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THE SOUTH OXFORD VILLAINY.

Says the Woodstock Express, Independent:—

The Mail and Empire publishes an interview with a "gentleman whose views it thinks ought to have some weight because of the fact that he belongs to a family which from early days had been a pillar of Liberalism in Canada, he himself having occupied a high place in the councils of the Reform party until forced not long ago to withdraw his allegiance by reason of rampant corruption and immorality within it," etc. It is probably not a difficult task to identify the gentleman in question after such a description, and the probability is much strengthened by what follows, showing intimate acquaintance with the South Oxford scandal. But whether Mr. S. H. Blake is the gentleman referred to or not, some of his views are decidedly interesting. We take the privilege of quoting at considerable length, because the matter is of local interest:

"I differ chiefly from the Globe in one important respect. I believe that the person who should be first gotten rid of is the Premier, because he is the most blameworthy. He has had the opportunity of knowing the companionship of honest, upright men in the Legislature, who believe that the affairs of the State could be carried on without lowering themselves by the employment of base tricks unworthy of a second-rate politician. It is useless for any man at the head of a Government to pretend to desire purity and honesty in administration when for years he has sat in office by virtue of votes obtained in possibly as vile and degraded a manner as ever obtained in any country on earth. The honest man would reject power bought at such a price. Instead of declaiming about honesty, the Premier should show that he is entitled to the appellation of an honest citizen by abandoning the office obtained by such discreditable methods. It will be remembered that the South Oxford election trial covered several weeks. At an early period in the trial it was proved that hundreds of dollars had been desperately paid to procure men to go in this witness-box and perjure themselves. There never was an election trial in Canada in which such base means were employed, and if such methods were introduced in ordinary trials, no person's life or property would be safe. While this trial went on from week to week, the Premier and his colleagues sat and read of all the villainy practised, and they kept silent, hoping to obtain the paltry benefit of an extra seat at the expense of the vilest page in the history of any trial in any land. The one person who was the mainspring of all this purchased perjury—the man who distributed the funds and drew thousands of dollars from Toronto for nefarious uses—the man who would have been instantly and ignominiously cast out of any honest party, has now received his reward. They did not dare to appoint him here, so they have made an office for him in Great Britain. While I was rejected to see the article in the Globe, I fear I did not contain as much sincerity as I should. It is hard to detect signs of honesty in a Government which performs such an act of villainy as the appointment to office of J. B. Jackson as a reward for the commission of deeds which should have been the subject of prosecution."

After all, it makes but little difference who gave utterance to these words. The important thing is that they are the truth. They are not from an affidavit, purchased or otherwise. The men who furnished the money used in the South Oxford villainy and who secured for Mr. Jackson a reward for his shameful part in it are not the Sullivans and the Gameys of Ontario politics. The South Oxford villainy alone would be enough to condemn the obscurity forever any body of men convicted of responsibility for it and whose fate depended on the judgment of a free and enlightened public opinion."

ST. ANDREW'S CLUB

The first regular meeting of the St. Andrew's Literary Society was held Friday evening in the parlors of St. Andrew's church. After fifteen minutes of social intercourse the meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. David Crombie. The regular routine of business proceeded, various motions being carried, formally organizing the society under the name of the St. Andrew's Church Club. The officers nominated at the meeting for organization held two weeks ago were all confirmed in office.

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fice. The business meeting reflected

great credit on the President and showed executive ability of a high order. In the absence of Mr. Kerr, the Secretary, Mr. James Fleming performed the duties of that office.

The program for the evening consisted of a speech by Dr. James Samson, of Windsor, and solos, instrumental and vocal, by the Misses Brackin, Miss Richards and Mr. Jas. Trotter, all of which were enjoyed by the large audience present.

Dr. Samson's subject was "The Joy of Living," and in a speech which lasted fully one hour and a half, he covered a very wide range of subjects bearing directly and indirectly on the topic. It would be impossible within the limits of our disposal to enumerate all the points and advice given to the Club. Perhaps the strongest was that urging his hearers to a deeper interest in the physical world about them. A number of good books dealing on popular astronomy and geology were recommended. The learned doctor closed by wishing the Club every prosperity.

The discussion which was to have taken place on the "Alaskan Award" by Messrs. Innis, Collins and Douglas was postponed on account of the lateness of the hour.

A hearty vote of thanks was tendered Dr. Samson for his kindness in addressing the Society.

The next meeting of the Club will be held in two weeks. The membership is open to all and the fee was fixed at twenty-five cents for the year.

The Flax Plant.

Linen is obtained from the flax plant, a small, delicate annual with a tiny blue flower. The plant is pulled by hand in the summer, the seeds, known in commerce as linseed, being removed and the straw subjected to various processes to separate the fibrous part which constitutes the linen. First it is steeped in water and then passed through a drying and heating process, on revolving wheels until all foreign matter is removed. It is then ready for manufacture.

Flax has been used from remote ages as a textile fabric, especially in Egypt. Mummy cloths are often found to be of exceedingly fine texture. The chief linen producing countries of the present day are Ireland, France, Belgium and Germany. The flax fiber is round and irregular, is very durable and is capable of extensive bleaching. Plain linen has a simple weave, with the wet threads alternately interlacing the way across. When woven with a pattern it is usually called damask.

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Thackeray's Satire.

Thackeray created quite erroneous impressions of himself by often indulging in irony in the presence of people who were incapable of understanding it. One curious instance which he gave was this: Thackeray had been dining at the Garrick and was talking in the smoking room after dinner with various club acquaintances. One of them happening to have left his cigar case at home, Thackeray, though disliking the man, who was a notorious tuft hunter, good naturedly offered him one of his cigars. The man accepted the cigar, but, not finding it to his liking, had the bad taste to say to Thackeray, "I say, Thackeray, you won't mind my saying I don't think much of this cigar?" Thackeray, no doubt irritated at the man's ungraciousness and bearing in mind his tuft hunting predilections, quietly responded, "You ought to, my good fellow, for it was given me by a lord." Instead, however, of detecting the irony, the doct immediately attributed the remark to snobbishness on Thackeray's part and to the end of his days went about declaring that "Thackeray had boasted that he had been given a cigar by a lord."

Witty Response of a Lecturer.

A professor who acted as chairman of a meeting at which Max O'Rell was to lecture introduced the Frenchman in the following manner:

"Ladies and gentlemen, when we wish to see ourselves as individuals we have recourse to the mirror. This we cannot do as a nation. I take pleasure in introducing a gentleman who will act as a French mirror, by means of which you will, I am sure, obtain an adequate and pleasing view of yourselves as a nation."

The introduction pleased O'Rell, and he responded in a vein as jovial: "I am requested to reflect on a nation. However, I must take second place to the man in the moon, for he reflects on the earth. As an imported French mirror I shall do the best I can to give you a correct picture of the nation. And if your chairman remains where he is in the background, he will add greatly to the reflective power of the mirror."

Origin of Life Insurance.

"I don't have to have my life insured," said the business man to the agent, "but I do want to know how life insurance originated. Can you tell me that?" the agent answered. "It originated in 1703 in London. In that year there was formed the first life insurance company. It was called the Amicable Society for a Perpetual Assurance Office. It was a mutual benefit concern. Each member, without reference to age, paid a fixed admission fee and a fixed annual charge per share on from one to three shares, and at the end of the year a portion of the fund accumulated was divided among the heirs of those who had died in accordance with the number of shares each had person had held. Out of this company, with its crude and imperfect methods, life insurance as it exists today has grown."

A Story of Young Dan Webster.

A New York lawyer recently told an interesting story of Daniel Webster's boyhood.

"Little Dan and his younger brother," said the legal light, "had each been given some money. They started out gleefully, and it was evening before they got back home."

"Well, Dan," said the senior Webster, "what did you do with your money?"

"Spent it," the boy answered sturdily.

"And how about you? What did you do with your money?" the father asked the younger brother.

"I loaned it to Dan," was the reply."

Scotch Coolness.

Speaking of Scotch characteristics, an Englishman traveling in this country told a story illustrative of Scotch coolness under trying circumstances.

"A number of Scots," he said, "were working on a fifteen story building. One up near the roof lost his foothold and fell. But even in his swift descent through the air he remained quite cool and calm. In fact, as he shot past a friend on the twelfth story he sang out:

"Eh, Sandy, man, sic a fall as I shall hae!"

Cleveland's Submerged Tenth.

There is hardly a club, even among the oldest, that does not possess its almost woefully poor members; men who dropped ambition and their tailor simultaneously, who try to live even from themselves the whereabouts of their dismal "chambers," which is one room; who have no want that does not begin and end with their clubs and would fade away and die miserably if its doors were closed to them.

On His Mind.

Long—Have you forgotten that \$10 you borrowed of me some time ago.

Short—Oh, no, I still have it in mind.

Long—Well, don't you think this would be a good time to relieve your mind of it?

A Hustler.

"Do you think Skinner can make a living out there?"

"Make a living! Why, he'd make a living on a rock in the middle of the ocean if there was another man on the rock."

A Possible Exception.

Wife—Isn't it a fact, dear, that handsome men are proverbially disagreeable?

Husband—Well, I don't know. I always try to be pleasant.

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A Here Man's Idea.

"First impressions are proverbially dangerous guides unless one happens to be of the sex which always has the gift of making its first impressions rhyme with the issue," says a recent writer. But a woman always awaits the issue before she confides her real first impressions to the outside world. She may "say things" which the male outsider may mistake for her first impressions, but they are not her real first impressions. They come only after the event. This, however, is a profitless digression.

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Youth is like summer morn; Age is like winter weather.

Youth is full of sport; Age is full of sorrow.

Youth is nimble, age is lame; Youth is hot and bold; Age is weak and cold.

Youth is wild and age is tame, Age, I do abhor thee; O, sweet shepherd, bid me thee, O, my love, my love is young; Age, I do defy thee.

O sweet shepherd, bid me thee, For methinks thou stay'st too long. —Shakespeare.

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An Unfortunate Question.

The minister of a church in Aberdeenshire had just returned from a long holiday trip, on which he had been accompanied by his wife. At a prayer meeting a day or two afterwards one of the elders of the church was offering up a prayer, and, naturally, the minister's return was one of the subjects upon which he touched. In the expression of his sentiments, however, the worthy elder fairly "put his foot in it," and provoked an irrepressible titter of amusement from his audience by referring to the event in the following remarkable passage: "Oh, Lord, we thank Thee for bringing our pastor safe home from his holidays, and his dear wife, too, oh, Lord, for 'Thou preservest man and beast.' What the minister's wife thought of the elder's well intentioned but unfortunate. Scriptural quotation is not upon record.

A Warning to Cigarette Lovers.

"What was the colonel saying to that young Featherly?"

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EXHIBIT FOR SPORTSMEN'S SHOW.

The Grand Trunk Railway System have shipped their extensive exhibit that will be installed in the International Sportsmen's Show, which is to be held in the Coliseum, at Chicago, November 7th to 28th. The exhibit will comprise, in addition to a series of the best pictures depicting scenes along their lines in Canada, including the many districts in the "Highlands of Ontario," one of the most comprehensive and complete collections of fish native to Canadian waters. In this will be some of the best specimens that have ever been taken of the muskonge, small-mouthed bass, wall-eyed bass, brook trout, muskonge, lake-trout, salmon, etc. This fish exhibit is one that the Grand Trunk has been collecting for the past three or four years, and it is, without doubt, the finest in America, not only as to the sizes and varieties of fishes, but in their unique way of having been mounted. Many anglers have seen this exhibit and speak in the highest terms of the collection.

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