### HAMILTON STAR GAZER SQUARED AN ARCH ENEMY

Mr. Wm. Bruce, as a Lad, Proved to the Maid That Peace is Safer Than War.

William Bruce, honorary pr sident of the Hamilton branch of the Astronomical Society of Ontario and father of the late W. Blair Bruce, noted artist of Paris, France, although in his eighty ninth year is one of the igorous and active men of his



his name a by-word not only in Hamilton, but far and wide.

No one would suspect that the keen sense of fun still displayed undiminished by Mr. Bruce today, combined with an accuracy of marksmanship, sometimes got him into such a scrap

as the following: It was Hallowe'en, and in accord ance with the custom from time imemorable, Bill Bruce and his chun (now a senator) dragged a huge tub into the kitchen, locked the doors, drew the blinds, and with a dozen rosy apples floating in the water pro ceeded to make merry in nature's garb. The funu and uproarious laughgaunt, austere, who had on various thing that he had much chance. asions brought them to justice. Quick as a flash, Bill picked up an apple and threw it with unerring aim.

The following morning the maid ging was administered to the offender.

The Scotch are slow to anger but sure. The same evening just as Jane schools, was a success, and through opened the door in answer to her her Mr. Wood became acquainted with lover's rap, a perfect deluge of dirty rater, and rancid potatoes drenched this smug and hopeful swain to his skin and left him shivering and like drowned rat before his sweetheart. For one brief second he stood, then though the Liberals put up a candihe bolted and with one bound he cleared the orchard fence and nothing was seen but his red socks as he ran



OFFICE BOY TO CHARLES Hilliard was an old man."

Here is Frederick Edrupt, who more than half a century ago was the office The difference between an English

Col. Cross was, at the time, O.C. of the 15th Reserve Batathou, Bramshott Unfortunately there had been con siderable complaint on the part of the men at the way their food was being served up to them, and Col. Cross degided to make a personal investigation. Arriving at the mess room dur-

The owner of the bowl promptly brella." replied:
"That may be sir, but it is supposed to be coffee."

muscles in walking. Just think what a rest we're having when we sit down. should think a raw cow would give a rest we're having when we sit down. should think a raw cow would give much better milk than a belied cow. all musical.

# Mainly About People

Capt. Joe Shaw, M.C., M.P., who defeated R. B. Bennett in West Cal gary, is making good at Ottawa and is

Calgary but to endorse whichever candidate proved most satisfactory to them, it was thought that A. J. Samis, one of Calgary's city commissioners, rould get the endorsation. He was a Liberal with very Progressive views, and been brought up on a farm, was cceptable to the Labor party, and and spent ten years in Calgary's mu ent. He was also on



good terms with H. W. Wood, presi r had proceeded for some time when dent of the U.F.A. Capt. Shaw's Toronto. at the pipe hole appeared the face of name was also mentioned, but those their arch enemy, the maid, long, who claimed to be in the know did not

However, it is stated that several years previously, Miss Shaw, sister of Capt. Shaw, had taught school in the Carstairs district near the house of appeared with a black eye and a flog. H. W. Wood, and while there had boarded with Mrs. Wood. Miss Shaw, now principal of one of the Calgary Capt. Shaw. He is a good judge of nankind, and when it came hoice between Samis and Shaw, Mr. Wood threw his influence in favor of the latter. Samis withdrew, and, aldate at the last moment, he never had

cover. Jane and they were squared. OCTOGENARIAN YOUTH INCREASES HIS DUTIES a clear head, a warm heart, a great

> President of the Dominion Life Assurance Company at Age of of native genius against red tape. 81, Reappointed to Methodist Board of Missions.

Mr. Thomas Hilliard of Waterloo, portray his personality by means of Ontario, was organizer, then manager, his trenchant speech. Mrs. R. C. Smith of Port Hope, recalls him as a Life Assurance Company.

Me was probably the oldest delegate to the recent conference of the Methodist church. The first general conference he attended was in 1878, and he has now attended eleven in all. He climbed an apple tree and made his first recorded speech, a mocking one: "Uncle, your stick isn't half has also been a member of the General long enough." Board of Missions for about 25 years, appointed on this board.

Mr. Hilliard is a man who grows counger year by year. Last month, when the Dominion Life agents had the property of the same of the sam ials from the head office arrived on the third day. One of the new agent president of our company." "Oh," said the new agent, "I thought Mr.

than half a century ago at the time han and a Scotchman has been dein the Middle Temple in London now, prising, therefore, to find Sir Aucking English metropolis known as Man- to Lloyd George, from Lord Curron and tells many interesting stories land Geddes relating an incident in chester.

"Death from natural causes."

They Don't Do It.

"Yes, ma'am," he said, "I guarantee this to be genuine skunk fur that will wear for years."

""Tes, ma'am," he said, "I guarantee this to be genuine skunk fur music, over 5,000 books of reference and biography. The library has over

"But suppose I got it wet in the 2,000 orchestral scores.

boiled cow's milk is not good food surrounding district giving public was the Hon. P. C. Larkin, Canadian for babies.

This would militate high commissioner who interested him.

## SISTER'S TEACHING BIBLE IN HAND AND TEXT PREPARED, DR. CODY COMMITTED HIS FAVORITE CAT TO ITS GRAVE

It Was in Embro, When He Was Nine Years Old. As Earnestly as He Does Today, He Preached a Most Fitting Sermon From the Text, "Prepare Ye the Way, O Lord."

Archdeacop Cody is a distinguished like Hallowe'en and the pet cat have years old.

had in him if his sister had not made represent their country on any great revelled in the forcing of the gates burial. and in him it his sister had not made occasion at home or abroad." said of Gaza, and described Samson's car conduction of that classic of home mission work on himself that descrives the preservation of that classic of home mission work on himself that descrives the preservation of that classic of home mission work on himself that descrives the preservation of that classic of home mission work on himself that descrives the preservation of that classic of home mission work on himself that descrives the preservation of that classic of home mission work on himself that descrives the preservation of that classic of home mission work on himself that descrives the preservation of the printer's ink.

While visiting Los Angeles, Cali-

spoken of by some as a coming leader.

Archdeacon Cody is a distinguished like Hallowe'en and the pet cat have years old.

Rut although Capt. Shaw is perfectly Canadian adult now. "Probably never yet been told.

It was a sermon on Samson recently there is no other man who would be had a chance to show what stuff he more gladly chosen by Canadians to that seemed to hint at the former. He would not have a decent



at a consecration of bishops in Westrics to remain rector of St. Paul's.

Yet, once upon a time, he was just a boy-a real boy, who waited for Hallowe'en to come round and had a pet cat. Dr. Cody always had a fund of anecdotes and not an ill-natured one among the lot-but personal ones favorite black cat when he was nine ed with the future rector of St. Paul's.

been visiting Canada is first and fore-

most a man and a personality. He has

soul, and an astonishingly keen sense

of humor, His socalled "indiscre-

tions" are just occasional rebellions

This brief article attempts to ga

epigrams and vivid phrases and to

small barefoot boy of almost nine,

wearing a huge cowbreakfast and

His next public utterance was at

ther as many as possible of his terse

lom, where he preached the sermon vanishing into the past." Unfortulas he does today. He preached from nately, no one was close enough to the the text: "Prepare ye the way O ords of regretful reminiscence.

> caled to have been connected with grave. he first sermon he preached.

His Life Motto Has Been: "It Is Better to Be a Young Squirt Than an Old Stiff"-Washington

William Sowdon Sims, who has just the "old stiffs" in 20,000 pages of that a certain Washington official said

Burned 2,000 Pages of His Caustic Reports Against the "Old Stiffs" From Paris.

INDICATE A HUMAN BEING AND A HUMORIST

caustic report which Washington offi to him, "Don't let the English put it

THE SO CALLED 'INDISCRETIONS" OF SIMS

one: "Uncle, your stick isn't half cials burned. Even then there was

minster Abbey. Three times, at least, pulpit to eatch the sigh of regret that he has turned his back on archbishop must surely have accompanied those minister on Suday—a most fitting words of regretful reminiscence.

The incident of the cat is now re prayer committing his pet cat to the It is needless to say that when his

Canon Cody was born in the little mother, who was a very plous woman, llage of Embro, Ontario. It was heard of the Bible having been used here that, the death occurred of his in this way, she was very much shock. An Embarrassing Situation Was

over you. We would as soon fight them as the Germans." Then there

was his "jackass" speech. "He said

American hyphens were jackasses and

the trouble with a republic was that

His comments on general matters

are equally pungent and racy. "Golf

keeps old duffers alive who have no

other excuse for living." "To make

I know of money is that it is a hard

thing to get and a mighty easy thing

ters a drawing room as if he owned

to get rid of." "An Englishman en-

have got to call him names."

hoot who owned it."

the jackasses had votes."

roes the pintrorm would be the acme operty, and Opinio minister of No one will ever be able to write his life motto, "It is better to be a of his own country. During the war, beneats of the proposed co-operative as an epitaph for Admiral Sims young squirt than an old stiff." As he once "spilled the beans" with a marketing plan for unity products. As "Born a man and dies an Admiral." naval attache at Paris, he went after vengeance when he let out the fact



t; an American as if he didn't care he waxed enthus astic in emphasis of n important point, one of his "store

His most famous public indiscre He is a devoted father, and when his sign of embarrassment, stooped to chiveness of statement, preciseness of and at the age of 81 has been re Annapolis. In protest against stuffy tions are as follows. In London, in children were babies used to play pick up the unruly melar, and placing language, and a disinclination to say pointed on this board.

Mr. Hilliard is a man who grows

(Middleman, are human beings tain in an emergency "with every on the handle bars of his bievele."

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the rominion late agents had their convention and outing at Big was, "Get back to your quarters, you every drop of blood." He was a pro- and at the same time one of the great don't blame me; but put the blame where it rightly belongs on this

## **BIGGEST YET**

tional Railways Is a British al Railways at £10,000 a year, is built derful observatory and the most won

The observatory is to be erected on schelor of science of Pennsylvania the Pacific coast at a point that has University and began work at the bot not yet been definitely selected, and

sistant director general and deputy director of movements and railways, a title almost as long as the G. E. R. U. S. telescope has a mirror 100 in the canadian instru Is a scintillating after dinned speaker, ches in dismeter this Canadian instrumany of the noted public men of Can, whose chief industry, are been teles ment to heavy or the control his description to The glass has already been success their good points. nis player, but now prefers golf. He fully east, and the cost of mounting been described as a 'hearty man it in the observatory when it is fin necording to your story," said the mash it very fine, adding to it a the home." '' said the mash it very fine, adding to it a parter cupful of sugar, a heaving provided by Mr. Charles Fry of Se some of them must have faults. Take tablespoonful of butter, a half tea-

## GRIMY AUTOGRAPH **MCKISHNIE KEEPS**

The Grimy Signature of an Au-thor Who Pitied People Who At Least Dr. Gunn's Daughter Claimed to be Closer Related To Her Father Than Her Read His Book.

Archie P. McKishnie, the much-be-The Rev. William T. Gunn, the powho is again in the public eye as the pular general secretary of the Congreauthor of "Openway," his one pubgational Union of Canada and author lication for the year 1922, tells a story

nd responsibilities of his office.

Becently he told this one on himlates, he came upon two bookshops, self which opens up a nice problem in both with a considerable queue of family relationships. Several years people winding out of the open door. ago while enjoying a quiet evening Upon investigation he found one line at home on Victor avenue he was sitt- to be leading into the purchase of ing on the sofn by the side of his some best seller of the time, it being wife when their young daughter came advertised that the author would au and sat on the other side of her fa- tograph copies purchased. On the ther, and snuggled up close to him. other side of the street was a window lier mother turned to her and said display of McKishnie's latest book,

uneing that the author was that day

that anybody that would read the

bunk that's in this book deserves to

lose the money he puts into it."

what they seem.

mier Meighen.

Mr. Fielding was in one of his rare

You get away from there! What

playfully:

and responsibilities of his office.

**BLOOD THICKER** 

aughter surprised them with the

o him than I have? I am'a closer reation of his than you are!" "How's that?" was the astonished

other's reply. "Why? I'm his daughter, while

# FORTH ALSO HIS

Saved by the Unrailing Humor and Readiness of Hon. Manning Doherty.

emourrassment to most public of the books failed to call forth any Two hours later when he passed out casers. Not so with Hon. Manning enthusiasm. answered. "Must sell a good many books this way," the author further ventured.
"Oh, I guess so," was the languid



He is said to be able even at the age teeth elattered to the floor. of 64 to play tennis all day, dance all evening, and play bridge all night audience, but Mr. Doherty, without

# the wheels go round at Ottawn.

attle, a generous patron of Canadian Mr. Meighen. Isn't be inclined to spoonful of sult, the beaten yolk of science after whom the new observa-

tory is to be named.

When this telescope is completed tactica.

"I believe, sir," declared his friend mirror may not even seem a matter 'in fighting an enemy with his own of very great moment, but to astron-

## **ROSS HAD TO** WHO HAD SINNED

The Paymaster of the C. E. F. Succumbed Before Wit. The Young Officer Got His Ten

Than General James Ross, chief paymaster of the C. E. P., the maple leaf soldier, empty of pocket and more or less stranded before the end of his Archie P. McKishnie, the much be-pover author of stories of wild life, France, found no truer friend. Besides having a very kind heart, Colonel Ross



the following story goes to prove.

One morning, near the first of the officer presented himself before, his chief, in his office in Millbank street,

and requested an advance of £10.
"But," questioned the colonel, vere you not here a few days ago ea the same errand, and I, did I not give you an advance then !"

"Yes, sir," admitted the worried looking young man, "but-"Sorry, then," interrupted the colel, "I can give you nothing more until the 10th of the month "

'But, sir,' pleaded the officer. in the city, and that he also would and my leave is up tomorrow."

"Sorry," repeated the colonel. autograph all copies sold. Naturally 'you should have thought of your this aroused McKishnie's interest. He took his place on the line, bought a hotel bill before. I can do nothing for you. Call around on the 10th of loable in conversation. The pseudo the month. Good day, sir." And the author was a typical conception of his colonel turned away, ending the inclass, lean, cuff frayed and quite dirty terview, while the worried looking officer, more worried looking than His expression was one of utter dejec-To have a tooln fall out and roll tion and gloors, and even McKishnie's ever, slowly removed himself from the encouraging remarks about the sale office.

to lunch, Col. Ross was much surprised "Good stunt, this," McKishnie re- to behold, seated in a chair just outside his office door, the same young "Oh, not so bad," the autographer officer, wearing the same doleful ex-

"Are you still here!" he exclaim ed. "What are you waiting for?" "I'm waiting for the 10th of the sonth. sir," was the reply. reply. "But I just want to tell you

Whereupon the colonel had a good such and the officer got his ten pounds -before the end of the month.



THE PRESTER DRURY OF PRAGUE.

This is Dr. Anthony Svehla, the crent agrarian leader of Szeeho Slomier, and is now selecting his cabinet. Dr. Svebla is the organizer of Agricultural unions in the sugar beet industry. The Industrial party leans owards Germany, but Dr. Svehla's rise to power represents the victory of the agrarian influence which is na-

### Marie Company of the Company of the

Take a quarter of a medium-sized his statements, and turbulent in his cream. Set the mixture over the tea

Mr. Chesterton looked doubtful.

"Tell me," he said, "how long loss it take you to sting a wasp?"

"Tell me," he said, "how long sight.

"Tell me,

## IN MANCHESTER New Chief of the Canadian Na-

A SCOT'S NATURAL DEATH Cotton Metropolis Has Greatest

"Household Words" was one scribed as follows: An Englishman public library of music in the world? don Daily Sketch, whose kindly eariof the popular magazines of the day. loves telling a story about some other It is not in Paris or in one of the catures have become an institution in Mr. Edrupt celebrated his 75th bigth fellow, and a Scotchman loves telling great music-loving German cities, but the British Isles. All sorts and company of the British Isles. south. He is the doorkeeper a story about himself. It is not sur in that very business-like manufacture ditions of people from Mrs. Asquith

and tells many interesting stories about the famous author to the many tourists who visit there.

THOROUGHLY IN THE SOUP

Colonel J. A. (Jimmie) Cross, at torney denoral for Sanatchaseas.

The coroner returned a verdict of the collection has nearly 40,000 volumes. It began with the discarded

volumes. It began with the discarded seore of Haydn's "Creation." Every known branch of music is represent-A down-town furrier was selling a coat to a lady customer.

Coat to a lady customer.

ing the meal hour, the colonel picked up a bowl which was in front of one of the men, and, on tasting its contents, remarked:

"What is all this complaint I hear? This is some of the finest soup I ever tasted."

The owner of the hour was a skunk carrying an um brells."

"But suppose I got it wet in the rain," asked the lady, "what effect this library that the committee of the public libraries of the ancient city of Hull are advocating the need of such a library in that city.

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What an institution if this character.

fer means is shown by the fact that there are no less than three hudraed to Sir James Barrie, have come unde Wifey-According to this paper, choral societies in Manchester and the his spot light. A few weeks ago it Hubby .-- I can see that's right. I against the preconceived notion which The second Canadian to appear in the

ON BROAD LINES

sea salt and Attic salt in his speech.

sked another: "Who is that man!" HAVE MUSIC GALORE THORNTON MOULDED ways as Matt saw him, with the lines

Subject by Adoption. Where do you think is the greatest the well-known cartoonist of the Lon-



ways as Matt saw him, with the lines THIS TELESCOPE "Sir Henry Worth Thornton, who is

eaving the Great Eastern Railway to become chief of the Canadian Nation | Canada is to have the most won on broad-guage lines. Born in Logans-port, Indiana, in 1871, he became a The observatory is to be ere draughtsman, rose to become general superintendent of Long Island Rail way, which he left to manage the Great Eastern Railway of England amid mild sensation. Be ame a British subject, a major general, and as tish subject, a major-general, and as that of the famous Solar Physics Ob

Mr. G. K. Chesterton, who startled when this telescope is completed tactica."

Mr. G. K. Chesterton, who started no recently by his conversion to the Roman Catholic Church, disagrees entirely with the political dectrine often put forward that a candidate is justified in fighting an opponent with his at Victoria, British Columbia, there is clearly at the candidate of the complete of the proof possessor of the proof possess waspons, which are often lies already a splendid instrument with a friend he illustrated his contention in his usual whimsical way.

At length with a rection with a rection of a few inches in the diameter of a that way.

Mr. Fielding pondered. At length he said: "Well, I wouldn't say down that many coal dealers in that section of a few inches in the diameter of a that way."