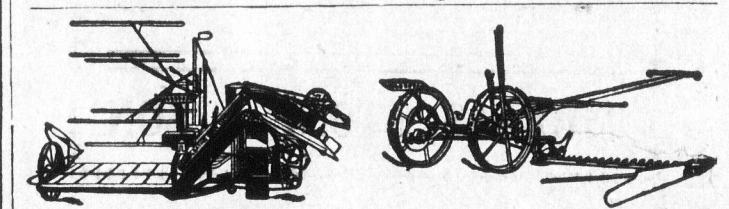
EVERY SATURDAY to purchase horses. The highest cash prices will be paid.

A. O. U. W.
Every United Workman should keep in mind our meeting night of March 6th, which is selected for initiation of candidates that have been examined. Any Brother having applicants for membership should have them examined at once, so as to be ready for March 6th.

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