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TO-DAY'S PLANET

Owing to the somewhat strenuous times that The Planet experienced ple City industries, we are unable to turn out The Planet Junior and the regulation Big Saturday Planet to

Next week, however, we expect to be in ship-shape again-and the pa per will be better and newsier than

THE SOO BRIBERY.

The independent Toronto News, edited by Mr. J. S. Willison, for years editor of the Globe, says :details of the bribery a The Sault Ste. Marie are coming out before the Public Accounts Committee. They fairly take the breath away. Lawyers' and contractors' were inserted on the pay-

roll after the crash had taken place. Salaries were "raised" after company had closed its works This was shameless public robbery. No other name can be given to such doings. No amount of apologetic explanation can make anything else of the payment of these salaries.

At the moment in which these facts are coming to light, the Legislature is being pressed to pledge the credit of the Province to finance yet further this private enterprise. The Consolidated Lake Superior Company has no greater claim to public aid than has any other private business concern. It already has been the medium of a scandalous misuse of public funds. Some of its officials have been privy to a rapacious and dishonest swelling of the income of well-paid business men. There are forty-seven Liberal members of the House. Will every man of them vote for this audacious departure from every principle which made the Mowat Government sound and respected? Has every man of the forty-seven persuaded himself that it was right to pad the pay-roll when the Government supplied the money? Is every man of them convinced that it is right to pledge public credit to a private concern which has been mixed up in such transactions? The scruples of one man could hold up this iniquitous proposal.

IT IS TO LAUGH.

The spectacle of a Government talking all night and reading extracts from essays and blue books in order to keep itself from being defeated is one of the most ridicul-ous ever presented to the people of this country. It is a fitting climan to the low trickery and undignified tactics by which it has kept itself alive so long. The farce is nearing its finish. If there was naught but the comic element to claim the bub-Le attention it might be enjoyed with a certain amount of equanimity. But the serious phrase of if is that here is this band of unscrupulous adventurers, every one of whom, as has been illustrated again and again, is ready to vote for anything their bring forward irrespective of the public weal or their own sense Fosimaster at Fesserton Has Prov-of duty, in control of the provincial ed that Dodd's Dyspeps'a Tablets sury and ready to vote away millions of dollars of the public

millions of dollars of the public money, not only for doubtful purposes but for enterprises in which their own colleagues are interested. Nothing much worse than that vote of a quarter of a milion dollars of public money to pay the fees of horny-handed fawyers, "destitute mechanics" drawing \$2,500 a month and political ward heelers disguised as mason contractors has been known in Canada. Now we have the proposition to vote \$2,000,000 to practically the same source, though Premier Ross has such a superficial knowledge of where or to whom the money is going that he had to confess in the House on Monday night that he did not know, but would give the information "later on!" When the question was reached as to the connection of Conmee and Bowman with the Soo scheme, these fwo members slank out of the Chamber and remained proposition to vote \$2,000,000 to practically the same source, though Premier Ross has such a superficial knowledge of where or to whom the money is going that he had to confess in the House on Monday night that he did not know, day night that he did not know, but would give the information "later on!" When the question was reached as to the connection of Conmee and Bowman with the Soo scheme, these two members slunk out of the Chamber and remained beyond reach until the query had been laid over.

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In the face of these facts there is good ground for the allegation that this desperate and hopeless aggregation with its precarious majority of three proposes to raid the Ontario treasury and take all the money possible out of it on this that or the other pretext before giving up office. If that two million dollars is voted, does uny one doubt that it will share the fate of the \$260,000 that went before it into the same large rat-hole and that a large share of it will find its way by circuitous channels back into the pockets of some of the men who are engaged in voting it? And

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hose who, knowing the facts, are complices in transferring the money will be just as guilty as the receivers. It is a startling situaion and is illustrative of the public danger of a Government held in power by the votes of two for three ndividuals. If Premier Ross were an honest man he would resign to head off this raid on the country. But instead of having any thought of doing that Mr. Ross is the fleading spirit in the raid.-Ottawa Citizen.

IN SLEEPY HOLLOW. London Advertiser.

The Thames is a lazy stream the greater part of the year, and West Londoners wish it would always keep

A SET-OFF Toronto Telegram.

Madened by the presentation of a gold-headed cane to R. R. Gamey, M. P. P., the Globe is going to subscribe for a brass-headed umbrella to keep the showers of calumny off

PLAIN TALK BY A PLAIN MAN

Are a Safeguard Against Discomfort After Eating. .

Court Etiquette Illustrated. Ambassador Choate, at a dinner giv-en by an American resident in London, illustrated the intricacles of court eti-Edward.

"On the day of the birth of the pres ent king," he said, "a certain marquis approached a lady in waiting anx-lously.

"His it a boy or a girl? he whispered.
"The lady in waiting, with a reproachful look, whispered back;
"It's a prince."—New York Trib-Managama ...

"Putting on a Bold Front."



-Harvard Lampoon.

Two little children of Rochester were sitting in a room one evening after dark, with their faces pressed to the window and their eyes fixed on the stars. For some time they contem-plated the firmament in silence, then suddenly one of the little fellows turned to the other and said, 'Wasn't God a nice man to give us stars for a light?" Oh, Teddy, how can you say such a thing!" said the other boy, much shocked. "You shouldn't call God a man. If ever there was a gentleman,

Of Course She Was Jealous, Tess-George told me how much he said for my ring. How much do you think it was? Jess-I don't know, but it doesn't ook to be worth it.

Tess—Worth what?

Jess—What he told you he paid for it.—Philadelphia Press.

Women cherish the idea of some day being addressed as mother.

There should be no such word as can't to the man who is in the canning business.

A woman's saddest hour is when her son announces his engagement of marriage.

Writing on "The Two Gladstones" in T. P.'s Weekly, T. P. O'Connor says: I daresay I will surprise most of my readers and the readers of Mr. Morley's biography when I say that the thing which used most to strike me in the many years I carefully watched the face of Gladstone across the floor of the House of Commons was his constant appearance of abstraction and isolation from all that surrounded him. The ordinary observation about Mr.

ance of abstraction and isolation from all that surrounded him. The ordinary observation about Mr. Gladstone was that he was the life and soul, the living mirror of the House of Commons.

It has been written often—among others by myself—that if a deal man were to enter the Strangers' Gallery he could nevertheless have a fair idea of what was going on in the House of Commons below him by carefully regarding the face of Mr. Gladstone—that wondrous face which, with all its mobility reflected not only his own emotions but the emotions of those around him, as faithfully as though it were an inland lake under an April sky. If Mr. Gladstone were pleased he showed it; if he were unhappy he showed it.

The typical Gladstone of the House of Commons is a man leaning forward in his seat, with his hand to his ear, a look of five in his eye, his ear, a look of fire in his eye, and eagerness, activity, strain, marked on feature, figure and pose. And that was what Gladstone looked like when he was interested in anything that was going on. Indeed, the curious thing about this man was that he gave one the impression, whenever he was interested in anything, of an energy so abounding that it seemed to burst through his every fibre.

I have occasionally happened to be standing behind the Speaker's chair when he was leader of the House; and in this way I saw him very close. And one of the things which struck me was the strange change that come over him when he intended to get up and speak. He leaned forward; he put his hands on

intended to get up and speak. He leaned forward; he put his hands on to his knees; every muscle, so to speak, seemed to stand out, every

Speak, seemed to stand out, every nerve to be taut; above all, there was a strange look in the eyes. They seemed to protrude more than ever; then a strange light came into them, and he looked toward the Speaker—who, of course, had to call him—with a look so intent as to seem half a wild him—with a look so intent as to seem half a menace and half a wild appeal. There was no necessity, it needs scarcely be said, for this af-frighted anticipation; for whoever else rose at the said. righted anticipation; for whoever else rose at the same time, Mr. Gladstone was always certain of being called. It was simply a manifestation of that extraordinary energy of body and webemence of soul which made Mr. Gladstone the man he was.

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Mr. Hammer, who was formerly a coadjutor of Edison, has produced coadjutor of Edison, has produced with radium a partial paralysis of the fish known as the electric ray so that it could give no further shock. He has with the radium paralyzed small fish so that they have been drowned or at least died. In talking of this Mr. Hammer called attention to the experiments of Professor Curie and others recently in Paris in which guinea pigs, mice Paris in which guinea pigs, mice and rabbits were paralyzed and lat-er killed by placing radium near the spinal column.

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