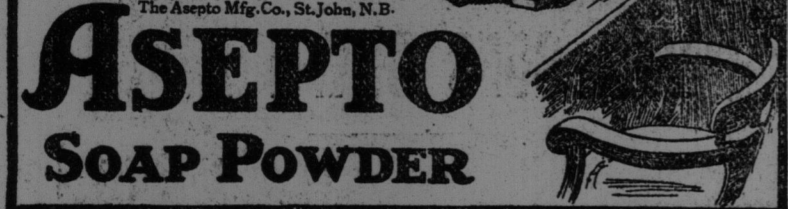


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ASEPTO SOAP POWDER
THE WEAPONS OF MYSTERY
BY JOSEPH HOCKING.
Author of "All Men are Liar," "Fields of Fair Renown," etc., etc.

(Continued)
I went to the house pondering these things in my mind, and arriving there, heard the hall clock strike the quarter, from which I knew it was a quarter past six. We were to dine at seven that day, and as I did not usually make an elaborate toilette, I knew I had plenty of time. I felt I could not go in for a few minutes; my brain seemed on fire. I turned to take a walk towards the park gates, when I heard a footstep, and turning, saw Simon Snowden.
"Can you give me ten minutes before dinner, sir?" he said.
"I dare say," I said.
He led me into the room in which we had spoken together before. "There's something wrong, your honour," he said in a low voice.
"How do you know?"
"Why, that ere Egyptian he's bin doggin' me all day. He's got a blinkin' as how we're tryin' to match 'em, and reckons as how I'm yer friend. Besides, to-day when I see you side by side with the young lady, I think to myself, 'There's no knowin' what time he'll be back.' I know what 'is, yer honour; he's bin in the arms of Venus myself, and knows as 'ow a hour slips away like a minute. So as there wur no tellin' if you would get to the summer-house at seven, or at 'o'clock, I thought I'd just toddle up myself. But 'twas no go. I see they two willans a-talkin' together, and when that ere Voltaire went off by himself, the other took it 'pon him to keep 'em. I tried to get 'em off, but 'twas no use; he stuck to me like a limpet to a rock."
"Perhaps it was all fancy, Simon?"
"No fancy in me, but a lot o' judgment. Fact, sir, I've begun to think for the first time as 'ow some things in the Bible ain't true. In the Psalms of Solomon it reads, 'Resist the devil and he'll go away.' Well, I've resisted that ere devil, and he wouldn't go away till he'd known as how he'd played his little game; and Simon looked very solemn indeed.
"Is that all, Simon?"
"All, yer honor. 'Tisn't much, you think; but to me it looks mighty serious, as I said to my sweetheart when I see her a-huggin' and kissin' the coachman."
I went away laughing, but my heart was still heavy. Try as I would, I could not dispel the fancy that soon something terrible would happen. I was sitting at the dinner table, and when I heard the door open, I saw that the housekeeper was standing there, and when she saw me, she looked at me as if she were afraid.
"What does this mean?" asked Tom Temple, a little angrily.
At this the housekeeper became conscious, and said in a hoarse whisper, "Is she gone?"
"What? Who do you mean?" asked Tom.
"The hall lady," she said fearfully.
"We are all friends here," said Tom, and I thought I detected an amount of civility in his voice.
His appearance assured the housekeeper, got up and tried to collect her wits. We all waited anxiously for her.
"I've stayed up late, Mr. Temple," she said to Tom, "in order to arrange

Fashion Hint for Times Readers



THE BERTHA A PROMINENT STYLE FEATURE.
The loose berth, falling over the shoulders and outlining a small yoke of lace, dresses up the simplest blouse amazingly. The berth in square or "Dutch" shape is particularly smart just now, and such a charming little affair as is here shown should be very easy to make up at home. The berth in this case is not like the waist under it, and is cut in one piece with the opening at the back. Three rows of chain-stitching done with embroidery silk outline the edge, and the remaining surface is covered with flat, embroidered dots. A trimming of fringed ends of the silk, finished with small tassels, runs from the edges of the berth.

TEMPERANCE PARTY WON TORONTO FIGHT

There Will Be Forty Less Saloons in That City This Year—Reports from Other Ontario Cities and Towns Indicate That Many Will Go Dry.

Toronto, Jan. 1.—The liquor men had it all their own way in the early returns of the Toronto municipal elections tonight, but later returns showed their defeat by a substantial majority.
The license reduction by-law carried by 731 majority, with sixteen polls to hear that while Toronto voted for license reduction by a large majority, Controller Spence who was one of its leading advocates was defeated. The controllers elected are Geary, Harkin, Harrison and Ward.
Woodstock, Jan. 1.—The result of voting on the local option here Monday is awaited with great interest. Both parties claim to be confident of an easy victory, and perhaps the majority.
The Citizens' League sized up the situation for a sweeping victory. Candidates favorable to local option are out for council honors.
SURE TO CARRY IN TWEED.
Tweed, Jan. 1.—The local option contest in Tweed is and has been a most strenuous one. It is quite generally conceded that the by-law will carry, but no stone is being left unturned by the party who win out. So far there has been no display of feeling. The Township of Huntingford the adjoining municipality, will undoubtedly carry local option.
TEMPERANCE TICKET IN PICACON.
Picton, Jan. 1.—The temperance people, determined if possible to put local option to the people in the coming year, nominated last night the following ticket for the municipal elections: Mayor, J. H. Porter; Reeve, J. J. Reidmond; Deputy, S. Noxon; Councilors, McMullin, Newman, Case, Dr. Heaslip, Hamly, Koblin.
QUIET IN AYLMER.
Aylmer, Jan. 1.—The vote on local option will probably be a close one. There has been no excitement in the campaign. The "pros" have held several meetings, but so far the "antis" have made no move. There is, no doubt, a lot of quiet work being done on both sides, and while the general opinion is that it will carry there are many who think otherwise.
WORKING HARD IN HAVELOCK.
Havelock, Jan. 1.—If all election voters who signed the local option petition vote for it, the by-law will likely carry. A by-law raising hotel licenses from \$250 to \$750 was carried last February. The temperance people are working very hard to win, but many electors may be influenced by the financial side of the question.
REPEAL CONTEST IN STOUFVILLE.
Stouffville, Jan. 1.—A vigorous local option campaign is here, principally personal one. The churches are very active, and united in holding mass meetings on Sunday evening. The prospects are that local option will be sustained. The outside vote is the uncertain element, but a good majority is fully expected.
STILL HUNT IN TILLSBURG.
Tiltsburg, Jan. 1.—The result of the voting on local option by-law is very much in doubt at present. The support

THRONGS ATTEND VICE-REGAL LEVEE

Ottawa Residents Flocked to Perform First Social Function of New Year Yesterday

Ottawa, Jan. 1.—His excellency's levee held as usual in the Governor General's office in the west block was largely attended, more than 300, citizens and visitors to the capital paying their respects to vice-regally as the first social duty of the New Year.
Earl Grey was attended by Sir John Hanbury-Williams, Lord Lascelles and Capt. Newton. The cabinet ministers present were Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Hon. Dr. Pugsley and Hon. C. St. Martin. His excellency's greetings were most cordial to all.
Receptions were held also at the several regimental headquarters of the Twenty-third Field Battery, Earl Grey presented prizes won by the battery during the past year. Among those present were Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Sir Frederick Borden, R. L. Borden and many officers of the unit.
Mr. Sharette, the papal delegate, held his New Year's reception in the hall of the Knights of Columbus Club between 3 and 5 p. m. Hundreds of citizens, irrespective of religious distinction, paid their respects to the Pope's representative in Canada, among the callers being Sir Wilfrid Laurier and R. L. Borden. A requisit mass will be celebrated in the Basilica tomorrow in the victims of the Italian earthquake. The mass will be sung by Rev. Father Fortunatus, of the Dominican Order, who is chaplain of the Sons of Italy Society. Earl Grey, Mr. Sharette and Archbishop Duhamel will attend the ceremony.

AMHERST HAS ANOTHER FIRE

S. Coates & Co's Stock Damaged Yesterday to the Extent of \$15,000

Amherst, N. S., Jan. 1.—Amherst was visited by another fire this afternoon. Shortly after 2 o'clock smoke was discovered issuing from the rear portion of the gentlemen's furnishing store of S. Coates & Co.
To get at the fire the floors had to be torn up and the entire store was completely ruined by water and smoke. The fire broke through into the second story of the adjoining store, occupied by W. M. Cheley, and did considerable damage there. The smoke penetrated to all the other stores and offices in the building. Coates' loss will amount to \$15,000, partly covered by insurance. The loss to the building will be about \$1,200. The origin of the fire is unknown but it is supposed to have caught from the furnace. The thermometer was five degrees below zero and a number of the firemen were badly frost-bitten.

LUMBERMEN SAY WEATHER IS GOOD

Good Progress Has Been Made so Far—The Holiday at Fredericton

Fredericton, Jan. 1.—R. A. Estey, who is lumbering on the Tobique for Charles Miller, is spending a few days at his home here. He says that the weather conditions have been very favorable for lumbering operations and good progress has been made. There was a foot and a half of snow in the woods when Mr. Estey left on Wednesday.
The holiday passed off very quietly here. The weather was fine but a little too cold for comfort out of doors. A large number of rigs were out on Government Lane this afternoon but there was very little speeding. The Queen Hotel toboggan slide was opened this afternoon and this evening and provided great attraction. The skating rink and moving picture shows were also well patronized.
The curling match between the presidents and vice-presidents for the Coleman Cup resulted in a victory for the presidents by ten points, which, counting their share of two points on Christmas, gives them the cup by twelve points. The skips and scores today were:
President..... Vice-President.....
Macmillan..... Wilson.....
E. H. Allen..... 7 Rutter.....
R. F. Randolph..... 11 Hawthorne.....
Total..... Total.....
Judge Gregory passed a comfortable night and his condition is slowly but steadily improving.

McARTHUR AND McEY SUIT IS POSTPONED

Hearing of Now Famous Case Against the City Will Be On February 2

The hearing of the suit of McArthur & McEvy vs. the City of St. John, in which the plaintiffs, who were contractors for the city in connection with their work, has been postponed by mutual consent from next Tuesday until Tuesday, Feb. 2. The case will be tried before Hon. A. S. White in Fredericton.
The action, as originally brought, was against this city entered a protest and applied for the suit to be tried in St. John. The application was refused, but to save further litigation on this point an agreement was reached to have the case tried in Fredericton on Jan. 5.
Various causes have led to the postponement. Two of the judges of the supreme court, Mr. Justice Hamington and Mr. Justice Gregory, are ill, and as Mr. Justice White the trial judge had to be in Fredericton on the 12th inst. and keep term when the court sits on Jan. 20th inst., it was felt that, rather than have a break in the proceedings, the hearing should be postponed until Feb. 2.
Messrs. Powell & Harrison, instructed by J. W. Richardson, of St. Stephen, are counsel to the plaintiffs, and Hon. C. N. Skinner, M. G. Teed and J. B. M. Baxter will conduct the case for the city.

W. B. O'Brien, of Noel, Hants Co. Died Suddenly Yesterday.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 1.—William B. O'Brien, manager of the plaster business, Noel, Hants county, died very suddenly today. He took a walk in the woods to a lumber mill about two miles distant leaving there shortly after 3 o'clock. About 4 o'clock A. R. Ewing, on his way home found his body on the road. It is supposed he died of heart disease as he was troubled with this.
Word reached O'Brien & Co.'s office about 5 o'clock and a team was immediately dispatched to bring the body to the home of his brother, Edwin, with whom he resided. Deceased was prominent in business at Noel.

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All members of the Young Men's Society of St. John are requested to attend a special meeting of the society's dramatic club in the rooms, St. Malachi's hall, on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. There will be nomination of officers of the society on Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

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