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**TO CITY SUBSCRIBERS.**  
We should esteem it a favor if subscribers in the city would immediately report to us any irregularity or delinquency on the part of their carriers.

**OUT OF RESPECT** for Mr. Garfield, the funeral sermon preached by Dr. Isaac Erert of Cincinnati has obtained wide publicity. Upon its own merits the sermon was not worth the space of a dozen lines.

Those in charge of goals should profit by Chief Justice Hagarty's condemnation of the practice of allowing reporters to interview prisoners who are awaiting trial. A reporter got at Vanhook's, the Buck late murderer, and also went so far as to introduce a photographer to take his likeness. A similar breach of prison discipline occurred at Ottawa just before this case. It is not to the good of the prisoner, nor are the ends of justice advanced thereby.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE does not appear to interfere with the enterprise of the Canadian Pacific railway syndicate. Recently some of its members held a business meeting in the Queen's hotel in this city on a Sunday afternoon, and a circular, signed by A. B. Stickney, general superintendent of the company, has just been issued in Winnipeg to this effect: "This company, having completed its track from Portage la Prairie to Brandon, a distance of seventy-seven miles, the control of this section will be turned over to the operating department on Sunday, the 25th inst."

MR. BLAKE'S SPEECH at Halifax was one of the great speeches of his life. The people down by the sea are reading it and talking about it yet, and it promises to exercise a great influence over political thought there. The demand for a report of it was so great that the Halifax Chronicle was obliged to publish a second edition of it; and that has been so far from supplying the demand that ten thousand copies are being issued in pamphlet form. Haligonians who had been accustomed to the oratory of Howe, Johnston, Archibald and Tupper were forced to confess that in all the essentials of a great speaker Mr. Blake was without a peer among them.

THE MAIL claimed the largest circulation of any paper in Canada; the Star of Montreal disputed the assertion; then the Mail said it had the largest circulation of any Canadian newspaper—a very different thing and of small importance. It is the advertiser who is chiefly concerned in the matter of circulation, and the advertiser pays most of his money to the daily papers. What daily paper then has the largest circulation? The Globe has the lead by several thousand. Which comes next? It is a race between the Mail and the Star, with the likelihood in favor of the latter. The third place lies between the Mail and the Freeman.

THE BROWN MEMORIAL committee started out to raise \$25,000; they are now carrying out their object worth, \$30,000 that could be gathered. If the first memorial fund was necessary to erect a suitable monument the Reformers should have made it up for George Brown was their ablest and most prominent man in the last thirty years of his life. We would like to have seen the memorial more of a national and less of a party one, and the opponents of the senator have still the opportunity of making such. But as yet we are a people severed from one another by geographical and ethnological lines as well as by much split into factions. When we become better welded together we may perhaps, by the united action of patriots more than by the present one, are not much of a national memorial.

OUR LORDLY FRIEND Williams, who is the Globe's special writer, or rather agent, the government, is for ever telling us about those wonderful naves that he drives, and the rickety hackbeard that a good-natured Whiggish-soldier sold him in a double sense. The naves, we have been told time after time, are "the round barrels," are "good steppers," and possessed of many wonderful traits. When the "General" woke up the other morning he was greatly surprised to find that the naves had escaped during the night. After four hours' search, Peter Castan, the guide—another curiosity, by the way—came into camp with the fugitive Mrs. Jennie and Miss Minnie. Now that Mr. Williams has caught up with Lord L., we hope he will not lose himself again. And we hope that by all means he will bring that hackbeard back to Toronto, and show it on exhibition in the Globe's show.

**THE REASONABLENESS OF IT.**

As we have pointed out before, and as a correspondent resides in another column to-day, those who favor Canadian independence do not base their advocacy on antagonism to Britain, but purely on regard for Canada. They think that Canadians would be more happy, more prosperous, and the country sooner settled, if we managed our own affairs entirely.

Moreover, the probability is that as a nation we should command more respect and enjoy the pleasures of kinship better than if merely colonists. The people of the United States are as much the kin of Englishmen—the London Spectator, in a remarkable article, has just claimed Garfield as an Englishman—as we are, and those who have had the experience know that a citizen of the United States commands as much respect—we shall not say more—in England as a colonist from Canada; and certainly Canadians would not be less thought of in the United States when compared with Englishmen, if they crossed the lines as citizens of an independent country instead of as colonists of a European nation.

If we are all kin, the people of the other land and those of the United States and Canada, and each feels as warm toward one as the other, is there any reason why two should be entirely free, while the third should be tied to the apron-strings of one of the other two? And would not three independent nations speaking the same tongue be more likely to preserve a balance than two?

**PRIZE FARMS AND PRIZE ESSAYS.**  
The agricultural association has been gradually enlarging its scope in recent years, though perhaps the result has not been to create any fresh interest in the organization. Prizes for the best live stock, implements and farm products, were a great incentive to improvement, and between the provincial and branch associations there is no doubt that much good has been done.

Now we have prizes offered for the best farms, and essays on the best methods of farming. The idea may be very good, but it does not appear to have yet taken a strong hold on the farmers.

For the best farms this year in the western district, embracing six of the best counties in Ontario, there were only sixteen competitors. This certainly does not evidence keen interest on the part of the farmers, and there is not much cause for wonder at it. It costs a great deal of time and money to set up a whole farm for show purposes—a great deal more than the live stock, grain, fruit or vegetables sent to the provincial fair—and it is hard to convince any practical man that fancy farming pays. There is, of course, great room for improvement in the care of stock, the cultivation of the land, the construction and maintenance of buildings and the beautifying of the home, but we have not much confidence in the stimulating influence of the prize system to promote such improvement. The farmers themselves take little interest in it as it is made clear by the few who compete for prizes.

The essay prizes create still less interest, if that were possible. The subject this year was "The Best Methods of Restoring the Fertility of Worn-out Lands," and at the meeting held in London Monday night to hear the prize essays read, it was only possible to procure an audience of ten men. The Magic Slipper and the Gallie Slave proved to be far greater attractions to the farmers visiting the provincial fair. The essays will be filed away in the archives of the association, to be emptied some day into the secretary's lane, or to make food for worms.

**THE QUESTION OF COLOR.**

If instead of the Globe coming out with a swashbuckler article on the hotel men, it had bestowed a portion of its output on the Canadian public, and especially on the Canadian hotel public, it would have been more just in its vindication of the right of the jubilee singers to accommodation at our leading hotels. Sledge-hammer articles, especially if misdirected, do more harm than good.

Now, what is the real situation in this matter? Why, that the hotel men are business men—dollars and cents men if you will—who look at each question that concerns them from a purely business point of view. They say—and they ought to know their business best—that the Canadian hotel public object to stop in the same house with colored people. An exaggerated expression of this objection is the words of a hotel guest: "I don't want to sit at the same table with a big black nigger." We do not use these words because they are offensive to the colored people, but because they best illustrate the situation. There is no denying that the sentiment thus implied prevails, in a less exaggerated form, in the minds of many Canadians, and in deference to this feeling and purely from a dollar and cent point of view, the hotel men refuse to accommodate the jubilists. As we blame them, or are we to blame the public which entertains such a sentiment?

The public is the chief offender. While we earnestly hope to see this obnoxious antipathy toward fellow-men rooted out, we must not forget that it requires time to do so. The equality of man can only as yet be interpreted as equality before the law. In the social, moral and intellectual spheres all men are not equal, and are not likely ever to be. The martyr Lincoln saw nothing more in it than this in the case of the millions who were freed by the war. He knew that time was required before intellectual and social equality especially would be recognized.

Our duty, then, is to hasten the day of common equality, and if we have cause to bestow on those whom we think are hindering that consummation, let us be sure that we cast it on the most blameable. But it is not in censuring but in educating

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