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## THE NAVY QUESTION

In the by-election for the Ottawa Canada, who is contesting Chertsey; seat made vacant by Sir Wilfrid Laurier's decision to sit for his old constiency, Quebec East, Mr. J. A. Ellis, in Dulwich, and J. Hamilton Benn, fora former Mayor of Ottawa, has announced himself as an Independent Greenwich. The Liberals are Joseph Conservative candidate on the naval Martin, ex-member of three Canadian issue, opposing the government's pol-Legislatures, who is running in St. icy and standing for a direct contribu-Pancras Division, London, and Hamar tion of Dreadnoughts to the British Greenwood, late member for York, navy. who is asking for re-election in that

A contest between Mr. Ellis and a constituency. government supporter on this basis would provide an interesting test of for Canada in the mother of parliapublic opinion, but would be of little practical political value, as both parties ments with dignity and force. through their leaders, are already committed to the Canadian navy pro-A GOOD CHANNEL FOR CHARITY gramme.

Don't forget, in distributing your There may be and doubtless will be a vigorous discussion on the govern-Christmas good cheer, the familiar ment's scheme, but the various critic- tripod-supported cooking pots on the ism will probably serve only to streng- main streets of the city for Salvation servative, is no longer apt. The prothen the government's position in the Army contributions. No charitable orpublic mind. Some favor direct con- ganization can make a dollar go fartributions; others no contribution at ther for good than the Army, and none recede, only that the next wave may all. Some want the government to knows better where it should go. By carry still higher." spend more money; others are aghast the way, few collecting devices have at the size of the proposed expenditure. as widespread a field as these same Through this storm of variant opinion humble black Salvation Army pots. the government steers a middle course. In the mining camps of the north the It's plan is not one to arouse much miners drop their nuggets into it, in enthusiasm. Since Canada is to take India fowl and game are brought, in a hand in this sea-fighting business- China, rice, and in fact there is hardly and national self-respect, not to speak of Imperial loyalty, compels some ac-tion. The Sun would have welcomed sufficient expenditure to meet the Admiralty's desire for the provision of a complete fleet unit, including a Dreadfoursht But we recognize the

Dreadnought. But we recognize the difficulty of the government's position between contradictory sections and

factions, and believe that, on the AFIRS CLASS FIGHING MAN whole, the policy will command more Great, Britain's new first sea lord.

that has made those traditions.

general support than any alternative that has so far been suggested. Suc-Sir Arthur Knyvet Wilson, should be cessful government, as an eminent able to keep the navy true to its best statesman has observed, is always a fighting traditions. He is himself a latter of compromise. first-class fighting man of the type

## PROFIT SHARING

went at the Soudanese with both fists An interesting and significant report in true Marquis of Queensbury style. of the operations of the profit sharing and while the Dervishes were breaksystem among the employees of the Ining in other parts of the square against rnational Harvester Company has recently been given by Mr. George W. bullet and steel, he drove his astounded Perkins, financial chairman of that opponents back till they broke and great industry. Under the plan adopfled. The morale of the navy should d by that company, the profit-sharing be safe in the hands of a man like is divided under two heads. In the first place the company set aside a cer tain amount out of its yearly ear for distribution in cash amongst of its employees who make a DIAN INEXPERIENCE factory showing. The amount s marked and divided is regulated on a fixed percentage basis according as the annual profits are large or small. The distribution in the sales department is based upon the increase in sales and upon the reduction in selling expenses stated. In the medicate expenses attained. In the works the are divided according to incr duction. decreased cost. tion of both. In the second place, profit-sharing is accomplished by the sale of the company's stock to the employees at a figure below the market price and on an instalment basis. The amount of stock, which each employee may purchase, is regulated by the size of his salary or wages. He participates in the regular dividends, and is allowed in addition each year for five years a bonus of \$4 on each share of preferred stock and a gratuity of \$3 on each share of common stock which he holds. The receipt of this bonus is conditioned recipient remaining in good standing in the company's employ. If a man leaves the company's service or ceases paying for the shares, the mances the forfeited bonuses on his stock in a fund, which at the end of five years is distributed amongst chose subscribers who have paid for their stock in full, and have remained in good standing throughout the entire period. While paying for the shares. the subscribing employees are charged interest at 5 per cent. on deferred payments. They are credited with the 7 per cent. dividends on the preferred stock and with whatever dividends are declared on the common. They are also credited with the \$4 and the \$3 yearly bonuses, and with their share of the bonuses on the stock of defaulting subscribers. In this way the men are furnished with an attractive permanent investment. The advantage accruing to the company is that its employes are inspired by an individual incentive to titude of irresponsible indifference to other fairy stories are told in different stray stock, keep order in the mining make its operations a success. Besides, the management has in this day, we believed, not without reason, statem a powerful anchor for its or-Its skilled employes are not likely to drift away. The acceptability of the scheme to the men is indicated by the fact that 4,300 of the employes are stockholders. The company and the men have also organized Employes' Benefit Association. membership in which is purely volun- spoken to, we have responded as we tary and towards the funds of which the company contributes \$50,000 yearly. Twenty-one thousand six hundred, or 75 per cent. of the men, have joined organization, which is controlled by a Board of their own choosing. The members pay in 2 per cent. of their selary or wages. The benefits are two years' pay for death due to accident; one year's pay for death due tain until that day shall come when to sickness, and half pay for disability the ways of the sea need no patrol and the borders of the land require no participating in these benefits the guard. nbers do not waive their legal fights against the company. In the fourteen months during which the plan adian border conditions. We have not has been in operation \$200,000 in benefits has been distributed. Like the Canadian Pacific Railway the International Harvester Company pensions its. of welfare work at its own expense. The profit sharing, death, and sickness pensions and welfare work are all based upon the recognized value to capital of the hearty and loyal cooperation of the labor in its employ. And herein lies the solution of the industrial problem. The wage system as commonly operated exalts capital anduly. Socialism claims all for labor. Profit sharing recognizes the usefulness of both; the necessity of each for the other, and the value of mutual interest and co-operation.

THE NE WS ST. JOHN. N. B. JRIFAN, DECEMBER 24, 1909

A PARTY PAPER THAT PLAYS FAIR

While Canadians as a people have no The Ottawa Citizen, a Conservative official voice in British or Imperial afjournal that does not allow its Toryairs, individual Canadians are playing ism to blind it to the truth, is frankly commendatory of Hon. Mr. Fielding ill part on the stage of British politics. In the present contest there and his recent Budget, which has exare six Canadians actively and promincited the usual intemperate and inconently engaged, four on the Conservasiderate criticism from party papers tive side and two on the Liberal. The of the baser sort. former are Sir Gilbert Parker, who is "No one could read the Budget eeking re-election to the constituency speech of Finance Minister Fielding,' of Gravesend; Donald MacMaster, K. says the Citizen, "without a feeling of

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increasing pride and confidence in th , former member for Glengarry, in future of Canada. Formerly, as the revenue of the country broke the record Bonar Law, former Parliamentary Sec-" n each successive year, Hon. Mr. retary of the Board of Trade, running Fielding was in the habit of inserting merly of Quebec, who seeks honors in in his Budget some characteristically cautious reference to "the crest of the wave." It seemed too good to expect

that such remarkable growth should continue without interruption. Then came the world-wide monetary stringency of 1907-8, complicated, so far a Canada was concerned, with a rather moderate harvest in the latter year

And none of these is unfit to speak For the time being there was a halting rather than a recession of prosperity, but as soon as normal conditions are restored we experience such a vigorous resumption of prosperity that the current fiscal year will break all previous records, and possibly carry our revenue

to the hundred million dollar mark. The Finance Minister's reference to the crest of the wave, while properly Congress of this country is like a rising tide, which momentarily may seem to

"Apart from the strictly financial features of the Budget," continues the Citizen, "it is satisfactory to learn that there will be no tampering with the tariff, and also that the Government is satisfied, from the assurances contained in President Taft's Message, that there is no danger of a tariff war between this country and the United States, not that it would be in any sense an unmitigated evil so far as Canada is concerned, but the Dominion is not looking for trouble, nor does it desire to have trouble thrust upon it. The reference in the speech to an increasing coinage of Canadian silver will also be well received, as tending to fill a long-felt want, which the presence of

so much American coin on this side of the line indicates. . . . Speaking of the Budget as a whole, Hon. Mr. Fielding is to be congratulated both on its contents and the able manner in which t was laid before the House." In While according the Financial Ministhe Soudan campaign once, while deter this generous praise, the Citizen, fending a hot corner of a British with equal fairness, points to the adsquare, his sword snapped. His pistols vantage of Opposition criticism as a were already fired. Dropping both, he brake upon possibly extravagant ten-

lencies, which are inevitable in a prosperous people, and are apt to characterise any Government presiding over prosperous country. But at the same time the Citizen points out-"A country expanding as Canada is, making provision for the development of its resources and for the reception and settlement of an annually increasing tide of immigration, must be prepared o spend money freely. The business f the Opposition is to endeavour to assure that this expenditure shall be

in the nature of a productive investrd Northcliffe tells the Britment, and be kept as free as possible that Canadians utterly fail the the fact that the whole from waste and extravagance. rport overseas trade could by one or two modern fast cruisers. He undoubtedly,

about us, these we call real; and some Corporal Conradi, remonstrated with for riding off to the relief of a family No one need be deceived into the suptrue, and these we call inneal; and that all unreal true stories come from should back, "You can't call a thing ing profitable and easy. Moreover, the back are the back of the back of the back of the back of the back." the moon and are real stories there. It is not a fact that Senta Claus lives in the North or about the Pole. The The different parties there within the last two years saw nothing of him. We have pretty fair proof that for about eleven months of the year he lives in the moon. There he looks after the lantern of the man in the moon and makes brooms from the large thornbush that grows before his door. He comes to the earth in December, makes his rounds in the different countries and goes back after the New Year.

THE KING'S PEACE OUR ALL

The New York Sun finds one large explanation of the satisfaction of American settlers with the Canadian | tary horseman is vignetted" it is somein the novelty of the ubiquitous moun- thing more than figurative language. ted policeman who keeps the King's

peace and order throughout that wide land. On his own prairies, remarks The Sun, "the American farmer must look out for himself as a rule-in theory he has police protection, but he is seldom in a humor to invoke it and thinks ironically of it as an aegis. In short, he is his own policeman, and justice is a vague abstraction to him. "Imagine then how the alien who has taken his penates over the line regards a system of government that gives at Ottawa awaiting further evidence, him a police protection that makes life

safe, guards property and executes justice on the wrongdoer, no matter what the cost. He may well wonder how the Royal North-west Mounted Police, in numbers no stronger than in this interested controversy are the the force in a second-rate American city, can preserve order and enforce the law in a territory extending from of offense, and the other to defend the American boundary line to the Arctic Circle and comprising a million the case. and a half of square miles. There are only a thousand of this constabulary, and yet there has never been a lynching in its vast jurisdiction, and no criminal can feel security within it or beyond it."

The tremendous authority and influence of this numerically insignificant corps is well explained by an admirable article in the December Century Magazine by Miss Agnes Deans Cameron. Its force is moral more than physical. The motto of the the affair will be fully ventilated. persons are to be protected from im-Mounted Police, "Maintien le droit,"

the trooper renders "Go where you are sent." He tries to do what he is told exposure of all the details. For the to do, and exercises his discretion meantime The Toronto Globes exwhen in doubt. It is true that the presses the opinion of unprejudiced private of officer of the North-west folk when it says: "The public will be Mounted Police is a soldier as well as content to await a full disclosure of a policeman, but he is more than the facts in the purchase by the Deboth; he is the law, and he has a partment of Public Works of the wharf tradition of unflinching bravery and a at Richibucto. So far as disclosed they glorious prestige to nerve his arm. He are very much in need of explanation, is not supposed to count numbers, or and the curiosity of the Opposition weigh difficulties, or consider hard- with regard to them seems not unnatships. Canada expects him to do his duty, not only "this day" but every day. He doesn't perform it because

he is well paid or will be praised for his energy and courage. He receives 60 cents a day, and "it is the boast of the service that they seldom get

SANTA CLAUS Santa Claus is as real as the cares into print." The Blue Books are the bleakest chronicles, and you find noth-ing about the Royal North-west Mounand worries he brings to anxie

impossible till you try," and saved the family." "He is a brave man. I shall never forget his courage," wrote the settler to headquarters. We don't suppose that the men of this splendid police are physically braver than other serious defect in our present arrangemen, although they are partly picked ments. Men and women whom we do for their looks, but it seems to be that not know, come to the city, and, not know, come to the city, and, whether from lack of work or lack of a willingness to work, they become ap-plicants for charitable assistance. The story they take to be the second approximate the second a the esprit de corps which they feel causes them to compete with one another in achievement and makes them story they tell is usually the same. scornful to hesitate or show the white They came looking for work, and have feather in the presence of danger. tramped the city from morning until Their obedience to orders becomes as night without success. Usually they natural as drawing breath. Thus they have had no food. They are almost are remarkably efficient and wonder-

always certain that they could find fully confident. When Miss Cameron. work if they were supplied with suffiwho knows them by close observation, cient money to get to some other town says that "on the margin of every or city. Last winter an ablebodied page of the unwritten history of this man lived in and about the city for great lone land the figure of the soli- several months by persistently collecting dimes and quarters toward buying a ticket to Sussex, where he was certain he could find work. He had rather

nusual ability in plying his business. THE RICHIBUCTO WHARF He always posed as a devout Catholic

The Richibucto wharf deal, wherein it is alleged that an unused and diswhen interviewing Catholics, but he became an Orangeman at the doors of mantled harbor property, for which Protestants. the two previous owners had paid \$400 The man who prides himself upon his and \$700 respectively, was sold to the knowledge of the weaknesses of human government on the eve of the last gennature will, of course, find no difficulty eral election for \$5,000, has provoked a in dealing with such cases. He protects himself against imposition by unstormy discussion in the partisan press. Regardless that the case is still belief. He marks every such applibefore the Public Accounts Committee cant a fraud, and his confidence increases as he discovers that in the opposition papers are hurling charges great majority of cases his judgment of graft and maladministration in is correct their most vehement vein and govern-But, fortunately, the difficulties of

ment organs are just as violently dethe community are not all in the hands this man. The applicant for fending the transaction. To neither side charity, though he shuns such society, displays rare discrimination in the real facts of much concern. , One is selection of his associates. He goes bound to attack, whatever the ground to people who are not so effectively go still higher as turkeys are scarce fortified with unbelief. These people and buyers are scouring the country without regard to the defensibility of know that work is usually difficult to obtain in the winter months. They Reasonable fairness, however, calls have no means of knowing how dilifor a reservation of judgment either gent the man has been in his search, way until the evidence is all in, tonor how earnest he may be in his degether with the admission that in the sire. He is a poor beggar, indeed, who

light of the facts so far made public cannot, in the affairs looks questionable. There find some kind-hearted person who is would seem to have been either gross | ready to believe his hard-luck story. As a matter of fact, he usually gets over-valuation on the one side, or inexplicable under-valuation on the other, what he wants and sometimes more and it must be admitted that in politi- than he looks for. cal business the former is a more fre-It becomes yearly more apparent that the community must provide some form s2.00 apiece. Ducks per pair are sell-of work for these men, if charitable ing in the City Market and the poultry quent occurrence than the latter. It must be presumed, however, that

position. The work should be hard, Neither the government nor the oppoand should not be so paid as to punish sition can in honesty hinder a complete industry or to reward indolence. But it should be known throughout the city last evening concerning the state of that no man need lack work enough to supply the actual necessities of life. Such a provision would enable the man who would be generous to dismiss without reluctance the unknown applicant. He could be firm in his refusal because of his confidence that the man need not lack either food or shelter. It would, moreover, do away with the ural. The paying of \$5,000 for a property that had been sold a few months before for \$700 is a transaction that on the face of it may well excite surprise. Richibucto is scarcely in the class of

and are still on the watch for whattramp nuisance altogether. These men ever is offering. This condition of do not want work. They come to the affairs is much different from what it city because they know they can get was a few years ago when the farmer a living without toil. They would who wished to sell turkeys sought the never appear if they learned that in St. dealer instead of the dealer seeking John they would be forced to work places where values appreciate with the farmer as is now the case. The hard for the simplest necessities of steady increase in the price of turkey that rapidity. If the Department has life. been made the victim of some faithless | Provision for such employment would and other fowl has been noticeable for

official the sooner he ceases to be a not need to be extensive, and it cer-public servant the better. The small-ness of the amount involved has noth-

the course of a day,



high this year. higher than ever befor

The festive bird this season is retail-

ing at 27 cents a pound. At least that

is what was asked for turkey yester-

day. It is possible that the price may

go still higher as turkeys are scarce

in search of stray fowls. Last year at

this time turkey was selling at 21 and

22 cents per pound. Like almost every

come much dearer.

other article of food turkey has be-

Although turkey is the Christma

fowl which stands high above all

others many people prefer fowl of

other kinds. Such people will have to

pay almost as much for the fowl of

their choice as will the lovers of tur-

key. Geese are retailing at \$1.75 to

\$2.00 apiece. Ducks per pair are sell-

shops at \$1.75 to \$2.00, and chickens

One of the prominent retailers of the

City Market when asked by the Sun

the retail market in poultry, said that

the general trend of prices was still

upward although record prices are

asked now. The demand is greater

than the supply as far as turkeys are

concerned. Buyers have been out

through the country for several weeks

before they are retailed.

Children Out of a Window-40

Guests in House.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 21.-As a result of

a fire which started at 2.45 o'clock this

orning in the Metropole Hotel, St.

John Alcock, clerk in the freight de-

partment of the C. P. R., is dead.

George Baxter, who jumped out of a

third-stcrey window to the sidewalk,

Hilda

was taken to the hospital in an ambu-

Brown, dining room waitress, who also

jumped out of window, is badly hurt.

The fire broke out in the kitchen

The alarm was given by the night

Proprietor Arthur Cook and Mrs.

Cook escaped down a wire ladder on

the side of the building, after having

thrown their three children out of the

window into the sheet. There were

forty people in the house when the fire

started. Canadian Pacific Clerk Alcock

attempted to escape through the win-

dow, but was overcome by smoke.

Firemen a short time afterwards

rescued the body from the flames, but

lance badly injured. Miss

porter.

ONE DEATH IN

are worth \$1.00 to \$1.50 per pair.

LONDON, Dec. 20-"Does thecou show any signs of hostility to House of Lords?" a correspon asked at the Conservative party h quarters this morning. "Not a bit of it," was the reply, "The radical uproar is univerrecognized as stage thunder and Conservatives are gaining everywhe the Cobdanites, home-rulers, Sociali and other pro-budgeters are produc nothing but glib-mendacity and size

> At the Liberal headquarters the c respondent was told differently. "Our people," he assured, "have ready delivered 250 speeches in vario parts of the country. Each one been weighty and has stirred gr audiences. The power of the House Lords to destroy legislation is doom The new second chamber will be a to check, but not to kill. The foo taxers do not dare to preach th gospel too openly. They lack con dence in themselves, and are main occupied in waiving the arms of s cialist scarecrow. We do not prete to be conducting a rosewater campai but our invective is mild, compar with the vituperation of the side."

It is hard to find the drift of pub sentiment, but impartial observers pear to regard the outlook as very t certain. The proximidy of Christm has not yet slowed down the campaig Day and night, the cities and rem parts of the country are scenes of i terest and political activity. Caravar and gramophones are abroad in all dis tricts and the boardings are plaster with electioneering posters.

PROF. DAY, OF U. N. B.,

Lord Northcliffe asserts, however,

interprets Canadian senti-

e have established our com-

that he discovered a certain nervousness in this regard in the Maritime Provinces. Such a statement may gratify some of our people, but we greatly fear that a more extensive experience would nullify the impression We have seen the ships of commerce and the ships of war, but we have had logy. With them there is no past sea. In the blissful ignorance of in- same in the legends of the mysterious experience we are very much as other East, as old as the beginning of life;

But in spite of the fact that we have of ancient Greece; the same in the But in spite of the fact that we have been so favorably conditioned we have frozen regions of the Scandinavian been so favorably conditioned we have not been obstinate in the refusal of freely-proffered instruction. That a freely-proffered instruction. That a for the protection of a ship of war may seem to West; the same in all tales that nurses us unreasonable, but we have believed tell by the fireside on winter evenings. even this to be the necessary way of and in the songs that mothers sing July when I got there, and before the the world. In a theoretical fashion to hush their babies to sleep. we have faced the facts and we have All the chief stories and legends of

and the ships that made them free. So believing, we have been forced to admit that we were not bearing our

that the Englishman found his enjoyment in the occupation of ruling the mon origin, and with so much differwaves. Today we have been given to ence as to show that none of the verunderstand that this impression was sions are directly copied from each not altogether correct, that, as a matother. There must have been one ter of fact, the job was getting on the origin for all these stories, they must nerves of the Englishman. We have, have been invented by one people, and perhaps, been unreasonably week, but we have spoken as we have been ing to their new home the legends captured, and taken 1200 miles up the have been asked.

We do not understand this new work. We perhaps do not fully appreciate its necessity. But we recognise that in some way it is a part of the life of every self-respecting people, and that it is most certainly vital to the inter-

However, it would be well if every visiting Englishman would study Canlived behind ships or forts. We have an unprotected border, across which we look to a nation many times more powerful. But that border has not been the occasion of mistrust and misunderstanding. We have been thus entirely freed from the suspicions that turn Europe into an armed camp. The Englishman does not believe the German when he makes his protestations of peace, and the German heartily returns his unbelief. We have learned that moral excellence is not the pecultar possession of any people, and that mutual confidence is a more certain guarantee of peace than the most excessive military and naval expenditures. The Englishman who would understand our optimism and our indifference should therefore study our border relations

ander peaceful conditions which ents are real, and as real as the joys Statesman's Year Book. The force convey the lesson that honesty must The peacerni conditions which this are real, and as real as the joys statesman's real poor. The parts convey the lesson that honesty must re not compelled to guarantee. he brings to children. He is as real passes for a sort of foreign legion, rule in the expenditure of every dollar We have no impressive memories of as the cares and anxieties he so cheer- and while it is true that the aristocrat of public money, it should be conveyed invasion and we have never as a Can- fully defies. The fairy land is always as well as the lumberjack and the in the most striking and most salutary adian people, been forced to feel the the same, and always has been, cockney is on its rolls, it recruits from way. whether it is so close to us-so close all Canada too. The qualifications "We feel sure that Hon. Mr. Pugs-

that we may enter it in a moment- are: 22 to 40 years of age, 5 feet 8 ley sees there is something here in or whether it is far off; in the stories inches in height, weight not over 175 which both the honor and the methods that have come to us from the most pounds, physical soundness, ability to of the Department are involved, and ancient days and the most distant -UIII90 8 pus 'estou & mools pus ept that he will be as zealous as any memlands, and in those which story-tellers cate of good character. In such a ber of the Opposition to make it clear write for us now. The dwellers in country the powers of a commanding either that no wrong has been done, fairyland have no cares about chrono- officer are necessarily wide, almost ar- or if there has that a signal example no occasion to defend the ways of the or future, it is all present. It is the the story of his duty in the Tukon bitrary. Thus Major Constantine tells will be made of everybody who has had hand or part in it. If methods are at fault there should be a change in them. fourteen years ago:

"The thermometer showed seventy the same in the South, in the myths degrees below. We had but five hours daylight, with candles at \$1.00 apiece, \$120 a box. I was commander in chief, chief magistrate, home and foreign piece of property purchased by the secretary. Three tables furnished my room, with a different kind of work on each of them. I walked from one to tion wherever the sum to be expended the other to rest. It was the end of middle of November we had built nine

consented to the belief that the high-fairyland are alike because they were long. We cut and squared all the timhouses, one of them seventy-five feet ways of the sea can be kept free in first made by one people. And all ber ourselves. Yes, our shoulders got nations in which they are now told raw."

in one form or another tell them be- In a sense, every private in the force press the hope that his recent discause they are all descended from one common stock. Cinderella is told in fair share of the burden of protection. We have gradually grown ashamed of the acception of Great Britain's the stories of the Greak poets and in bounty. The history of that develop- the stories of the Greek poets, and in rests on his own responsibility anythe ancient Hindu legends. Jack the where, guard the timber reserves, make now it is sufficient to note that Cana. Giant-killer, Beauty and the Beast, weather reports, collect crop figures, gether with his previous record and dians have radically altered their at- Santa Claus, and a great number of account for new settlers, look after recent peculiar behaviour will convince the majority that his asserted discovery of the North Pole was a countries and in different periods with camps, and at all times act as detective so much likeness as to show a com- and pursue criminals. An American who killed his partner in the Lesser Slave Lake district was run down as far south as Larsdo, Tex., convicted | mander Peary with similar claims, it and hanged, at a cost to the Dominion Government of \$30,000. A Loucheux Indian who abandoned his two-yearsthis people afterwards divided, bring- Circle was tracked by one policeman, old child to die beyond the Arctic now in the light of its exposure.

Mackenzie River in a canoe and down Different as the European nations by lake and trail to Regina. Chief seem to-day yet even their fairy tales Piapct, defying the Government and alone would prove their family connection. The English, German, Rusthe Canadian Pacific track layers, was to the honor of reaching the Pole, to sian, and French; the Italians, the awed into submission by two redcoats, absolutely alone, who kicked down the honor of its discovery. His name will Spanish, the nations of the North, key poles of tent after tent after giv-South, West, and partly of the East ing the chief fifteen minutes to remove of Europe all came from one stock. hem. One of the stories we like best The Romans and the Greeks who went of the efficiency of the North-west before them, the Medes, the Persians. Mounted Police is that told in a reand the Hindu's are all the same port of Corporal C. Hogg of the supfamily. Of a noble race were these pression of a "bad man" in a mining ancient people. They are called Ar- camp at North Portal-

yans, from a word which is found in the 17th instant I. Corporal their language and which is supposed Hogg, was called to the hotel to quiet to mean noble, or of a good family. a disturbance. The room was full of Max Muller tells us that their descencowboys, and one Monaghan, or Cowboy Jack, was carrying a gun and dants when they search for a name pointed it at me, against sections 105 and 109 of the Criminal Code. We for what is most exalted and yet most dear to every one of us, when they struggled. Finally I got him hand-We wish to express both awe and love, cuffed, and put him inside. His head the infinite and the finite, they can being in bad shape, I had to engage the do but what their old fathers did when services of a doctor, who dressed his gazing up to the eternal sky and feel- wound and pronounced it not serious. ing the presence of a Being as far as To the doctor Monaghan said that if I far and as near as near can be; they hadn't grabbed his gun there'd be another death in Canadian history. All can but combine the self-same words of which I have the honor to report." and utter once more the primal Aryan It seems that the corporal's tunic prayer, 'Heaven-Father,' in that form was spoiled by the cowboy's blood and which will endure for ever, 'Our much furniture was broken. We have ance rendered by the excellent organis-Father which art in Heaven.'"

Father which art in Heaven." Santa Claus comes to all children though they do not all know him by the same name. Everyone knows that some things are true in the world just and the secretary some things are true in the world just and the secretary some things are true in the world just and the secretary some things are true in the world just and the secretary some things are true in the world just and the secretary some things are true in the world just and the secretary some things are true in the world just and the secretary some things are true in the world just and the secretary some things are true in the world just and the secretary some things are true in the world just and the secretary some things are true in the world just and the secretary some things are true in the world just and the secretary some things are true in the world just and the secretary some things are true in the world just and the secretary some things are true in the world just and the secretary some things are true in the world just and the secretary some things are true in the world just and the secretary some things are true in the world just and the secretary some things are true in the world just and the secretary some the secretary best."

There is, of course, reasonable other, tion to any interference with any ex-isting business. But there is about the city work which ought to be done. but for which labor is usually scarce, and which we cannot afford to have done at ordinary prices. Ultimately isting business. But there is done at ordinary prices. Ultimately province imports a large amount of we will be forced to make some proits beef. but turkeys do not have to vision whereby the stranded stranger can work for shelter and food, and be brought in. At the present time. whereby the charitable citizen will however, the province can hardly supbe able to be intelligent in his geneply the demand as there are no fowls rosity. exported to the American and Mon-

"I swow.

## --THE VILLAGE PROCRASTINATOR. Brunswick fowls are superior to others

(Joe Cone, in the Century.) ) mewhere along in '93. Jed Wheeler came an' sed to me, Where public funds are concerned there cannot be too many safeguards "Ezekiel, I'm a-goin' to buy bicycle." "Get out!" says I. surrounding their expenditure. The re-It's true," said Jed, with tilted head, port of one official on the value of any A regular bicycle," says Jed.

Department is perhaps not sufficient Then Jed took on a knowin' air, There should be an independent valua-An' raised his hat from off his hair, An' wiped his Dan'l Webster brow, is considerable enough to warrant it." An' says: "But I don't buy it now, -----No, sir, not now," says Jed. They'll be much cheaper year from EXIT COOK

now," There seems to be nothing more to An' that was 'long in '93' be said about Dr. Cook, except to ex-That Jed made that remark to me. In '94 I spoke to Jed appearance from public view may be About his bicycle; he said permanent. Possibly, as some chari-That he hed foun' by lookin' roun' tably suggest, the man may be suffer-That wheels was surely comin' down ing from an hallucination, but the proven flimsiness of his claims, to-

An' that he'd wait a year or so, Till they had dropped down purty low. "O, yes," said Jed, with tilted head, "Great scheme for savin' cash," he said.

deliberate fraud, faked up during his Wall, '95 an' '96 went by. long Arctic sojourn with the idea of An' bicycles warn't nigh so high, I met Jed down to Jones' store winning false fame and profit. And An' asked him, as I'd done before, but for the opportune return of Com-Ef he hed got his wheel es yit, Or what kind he was like to git. is possible that Dr. Cook might never Then Jed took on a wise-like grin, have been so sharply challenged as to An' scratched the stubble on his chin, prove his mendacity. His scheme was An' hemmed an' hawed, an' shet one perhaps not so foolhardy as it seems An' says, "I'll get one by an' by."

As for Commander Peary his fame is secure. His records have been in- Says Jed, "They're droppin' three or four

vestigated and found true. Geographical science has confirmed his claims Dollars per year, an' some years more; I'm savin' that much, don't you see, which is now added the unquestioned Which is good interest for me. I'll walk aroun' this blamed ol' town Another year an' salt it down. go down in history in equal An' so he walked, two years, at least, rank with the world's greatest The while the price of wheels deexplorers. And perhaps in time. creased.

people, in admiration of his achievement and the heroic persistence In 1900 once again which made it possible, will forgive I met ol' Jed upon the train. his selfishness in forbidding any of his "Why don't you ride your wheel?" white companions a share in the glory, says I, An' Jed he kinder closed one eye and the ill-temper which he, not un-An' says, quite conferdential-like: naturally, has displayed in the Cook The reason I ain't bought no bike controversy. Is jes because I'm waitin' till

And once more The Sun may mod-They get a little cheaper still. estly call attention to the fact that it Why, man," says he-"why, don't you was the first maritime paper to publish see the detailed story of both explorers. l'ın makin' money? Course I be." the first to report Dr. Cook's exposure.

and the first to announce the final A year or two or more went by, An' Jed still squintin' up one eye, verdict discrediting him. Walked back an' forth from home to town

STRANDED CITIZENS The people of the city who would dis-

"I'll work an' use my weather eye; perse their charity with generosity and intelligence fully appreciate the assist-They'll get down cheaper by an' by.' An' that was back in 93 That Jed talked bicycle to me: He's talked about it ever sence, An' still kept straddle of the fence. "O, no," says he, "you can't fool me; I know what I'm about," says he.

TO WED MISS KILLA Ceremony Will Take Place at Yarmoul Early in January-Both Well Known treal markets. As far as the dressing in St. John. of the turkeys is concerned New as heads and entrails are removed A wedding which is attracting muc interest will take place early in Jan Eggs and beef are also high at this season. Beef is selling at 10 to 10 1-2 uary, when Frank Parker Day, Profes cents per pound, and eggs are in the sor of English at U. N. B., will be united in marriage to Miss Mabe neighbourhood of the half dollar mark. Killam, daughter of the senior member of the firm of Killam Bros., Yar Prof. Day is a graduate of Moun WINNIPEG HOTEL BLAZE Allison and was the first Rhode scholar from that institution. While at Oxford he took a leading place i both his studies and in athletics, w ship of Oxford and Cambridge, Proprietor and His Wife Throw Three rowing in the 'Varsity eight.

Miss Killam is a graduate of Ladies' College, Sackville, and many friends in this city.

CHINESE EDITOR IS CHARGED WITH MURDER

Charge Arises From the On War in San Francisco-Eght Have Been

Killed.

SAN FRANCISCO. Dec. 21.-Ling King Chong, editor and publisher the Chinese Free Press, secretary the Chinese Masons and chief aide Dr. Sun Yat Sen. a revolutionist. for whose capture the Peking governmen is said to have made a standing offer of \$50,000, has been arrested on an in dictment charging him with murder in connection with the feud between the Ye family and the On Yick Tong. The fight between the Yees and the On Yicks rose over the elopement of Bow Gee, an On Yick slave girl, with a Yee family man. Eight murder have been committed by the warring

factions. The Chinese merchants have re ceived a tlegram from the Chinese minister at Washington asking fo details of the war and its origin. This is thought to indicate that the Chinese government will take a hand in suppressing the feud.

STUFFED BAKED FISH.

Four pound fish. Wash, wipe, dry, sprinkle with salt on the inside. Four rolled shredded wheat biscuits; mix the crumbs with one-half teaspoor salt, one tablespoon butter, one egg and just hot water enough to make a soft paste. Add the beaten eggs last and mix well. Fill the fish, sew up, put in buttered pan, sprinkle one-half teaspoon salt, pour in pan one small cur weak vinegar and baste with outter and water. Bake from 45 to 60 minutes. Serve with sauce slightly thickened in pan. Garnish with water-cross or parsley.

life was extinct. SUICIDE GROUND TO PIECES IN SUBWAY BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 21-Uttering a hysterical scream, a young, well dressed man jumped from the platform of

the Winter Street station of the Washington Street subway tonight and was ground to pieces under the wheels of an approaching southbound train. The man was apparently about 20 years of age and had been pacing up and down While bicycles keep comin' down. the station for nearly half an hour. "O, no," 'says Jed with shake of head, The suicide is believed to be W. B.

Rogers, of New York. MIGHT HAVE BEEN EXPRESSED DIFFERENTLY.

She-"There will be quite a lot of pretty women, so do come.". He-"It will not be for the pretty women I shall come-but for you!'

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