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QUITE A DIFFERENCE

Between the Resignation of Dr. Knox Niven from the Hospital Staff and That of His Successor.

To the Editor of the Free Press. Will the Hospital Trust tell the old fashioned salt water douche. public why it has not raised any row about the untimely resignation of Dr. to the nose and throat to cure Knox Niven at Victoria Hospital, and catarrh is no more reasonable than to his taking of French leave before his rub the back to cure kidney disease. resignation was even considered? resignation was even considered ? ease as kidney trouble or rheumatism, When Dr. McGuigan and Dr. Fleming and it can not be cured by local treatfound it was made too uncomfortable ment any more than they can be. for them to remain on the indoor To cure catarrh, whether in the staff of Victoria Hospital and resign- head, throat or stomach, an internal ed, Mayor Beck and Mr. Waterman antiseptic treatment is necessary to dismissed them instead of accepting drive the catarrhal poison out of the their resignations, and branded their blood and system, and the action as outragous, and went outside catarrh cure is designed on this plan, the Western students to appoint Dr. and the remarkable success of Stuart's Niven. And now in the middle of the Catarrh Tablets is because, being used term, when it suits the latter's con-venience and purpose he goes west, fection through action upon stomach, leaving his resignation for the after liver and bowels. consideration of the Trust. What is Wm. Zimmerman, of St. Joseph, re-the result—there isn't a whimper from lates an experience with catarrh which the men who waxed so indignant when is of value to millions of catarrh sufformer students did the same thing ferers everywhere. He says: "I negin fact this time they pat the default- lected a slight nasal catarrh until it er on the back, send him a testimonial gradually extended to my throat and and all the rest of it. And yet the bronchial tubes, and finally even my Hospital Trust want people to be- stomach and liver became affected, but run the Hospital in the interest of a

[Editorial Note.—Between the cases of Dr. McGuigan and Dr. Knox Niven there is a vast difference. Dr. Mc- inhaler, another a catarrh salve, but Guigan gave up the position without they were no good in my case, nor signation until after he had left the Stuart's Catarrh Tablets and bought

clique. Yours truly,

im from giving the Hospital the at tention he desired, he determined esign. Before doing so, howeve he doctor enquired of the Trust if his esignation would be accepted. embers, considering the circumtances, replied in the affirmative, and the resignation followed. But Dr. Niven did not leave the Hospital until his succesor had been installed, so Board of Education Require that the patients did not suffer from any neglect.]

DEBATE AT THE COLLEGE.

F. C. B. C. Students Discuss City. vs. Country Life-An Enjoyable Even-

The second open meeting of the F. C. B. C. Literary Society was held in the assembly room last evening, Mr McVicar, vice-president, occupying the chair. A most enjoyable programme was rendered. After the reading of "The College Echoes" by the editor, Mr. N. George, a vocal solo was very acceptably rendered by Mr. R. Watson. Next followed a recitation y Miss Bryden; then an instrumental by Miss J. McLean, which was loudly applauded. The debate, resolved "That city life is preferable to country life," was taken by Mr. W. Talbot and Mr. Farr, for the affirmative, while Mr. Lipsett and Mr. E. B. Walker upheld the country side. The judges, Messrs. Dorman, Ferguson and McCormick, decided in favor of the negative, which decision was applauded by the audience. The remainder of the programme consisted of a vocal solo by Mr. Bricklan, a recitation by Miss the critic, Miss Johnson, and a short address by the principal, Mr. Westervelt, the meeting closed by the singing of the national anthem.



Admiral Basil E. Cochrane, Whose Indictment of the "Ragging" in the Grenadier Guards Has Excited so Much Comment

WHIST CONTEST BEGUN.

Second of the Series at the Conservative Club - Smoker Given by Mr. Ginge-Meeting To-night.

The second of the series of whist contests given by the Conservative Club began last night under most mproves the memory, tells you how to gradient the games were pulled total expenditure of the Board—
shabits and drive them from the system forever. It tells you how you may

The win thus be seen that there is considered as to whom they were selling. We examined as they were selling. We examined as stockers, 400 to 800 lbs... 3 26

Stockers, 400 to 800 lbs... 3 25

Stockers, 400 to 800 lbs... 3 25

May as fifty cigarettes of each separate braid no knowledge as to whom they were selling. We examined as stockers, 400 to 800 lbs... 3 25

May as fifty cigarettes of each separate braid. There was nothing wrong with any of them. Allowere found to considerably greater than in the first contest. It is expected that a still of others at a glance. You can tell the larger number will turn out next Friwithout number, give the most inter- much bigger crowd still, and all memesting entertainment ever witnessed bers who play the game are invited to and become a business and social be on hand next Friday evening as leader in your community. Prof. no entries can be made after that date. Robertson is giving away 100,000 copies | A very entertaining part of last unfolding to others a knowledge of a connection with the first contest. Ald. and bitter disappointments to lives of this city. The proceeds were used to

> As previously announced, a meeting of the club will be held to-night to consider business of the highest importance, and the management request

A NEW DEPARTURE.

A New, Effectual and Convenient Cure For Catarrh.

Of catarrh remedies there is no end, but of catarrh cures there has always been a great scarcity. There re many remedies to relieve, but very few that really cure. The old practice of snuffing salt

water though the nose would often re-

ieve, and the washes, douches, powders and inhalers in common use are very little, if any, better than the The use of inhalers and the appli cation of salves, washes and powders quired is therefore \$115,564.94.

lieve that they deal out even-handed justice to all, and that they do not run the Hospital in the interest of a hearing began to fail me, and then I realized that I must get rid catarrh or lose my position, as I was

elerk and my hearing was absolutely warning and did not send in his re- was anything else until I heard of

WILL ASK FOR \$4.000 MORE.

\$115,564.94.

REASONS FOR THE INCREASE.

Audit Committee Present Report Showing Where the Extra Money is Required-Insurance Premiums Cut Quite a Figure - Estimates Unanimously Adopted by Trustees, and Without Any Discussion.

The Board of Education will ask the City Council to levy for them the sum of \$115,564.94 with which to carry on the Collegiate Institute and the public schools of the city during the year 1903. This is a total increase in round figures of four thousand dollars over what they asked last year. The trustees met in special session last evening to consider the estimates, and disposed of the business without a single dissenting voice in about half

The Why of the Increase. How the Board accounted for the crease in the estimates is best shown n the report of the Andit Committee which was presented by the chairman Trustee English, as follows:-"Your committeee, in presenting the

stimates for the year ending December. 1903, desire to draw the attention Mr. Champerlain on Tour-Another of the Board and the citizens to the fact that notwithstanding the additional responsibilities of the Board Education the amount required for school purposes is very little above the sum required in 1902.

'A slight increase is shown in the eceipts for the Collegiate Institute. This is caused by a small grant from

in the estimated receipts, mainly due to the discontinuance of the collection of the 10-cent fee from pupils attending the kindergarten. The increases in the expenditure are in the following items:—Teachers' salaries, an eigarettes, the declares, "contain the contain th following items:—Teachers' salaries, \$1,000; contemplated increase in the janitors' salaries, \$700; repairs and improvements, \$272.22 over what was spent in 1902, and \$1,000 for insurance, which falls due in July next, and as the policies run for three years this item only occurs at such times.

"It will thus be seen that there is only a very slight increase in the only a very slight increase in the increase in the slight increase in the slight increase in the slight. The deblares, "contain nothing more dangerous than the pure tobacco itself. Prof. Bisbee and myself made a careful analysis of every brand of cigarettes offered for sale in Chicago during the summer. Samples were gathered at random throughout the city, and the shop-keepers had no knowledge as to whom they were selling. We examined as Stockers, 400 to 800 lbs... 2 60 @ 2 75

Estimates In Detail. The following were the estimates in

detail, as presented by the Audit Com-Public Schools.

Receipts.
Balance Jan. 1st, 1903\$ 43.52
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Non-resident fees 60.00
Government grant 4.142.00
Gov. grant inspector 635.00
Gov. grant kindergartens 215.00
Gov. grant model school 150.00
Gov. grant normal school 1.500.00
Model school fees 175.00
Co. Middlesex model school 60.00
Interest
Total\$7,267.77
Disbursements.
Printing 400.00
Stationery 600.00
Model School 750.00
Kindergarten supplies 400.00
Boyle medals 75.00
Salaries, teachers and offi-
cers 69,000.00
Substitute teachers 1,000.00
Normal training school 1,300.00
Maps and apparatus 200.00
Unforeseen and contingencies 1,500.00
Repairs and improvements 4,500.00
Janitors' salaries 6,200.00
Fuel 6,200.00
Cleaning elegate
Cleaning closets 220.00
Water and gas 565.00
New seating 1,000.00
Insurance 1,000.00
Total \$94,910.00
Togg vessints \$94,910.00
Less receipts
Leaving 87.693.23

Total \$9	
Less receipts	7,216.
Leaving	
Sinking fund and interest	4,687.
Westminster township de	
bentures	126.
Total for Public Schools \$1	92,577.5

Collegiate Institute.

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	Receipt
xamination fees	230.
overnment grant	1.341.
ounty grant and non-resi	
dent fees	2,000.
rant drill corps and target.	100.
rant technical training	100.
ees resident pupils	2,700.
ent	20.
Total	.\$6,491.
Disbu	rsement
xaminations	400

Disbur	rsemen
Examinations	400
abrary and laboratory	400
Frinting	350
Stationery	100
Typewriters	120
Salaries, teachers and substi-	
tutes	21,800
Repairs and improvements	500
anitors' expenses	1.500
Water, gas and electricity	300
ruel	. 1.050
nsurance	380
Expenses, domestic science.	150
Total	\$27,150
Less receipts	6,491

Grand total\$22.987.70 looked forward with a great deal of

Not Much Discussion. There was very little discussion signation until after he had left the city. While the Hospital Trust were thus embarrassed, Dr. Niven, who had recently returned from South Africa, where he had been serving the Empire, applied for the vacancy, and being well qualified for the duties, he was appointed. For some time Dr. Niven other catarrh remedies that I feel I the Trust but at length finding that upon the figures, the trustees being

he motion to adopt was unanimously carried, as also was a formal motion to the effect that the Council be askd to raise the total sum required. After authorizing the secretary to nsert an advertisment for a teacher to take the place of Mr. A. Voaden, the commercial master who has resigned, the Board adjourned until the regular monthly meeting, which will be held next Tuesday evening. Chairman Hamilton presided, and the trustees present were Messrs. MacRobert, English, Fitzgerald, Ziegler, Teasdall, Gammage, McCormick, Evans, Dromgole, McLean, Strong and McPherson, together with Principal



Snapshot Taken in South Africa.

Cigarettes Tested. Probably no other of the recently encted health measures of the city of Chicago has been such a surprise to anything. There were not many exportits sponsors as the cigarette ordinance. Ostensibly designed to protect the smokers from the unwitting use of the city of cattle, and prices were a little many exporting anything. There were not many exporting and control of the city of cattle, and prices were a little many exporting anything. There were not many exporting the smokers from the unwitting use of the city of cattle, and prices were a little many exporting the cattle anything. There were not many exporting the cattle many ex the Department of Education on ac- the smokers from the unwitting use of count of "Technical Training," and on harmful drugs, it has simply served to account of a target practice grant to prove more effectively and conclusivethe drill corps. In the expenditure ly for the manufacturers of cigarettes there are both increases and decreases, there are both increases and decreases, the following being the more noticeable ones:—Cost of examinations in 1902, \$752.35; 1903, \$400. The differmissioner of Health is directed to inthemselves that their product is absoence is accounted for by the fact that spect and examine samples of all several of the examinations have been cigarettes offered for sale, thorough discontinued. The cost of printing analyses to be made from time to has been increased by \$50. The slight time under his direction. Acting under increase in salaries is caused by the this authority. City Chemist Cass L. provision for the teacher of domestic Kennicott and Assistant City Chemist provision for the teacher of domestic science, and the natural increase in the teachers' salaries. An item of \$380 for insurance also goes to make up the small increase in the Collegiate Institutes estimates, which amounts to

in the estimated receipts, mainly due cigarettes. Having carried on the

be entirely free from opium, morphine, jimpson weed, belladona, atropine or hyoscyamine. Neither was there any

Receipts. thing in any of the fourteen brands Bucks 2 50 @ Sheep, expert, ewithing in any of the fourteen brands Bucks 2 25 @ Culis 2 25 @ Culis 43.52 "As a matter of fact, there was nocept the tobacco itself. Of course, the Calves, each 200 @ 10 00 less nicotine in your smoke, the less danger of ill-effects. American cigardanger of ill-effects. American cigarettes are made of bright Virginia to-bacco—not only the best in the market, but the mildest. Frequent analyses have shown that this tobacco have shown that the have shown that this tobacco contains only from 1 to 11/2 per cent. of nico-

sometimes found in cigarette papers is equally erroneous. We find arsenic, it is true, in some colored papers, and in wall papers where it is present as a constituent of the color, and we find white lead in highly glazed papers, sometimes, and more especially in those glazed cards, which were used many years ago as visiting cards. These are the only instances that I know of in which either of these substances enter into the composition of paper in any way.

"Purest paper known. Nobody ever put arsenic in white paper that I know of, or even heard of, least of all one in cigarette paper.

"As a matter of fact, the papers, considered merely as paper, which is wrapped around cigarettes is as pure a form of paper as it is possible to get by any means."

The outcome of the investigation re-

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sulting as it does in the absolute acquittal of the cigarettes from all charges of impurity, is as satisfactory to cigarette smokers as it is disconcerting to those who have opposed it.

LECTURE AT NORMAL SCHOOL.

night by Prof. Hutton, of Toronto University. The subject was Hero-55 dotus, and the lecture in the main was a defence of the great author from charges of inaccuracy so often brought against him. The lecturer took the ground that there were some things higher than mere truth, that Herodotus, with his broad and sympathetic view of humanity, influenced by his sense of poetic justice, gave a truer picture of life in ancient Greece than Thucydides, and accord-.00 ing to the modern conception was a better historian than his great contemporary. Some of the characteristics of Herodotus referred to were his wit, his kindly cynicism and his tolerance, and each was illustrated by passages from his writings.

CANADIAN GRAIN MARKETS.

MONTREAL.

Montreal, Feb. 27.—Grain—There is a thange in the market, which is quie White bats, 37%c @ 37%c, ex-store, 31 change in the market, which is quiet. White oats, 37½c @ 37½c, ex-store, 31c, high freights, for export. Peas, 71c, high freights. Buckwheat, 48½c @ 49c, east, on G. T. R. Flour—Prices are steady and trade is fairly active; choice Manitoba spring patents, \$4.40; seconds, \$4.10; strong bakers, \$3.70; winter wheat patents, \$3.80 @ \$4; straight rollers, \$3.40 @ \$3.70; do., in bags, \$1.70 @ \$1.90; extra, \$1.55 @ \$1.60. Meal—Dull business and quiet is being done at \$3.90 @ \$4 per barrel and at \$1.85 per bag. Feed—Prices continue firm, with a fair demand; Manitoba bran, in bags, \$1.90 @ \$2; shorts, \$21 @ \$22 per ton; Ontario bran, in bulk, \$19: shorts, \$21, and mouille, \$23 @ \$28, as to quality.

TORONTO. Toronto, Feb. 27 .- Wheat-The mark Toronto, Feb. 27.—Wheat—The market is quiet, with prices steady; No. 2 white and red sold at 70½e @ 71, middle freights; No. 2 spring nominal at 70c on Midland, and No. 2 goose at 67c on Midland; Manitoba wheat steady; No. 1 hard, 88c, all rail, grinding in transit; No. 1 northern, 6c, all rail, grinding in transit; No. 1 northern, 87½c, North Bay, Oats—Trade is quiet, with No. 2 white quoted at 31½c, middle freights, 31c, high freights, and No. 1 white at 32½c, east. Barley—Trade is quiet, with No. 3 extra quoted at 46½c, middle freights, and No. 3 at 43½c @ 44c, middle freights. Corn—Canadian yellow middle freights, and No. 3 at 43½c @ 44c. middle freights. Corn—Canadian yellow is 45½c, west, and 51c, Toronto freights; American yellow, No. 3, 53c, delivered, Toronto freights. Peas—No. 2 white is quoted at 71c, high freights. Rye—No. 2 nominal at 50½c, middle freights. Buckwheat—Market dull at 48c, east, for No. 2 Floury Vinety pay cent patents. wheat—Market dull at 48c, east, 10r No. 2. Flour—Ninety per cent, patents unchanged at \$2.67, middle freights, in buyers' sacks, for export; straight rollers, of special brands, for domestic trade, quoted at \$3.25 @ \$3.40 in barrels; Manitoba flour steady; No. 1 patent, \$4.35 @ \$4.40, and seconds, \$4.10; strong bakers, \$3.90 @ \$4, bags included, Toronto, Millfeed—Bran, \$16 here, and shorts, \$18; at outside points bran is quoted at \$16 at outside points bran is quoted at \$16 and shorts at \$17.50; Manitoba bran, in sacks, \$19, and shorts, \$21 here. Outmeal is \$4.05 for cars of bags and \$4.15 for barrels, on track, Toronto; 25c more for broken lets. outside points bran is quoted at

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Feb. 27.—The run at the cattle market to-day was only 38 loads. Ther was a fair demand for butchers eattle, and prices were a little firmer, reason that just now they are waiting

for shipping space.

About \$4.60 @ \$4.70 was the top price paid for export to-day; picked butchers letched from \$4.25 @ \$4.35. There was quite a demand for milch cows, one dealer wanting a whole car load for St. Mary's and vicinity. A very fine grade Ayrshire milch cow was sold by Mr. Barber, of Guelph, for \$75, the best price made for some time.

Lambs were a little lower to-day and Lambs were a little lower to-day and sheep and calves steady.

Hogs were unchanged at \$6 for the top. The run was 518 head of cattle, 371 sheep and lambs, 890 hogs and 20 calves. Crawford & Co. bought a load of butchers, 900 pounds, at \$3.70; sold a load, 1,000 pounds, at \$4.10; sold anotter load, choice, 1,180 pounds, at \$4.25; sold mileb cows at \$4.7 & \$48 per head. \$843.65.

"In connection with the Public Schools there is a decrease of \$683.23 in the estimated receipts, mainly due cigarettes. Having assured for the public states of the public false ideas that prevail concerning the presence of harmful drugs in at \$4.20; 15 milkers at \$42 each; ten

bulls 3 00 @

Jimpson weed, belladona, atropine or hyoscyamine. Neither was there any arsenic nor lead found in the paper Wrappers.

"As a matter of feet to be a proper was a matter of feet to be a proper with the paper was a matter of feet to be a proper was a matter of feet to be a proper was a matter of feet to be a proper was a matter of feet to be a proper was a matter of feet to be a proper was a matter of feet to be a proper was a matter of feet to be a proper was a matter of feet to be a proper was a matter of feet to be a proper was a matter of feet to be a proper was a matter of feet to be a proper was a matter of feet to be a proper was a matter of feet to be a proper was a matter of feet to be a proper was a prop do., light 5 75 Sheep, export, cwt.... 3 75

ENGLAND. NEW YORK.

only from 1 to 1½ per cent. of nicotine. The mildest Havana contains much more, while the best grades of domestic cigars reaches as high as 8½ per cent.

"The idea that arsenic or lead is sometimes found in cigarette papers is equally erroneous. We find arsenic, it is true, in some colored papers, and

@ \$5.15. Chicago, Feb. 27. — Cattle — Receipts 2,500; good to prime steers, \$5 @ \$5.75 poor to medium, \$3.25 @ \$4.75; stockers and feeders, \$2.35 @ \$4.70; cows, \$1.40 @ \$4.60; heifers, \$2 @ \$4.75; canners, \$1.40 @ \$2.60; bulls, \$2 @ \$4.25; calves, \$3.25 @ \$7.50; Texas fed steers, \$3.50 @ \$4.25. Prof. Hutton, of Toronto, Talks About
Herodotus to Large Audience.

The first of the extension lectures at the Normal School was given last

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GROCERIES.

SUGAR. New York, Feb. 27.—Sugar firm; refined irregular. Molasses firm.

London, Feb. 27.—Raw sugar, centrifugal. 98 3d; Muscovado, 28; beet sugar, February, 8s ¾d. COFFEE.

New York, Feb. 27.—Coffee—Spot Rio steady; No. 7. invoice, 5 11-16c; mild quiet. The market for coffee futures opened steady and active at an advance of five to ten points under considerable buying for commission house accounts and bulls, influenced by the higher cables, continued favorable reports of the jobbing trade and expectations of a decrease in the visible sumply. Importors seld from ing and instructive nature, and the other numbers of the course will be looked forward with a great deal of interest by many Londoners.

market steady at a partial decline of five points. Sales were 62,500 bags, including March, \$4.40 @ \$4.50; May, \$4.60 @ \$4.65; June, \$4.70; July, \$4.70 @ \$4.80; August, \$4.80; September, \$5.20 @ \$5.20; Juneary, \$5.25 @ \$5.00; Juneary, \$5.20 @ \$5.20; Juneary, \$5.25 @ ember, \$5.20 @ \$5.30; January, \$5.25 (

BALED HAY. Toronto, Feb. 27.—Baled Hay—There plenty of stuff coming forward, while the demand is only fairly active. Car lots of No. 1 timothy on the track here are quoted at \$9 to \$9.50 per ton. Baled Manchester, Feb. 27.-Cloths quiet, with Straw-The market is quoted steady at



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CANADIAN STOCK MARKETS REVIEWED.

The Situation as Viewed by a Leading Banking Firm.

Co., bankers and brokers, in their weekly etter, issued this evening, say: Our local stock markets have got tired of the inactivity and professional diaracer of the trading in the American mar-

during the past week. The chief attraction has centered in the navigation stocks, all of which trave shown strength. Senson, following a rule which appears Yesterday Richelieu & Ontario sold up to 1041/2, Niagara Navigation to 1331/2 and Northern Navigation to 1461/2, this price being bid for 500 shares, while to-day the stock sold at the opening at 148. St. Lawrence & Chicago Navigation Company, of which we gave some details a short time ago, also made a further advance. The stock of this latter company is very scarce, few appearing willing to realize and had a surplus for profit and loss acat around present figures. We hear very favorable predictions for the coming season's business in Northern. The public here have also shown con

siderable attention to certain bank stocks.
Dominion Bank has advanced several
points. Bank of Ottawa sold yesterday
at 220, closing with a bid at that price, none being offered under 223. This is, of course, ex-allotment and is high-water mark for the stock. The stock of the Bank of Commerce has always been selected by us as an excellent investment for our clients. Within the last few days there has been heavy buying of the stock. Under its influence the price advanced sharply, sales taking place yesterday at 168½, the stock closing with 168½ bid, 169 asked, while this morning the price advanced still further, the stock selling at 170. This bank has for some years shown a policy, successfully combining sound business methods with great progressiveness. with great progressiveness. A short time ago they absorbed the Bank of British Columbia, which had a very strong held upon the business of British Columbia. There is still a portion of Canada where the bank is avertically of Canada where the bank is practically unrepresented— that is the maritime provinces. Yesterthat is the maritime provinces. Yester- lers in Chicago turnin' them things of

increase of the capital of the bank from increase of the capital of the bank from eight millions to ten millions. We would not be surprised if the bank, having successfully arranged the extension of its business in the west by consolidation with a sound institution there, has now arranged for the extension of its business in the maritime provinces by some consolidation there, and for this purpose requires additional capital. We expect to see a higher mark for the stock shortly. On Saturday of last week the exchange was notified of the receipt of a telegram from the directors of the British Columbia from the directors of the British Columbia Packers' Association at Vancouver, an-nouncing the declaration of a dividend on the preferred stock of the company at the rate of seven per cent. per annum for the first six months operations of the company; that is, from May 20th to kets, and have developed certain special-ties to which attention has been deveted occurred early in the week, and yesterday with the stock selling ex-dividend 98½ was still bid without bringing any out. The run of salmon for the coming

> one.
> At the meeting of the General Electric yesterday the annual statement was sub-mitted, showing profits for the past year of \$436,863.10. The company shows a total surplus (including reserve fund, con-tingent fund and at credit of profit and

A SHOCK.

Chollie-I went down to a rather informal affair last evening, deah boy, and, gwacious! I was compelled to witness a dreadful sight!
"Horrors! What was it?"

"A fellow without evening dress eating breakfast food for supper!"

VACANCY YAWNS FOR HIM. Why don't you have a sponge to moisten your stamps?" queried the man from across the street who had dropped in to

use the lawyer's telephone.
"Good idea," answered the disciple of Blackstone. "Do you want the job?"

SLOW. Wabash-How long did it take you to French Artist (proudly)—I am ongage upon eet for seex months!
Wabash—Just as I thought. You're dead slow over here. Why, I've saw fel-



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