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LONDON, SATURDAY, JULY 27.

BURNING THE TOLL GATES.

The picturesque ceremony at Arva
last night—the burning of the Proof
Line road toll gates—recalls the re-
mote period when toll gates were de-
stroyed not because they were a hoary
abuse, but merely because they were
an innovation.The art of road-making in England
departed with the Romans, and the
historians have written many a graph-
ic page on the atrocious condition of
the highways in later times. The first
turnpike act, providing for the collec-
tion of tolls, was passed in the fif-
teenth year of the reign of Charles II.
Macaulay commends the legisla-
ture as the readiest method in that
age of insuring decent roads. Under
the old law each parish was required
to keep up the roads within its bound-
aries, but as the smaller and poorer
parishes were burdened with the main-
tenance of long stretches of road chief-
ly for traffic between large centers of
population, the rural highways were
in a sad state of neglect. It was com-
mon for horses and vehicles to be so
helplessly mired that they had to be
pulled out by the oxen of neighbor-
ing farmers, while sometimes "when
the floods were out" passengers had
to swim for their lives. The turnpike
act put it in the power of persons or
corporations to undertake road im-
provements and charge tolls. There
was an outburst of popular fury; gates
were destroyed, and the military had
to be called out to suppress the riotous
mob. Macaulay shrewdly remarks
that people will often oppose a new
tax which is quite equitable while
they submit to an old tax which is un-
just.The first toll road in the United
States was the Lancaster pike, dating
from 1793. In Canada toll roads were
also indispensable in the earlier stages
of the country's development. If many
roads had not been built by private
enterprise they would not have been
built at all in those days of crude
municipal organization. The road prob-
lem in a land of such magnificent
distances and sparse population, to
say nothing of the timber which
cumbered the ground, was per-
haps the most serious that con-
fronted the settler. The men who
projected the Proof Line road sixty
years ago were public benefactors, and
there was no slight to their memory in
the joyous burning of the toll gates
last night. These had been long a re-
proach to this wealthy county. Only
two or three toll roads remain in On-
tario, as relics of pioneer days, and re-
minders that some people of the Prov-
ince are less progressive than they
ought to be.

NEGLECT'S AWFUL RESULTS.

The present year has been notable
for a large number of disasters, at-
tended with loss of life. There have
been railroad wrecks almost daily,
while the mortality in minor disasters
has been unusually great. That many
of these have been caused by careles-
ness there can be little doubt. The
growing catastrophe of the year so
far has been the recent steamship col-
lision off the Pacific Coast, and while
complete details are lacking, there is
evidence enough that there has been
negligence somewhere. The vessels,
which were proceeding in opposite
directions, came together in a fog,
neither having sighted the other
until it was too late to
avert a crash. Notwithstanding
the prevailing fog, the com-
mander of neither ship observed the
necessary precaution of reducing
speed to a rate which would enable
him to see the other vessel in time to
alter his course. It further seems that
one of the steamers, carrying over 200
passengers, was not provided with
water-tight compartments, which, if
used, would have prevented her from
sinking immediately after the collision
and possibly have added to the num-
ber of passengers saved. It is not
altogether unlikely that the investi-
gation which is to follow will prove
the neglect of other well-known pre-
cautions which might have at least
lessened the loss of life. It is diffi-
cult to realize the possibility of such
sacrifice of human life in modern
steamers and within sight of land un-
less there has been flagrant neglect of
ordinary safeguards, which neglect
in the present day seems to be the
greatest menace to safety in travel.The fact that the ill-fated steamer,
the Columbia, had no water-tight
compartments is a tragic commentary
on the laxity of United States federal
laws with regard to passenger vesselsplying the American waters. It is be-
lieved there are many such ships adrift
today, at the mercy of a derelict, a
rock or another vessel. The Columbia
was built 27 years ago, but has since
been entirely refitted. Indeed, she was
on the way for repairs at the time of
the San Francisco earthquake, and
ordinary prudence would have re-
quired the owners of the ships at that
time to conform to modern marine
standards and erect bulkheads in the
hold to prevent just such a disaster
as that which has sent her to the bot-
tom. The lesson this terrible cata-
strophe teaches should not be wasted.

THE BRITISH JOURNALISTS.

London is fortunate in being in-
cluded in the itinerary of the British Jour-
nalists, who are touring Canada as the
guests of Sir Thomas Shaughnessy.
The Canadian immigration depart-
ment has from time to time invited
parties of British correspondents to
this country, and it has been found a
most effective method of bringing Cana-
da and her resources to the attention
of the British public. The members
of the party now in Canada constitute
the most representative company of
journalists which has ever visited
these shores. They are: Mr. Ernest
Brain, of the London Times, the
world's greatest newspaper; Mr. H. P.
Cochrane, colonial and foreign editor
of the London Morning Post, the
organ of High Toryism; Mr. A. J. Daw-
son, a noted writer on imperial and
colonial topics, representing the Lon-
don Standard, which is a strong ad-
vocate of tariff reform; Mr. Harold
Begbie, the novelist, of the Daily
Chronicle; Mr. H. W. Smith, chief sub-
editor of the Radical Daily News; Mr.
Howard Gray, chief editorial writer of
the Pall Mall Gazette, William Wal-
dorf Astor's paper; Mr. Kenneth
Barnes, brother of the actress, Irena
Vanbrugh, representing the Westmin-
ster Gazette, Liberal and Radical;
Mr. F. B. McLachlan, of the Scots-
man, the famous Edinburgh newspa-
per; Mr. Frank Rinder, of the Glasgow
Herald, the most widely circulated
paper in Scotland; Mr. J. A. Sand-
brook, assistant editor of the Western
Mail, Cardiff, Wales; Mr. J. R. Fisher,
editor of the Northern Whig, Belfast;
Mr. S. Begg, artist, of the Illustrated
London News. Here we have all parts
of Great Britain and all shades of
politics represented. The combined
circulation of the newspapers men-
tioned goes into the millions.The visiting journalists will find a
piquant interest in the Canadian Lon-
don, with its Thames, its Blackfriars,
Westminster and Kensington bridges;
its Pall Mall, Piccadilly, Oxford, St.
James, Chancery, Grosvenor and Reg-
ent streets; its St. Paul's Cathedral,
and other suggestions of the greater
London. The resemblance in these
cases may end with the names, but we
can show them no mean city, and it is
safe to say that their impressions will
not be unfavorable. Apart from the
claims of hospitality it will be good
policy to give the visitors a warm
welcome. Their pens will convey to a
multitude of readers in the old land a
picture of the Forest City.Road tolls were abolished in Scot-
land in 1833. The old country is ahead
of us in some things.Those British journalists will feel
perfectly at home when they pull into
London and are welcomed by Alder-
man Cooper's Oxford accent.It is to be hoped the Whitney Gov-
ernment's redistribution of seats will
be as equitable as the Laurier Gov-
ernment's. But it is a hope, not a cer-
tainty?Perhaps the Conservative press,
which is so busy in reconstructing
Laurier's cabinet, will tell the public
how Borden would make a cabinet out
of such timber as the Federal Opposi-
tion.The Hamilton Times calls daily up-
on the waterworks department there
to clean the filter basins, and says the
water will have to be boiled during the
process. Filtration may work out sat-
isfactorily in a laboratory, but munici-
pal management of anything is far
from scientific.The National Fisheries Society of
the United States is at last awake to
the necessity of doing something to
preserve the lake fisheries. The
American waters are almost fished out
because of the selfish policy which
opposes restrictions upon fishermen.
Hence the incessant poaching in Cana-
dian waters, and the dependence of
the United States upon Canada for its
supplies of lake fish. International
action is necessary if the lake fisher-
ies are not to be utterly destroyed.

THE CREED OF A GREAT

SCIENTIST.

[Harper's Weekly.]

One of the great London journals com-
ments on the striking fact that Sir Oliver
Lodge, D.Sc., LL.D., a distinguished man
of science, to whom investigation and logic
and proofs are absolute necessities before
he forms his conclusions, should delib-
erately set forth his personal creed as fol-
lows in his recently published book, "The
Substance of Faith, Allied with Science."
"I believe in one Infinite and Eternal
Being, a guiding and loving Father, in
whom all things consist."
"I believe that the Divine Nature is
specially revealed to man through Jesus
Christ our Lord, who lived and taught and
suffered in Palestine 1,900 years ago, and
has since been worshipped by the ChristianChurch as the immortal Son of God, the
Saviour of the world.""I believe that the Holy Spirit is ever
ready to help us along the way towards
goodness and truth; that prayer is a
means of communion between man and
God; and that it is our privilege through
faithful service to enter into the life
eternal, the communion of saints, and the
possession of God."

HOOTS, TOOTS.

[Toronto News.]

There is nae luck about the house,
There's naething clean awa',
The dirty dishes stand untroubled,
For my gude wife's awa'.

HOW IT WORKS.

[New York Sun.]

Knicker-Opportunity knocks once at
every door.
Booker—And the fellow who was out
knocks ever after.

WORK FOR HIM HERE.

[Toronto Globe.]

If the Whitney Government can carry
Dufferin only by 100, why should the Hon.
G. F. Graham be asked to go to Ottawa?
He will have work to do in Ontario soon.

NOT ENOUGH FOR EATING.

[Philadelphia Record.]

Teacher in Arithmetic—If you had a pie
and cut it into eight pieces, what would
each piece be?
Willie Green—Mighty little.

HER FRANK CONFESSION.

[Youth's Companion.]

There was never any doubt that a per-
son who asked Mary Anne Potter a ques-
tion would get a truthful answer, no
matter how trying it might be to Mary
Anne to give it. She was even known on
occasions to give information unrequired,
and unfattering to herself.
One such occasion arose when, after Miss
Potter's six-months' sojourn with a west-
ern cousin, a thrifty widower secured her
for his bride, and accompanied her to a
justice of the peace to get married.
"This is your first marriage?" inquired
the justice, as in duty bound.
A high color flamed on Mary Anne's
cheekbones, but she gazed unflinchingly at
her questioner.
"Yes, sir; it's my first chance," she said,
grimly.

SURE OF A WALK.

[Philadelphia Inquirer.]

"Do you enjoy walking?"
"Amazement!"
"Good! Then I'll take you for a ride in
my country in my motor car."

STRING VS RED TAPE.

[Tatler.]

A gentleman purchased at the postoffice
a large quantity of stamps, envelopes,
newspaper wrappers and other postal
requisites. Finding them somewhat diffi-
cult to carry, he asked one of the counter
clerks if he could supply him with a small
quantity of string.
"We are not permitted by the depart-
ment to supply string," was the reply.
"Then give me a bit of red tape," was
the sarcastic retort.
The string was supplied.

AN ADVANCE PAYMENT.

[Canadian Courier.]

Principal Grant, the late much-loved
head of Queen's University, was a master-
ful solicitor for the needs of his college in
the early days. One afternoon Sir John
Macdonald dropped in to see Sir David
Macpherson, and found him in conversa-
tion with Principal Grant.
"What do you think?" said Sir David, in
assumed despair. "Grant thinks I should
give more money to Queen's; and the last
time I gave him a check he said it would
do for all time."
"That may be," said Sir John, quietly,
"but hadn't you better give a little for
eternity?"
The extra check was forthcoming, and
Principal Grant was furnished with an
excellent text for other occasions when he
presented the claims of higher education.

SOMETHING TO BE SAID FOR IT.

[Washington Star.]

"Do you believe in an orthodox state of
future punishment?"
"I don't know," answered the reckless
person. "It might not be a bad idea to
have some place where it was frankly ad-
mitted that the discomfort was caused by
the heat and not the humidity."

A GOOD SEASON.

[Puck.]

Farmer Hayrick—What is the prospect
for the summer?
Farmer Cornerb—Fine. I've got ten cows
for the railroad to run over, and any num-
ber of hogs for the auto fellers. I oughter
clear \$100.

ANOTHER IN THE FIELD.

[Louisville Courier-Journal.]

She was pretty and the drug clerk was
glad to sell her a stamp.
Also to weigh her letter.
Also to lick the stamp and affix it to the
envelope.
"Put it on upside down, please," she
simpered. "That means something to
Charlie."
Then the drug clerk lost interest.

ONLY DREAMING.

[Somerville Journal.]

Dolly—Molly Wolcott told me a month
ago that her new gown was going to be a
dream.
Polly—Well, that is all it is for. Her
husband won't give her the money for it.

LURING THE BOARDERS.

[Chicago News.]

"Look here!" exclaimed the disgraced
boarder from the city, "the roof leaks."
"Well," laughed the crafty old farmer,
"you know you expected shower baths."
"But the hole is so big I can see the
stars."
"Very good. That is the celestial scenery
I told you about."

MONITION.

[O. G. D. Roberts, in the Century.]
A faint wind, blowing from World's End,
Made strange the city street.
A strange sound mingled in the fall
Of the familiar feet.Something unseen whirled with the leaves
To tap the door and sill.
Something unknown went whispering by.
Even when the wind was still.And men looked up with startled eyes,
And hurried on their way,
As if they had been called, and told
How brief their day.

SPOILS OF WAR.

[Philadelphia Press.]

If Japan wants to take San Francisco
there may not be so much objection, pro-
vided Schmitz and Ruef are scooped in
the rest.

SIR JOHN CARLING.

[Ottawa Citizen.]

Ottawans generally will regret to learn
that Sir John Carling cannot come down
for the carnival. The capital owes him
much for his location of the Central Ex-
perimental Farm, as well as for many
other indications of his interest in Ottawa.The Time
of
The TestTo companies as
well as to individuals
there comes a day of
test, when they grow
or shrink in the esti-
mation of the public,
according as they are
able to meet it.

The test of the

LONDON
LIFEInsurance Company,
London, Canada,came with the Insur-
ance Commission's
Investigation. The
result of it was that
broadcast through-
out Canada this
company's name was
printed as typifying
all that is honorable,
safe and fair in life
assurance. Correct
methods, able finan-
cing, honest repre-
sentations—these
are features which
have helped build up
so splendid a reputa-
tion—which make
LONDON LIFE poli-
cies "Good as Gold."
GEO. MCBROOM
InspectorJ. F. MAINE
Supt. Industrial Branch

EAGAN BEATS DETROITER

Chicagoan Meets Phelps in Finals at
Furniture City Today.Grand Rapids, Mich., July 26.—C.
Eagan, of Chicago, defeated J. B.
Schlottman, of Detroit, in the semi-
finals of the Kent Country Club golf
tournament, 2 up, 1 to play. These two
players made the highest scores of the
day. The Detroiters made 79 in the
morning, and Eagan did likewise in
the afternoon. The high wind account-
ed for these scores.
Eagan and Phelps, of Chicago, meet
in the finals, Saturday morning. In
the afternoon Fairbanks and McCart-
ney, of Denver, clash in the sweep-
stakes.

PRETTY LAMBETH WEDDING

Miss Margaret Scott Becomes Bride of
Mr. George Boyd.A very pretty lawn wedding was
solemnized Thursday at Lambeth,
when Miss Margaret E. Scott, daughter
of Mr. Wm. Scott, became the bride of
Mr. Geo. Boyd, of Metcalfe, Carleton
County, Ont. The wedding took place
at the bride's home, the Rev. Mr.
Jewett, of Lambeth, officiating. The
Rev. A. L. Boyd, B. A., acted as
groomsman, and Miss Alice Scott, sis-
ter of the bride, was bridesmaid. The
ceremony was performed beneath a
beautiful arch and before a large num-
ber of friends and relatives. After a
supper had been served, Mr. and Mrs.
Boyd left for London, and later for
points east. They will reside in Ot-
tawa. There were many beautiful
presents. The groom's gift to the bride
was a gold brooch, to the bridesmaid,
a silver blouse set, and to the groom-
smen gold cuff links.
The bride's gown consisted of white
silk, trimmed with silk ruching, with
orange blossoms. The flowers were
of white roses. The only jewelry she
wore was the present, a gold brooch,
from the groom.The bride's dress was swiss
embroidery, with flowers the same as
the bride.
The bride's traveling suit was of
blue broadcloth, with hat to match.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the

Signature of J. C. Watson

Twenty-one days after it was lost
a Skye terrier was found on a land-
ing stage 50 feet from the top of a
disused well at Eastern, near Sand-
wich, Eng. It was very thin, and one
leg was badly hurt, but it picked up
after lapping some egg and milk. The
man who rescued it was affected seri-
ously by the gases in the well.
In France a method of seasoning
wood by electricity is reported suc-
cessful.SUFFER NO MORE.—There are thousands
who live miserable lives because dyspepsia
disturbs the faculties and shadows existence
with the cloud of depression. One way to
dispel the vapors that beset the victims
of this disorder is to order them a course
of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills, which are
among the best vegetable pills known. Be-
lieve me, they are safe and most efficacious
in their action. A trial of them will
prove this.

"A POPULAR STORE FOR EVERYBODY"

Tonight at the
Glove Counter

Silk Gloves, in colors black,

white, pale blue, pink, car-
dinal and Nile green, elbow
length. Price, per pair\$1 00Lisle Gloves, 22-inch length,
fine mercerized quality, in
black only. Price, pair75cLisle Gloves, elbow length, in
black and white, all sizes up
to 8, at per pair50cKid Gloves, ¾-length, in gray,
brown and black and white,
per pair, \$1 50, \$2 00 and \$2 75Tonight at the
Hosiery Counter

Ladies' Cotton Hose, 15c

per pair, 2 pairs for25c
Ladies' Cotton Hose, Hems-
dorf dye, in all sizes, worth
25c, for, per pair20cCashmere Hose
SpecialsLadies' and Misses' sizes,
splendid value, at regular
price 50c. Tonight we will
put this line on sale at, per
pair40cLadies' Plain and Ribbed Cot-
ton Hose in black, white, gray
pink and mauve, at, per pair 25c
Boys' Hercules Ribbed Cotton
Stockings, all sizes, tonight 25cTonight at the
Whitewear
CounterLadies' White Petticoats, deep
founce of lawn, with two
rows of insertion and edging,
American lace. Special tonight
.....85cLadies' Corset Covers, round
yoke of embroidery, worth
35c, tonight28cLadies' Drawers, lace and em-
broidered trimmed, were \$1 00,
tonight67cLadies' Drop Stitched Lisle
Yests, torchon lace edge, were
50c, for43c
Splendid attractions in Corsets
tonight. Space will not permit
enumerating.Open
Until
10 p.m.

SATURDAY NIGHT

Open
Until
10 p.m.Tonight at the
Hondkerchief
CounterEmbroidered Hemstitched
Ladies' Handkerchiefs, worth 25c,
at two for20cEmbroidered Hemstitched
Ladies' Handkerchiefs, worth 25c,
each, at15cJapanese Handkerchiefs, hand-
drawn work, at, 15c, 20c and 25cNice Linen Lawn Handkerchiefs
six for25cLadies' Black Lawn Waists,
nicely tucked, all sizes, 32 to 44,
real value \$1 25\$1 00Our White Lawn Waist attrac-
tions are many for tonight, rang-
ing from50c to \$3 75Tonight at
Soap CounterButtermilk Soap, for toilet
use, full size cakes, regular 5c,
tonight two for5c
Pure Shell Brand Castile Soap,
large 2 1-2 pound bar, regular 25c,
tonight22cTwo-in-One Shoe Polish, large
size box10c
Buttonholes worked on lawn, by
the yard15c

AT

Cheney's Listerized Tooth Pow-
der, regular 25c box, for20c

Wrappers

Women's Wear Department, up-
stairs. Take the elevator.
At this price it is wonderful
value. Seeing is believing, so see
them for yourself.Wrappers, made of fast colored
cambric, in gray, pink and blue,
all sizes, choice50cTonight at the
Neckwear, Belt
and Purse
CounterAll sorts of pretty White Wash
Collars, at 25c, 35c, 40c, 50c, 60cLadies' White Embroidered
Belts, with pearl buckles50cGolf Stocks, for ladies or gentle-
men, tonight, three for5cCoin Purses, real pigskin, in
black, brown and tan, at 25c, 40c,
and 50c.Hair Pads in gray, blonde,
brunette and black, natural hair,
at10c to 50c
Hair Nets, in all shades, at 10c,
12½c, 20c, 25c and 30c.Excellent Offer-
ings in SilksDepartment rear of Store; right
main entrance.Figured Habutai Silk, white;
washable, in three patterns; 24
inches wide; at49c
Black and White English Merve,
checks and stripes; light and dark;
for shirtwaist suits; also black
and gray figures; mostly 65c; on
sale49c
Dresden and Pompadour Silks,
in dressy effects; for full gowns or
suits\$1 10 and \$1 50
Black French Taffeta, one piece
only; Lyons dye; 20 inches wide;
\$1 00 per yard, for69cExcellent Wash
Goods Offerings

Center aisle; third counter.

American Organzies and Ba-
listes, in dainty dress patterns.Three lines of 10c, 12½c and 15c
per yard goods. At, per yard .9c
8 pieces Mercerized Fowlard
Wash Goods, in striped, flowered
and figured patterns and checks.
Some sheer effects with embroi-
dered spots in black, white, blue,
pink, fawn and gray. These goods
will make you up an excellent
midsummer dress, and very cheap.
Regular 30c line, at, per yard .19cExcellent
Bargains in Wash
Dresses

Upstairs. Take Elevator.

Only a few left, in light effects
and navy blue. A full regular
made dress. Clearance price \$2 21Ladies' Chambray Dresses, a
few to clear at a quarter off in
pale blue and gray; thoroughly
fast color; \$4 00, less 25 per-
cent.\$3 00Short Jap Dressing Sacks, in
green, pink and blue muslins. Spe-
cial value at75c

J. H. Chapman & Co., 126, 128, 128½ Dundas St

FLEECES HOTELS
AND THE "400"Poses as Earl's Daughter and
Leaves Trail of Worthless
Checks.New York, July 26.—The aid of the
New York police was yesterday se-
cretly invoked in an effort to appre-
hend Mrs. Eva Fox-Strangways, a
beautiful young English woman and
alleged friend of the Vanderbilts, As-
tors and McAllisters, who has sudden-
ly disappeared leaving a trail of bad
checks and unpaid bills amounting
to thousands of dollars.
Aiding the police are detectives em-
ployed by the Hotelmen's Association
of New York and Philadelphia who
say that they are being greatly handi-
capped by Mrs. Fox-Strangways' in-
fluential friends in New York's most
fashionable set who have themselves
been duped, but wish to avoid the
notoriety of exposure.The pretty English woman, who
found many susceptibilities over here,
is posed as the daughter of the Earl of
Hchester, one of the best known Brit-
ish peers. She claimed a personal
acquaintance with the notables of both
hemispheres.
She had been in New York only a
few weeks when certain members of
the board of education heard of her
and the wonderful knowledge of the
world and its events she possessed. She
was induced to accept an engagement
to lecture in the public schools this
fall, "just to be employed." Detectives
who have looked into the case
say it is not likely that the engagement
will be fulfilled.An investigation made by the Ameri-
can reveals that Mrs. Fox-Strang-
ways' record in New York and Phila-
delphia is without a parallel, except
in the case of Mrs. Cassie Chadwick,
now serving a term in an eastern prison.
In addition to department stores, mod-
est and private individuals who,
seemingly, were easy prey, at least
six of the most prominent hotels in
this city and the fashionable Belleue-
Stratford, of Philadelphia, are holding
either unpaid bills or checks that have