



*The gravest beast is the Ass; The gravest bird is the Owl;
The gravest fish is the Oyster; The gravest man is the Fool.*

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Our friends the public are appreciating our offers and sending in their names and dollars. So far "The Home Maker" is the favorite but the dictionary and "Farm Journal" are good seconds. We can't hear from too many of you, nor too often, so don't be backward in sending in.

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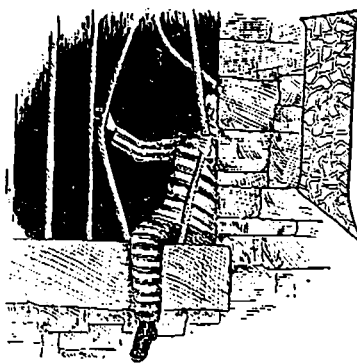
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THE *World* has lately been calling attention to the intensity of competition in all spheres of mercantile, industrial and professional life. Everything, as it truly says, is overdone, and young men looking for a career in any of more desirable and remunerative occupations find themselves handicapped in every direction by the host of starving competitors. The only industry that is not hopelessly overcrowded is farming, and the *World* is a strenuous and thorough-going supporter of the policy that has bound heavy burdens on the back of the farmer and encouraged the rush to the cities. After having done everything to make the life of the farmer arduous and unprofitable, it is now whining over the inevitable result, while it continues to oppose every measure that would tend to lessen competition in trade and the professions by making the lot of the farmer and mechanic more tolerable.



It is so seldom—so very seldom—that the City Council is found supporting a proposal in favor of progressive and radical legislation, that when it does take such an unusual step it ought to receive full credit therefor. It is gratifying to find that body sup-

porting by nearly a two-thirds majority the proposal to confer the municipal franchise upon married women who possess the requisite property qualification. No good reason can be advanced for making marriage a bar to the exercise of the right of suffrage. Women, both married and single, ought long since to have been fully enfranchised, not as property-owners, but on the broader ground that as human beings they have a right to be represented in making the laws that govern them, and one of the greatest stigmas on Premier Mowat's alleged Liberalism is the scanty and grudging recognition that their claims have met with at his hands.

NOTHING will strengthen English feeling in support of the Home Rule Bill more than the arming and drilling of Ulster Orangemen to oppose it. The Ulster swashbucklers are doing the same service for the Home Rule cause that the dynamiters did for that of Toryism.



It is very easy for the daily press, irrespective of party, to condemn on grounds of political economy, the proposal that the government should lend money to the debt-laden farmers, but none of the critics seem able to point out any better way of rescuing the farmer from the clutch of the money-sharks.

THE Dominion Parliament, which was prorogued on Saturday last, can, at all events, be congratulated on having done unusually little mischief, as its legisla-