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LONDON, SATURDAY, SEPT. 7.
UNITED STATES NAVAL PRO-
GRAMME.

The decision of the United States
Navy Department to shortly send the
Atlantic fleet of sixteen battleships to
the Pacific has caused not a little
newspaper comment. When the de-
cision was first made known there
were those who, in view of the then
prevailing friction with Japan, pro-
fessed to see in it, if not a sign of
war, at least a naval demonstration.
In Japan, too, popular excitement was
considerably intensified, and jingo
talk took the place of common-sense
reasoning. The little flurry has at
last passed over, however; the Ameri-
cans now better understand Japan's
Pacific purposes and imperative mo-
tives for avoiding war, while the Jap-
anese have apparently received as-
surances from Washington that there
is nothing warlike in the naval plans
of the United States.

Now, however, the American politi-
cian has taken up the matter. Op-
ponents of President Roosevelt, who,
as commander-in-chief of the army,
has authorized the voyage of the fleet,
are inventing new objections to it.
These people declare that the pro-
posed parade of battleships is intend-
ed to further Mr. Roosevelt's political
programme for 1908, or to secure a
"solid Roosevelt delegation" from
every Pacific state, and certain con-
gressmen have announced their in-
tention of demanding of the President
an explanation of the voyage. Of course
neither the President nor the naval
board is likely to take such a demand
seriously, nor is there probability of
it finding much favor in Congress.

The explanation of the voyage is
simple enough. The object is to put
the fleet through disciplinary exer-
cise and the trying out of officers and
men on a large and difficult scale.
The working out of difficult problems
will be undertaken and the efficiency
of ships and crews tested. One of the
problems is that of coaling. The six-
teen big battleships will be supplied
from relays of their own coalliers at
four or five designated points along
the route under conditions (the pos-
sibility of attack eliminated) which
would have to be met in time of war.
There can be no question as to the
importance of sailors thoroughly
learning their business, and it would
perhaps be difficult to devise a way of
schooling and tempering them more
thoroughly than this projected hard
and long voyage of 14,000 miles.
The main purpose, aside from a more logi-
cal apportionment of ships, is no doubt
the disciplinary one, and a most com-
mendable one it is. That the country
will be satisfied with it may be taken
for granted, for no one will be in-
clined to dispute that the crews can-
not be better employed than in thus
learning their business in strenuous
sea life.

AUSTRALIA'S NEW TARIFF.

The new Australian tariff gives little
or no encouragement to the free trad-
ers of New South Wales, as it bears
every evidence that the protectionist
sentiment of Victoria dominates the
present ministry of the Commonwealth.
The duties on all articles which Aus-
tralia manufactures are increased, and
while a preference ranging from 5 per
cent upwards is given to British goods,
the amount of the concession de-
pends on the extent to which the ar-
ticle imported comes into competition
with home productions. For instance,
a preference of 10 per cent is allowed
on British furniture, small agricultural
implements of certain kinds and
household utensils, while only 5 per
cent is given on British hats, hosiery,
galvanized iron and electrical machin-
ery as against those of foreign origin.

An idea of the protectionist char-
acter of the tariff may be formed when
it is stated that the general duty on
furniture is 40 per cent, on
boots and shoes 35 per cent, while the
importation of bicycles is put practi-
cally out of the question by the im-
position of a duty of 25 for each ma-
chine. On iron there is an extensive
scheme of duties, the matter of bonuses
being left in the hands of the Federal
House. The free list applies to goods
of British origin only, and comprises
over fifty articles which are subject to
a duty of 5 per cent when imported
from any other country. This conces-
sion to the British manufacturers is
so small that they will derive little
advantage from it, and it is not sur-
prising that they regard the prefer-
ence as something in the nature of a
farce.

In adopting the principle of giving a
preference to goods of British origin

the Commonwealth Government is fol-
lowing the lead of the Liberal Gov-
ernment at Ottawa. But what a long
way behind!

ENGLISH RAILWAY PROGRESS.

England is at present served by
eleven big railway systems, and the
semi-annual reports, recently pre-
sented, are regarded by the shareholders
as only moderately satisfactory. They
show an increase of 3.6 per cent in
earnings over the corresponding half-
year of 1906, of 4.6 per cent, in the
expenditure, and of only 1.8 per cent
in net revenue. The gross receipts
amounted to £41,983,000, being a gain
of £1,453,000; expenditure, £27,107,000,
an increase of £1,138,000, and the
net revenue £14,876,000, or £267,000
better than that of the 1906 period.

Thus, while railways have benefited
from the activity in trade, the increas-
ed business has cost more proportion-
ately than it brought to the compan-
ies, the increase in operating ex-
penses being from 64 per cent of the
receipts to 64.5 per cent. Consider-
able capital expenditures are being
made by some of the roads, and more
money is required to make dividends,
so that a continuous increase is ne-
cessary if results are to be entirely
satisfactory to the shareholders.
While the increase was sufficient in
the case of some roads, big companies
such as the Great Eastern, the Bright-
on and the London, Chatham and
Dover, had to make cuts in their
dividends. One company, the Great
Central, on some of its issues pays
nothing. Various causes contributed
to the losses, among them being some
of a permanent character, such, for in-
stance, as the development of the
London tramway systems. The
Brighton company is meeting this by
electrifying its South London line. To
companies which are not in a position
to follow a similar course the change
in all probability means a permanent
loss in connection with passenger
train service, so that the immediate
outlook for them is not of the bright-
est. All the roads are being supplied
with coal on contracts which expire
this year, so that the advance in the
price of fuel will soon be felt. This
will be no insignificant matter. For
instance, in the case of the Great
Northern, it is stated that an increase
of a shilling a ton means an annual
outlay of £40,000, and it is understood
that the miners are demanding an in-
crease of three shillings a ton. De-
mands of employees for advances in
wages by no means brighten the
prospect of the English railway share-
holders.

W. F. MACLEAN, M. P.

[Ottawa Journal.]

Started by Mr. E. W. Thomson, in Ot-
tawa correspondence to the Boston Tran-
script, the suggestion that Mr. W. F. Mac-
lean, Conservative M. P. for South York,
might find a resting place in the Laurier
cabinet, is receiving a generous attention
from the press.

Our guess is that Mr. Maclean will never
find a resting place anywhere. At least,
not unless as prime minister, leading a
party not of Liberals or Conservatives,
but of Macleanites.
He is like Mr. Bourassa, only worse. Mr.
Bourassa believes himself to be a Liberal,
the rest having drifted away from the
true platform; but while Mr. Maclean re-
mains nominally a Conservative, it is
probably because that party is out of
power and is unable to do much for him
to hurry. When the Conservative party
gets into power, let it look out for Billy.
Meanwhile we think there is as much
chance of his entering the Laurier cabinet
as of his forming a coalition with Mr.
Bourassa.

PLEADS IGNORANCE.

[Exchange.]

Judge—How did you come to get drunk
Defendant—Faith, yer honor, O'm not
to blame. Oi didn't know what Oi was
doin'.
Judge—You didn't? How was that?
Defendant—Well, yer see, yer Oi was un-
der th' influence of liquor whin Oi
started.

OF LITTLE ADVANTAGE.

[Bon Vivant.]

Passenger—Hi, porter! Have you seen
anything of my wife and my luggage?
Porter—I've no doubt I have, sir, but as
I don't know them, I'm afraid that won't
help you much.

ALONG WITH ROCKEFELLER.

[Life.]

"Have you ever contributed any money
toward the cause of higher education?"
"Indeed, yes. We use Standard Oil at
our house."

A VALID OBJECTION.

[Kansas City Times.]

When it was decided that the wife and
daughter of an east side man should visit
swindle in the country, the daughter, a 6-
year-old, made a protest which was so
praisingly vehement that he father asked
why she objected.

"Mamma says everybody goes to bed
with the chickens down there," sobbed the
little rebel.
"But you don't want to stay up late,
do you, dear?" asked the astonished
parent.

NEED OLD AGE BE A BURDEN?

[New York American.]

Lord Brampton, the famous criminal
judge of London, finds that living a cen-
tury has its drawbacks. Having retired
from active duty, Lord Brampton, who is
now 80, pines for work. "Old age has very
few compensations," he says. "Laziness
is not pleasant. It fills me with regret that
I am no longer able to take an active
part in the life of the world."

This is a new view, and somehow gives
the impression of being an honest one. To
a man who is interested in achievement,
who has been used to doing, who loves
work and has been pleased to consider
himself a factor in human progress, idles-
ness must be more irksome than toll. And
why should one who loves effort more than
rest be condemned to the torments of an

inactive life simply because he is old?
Gladstone was a great party leader almost
to the time of his death. Other examples
of octogenarians whose nobility of mind
did not suffer, and whose capacity for
work was not impaired, are by no means
scarce. Why should those who find most
happiness in doing be doomed to unhappi-
ness simply because of the world's false
notion of age?

Man is not a slave to years. If he does
not fossilize, if he keeps as ready to wel-
come the new truths as at first, if his
spirit retains the sense of being young,
why should the world condemn him to in-
action just at the time when his store of
wisdom should make his service and opini-
ons of most value? Men of that sort are
more efficient at 80 or even 90 than some
people who are in the prime of life.

KANSAS REPORTING.

[Kansas City Star.]

A vivid bit of descriptive writing by a
Lake City correspondent: "The heavens
turned loose Friday night with her artil-
lery, and bombarded Sharon and communi-
ties with her electric force, striking Mr.
Rucker's house and killed the old gentle
cow, set a straw stack on fire belonging
to one of the Dunkin boys, and put a num-
ber of telephones out of commission."

AN UNOBSERVANT HUSBAND

[Atholton Daily Globe.]

An Atholton woman who has false teeth
married a man who lived with him many
years, or until he died, without his dis-
covering the fact.

A DIPLOMAT.

[Chicago Record-Herald.]

"Mr. Spriggins is the most diplomatic
man I ever knew."
"I have never noticed it."
"Why, he can give an order for a meal
and arrange it so that the waiter will
have to pronounce the French name of
every dish on the bill of fare."

A CYNICAL INSTRUCTOR.

[Washington Star.]

"Father," said little Rollo, "what is a
great man?"
"A great man, my son, is one who man-
ages to gather about him a corps of assis-
tants who will take the blame for his mis-
takes, while he gets the credit for any
good ideas."

A PLATFORM OF PLATITUDES.

[Winnipeg Tribune, Ind.]

Mr. R. L. Borden's so-called platform,
which he outlined at Halifax the other
night, is little better than a pile of plat-
itudes for nothing tangible, says nothing
that has not been said in one form
or another by political parties for years,
and, as it at present stands, means nothing.
The people naturally look to a party
in opposition as the party of reform,
progress and advanced ideas. To Mr.
Borden's opening speech of his transcon-
tinental tour they looked forward with
hope and the expectation of something
radical, comprehensive and definite. Their
hopes have been disappointed for they
have had presented to them a platform
that is vague, rambling and so full of
loopholes that it is worthless, a mere
bundle of generalities and platitudes.

A MEANS TO EXERCISE.

[Chicago Record-Herald.]

The Doctor—What your wife needs is
more physical exercise.
Homer—But, doctor, I can't induce her
to go outside the house.
The Doctor—Oh, yes, you can. Mark all
the bargains advertisements in the paper,
and give her \$50.

HOT TALK.

[Philadelphia Press.]

Lovett—Yes, she rejected me. What of
it?
Hadley—Nothing; only I'll bet you felt
foolish about that time.
Lovett—Yes, I guess I felt just as foolish
at that time as you look all the time.

LUCKY, INDEED.

[Exchange.]

"Did your husband have any luck on his
hunting trip?" asked the friend of the
family.
"Yes, indeed," replied her husband's
wife. "He managed to get home without
shooting himself or anybody else."

HORRIBLE EXAMPLE.

[Chicago News.]

"My dear," said Mrs. Strongminded, "I
want you to accompany me to the town
hall tomorrow evening."
"What for?" queried the meek and lowly
other half of the combine.
"I am to lecture on the 'Dark Side of
Married Life,'" explained Mrs. Strongminded,
and I want you to sit on the platform and
pose as one of the illustrations."

THE HUSHED VOICE.

[Buffalo News.]

What mother said—it didn't matter then,
A loving word, perchance, and then again,
When childish wrath came in our simple
day
And little woes beset youth's rosy way,
Her sweetly gentle words dispelled the
wrath.

And coaxed the buds to bloom that lined
our path.
Her voice was sweet to greet the morning
sun,
And, sweeter still, when golden days were
done,
Her soft good-night that sent us to our
bed—
It didn't matter then—what mother said.

It didn't matter then, but now she's gone
The world lacks all its sweetness, and at
dawn
The sunbeams, coming down from heaven's
dome,
But emphasize the loss from out the home;
No kindly smiles to cheer the passing
day.
No mother's words to guide us on the
way—
No loving arms that wait but to enfold
When world and all grow merciless and
cold.
The kingdom there, I think, is made of
such—
What mother said! Oh, now, 't would mean
so much!

STRONG SAVAGE WOMEN.

[Detroit News.]

Among savage tribes the women are very
little smaller than the men, and have
greater power of endurance. Stanley says
the best porters in Africa were women,
and an early explorer in the Northwest
tells that before he started on a certain
expedition an old chief advised him to
take some squaws along to drag the bag-
gage. Even among civilized nations girl
babies exhibit more vitality than boys,
a greater number coming safely through the
perils of the first five years, yet a civilized
woman has only half as much physical
strength as a civilized man.

CHOLERA MORBUS, cramps and kindred
complaints annually make their appear-
ance at the same time as the hot weather,
and many persons are debilitated from
these tempting things, but they need not
abstain if they have Dr. J. D. Kellogg's
Dysentery Cordial and take a few drops in
water. It cures the cramps and cholera
in a remarkable manner, and is sure to
check every disturbance of the bowels.

Is Ten
Thousand
Dollars
Enough?

Have you con-
sidered the earning
power of money? Have you thought of
the amount of Prin-
cipal it requires to
produce a given
income? Invest
\$10,000 safely and
what income would
your widow get? Perhaps \$500 per
annum. Is that suffi-
cient? Are you in-
sured for even
\$10,000?

Think seriously of
this. A man should
have enough insur-
ance to guarantee
the comfort of those
depending on him.
Write to us asking
for particulars re-
specting our special
plans of insurance.

LONDON
LIFE

Insurance Company,
London, Canada.

GEO. MCBROOM
Inspector

J. F. MAINE
Supt. Industrial Branch

VESSEL PASSAGES

Detroit, Sept. 6.—Up: Pathfinder,
Sagamore, 11:40 Thursday a.m.; Howe,
12:40 p.m.; Duluth, 2; Weeks, 4:30;
Midland King, 5:15; Wm. Kerr, Wal-
lula and barge, 5:30; Sylvania, 6;
Starrucca, 6:15; Malietoa, 7; Turret
Court, Mitchell, Chickamauga, 7:30;
F. Gilchrist, 8; Schlusser, 8:30; Su-
perior City, Manilla, Fairbairn, Bell,
9; Binghamton, 9:15; Plankinton, 11;
Republic, Lewiston, Cadillac, 12:30
Friday a.m.; Couby, 2:20; Mataafa,
Bryn Mawr, H. H. Brown, Clement,
4:30; big Mather, 5:30; Corsica, 7;
Walsh, 7:30; Stephenson, Goulder,
Fryer, 8; Tampa, 8:40; Heffelfinger,
Matosa, Manda, 9; Beatty, 11.
Down: Roumania, Crete, 12:30
Thursday a.m.; Victory, Constitution,
1:40; Wilkesbarre, 2:15; Stackhouse,
2:40; Geo. King and barge, 4:40; Par-
ent, Orinoco, Matanza, 5; Andaste
(cleared), 6:30; Pontiac, 8; Samoa, 10;
Howard, Bessemer, 10:40; Sanilac and
barges, 2; Benton and barge, 5; Huron,
6; Pollock, 7:30.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Sept. 6.—
Up: Garriston, Thursday noon; Baker,
1:20 p.m.; Pallik, Barium, 4; Rob-
bins, 5:40; Maudie, 6:20; Turret
Court, 7:50; Nye, Packer, 8; Dunham,
6:30; Poe, 9:20; Murphy, whaleback,
10:30; Ionic, 11; Western Star, Algon-
quin, 12; Wall, Mariska, 5; Zenith
City, 5:40; Sahara, 6.

Down: Cornell, 11:30 Thursday a.m.;
Fairmont, Melrose, noon; North Star,
12:40 p.m.; Schoolcraft, Nester,
Bourke, 1:30; Princeton, 2; Bixby, 3;
D. O. Mills, 4; Philip Minch, 5:40;
Frank Peavey, Wasaga, 6:40; Argo, 8;
George Owen, 8:40; Morrell, 9; Black
Rock, 9:40; Monroe Smith, 10; Gay-
ley, 10:30; Edenborn, Alva, Chocvat,
Midland Queen, 11:20; Corey, 1 Friday
morning; Cuddy, 1:40; Hart, 3:20;
W. E. Fitzgerald, 4; Woodruff, Don-
ncona, 4:40; Haddington, 5; Fitch,
Macklin, 5:30; Michigan, Jones, Hay-
ward, 6:30.

Port Huron, Mich., Sept. 6.—Down:
Small Carter, Corry, 12:10 Thursday
p.m.; Alf Mitchell, 1:10; Pontiac, 2:30;
Pendennis White, 2:50; Harvard, 4:50;
Bessemer, 5; Pollock, 1:40 Friday a.m.;
Mary Boyce, 3:40; Gates, 5:50; Colon-
ial, 7:10.

Port Colborne, Sept. 6.—Up: Nor-
walk, Erie, Phoenix, Chicago.
Down: Wallace, Emerson and con-
sorts, Langdon, Corunna, Mitchell.
Arrived: Vigilant.

ANOTHER TRUST FINED

Harvester Company Pleads Guilty and
Pays \$35,000.

Chicago, Sept. 6.—A dispatch to the
Record-Herald from Austin, Texas, says:
"The International Harvester Com-
pany of Wisconsin, yesterday pleaded
guilty to a violation of the Texas
anti-trust law, and paid a fine of \$35,000.
The company also agreed that a
perpetual injunction be entered for-
bidding it to operate in Texas."

ARTIST EARLE'S DEFENSE.

New York, Sept. 6.—Ferdinand Pin-
ney Earle, the Orange County artist-
Socialist, who has set his fellow-
townsmen at Monroe and other per-
sons all agog by shipping his young
wife and their little son Harold, off
to Europe, so that he may obtain the
freedom he needs to marry another
woman, has written to the World a
lengthy defense of his action, his text
being recent criticism of himself by a
woman writer. He says:

7 to 10 o'Clock Tonight
3 Hours of Popular Shopping

The great tide of week-end shopping done here Saturday night indicates the
popularity of this store and plainly illustrates our ability to meet all your re-
quirements at all times. We emphasize the following:

Hosiery, Gloves, Veiling, Swastika Jew-
elry, Combs, Belts, Handkerchiefs

The above sections enjoy every possible advantage for the purchase of the
best-wearing, low-priced goods. We hint at a few of tonight's attractions:

New Chiffon Veiling

This is a timely arrival: New
Chiffon Veiling, with silk border,
in black, tan, navy and white, suit-
able for face veils or hat trim-
ming. At, per yard, tonight .50c

WHITE CHIFFON VEILING,
with black chenille dot and em-
brodery flower in border. At,
per yard 50c

BLACK AND BROWN CHIF-
FON VEILING, pin dot and nar-
row border. At, per yard . . . 25c

Splendid Hosiery

It is always economical to buy
Hose at Chapman's.

Ladies' Embroidered Cotton
Hose, double heel and toe, Herma-
dorf dye. Special, per pair . . 25c

Ladies' All-Over Black Lace
Cotton Hose, at, per pair . . . 25c

Ladies' Tan Lace Ankle and All-
Over Lace Hose, at, per pair 50c

Ladies' Gray Lisle Hose, all-over
lace, at, per pair 60c

Ladies' Black Fleece-Lined Hose
at, per pair 25c

Cushion Top and Girdle for 35c

Worth 50c. Lithographed Cushion Tops, with girdle to
match. In all colors. Tonight for 35c

NEW FALL HATS

We are making an early showing for Western Fair week.
Distinctive styles in new fall shapes, with flowing feather effects,
wings, flowers, foliages, ribbons, velvets and silks. Many pleasing
and different styles. Values positively unequaled.

New Combs, Swastika Pins

Popular notions at the front
counter; new jeweled and gilt
Back Combs at 25c each, and Sil-
ver Combs at, per pair 25c
Shell Barrettes at 15c and 25c
Swastika Pin Sets, genuine hard-
enamel. Set of two 25c

Leather Belts

Tan, Crushed Leather Belt,
with gilt buckle, tonight, at . . 50c
Black, Crushed Leather Belts,
with black buckle, at 75c

Gloves Tonight

Three-quarter Length Kid
Gloves, all sizes, in tan, gray,
brown, mode, white and black,
\$1.50 value. At \$1.19
Long Silk Gloves, black and
white, at 85c, \$1.00 and \$1.25
Short Kid Gloves, black, white
and colors, at 75c

J. H. Chapman & Co., 126, 128, 128 1/2 Dundas St

Dinna Ye Hear Th' Slogan?

THE TRAMP, TRAMP, TRAMP OF THE CLANS TO

WM. MORRISON'S

BIG \$25,000 SHOE SALE

The apostles of the Shamrock, the Rose, the Thistle and our own glorious Maple Leaf are all
in the Big Procession to take advantage of the

RECORD BREAKING BARGAINS

that we have now thrown to the public. This is no ordinary sale with a few "Odds and
Ends" and "Left Overs" shoved out to fool the people. We offer you the pick of one of
the best selected stocks in London. Price is now the Mighty Lever that will move the
Last Pair of Footwear and the Last Trunk, Bag and Suit Case in this splendid stock.

PRICES have been cut to where you ought
to buy a Dozen Pairs and shoe the whole
family now, and save enough money to pur-
chase next winter's coal.

Let nothing keep you away from this
Final Wind-Up Sale. Our motto is "Any
Old Price" to sell the balance of our large
stock.

Read this Price List carefully, then act quickly. Everything has been
Marked Away Down and should sell rapidly

Lot 1—139 pairs Ladies' Kid House Slippers,
regular 60c and 75c, all
sizes, this month 49c, 47c

Lot 2—56 pairs Ladies' White Canvas Oxfords,
Blucher cut, brand new goods, reg.
\$1.25 and \$1.50, this month 79c

Lot 3—67 pairs Ladies' extra fine Vici Kid and
Dongola One-Strap Slippers, reg.
worth up to \$2.50, this month 98c, 87c

Lot 4—87 pairs Ladies' hand turned and ma-
chine sewed Kid Oxfords, reg. \$1.25 to \$1.75,
this month \$1.23, 97c

Lot 5—112 pairs Ladies' patent tip, Vici Kid,
Blucher cut Oxfords, brand new
goods, reg. \$2.00 lines, this month \$1.29

Lot 6—89 pairs Ladies' up-to-date Vici Kid Ox-
fords, hand turned or extension sole, Blucher
cut, regular price \$2.50, all sizes,
this month \$1.47

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