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London, Tuesday, Jan. 27.

The Machine Slips a Cog.

Under the provisions of the statute, the board of health should have met yesterday to organize; but there was no meeting. The authorities who run the municipal bodies in London ordered otherwise. The retiring chairman, Mr. Taylor, with Dr. Campbell and Mr. McBride, put in an appearance at the prescribed hour. They evidently had not received any orders to the contrary. Perhaps they would not have obeyed orders if they had received them. His worship looked into the room and declared that he could not possibly stay, as he had a meeting to attend. He would not even stay for five minutes to organize the board. Mr. Carruthers put in an appearance for a minute, and then disappeared. Mr. Skinner reached the city hall, and received his orders there—he did not come upstairs. Mr. Mattinson was not present. As it requires four to form a quorum, the three members in attendance, after waiting about fifteen minutes, put on their coats and left. Now, why was this?

Report says that it was all on account of the chairmanship. The chairman, Mr. Taylor, was willing to stand for re-election, and three other members were supposed to be willing to vote for him. But Mr. Taylor does not seem to be persona grata to his worship and the "Club," and orders had gone forth that Mr. Taylor must not be elected. Among those who had expressed themselves in favor of Mr. Taylor was one of the newly-appointed members, Mr. Mattinson. And here is where Mr. Mattinson must have made a mistake. He had no business to express an opinion before he received orders. This put him in a dilemma. As a loyal subject he must obey orders; as a gentleman he must keep his word, and he could not do both. There could be only one safe way out—to resign. We understand that Mr. Mattinson's resignation is in the hands of the city officials, and will be presented at the next meeting of the council.

It may be assumed that the authorities will not be caught a second time. Whoever is appointed in Mr. Mattinson's place will have his instructions before his appointment. Of course, a man with any self-respect would not take an appointment on those conditions. But there will no difficulty in finding a suitable straw man. In the interests of the city, we would suggest to the authorities to select a good man, and offer him the chairmanship.

A Railroad Battle.

The railway situation is daily growing in interest. Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the C. P. R., comes out against a subsidy to the Grand Trunk Pacific, and says if the Government aids that project, the C. P. R. should also be subsidized for its construction of branch lines in the Northwest. He says he is opposed to Government subsidies on principle as being "demoralizing and unbusinesslike."

A humorous confession from the head of a railway system which was built with public money. His explanation is that the C. P. R. was a pioneer road, and could never have been built as a private enterprise; but conditions have changed and subsidies are no longer necessary. He contends that the wisest policy is the development of existing railway lines and points out that the C. P. R. is spending millions on extensions and improvements which will enable it to handle 100,000,000 bushels of grain next year. This contention seems to be contradicted by the fact that the Grand Trunk Pacific will not pay first, but will pay in time, an admission that there is room for another road. He also argues that to grant subsidies to another transcontinental line would be unfair to capital now invested in the railway business, as the Government would be going into partnership with a new line and become a competitor of existing lines. The answer is that the C. P. R. holds nearly 900,000 acres of land given it by the Government, an enormous asset which gives it a long start over any rival, for no one could expect anything like the chance at the public trough. Sir Thomas is perfectly right from his own standpoint, which is that of president of the C. P. R. He opposes a rival as a matter of business policy. Government's duty is to look at scheme neither from the standpoint of the C. P. R. or the G. T. R., but of the interests of the country, while the spectacle of any form of railway rivalry has an element of comedy, never to be extended to matters of freight rates and passenger fares.

An Improved Treaty.
Alaskan boundary treaty has received by the Canadian press the approval of not only satisfaction, but of resignation. There is no reason to make party capital. It is only recognized that imperial interests and the exigencies of the Anglo-American entente have led the Canadian Government to the terms of the treaty which the most favorable that could be secured from the United States.

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The conditions are an improvement upon those laid down by the United States in 1899. The Americans proposed that all towns and settlements on tidewater in the disputed territory should remain under United States jurisdiction, no matter what the verdict of the tribunal might be. This would leave Dyea and Skagway, the seaports of the Yukon, in the possession of the United States forever. Sir Wilfrid Laurier has given the gratifying assurance that no such reservations have been made in the present treaty. The whole boundary question goes to the tribunal without conditions. This puts a decidedly better face on the treaty, as the dispatches sent out from Washington yesterday gave the impression that it was identical with the United States proposition of four years ago. The Washington Government has conceded something, but the refusal to add neutral arbitrators and so avoid the possibility of a deadlock cannot be reconciled with an honest desire to settle the dispute on its merits.

Fancy the mayor of this city dodging a meeting to avoid making a quorum? A dignified position, isn't it?

Wanted—A candidate for the local Board of Health. Apply Conservative Club. Must be willing to jump when the Club pulls the string.

A band of 400 excursionists visited Montpelier on Saturday and Montpelier blew itself in honor of the occasion. Secretary Nelles should try to secure it as a Western Fair attraction.

The Chatham News says the Standard Oil Company is "knocking" the Raleigh oil field through the newspapers. If the charge is true it is pretty good proof that the field is all right. It would be Standard Oil tactics to "knock" a territory and gobble up leases at bargain-counter rates.

If the city of Toronto wishes to spend millions in developing and transmitting Niagara electrical power, the Legislature should not stand in the way. Of course, Toronto does not propose to embark in any such undertaking, but its possession of a charter might have a salutary effect on the Niagara power corporations.

The Toronto Globe is making a gallant fight for the abolition of the coal duties. The mine owners of Nova Scotia claim that the American duty may be reimposed a year hence, and that the removal of the Canadian duty will deprive Nova Scotia coal of its Canadian market in the meantime. It is almost certain, however, that if the Canadian tax is removed, Congress will never restore the duty and Nova Scotia coal will find an unlimited outlet in the New England States. The great Province of Ontario is now being held up by the duty.

The census returns show that the population and the area of Canadian cities bear very little relation to each other. The acreage of the leading cities are: Winnipeg, 12,750 acres; Toronto, 10,757; Fredericton, 10,730; St. John, 9,169; Montreal, 5,772; Vancouver, 5,091; London, 4,378; Hamilton, 3,900; Ottawa, 3,265; Charlottetown, 2,490; Kingston, 2,177; Quebec, 1,921; Victoria, 1,574; Moncton, 1,550. London is tolerably well spread out. This has its disadvantage in the increased cost of keeping up the streets, in police and fire protection, and in the waterworks service.

Striking testimony of the recent growth of the Northwest is furnished by the annual report of the department of the Interior, which shows that in the twelve months ending June 30 last, the free homestead entries in the Canadian Northwest numbered 14,633, covering an area of 2,341,280 acres, an increase of 6,496 entries over 1901. During the 23 years preceding 1896, 67,516 entries were made, covering an area of 2,935 entries per year, covering an area of 469,600 acres. During the six years since 1896, 44,147 entries were made, covering a total area of 7,063,520, or a yearly average of 7,358 entries, covering an area of 1,177,250 acres.

Mr. Chamberlain is making a triumphant progress through South Africa and will probably emerge from his great task with increased prestige. His speeches, of which full reports come to hand in the London Times, are conciliatory, but firm. He showed the iron hand under the velvet glove when he told the Boers at Pretoria that the terms of the peace agreement would not be expanded, and that he would be better pleased if they had acknowledged what the British had done for them instead of demanding more. In his speech before the Johannesburg Board of Trade, he said he had heard that the silly story of his assassination had depressed the markets in Paris and Berlin. "I should have supposed that those were the last places where such news would cause depression," he added with a flash of the old Chamberlain spirit.

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The Start
In married life is generally made on an equal footing of health in man and wife. But how soon, in many cases, the wife loses the start and fades in face and fails in flesh, while her husband grows even more rugged and robust.

There is one chief cause for this wife's failure and that is, the failure of the womanly health. When there is irregularity or an unhealthy drain, inflammation, ulceration or female weakness, the general health is soon impaired. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription cures womanly diseases. It establishes regularity, dries unhealthy drains, heals inflammation and ulceration and cures female weakness. It makes weak women strong and sick women well.

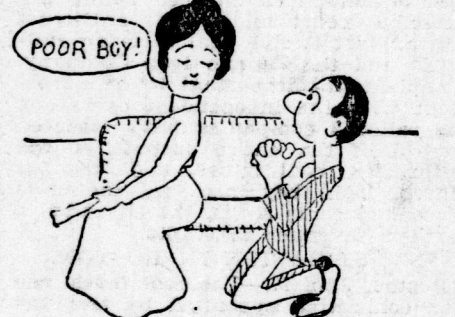
"A little over a year ago I wrote to you for advice," says Mrs. Elizabeth J. Fisher, of Diana, W. Va. "You advised me to use Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and 'Golden Medical Discovery,' which I did and with the most happy result. I was troubled with female weakness and bearing down pains. Had a very bad pain nearly all the time in my left side, nervousness and headache. Was not able to sit up only just a little while at a time. My husband got me some of Dr. Pierce's medicine and I began its use. Before I had taken two bottles I was able to help do my work. I used three bottles in all and it cured me. Now I do all my household work. It is the best medicine I ever used."

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neither-borhood to know when I gets the stuff in. Savvy?

Miss in His Attic!
[S. F. Kiser.]

There was a young fellow named Weller,
Who got a girl cornered to tell 'er
That he loved her; she sighed,
"Poor boy!"



And then pertly replied:
"Poor boy, there's no coal in your cellar!"

The Niagara Power Problem.
[Branford Expositor.]

The question of the proper utilization of the great water power at Niagara Falls, so that the Canadian people may derive the utmost benefit therefrom, is certain to attract considerable attention during the coming session of the Legislative Assembly. Considerable fault has been found with the Assembly because last session it did not pass an act, promoted by the city of Toronto, which would enable that city to go into the electric power business on a wholesale scale, and to make agreements with other cities. The objection to that proposal, however, was that it left the provincial capital in a position to dictate terms to other cities, and this the representatives of outside municipalities could not be expected to agree to. What is wanted is some arrangement placing all Ontario cities, with due allowance for geographical position, on an equality, and to protect them from the rapacity of private corporations. Any proposal which will do this and is certain to be warmly welcomed.

Some Just But In.
[St. Thomas Journal.]

Some get on by ability,
While brains some others serve;
But most successful men we see
Succeed by nerve—just nerve!

Just Kittenish.
[Washington Star.]

"Men is sho' fickle," said Miss Miami Brown. "They goes back on you on the slightest provocation."

"What's been happenin'?" asked Miss Alice Jefferson Tompkins.

"Mr. Rastus Finkley come aroun' tryin' to kiss me, an' so as not to seem too willin' an' audacious, I smashed 'im wif a flatiron, an' jes' foh dat he jilted me."

Same in London.
[Hamilton Times.]

In one of the factory editorials, which appeared in several of the Tory papers the other day, it was stated that "instead of making fortunes, many of the leading manufacturers are losing money." Who are they, and where? You cannot find them in Hamilton, and we do not believe they are to be found in Galt or St. Catharines. When the N. P. was in force, many of our manufacturers had long spells of idleness, and were glad if they could keep their capital unimpaired, but now they are all busy, and their greatest difficulty is to fill the orders which crowd in upon them.

Clara Morris' Condition.
Yonkers, N. Y., Jan. 27.—Dr. R. R. Trotter, physician in attendance on Clara Morris, indignantly denies the statement that Miss Morris is near death. He says:

"Clara Morris is sick, of course, as everyone is who is suffering from intermittent fever, but so far as being in danger of death, the same statement might be said in equal truth of myself."

Miss Morris has received many condoling messages from friends. Her husband is taking her condition philosophically. She partakes freely of nourishment, and gives every indication of a recovery in due time.

Coal-Laden Schooner Lost.
Halifax, N. S., Jan. 27.—The schooner Griguland, 108 tons, from Port Morien, for Portsmouth, N. H., with a cargo of coal, foundered off Cape Sable in Thursday's gale. The captain, his wife and crew of seven men were rescued by the steamer Mystic and taken to Louisbourg. The schooner was owner in Sydney.

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WOMAN THIEVES WERE BIRCHED

Londoners' Novel Punishment for Kleptomania.

SCHOOL FOR TEACHING BREWING

But the Beer Is Empty Into the Drains—Decline in English Birth Rate.

London, Jan. 27.—The Manchester corporation recently set up a municipal brewery, but the beer is all poured into the drains.

The explanation is that the Manchester School of Technology decided some time ago to have every trade of the north of England practically taught. As there were some fourteen students desirous of being initiated into the mysteries of brewing, the corporation decided to establish a miniature brewery. A complete model brewing plant was consequently installed, and visitors to the school have the opportunity of seeing how the operation of brewing is conducted, just as if they were in Burton itself.

The authorities of Somerset House have for months before they gave their consent to the working of this miniature brewery, but consented last on condition that the beer brewed should be made in this matter an excuse officer attends the duty to see that the liquor finds its way into the drains.

BIRCH FOR WOMEN.
Truth tells a peculiar method of dealing with female kleptomaniacs which is followed in certain West End shops.

Every woman detected in the act of pilfering is given her option of being prosecuted in court or being birched by the manageress, a person especially selected for her biceps. The birch is a formidable one.

"On one shop alone," says Truth, "20 women have accepted the ordeal of birching, in addition to two young girls of foreign nationality, who, in consideration for their tender years, were treated to a milder form of chastisement."

BIRTHS DECLINE.
The cables months ago instanced from the census returns the fact that England was tending to become like France, stationary in the matter of population, and to have among its residents a greater number of other residents than formerly.

The Registrar for London has now issued figures which tend markedly to confirm this condition in regard to the capital. The birth rate per 1,000 of population was 28, which is the lowest rate since the registration began. On the other hand, the death rate was 17.1-10 per 1,000, which is the lowest since 1860. It is expected that the marriage rate will continue to decline. It was 17.1-10 per 1,000 last year. This is ascribed to the fact that young people delay marrying until they are able to obtain better accommodations.

CARNEGIE GIVES \$5,000,000 MORE.
Dispatches from Edinburgh announce that in furtherance of his educational scheme for Scotland, Andrew Carnegie has decided to endow a trust for scientific research to the amount of \$5,000,000 to be expended on the scheme.

BIG FIRE AT ARMAGH.
A great fire broke out at Armagh on Sunday and spread so rapidly that the local fire brigade, 25 miles distant, was appealed to for aid. The fire burned ten of the largest warehouses, and the damage being estimated at \$300,000.

CABLE NOTES.
While London is making an effort to stamp out alcoholism by special legislation, Paris is discussing the value of alcohol as food. Dr. Duclaux, director of the French Electric Institute, deprecates excess in alcohol as in everything, but thinks an average of a quart of wine daily good for every active person. Dr. Duclaux states that not only is alcohol food like bread, meat and sugar, but, for equal weight, contains more vital energy than any of these.

The chief feature of the King and Queen's visit to Chatsworth early in February, for which great preparations are being made by the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire, will be the automobile tour throughout the north and west of Derbyshire.

Sir Frederick Borden was on Saturday presented at Ottawa with credentials as an honorary member of the Ontario College of Physicians and Surgeons.

A Surprising Discovery.
You will be surprised in trying Catharine to find how quickly it cures cold, cough, croup, whooping cough, and all the ailments of the throat and lungs. In one breath it carries instant death the millions of germs infecting the respiratory organs and breaks up a cold in ten minutes.

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It stops that tickling in the throat, is pleasant to take and soothing and healing to the lungs. Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup is the well-known Galt gardeners' recipe. I had a very severe attack of sore throat and tightness in the chest. Some times when I wanted to cough and could not I would almost choke to death. My wife got me a bottle of DR. WOOD'S NORWAY PINE SYRUP and to my surprise I found speedy relief.

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An immense range of choice designs and rich colorings, with and without borders. Qualities that sell usually at 90c and \$1.00. This price includes making and laying.

Handsome Brussels Carpets, 85c.
Regular \$1.10 and \$1.15 quality. Eighteen very handsome designs, including rich Oriental patterns, suitable for drawing-room, parlor or dining-room; many with borders to match. A wonderful bargain. This price includes making and laying.

Best Quality Five-Frame Brussels Carpets, \$1.06.
The best Brussels made in England or anywhere; very great assortment of patterns and color combinations; appropriate for drawing-rooms, parlors, dining-rooms, libraries, halls or stairs. This price includes making and laying.

Rich Axminster Carpets, \$1.16.
This is undoubtedly the greatest Carpet bargain you may ever have offered you. Magnificent quality, luxurious deep pile, and the most elaborate and effective designs and colorings. No borders to match this line, and only a limited quantity of each pattern. The price quoted includes making and laying.

Royal Axminster Carpets, \$1.31.
The best Carpets imported into Canada, very deep pile, rich autumn colorings, the ideal Carpet for the drawing-room. We have only eight designs to offer at this low price, and we predict an early clearance. Come quick if you would secure this very great bargain. Price quoted includes making and laying.

Balmoral Tapestry Squares.
We have 25 very handsome Tapestry Rugs to clear. Suitable for parlors, dining-rooms and bedrooms. Very pretty patterns with 18-inch interwoven borders.

Size 2x3 1/2 yards, worth \$12.50, for \$10.00
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Size 2 1/2 x 4 1/2 yards, worth \$13.50, for \$15.00

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20 patterns, all widths, 25c quality, for, yard .. 20c
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