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God's in His heaven,
All's right with the world,
—Browning.

Women School Trustees.

The women who endeavored to get two members of their sex appointed as members of the London Board of School Trustees failed because they did not begin their efforts in time, and conducted their campaign with a degree of secrecy calculated in this age of publicity not to aid their cause. We are confident that if they had openly started their movement when the aldermanic candidates were entering the field, the woman's campaign for the appointment of women trustees would have succeeded. As it was, they appeared on the scene after most of the aldermanic candidates had pledged themselves to vote for men trustees for the vacancy, and success was out of the question.

From the discussion, it will have been observed that no one said a word against the selection of women trustees. Nothing can be said against the propriety of having women representatives at the Board of Education. In no other branch of the public service are the women so interested as in the proper education of the young, and in no other matter do the men of the community look to them for more co-operation. Why should they not have representatives on the Board of Education? It being conceded on all hands that the answer to this question is that this section of the community should have capable spokeswomen on the School Board, it is apparent that with reasonable effort next year the women will be successful in effecting the reform.

Surprise has been expressed that aldermen who have hitherto been known as opposed to woman's suffrage and to the election of women representatives on any public board, should have voted at the recent meeting in favor of women school trustees. The reason did not come out in the discussion, but we understand that when these aldermen found that they could not secure the election of men trustees of a particular leaning, they resolved to take up the women nominees.

The Hamilton Spectator is squinting at compulsory voting as a means of combating corrupt influences in elections. Our contemporary is improving.

A dispatch from Kingston says that the sale of intoxicating liquors in the Royal Military College has been abolished by order of the new commander. This is a very proper step. Any one who desires to drink can surely get all the liquor needed at a regularly licensed establishment.

It Will Go Through.

Manitoba Legislature will meet early in February, and will ratify the school agreement before Parliament reassembles. One section of the extremists objects to the conciliatory compromise agreed to by the two Governments, on the ground that it is too favorable to the Catholic minority, but it will find that the Manitoba Legislature is resolved to carry out the agreement in its entirety and generously, in order that the minority may have no room for complaint.

Major J. J. Mason, of Hamilton, has been appointed commander of the Biscay team for 1897. A better head for the Canadian contingent to the great British gathering could not have been chosen. Major Mason is generally itself, a good marksman, an excellent soldier. But he ought to be advanced to the rank of colonel.

Another Oil Discovery.

Los Angeles, Cal., dispatch chronicles a big strike of petroleum in Santa Barbara county. The strike is the result of development work prosecuted by the Occidental Mining and Petroleum Company, in the mountains a few miles from Santa Barbara. The discovery is the most considerable body of oil yet found in that section. This company has been at work for several years. The strike was made in a tunnel run by the company from a deep gulch into the mountain side. The top of the range is 3,000 feet and the tunnel about 2,300 feet above the sea level. The strike liberated natural gas in such quantities that the use of open lights in the tunnel was barred. At a depth of 400 feet oil bubbled from the crevices. It is estimated that the oil that is thus being forced out is about 15 barrels per day, but the vein is not

opened. The oil-bearing stratum is 30 feet in width, and experts have given it as their opinion that the tunnel has tapped a true oil source.

A London oil man, who was in Southern California some time since, expresses the belief that there is plenty of oil in that region, but that a good deal of money must be spent to get it to market.

By the new contract for engraving Dominion notes, postage stamps, postcards, etc., the Dominion Government will save \$130,000 as compared with prices under the contract now in force. The contract is for five years from July 1 next, and the work will be done in Ottawa.

Canada Is Not Van Dieman's Land.

Sir Donald Smith did well to protest against the proposal of a British magistrate to release a boy convicted of robbery provided he consented to be sent to Canada.

English judges cannot be told in too strong language that Canada will not be allowed to continue a dumping ground for the incapable and criminal from other lands. We have enough and to spare of the lapsed masses already in the midst of us, without adding to them for the purpose of relieving the old world authorities of their responsibilities.

If the laws already in force do not enable the Canadian authorities to prevent the landing of this class of immigrants, opportunity must be taken at the ensuing session of Parliament to make them more stringent.

The more particular we are in this respect, the greater will be the inducement for really desirable immigrants to come to our shores and take up our lands and develop our wonderful mineral resources.

It is unfortunate that in the past British judges, professional philanthropists and crafty boards of guardians took it for granted that anyone was good enough to make a settler in Canada. But the time has come to prove to these men that Canadians are self-respecting, and that they will not consent to their country being made the mere receptacle of the off-scourings of old world populations.

Mayor-elect Bingham of Ottawa has resolved to magnify his office. He will appear in silk gown and chain of office. Not since 1879, when Charlie Mackintosh was mayor of that city, has the gown been worn. In Hamilton they used to have a Mayor Magill who always put on a dress suit and white gloves before he faced the aldermen. Ald. Kent used to say that there was "altogether too much dignamantousness about that rig."

Beans as a Terror.

A palaver of Michigan bean growers was held in Detroit the other day, and it was decided to ask that a higher duty on beans be tacked into the new tariff schedule. The president drew a harrowing picture of the Republic groaning beneath the weight of Canadian beans. Something must be done, he said, to protect their native country from this awful avalanche of beans from the north. This is the first groan from this cause that we have heard from our suffering neighbors. The politicians have been deluding people into the belief that the currency question was at the root of all evil in the Republic, but now we learn that another insidious machine, a fictitious person, Treasurer Patterson, being ill, turned the draft over to Bently, who presented it at the St. Clair Savings Bank, with the alleged signature of Louisa G. Ballentine, and drew part of the money out.

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Sensation of the Day at Havana.

Cuban Insurgents Capture the Town of Arroyo Naranjo, Only Seven Miles From Havana—A Few More Pillbusters Wanted.

New York, Jan. 12.—A special to the Sun from Havana says: The sensation of the day is that the town of Arroyo Naranjo, only seven miles from Havana, has been taken by the insurgents. The insurgents, numbering about 2,000 men, under the command of Arroyo Naranjo, only seven miles from Havana, has been taken by the insurgents. The insurgents, numbering about 2,000 men, under the command of Arroyo Naranjo, only seven miles from Havana, has been taken by the insurgents.

As soon as they began to carry out their plan, the order of attack was given by the Cuban leader. After a short engagement, in which the Spanish were put to flight, the women and children were carried away, and the town was burned by the insurgents, after they ransacked the stores, and provided themselves with all the clothes and provisions they contained. The rifles and ammunition of the garrison and volunteers were also secured.

The Sun's correspondent sends a dispatch containing an interview with Gen. Betancourt in the hills of El Purgatorio. He said:

"I cannot reveal the military plans of Gen. Gomez, but I can say that I have received instructions which prove that our commander is in full activity. I will join him soon. He is marching west with an army of 18,000 men, and is provided with ammunition enough to fight the Spaniards. A Cuban soldier does not need all the cartridges used by a Spaniard. One shot from our guns is equal to fifty fired by the Spaniards."

"With three or four more expeditions from the United States safely landed, the pitched battle so long demanded in the United States, will be fought, perhaps at the very doors of Havana. This is Gen. Gomez's intention without the least doubt."

"In my own opinion, the triumph of the revolution is certain within a few months. The Spaniards are fast disappearing, owing to the effectiveness of our army and the climate of the tropics."

Gen. Betancourt is at the head of 3,500 men, of whom 1,000 are cavalry. New York, Jan. 12.—The World this morning prints a special cable dispatch from Madrid, Spain, in regard to American interference in Cuban affairs. In which it is stated that the government of the Madrid Government to put the Cuban reforms in force before President-elect McKinley takes office, if in the meantime Gen. Weyler can sufficiently clear Havana and Matanzas Provinces to enable the cabinet to say that the improvement in the political and military situation justified another onward step in the path of concessions spontaneously decreed by the Spanish executive.

ROYAL ARCANUM.

Defrauded of \$3,000 by Means of False Certificate.

Port Huron, Mich., Jan. 12.—Charles M. Bently, secretary of Hope Council, Royal Arcanum, who was accused of defrauding the society out of \$3,000 by clever forgeries, has settled matters by returning \$1,500 cash and giving mortgages for the remainder.

By a clever subterfuge Bently obtained an extra certificate of death from Dr. O. Stewart, and then wrote in the name of Henry S. Ballentine, who is still alive. Bently also signed a certificate from the members of Hope Council, declaring they had seen Ballentine's dead body. Two of the three signatures are alleged to be forgeries.

In due time a draft for \$3,000 arrived, payable to Louisa G. Ballentine, a fictitious person. Treasurer Patterson, being ill, turned the draft over to Bently, who presented it at the St. Clair Savings Bank, with the alleged signature of Louisa G. Ballentine, and drew part of the money out.

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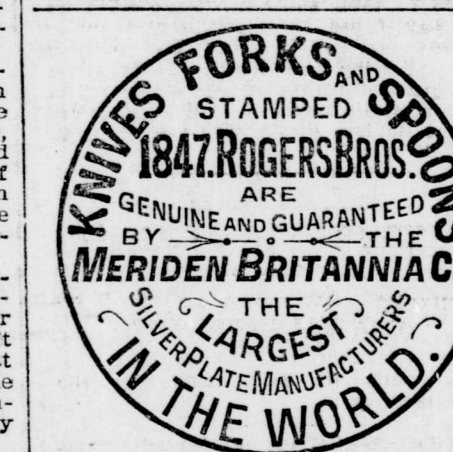
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