#### THE HAMILTON TIMES

FRIDAY, JULY 23, 1909.

#### THE TRAP IS BAITED.

It does not require any great power of divination to discover the game which the Hydro-Electric conspirators are trying to play upon the city of Hamilton to explain why certain officials of the power commission and the aldermen who are under the influence in their attempt to betray ratepayers, to their great loss, are so eager to get the city ommitted to a contract with the com mission for even 1,000 horse-power of

The willingness of the power gang to give Hamilton "special terms" (how well sounds!) might well awaken sus picion. The assurance given to objecting members of the municipalities of the power union convinces them that Hamilton is not getting any snap. It is go on thinking that the commission is treating her with special favor; then enjoy the laugh at her expense when she wakes up to the trap into which she has

The Hydro crowd does not fores mo ment contend that the 1,000 horsepower to be taken from the commission will furnish us with "competition"; it will of necessity be at least 10 per cent. dearer than the local power. But they profess to think that we should contribute the few thousands of dollars year, which we will throw away by Toronto and other rival municipalities at the expense of Hamilton, and hurting the local electric industry. It may not be a very laudable policy, but like some faults of which we have heard they plead that it is "such a very little one."

But there is a joker up the power gambler's sleeve. If Hamilton can but be lured into taking 1,000 horse-power, her loss by the folly will not long be limited to the few thousands of dollars a year incurred by taking only that ount of current.

Here is the scheme in brief: Betray Hamilton into taking 1,000 horse-power, and then require her at the end of five years to cancel her more favorable contract and take all the power she may need for thirty years from the Hydro Commission at the higher price.

Watch the game. It is being played for high stakes. Whether somebody is in it for more than his health is the question that naturally strikes the man who studies it. If it can be won by the Hydro schemers Hamilton ratepayers may be stuck for a sum that may run into millions by the end of the term.

What the aldermen must make sure of is that if this city take 1,000, or 10. horse-power from the Hydro Commission, the freedom of the city to buy whatever further power she requires, not only for five years, but at any time in the future, shall be absolute and unimpaired. We must have the right to buy power where we can get it cheapest Even if we must pay an exorbitant price for the 1,000 horse-power as a bonus or gift to the scheme and the rival municipalities we must insist in freedom as to the rest of our supply.

Do not let the men who are working for other than Hamilton's interests and Hamilton's prosperity trick us in this way into putting manacles on our wrists. Beware Adam Beck's illusory "conces Remember the fable of "The Fox and the Goat."

#### RAILWAYS AND LABOR.

The importance of the railway interto us by the significant fact that 71 per cent. of the total of the earnings of all the roads in the United States goes to pay wages. The roads employed in 1907 in the neighborhood of 1,675,000 men, whose earnings amounted to \$2,585,913,-000 or more than \$7,000,000 for every day of the year. It is difficult to grasp the significance of such stupendous figures. The number of employees on the pay rolls was only 80,000 less than the combined standing armies of Great Britain, Germany, the United States, tariff is still in progress. Indications now are that the duty on lumber will be such a marriage is no failure?

The struggle over the United States, tariff is still in progress. Indications now are that the duty on lumber will be such as a party of Persia has raised by force of arms to the Peacock throne may not mind the disillusionment, but it is said upon good authority that the famous chair is not all that stories of Oriental support of Persia has raised by force of arms to the Peacock throne may not mind the disillusionment, but it is said upon good authority that the famous chair is not all that stories of Oriental support of Persia has raised by force of arms to the Peacock throne may not mind the disillusionment, but it is said upon good authority that the famous chair is not all that stories of Oriental support of Persia has raised by force of arms to the Peacock throne may not mind the disillusionment, but it is said upon good authority that the famous chair is not all that stories of Oriental support of Persia has raised by force of arms to the Peacock throne may not mind the disillusionment, but it is said upon good authority that the famous chair is not all that stories of Oriental support of the Peacock throne may not be proved the party of Persia has raised by force of arms to the Peacock throne may not be party of Persia has raised by force of arms to the Peacock throne may not be party of Persia has raised by force of arms to the Peacock throne may not be party of Persia has raised by force of arms to the Peacock throne may not be party of Persia has raised by force of arms to the Peacock throne may not be party of Persia has raised by force of arms to the Peacock throne may not be party of Persia has raised by force of arms to the Peacock throne may not be party of Persia has raised by force of arms to the Pea the total revenue of the United States; twenty-nine times the gold production of the country, and six times the gold production of the entire world.

A consideration of these figures may help to lead to an appreciation of vast interests with which the hare-brained public ownership and operation cranks wish to juggle. They also go to indicate the wisdom of the movement, now so general, of adopting just and carefully thought out measures for the regulation and control of these vast ut ilities to prevent abuses. The man who studies them will, if he be clear-minded probably reach the conclusion that the State will have enough to do in discharging its own proper duties and seeing justice done, leaving the business of the community to the people of the community in their private capacity.

#### DEARER BREAD?

Mr. J. J. Hill, whose opinions upon economic subjects apart from those directly affecting railways always attract duction of armor plate of a specially more or less attention, although his forecasts are not always accurate, is quoted as saying that the time of low armor-piercing shell, the missile making cular utterance be interpreted to mean that the price of food derived from grain is to be permanently higher than has been in the past, there will be many who will decline to accept Mr. Hill's conclusion as well reasoned. Hill has doubtless arrived at the natural conclusion that so far as the United has been so much discussed since the dis-States are concerned, the production of covery of several cases in the United

grain has not kept pace with the inrease of population in recent years and that there is a diminishing surplus for export. But Mr. Hill may have omitted very important factor in the consider ation, that of improved methods of cultivation. He has also left out of account the very important fact that the United States do not command the grain price situation. Canada is becoming more and more of a factor, and its production is likely to vastly increase American wheat industry is only in its ntancy, and cheap labor and vast fertile areas make wonderful development possible. Australia, New Zealand, Rusia, Asia and Africa hold out great possibilities of food production. It is early to become apprehensive of food scarcity, unless it be such local famines as modern commercial transport should be able to deal with. The problem which Malthus discussed is not yet an immediately pressing one, and in spite of will not yet begin to worry over a

#### EDITORIAL NOTES.

Laziness is said by some United States army physicians to be due to a bug or rorm. Some men appear to have been born infected.

Montreal claims a population of 389, 837. Now if some Toronto directory es timator cannot beat that Toronto the Boastful must be dopey.

The knife appears to be in evidence again in too many rows. The man who carries or uses a lethal weapon requires to be dealt with sternly.

Short-term prisoners at Winnipeg have been released on condition that they raccept employment with the farmers who are clamoring for help.

"Drinking more beer, also more tobacco," announces the Toronto World. That sufficiently accounts for the editorial vagaries of our contemporary.

License Inspector Sturdy avers that e thinks the law is enforced in Hamilton. And knowing ones whose chronic drouth is never long unmoistened wink the other eye and smile.

Perhaps Ald. Hopkins would like to have a try at the engineer's job. At least the alderman's actions in the mountain water supply matter is a declaration of want of confidence in the engineer's judgment.

A Chicago doctor is suing a girl who

jilted him \$500 for "merchandise," including a diamond ring, which she obtained from him during his period of obsession. He proposes to discourage this method of "merchandizing."

Fifteen Canadians are eligible to shoot in the second stage for the King's Prize at Bisley, and all the principal team matches have been won by the Canadians. The boys are maintaining Can-

M. Briand has been asked to form a Cabinet for France, He was the Minster of Justice and Worship in the old Cabinet, and it is expected that he will have the bitter hostility not only of the Clericals, but of the moneyed classes of the country, should be succeed in form-

Congratulations to Color-Sergt. Freeborn and Sergt. Mitchell, of Hamilton, who won the Canada Club's gold watch and the Strathcona cup, respectively, at Bisley, yesterday. At the presentation by Lord Strathcona of the prizes, Hon. Messrs. Fielding, Brodeur, Sir F. Borden, ests to the workingmen is brought home and Col. Sherwood were present to congratulate them upon their victory.

A Georgiana Township farmer is charged with horsewhipping his wife, and he proposes to plead justification. Better still, he is to produce to the judge a document signed by the wife admitting that she deserved the chastisement. What can a judge do in such a case but

France and Japan. The gross earnings now are that the duty on lumber will were nearly three times the amount of be made \$1.25 a thousand; that the scheme for reciprocity in coal will be dropped, and that print paper will be subject to \$3 a ton duty. The tariff clamorers have abandoned all pretence at serving the people's interests, and openly fight for advantages for the taxeaters.

Some Tory organs are attempting to make much of the statement that the Ross rifles used at Bisley are not the weapons served out to the militia. That is a mere quibble. They are as truly the militia Ross rifles as are the Lee-Enfield and other rifles used at the competition. As a matter of fact, perhaps ot a single gun used in the match are publicly owned service rifles. Nearly all the guns, of whatever make, used in the match are privately owned and probably picked weapons. That has always been

Harold A. Richardson, who is from London, Ontario, bids fair to win fame and wealth by his discovery of the proresisting quality. the metal resisted the impact of a 9.2 no impression upon the plate, although the shell itself was shattered into minute pieces. Mr. Richardson is a son of Venerable Archdeacon Richardson, of London, and sails for Canada to-morrow to pay him a visit.

States, Dr. Lavender, a surgeon of the United States Marine Corps, says it is common among the peasants of Italy, where it is referred to as "the poor man's gout. It is usually caused by insufficient nourishment. It is not contagious and if the patient is given plenty of good, wholesome food he soon recovers." There are eight cases in Dunning Hospital for the Insane in Chicago Professor Colvert says it is not usually dangerous, although it sometimes affects the brain.

In view of certain happenings near home it might be as well to draw attention to the fact that these be bad times for arrogant and autocratic rulers. The Sultan of Turkey, the Shah of Persia, Emperor William of Germany and Clemenceau, of France all these have found that there is a limit beyond which even the sulcorat may not pass with even the autocrat may not pass with safety.—Hamilton Spectator.

But like Abdul Hamid, the Shah of Persia and their ilk, who puff them selves up with their own importance Whitney entertains the notion that he is Sir Oracle, and when he opes his mouth no common dog of a citizen dare him by the course of a lot of pliant think that their only duty in life is to applaud political brigandage and praise the braggart as a statesman.

### Our Exchanges

A NEW SPECIES,

Housewife-Why don't you go to Tramp-I'm an honest man, mum, an' can't find any business that isn't full of graft.

DISCRIMINATING

(Washington Star.) "Do you believe in the literal idea of future punishment?" "Not for myself," answered Mr. Sermyself," answered Mr. Ser-r. "But I favor it for a lot

of people I know." WELL FIXED.

(Detroit Free Press.)

"Those new neighbors of ours must be rell fixed."
"What makes you think so"
"They gave a party yesterday, and hey didn't have to borrow a thing ron us."

(Dundas Banner.)

Just another word about our Bur-lesque Circus. One of the chief attrac-tions will be an opportunity of viewing real living natives of Borneo and Hamil-ton, exhibiting their heathen customs and wearing their peculiar native cos-

AN OLD GAME.

(Illstrated Bits.)
Prehistoric Belle Is this the place
where a girl fell into the water la week and a man jumped in and saved her, and then took her to his caye and

Prehistoric Man (nervously)—I be lieve it is, but I can't swim a stroke.

BOTH HAVE DUTIES. (Mr. McAdoo, New York). We believe in the public be pleased

"We believe in the public be pleased policy as opposed to "the public be damned policy. We believe that that railroad is best that serves the public best; that decent treatment of the public; the recognition by the corporation of the just rights of the people results in recognition by the people of the just rights of the corporation. The latter is as essential as the former and they are not incompatible."

CHICAGO MODES

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(Chicago Tribune). A Chicago jury has decided that it is not indecent for a woman to appear in public on the stage lightly clad in bronze paint and two girdles. Her costume is not quite so airy as that of the Georgia colonel, which was made up the Georgia colonel, which was made up of a shirt collar and a pair of spurs. She wears two girdles, while Venus had only one. Nevertheless, the verdict does not indicate that the jurors were possessed of the "sound judgment" which, according to the law, should be one of their qualifications.

THE PEACOCK THRONE.

(N. Y. SUN.) The youth whom the Nationalist Mohammedan countries have let in the light upon many cherished traditions, ad the seat of the Great Mogul has not escaped. An iconoclastic French visitor to Fersia declares that the throne never came from Delhi, but was made by a humble carpenter of Ispahan, and that most of the precious stones originally set in it have been replaced by others of small value and that the Great Mogul never sat in it at all. However true all this may be, the seat has proved unstable for Ahmed Mirza's immediate predecessors and may be not less fateful for him.

THE QUEEN'S CROWN.

(N. Y. Herald.)
Turning to the lighter side of court
fe, I was told the following little story by one who was present at a children's party at Buckingham Palace. The other party at Buckingham Palace. The other day a little mite of some five years of age strayed away in the garden and was looking rather frightened. He saw a beautiful lady and running to her, said: "Oh, do take me to mamma." "Certainly," replied the lady. "What is your name?" He told her, slipping his hand confidently into hers. "And do you know who I am?" "No."

"No."
"I am the Queen."
"Oh, no, you are not."
"Ideed, I am."
"You can't be, for you haven't get

"But that is for indoors." "What?" with a prolonged interroga-tion. "Why, I thought your crown grew on your head just like my hair does on mine."

TOO HEAVY A BURDEN.

(Vancouver Province.) A Detroit clergyman, the Rev. Reed Stuart, has just resigned, after a pas-torate of 23 years, because, as he ex-plains, he does not feel "equal to the work of the institutional church."

out any bitterness, but in the mist matter-of-fact way, he defines that sort of church as the one which "believes in free soup, in boys' clubs, and basketball, and in cadets carrying gins in the name of Christ." Those things, he admits, may be necessary in the modern church, but he intends from now on to leave the management of them to others. His early ideal had been that of a preacher, a spiritual leader; but he had found more and more of his time and strength taken up with the infinite variety of organizations within the church. We fancy that many a weary minister would find all this waking a response in his own heart. The institutional church does, no doubt, a world of good; but some of its activities are confessedly only a sort of pious bribe to induce people to occupy pews which otherwise would be empty, and it certainly tends to belittle the prophetic function of the clergyman.

GOLDBRICKING US.

(Guelph Herald.) After hearing the tidings that Hamilton will be treated fairly, but not with any degree of partiality, the Cataract power press will take fresh breath in order to show that the Amilian City order to show that the Ambitious City is being gold-bricked.

THE WALKING HABIT.

(Toronto Star.)

There is one excellent form of recreation which finds favor in the old country, but is practically neglected by Canadians. The Englishman finds pleasure in long walks, finds health in them, gets an appetite, knows what it is to sleep like a top afterwards. Incidentally he gets to know his own habitat, and to appreciate the beauty that lies within walking distance of almost everybody. Canadians have a surfeit of scenery to be had at the price of a little healthy be had at the price of a little healthy recreation, but mostly content them-selves with seeing in from car windows. WHAT THEY TELL THE REPORTER.

(Washington Star.) "I've got a scoop for you—our club's going to give a picnic."

"You want to go easy on that; I'm a friend of your boss."

"Who writes the items for you after them."

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"If I was you I'd be going to some show every night."

"I don't see how you can make up so many lies."

"Be sure and send back this photo;

"Be sure and send back this photo; It's the only one of me I have."
"Put in your paper that I've gone to New York. I ain't going, but I want a certain girl to see it."
"Say, get me a pass to the ball game, will you?"

"I'm going to Europe this summer.
Would your paper pay expenses if I
was to send letters every now and then
telling about my trip?"
"I wish you'd put a knock in your paper about a fellow I know."
"Don't you have to vte the way youz
editor does?"
"If you print anything about this I'll
quit taking your sheet."

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WHITNEY WEAK AND ABUSIVE. (Hamilton Spectator.)

Anyone at all acquainted with his manner of address will be able to bring to their mind's eye a vivid picture of the mingled seorn and sarcasm that no doubt colored his vocal effort in that

doubt colored his vocal effort in that final sentence. Good politics, perhaps, but statesmanship-hardly.

Earlier in his address Sir James assured his audience that there was nothing at all to prevent anyone from testing the constitutionality of the power legislation before the highest court in the land. Perhaps not, provided the applicants for the test are willing to allow themselves to be made the objects of the Premier's fine scorn and ridicule before a political pienic crowd, their motives being impugned and the spirit of the people turned against them.

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is unfortunate for the Premier and o descend to the level of abuse in lealing with his opponent; for him to lo so is likely to bring more injury to himself and cause than to those whom he attacks.

Fits and starts-the stylish going-

Whole Body Raw with Eczema-Life was Intolerable—Was Even Incased in Plaster-Discharged from Hospitals as Hopeless.

#### SUFFERED 14 YEARS **CURED BY CUTICURA**

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"From the age of three menths until fifteen years old, my son Owen's life was made intolerable by excema in its worst form. He was all right until a red rash broke out on his forehead, but we were not alarmed a. first. Very soon, however, the rash began to spread over his head and shoulders, and it caused him great discomfort. I took other treatments, all with the same result: no improvement at all. The discomfort. I took other treatments, all with the same result: no improvement at all. The discomfort has been discomfort. I took we had to strap him down in bed, for he used to tear himself dreadfully in his sleep. The agony he went through is quite beyond words. No one thought we would rear him. The regimental doctor, a very clever man, pronounced the case hopeless; at least, he said the only hope was that he might, if he lived kong enough, outgrow it to some extent. We had him in hospitals four times and he was pronounced one of the worst cases, if not the worst, ever admitted. From each he was discharged as incurable; in fact he got worse under the successive treatments. At one hospital they incased him in plaster, and this seemed to aggravate the soreness terribly. He looked so badly that no one liked to go near him and his life was a burden to him. We kept trying remedy after remedy, but we had got almost past hoping for a cure. Bits months ago we purchased a set of Cuticura Soap, Ointment, and Resolvent Pills and persevered with them. The result was truly marvelous and to-day he is perfectly cured, his skin and so had to he had to he perfectly cured, his skin and so had to he he he had to he he he had to he he he he had not he here the dept for free Cuticura Book on Treatment of Skin Diseases.

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# Saving News From a July Sale

This great July sale has reached the climax of value-giving Saturday. Summer goods at half price and less. The savings are really wonderful and every wise person should shop here Saturday. Here's why it makes it worth your while.

## \$8.50 to \$12 Wash Suits Now \$4.98 Half Price for Summer Skirts Inventory brings to light these high class summer skirts that should have been sold long ago, to-morrow they are going out at half price. They are in fine Voiles, fine cloth worsteds and Oxford Outing Tweeds, in checks and tweeds, in champagne, grey mixtures and fawn. Gored and pleated styles with self and silk trimmings, all sizes.

One of the greatest price concessions of the season, we think. Every Summer Wash Suit in stock in this lot They are in linen, in pink, blue, mauve, navy, white and fancy stripes. Coats are stylish semi-walking length, with gored skirts, Chuny lace, button and self trimmed. Still two months of seasonable weather for these suits, and those \$8.50 to \$12.00 kinds are priced to go at ...\$4.90

#### Forcing Out the Lawn Blouses

Surplus stocks have accumulated; special purchases have come to band, and the July sale calls for a great clearing. The result is best shown in Saturday's offering. They are in fine white lawns, with Swiss embrodlery and lace yoke styles; also tailored effects, long sleeves, all

\$1.29. Value \$2.00 and \$2.50 59c, Value \$1.00 and \$1.25

#### 15c-18c Wash Goods--8.30 a.m.--61/2c

Just enough for steady rush morning selling, so be early to secure your share. They are in check ginghams, strips suitings and fancy dark and light colored dress muslins No other description is necessary. You know your wants for these, and they fairly fly out at 8.30 a.m. for 6½ yd

#### Another Lot 20c and 25c Wash Goods 81/2C

The values here are equally as good as those above. They are in fine sheer Dress Muslins in wanted colors, 37-inch stripe Balistes in new colors, also wide stripe Percale Suitings; former prices 20 and 25c, Rush Sale price 8.30 a. m. 814c var

20c and 25c White Vesting and Muslins at 121/2 c

#### Other Clearing Lines of Wash Goods

Real St. Gall hand embroidered Swiss Muslins in dots and fancy figures, sheer quality, 50 to 75c, clearing... 20c Stylish American Crepes in novelty shades of rose, green, wistaria, sky, etc., in dots and stripes; to 40c, clearing 10c pieces of stylish check and stripe Ginghams in all colors. Regular 25 and 30c, clearing at

**FINCH** 

A July Exit of All Remaining Parasols at \$1.49, \$1.98, \$3.98

\$12, July sale at ... ... \$6.00

\$2.50-\$3 Wash Dress Skirts at \$1.98

Clearing the balance of our remaining stock of summer Wash Skirts. They are in India Head, Lawns and navy

Underskirts, light summer weight, generous sizes, \$1.50,

35c Short Lisle Gloves at 121/2 c

Sharp at 8.30 a. m. and for the morning hours these Gloves go on sale below half price. They are in Lisle and Taffeta, in cream or white, two dome, wrist length, perfect fitting, good wearing assorted sizes. An extraordinary Saturday morning Glove rush, regular value 35c, to-mor-

Save Much on Long Silk Gloves

Women's Pure Silk Gloves, in elbow length, two and three button mousquetaire style, good, heavy English quality, perfect fitting Summer colors of grey, navy, tan, brown, champagne, white or black, all sizes.

39c Regular Price 75c

49c Regular Price \$1.00

79c Regular Price \$1.25

89c Regular Price \$1.35

50c and 66c Short Silk Gloves 39c

Women's Pure Silk and Silk Lisle Gloves, in wrist length, two dome single and double tips, navy, grey, tan, brown and black, 50, 60c, on sale Saturday ...... 39c

It Pays to Buy These Gloves

Women's Pure Milanese Silk Gloves, full elbow length, heavy English quality, black and 6 only, 65c, for . . 25c Odd lines of Lisle Gloves, in elbow lengths, mousque-taire style, all colors, 50 to 75c, one clearing lot . . 25c Women's Pure Silk Short Gloves, jersey wrist, black or

white, assorted sizes, value 39c, clearing .. .. . 19c

and black polka duck, embroidery and self-trimmed, sorted sizes, formerly to \$3.00, July sale . . . . . \$1
EXTRA:—10 dozen Women's Black Italian and Mo

#### CORNER STONE TRULY LAID.

Great July Clearing Sale in the Men's Fur-

nishing Sections

Ceremony at Dundas In Connection With Carnegie Building.

Dundas, July 23 .- Another event in he town's history took place yesterday, eginning at 5 p. m., the laying of the orner-stone of the Carnegie Public Library on the corner of King and Ogilvie strects. There was a large attendance f citizens to witness the ceremony, inluding a good number of ladies. ross beam of the iron structural framework, on which the roof will be supported, was displayed the town's British man, and with him on an improvised man, and with him on an improvised platform just above the space left for the corner-stone, were Col. Grafton, W. O. Sealey, M. P., Rev. J. B. Hamilton, Rev. James Grant, Mayor Lawrason, Reeve Lawson, Deputy Reeve Spittal, Councillor Moss, Principal Moore, F. C. G. Minty, F. D. Suter and others.

Rev. Mr. Hamilton opened proceedings with prayer. Then followed short addresses by the chairman, Col. Grafton, Principal Moore and Mayor Lawrason. The address by the last mentioned was

cation, a copy each of the three town papers of the current week, Canadian cation, a copy each of the three town papers of the current week. Canadian coins of one, five, ten, 25 and 50e denominations, a number of Canadian postage stamps and post cards, etc. The corner-stone was then placed in position by Frank Roberts, the contractor for the masonry work, and Charles Scott, a workman, and after being tested and found level, and receiving the final setting blows from the silver trowel, was declared by the Mayor well made and properly laid. Then followed the benediction by Rev. Mr. Hamilton, after which the crowd dispersed, evidently having been much interested in the proceedings.

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The supervision of the work is in the care of James B. Keagey.

In his address Mayor Lawrason made a happy refeernce to the fact that the library was owned, by and was for the benefit of all the people, no sect, race or nationality being recognized.

Principal Moore said that he had been immeasurably pleased in the past few months by two events in the town's history, the building of the new High School and the acquirement of a free public library. Which gave him the most pleasure he was at a loss to know, but both were evidences of the town's progressiveness and desire for the spread of education.

Mr. Bain in his address referred in an interesting manner to the old days of the Mechanics' Institute in Lundas, which was founded and largely apport-

ed by the employees of the old Gart guests who were called upon to respond

ed by the employees of the old Gartshore foundry.

The silver trowel used by Mayor Lawrason was engraved as follows: "Presented to Mayor J. W. Lawrason by the Town Council on his laying the cornerstone of the new public library, Dundas, July 22nd, 1909."

STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.
About 4 o'clock a fire alarm was sounded from box 27, which was by many at first thought a false alarm, owing to town wires becoming entangled. owing to town wires becoming entangle

owing to a rather heavy storm just pre-ceding. But the firemen made quickly for the locality of the alarm box, and found the sub-station of the Cataract Power Co., near the canal basin, to be on fire. The building and its distribut ing appliances are a total loss, and many of the town are idle to-day in cons

#### WON PRIZES

or Guessing at the RecentF Grocers' Picnic.

The results of guessing contest at grocers picnic on Wednesday last are as follows: 2,870 people were served with tea, coffee, milk, or iemonade at the refreshment booth this year, and the dresses by the chairman, Col. Grafton, Principal Moore and Mayor Lawrason. The address by the last mentioned was of greater length than the others, and after speaking of the benefits to a community of a public library, he gave a short history of the events leading up to the decision of the town to accept the donation of \$10,000 from Mr. Carnegic, and to subsequent events up to the formal laying of the corner-stone. Included in this historic summary of events was a list of citizens who had subscribed various amounts towards the maintenance of the library for ten years to come. The pleasant duty, he said, of formally laying the corner-stone fell to him as chairman of the committee appointed by the Town Council to have charge of the work, the other members of the committee being Reeve Lawson and Council lor Moss.

In the corner-stone was deposited a typewritten history of the establishment of the library, the names of the building committee and contractors, the last revised voters list of the town, the last auditors' report, the names of members of the Town Council and Board of Education, a copy each of the three town papers of the current week, Canadian, a copy each of the three town papers of the gurrent week, Canadian, a copy each of the three town papers of the current week, Canadian, a copy each of the three town papers of the current week, Canadian, a copy each of the three town papers of the current week, Canadian, a copy each of the three town papers of the current week, Canadian, a copy each of the three town papers of the current week, Canadian, a copy each of the three town papers of the corner town when the corner town who down the corner town who was a committee to the proper to the corner to the co

SILVER WEDDING.

On Friday evening last a large number of friends and relatives gathered at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Palmer, 5 i Elgin street, to congratulate them on attaining the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage. Among the large number of guests present were several who were present at their wedding 25 years ago. After a pleasant evening apent at cards, music, dancing, etc., supper was served in a large marquee on the lawn. Many were the kind words apoken of Mr. and Mrs. Palmer by the

nings, on behalf of everyone posed the health of the hawhich was ably responded Palmer. Before the part everyone joined in wishing them many more years of health and prosperity Many valuable presents were received. which showed the esteem in which they are held.

### SCRAP BOOK **POETRY**

THE MAN WOO DID THE CHORES. My land the plough is needing.

But I've to do the chores,
The coil is lying idle,
And my team I ought to bridle,
And it's time I did my seeding.

But I've got to do the chores.

I ought to get to having.

But I've got to do the chores.

And my mower's wanting mending:

Soon the summer will be ending.

And my hired help is playing—

But I've got to do the chores.

The trees with fruit are grouning,
But I've got to do the chores,
And the fruit I should be picking,
But it's not at work I'm kloking;
And the old folks funds are loaning.
But I've got to do the chores

And I should begin my reaping.
But I've got to do the chores.
The colden grain is ready,
And the weather's holding steady;
'And it's not that I am sleeping—
But I've got to do the chores. My farm is a Dominion,

But I've got to do the chores.

The weeds it's soil are harming,

It needs scientific farming;

That has long been my opinion—

But I've got to do the chores.

There's political corruption I prefer a clean election,
And I fear that High Protection
Means Imperial disruption—
But I've got to do the chores.

There are wrongs I should be righting, But I've got to do the chores.

And the liquor curse needs killing.

But I've got to do the chores.

I might have lost position.

Had I granted Prohibition.

Some one else my office filling.

But I've got to do the chores.

In the meantime many suffer.

But I've got to do the chores.
No. 23-Til be it.
If the people come and see it.
That the farmer is a duffer.

Who does nothing else but chores.

Write my name on hist'ry's pages

As "The man who did the chores',
Ever busy, ever working,
But easential labor shirking,
Let the fame ring down the ages

Of "The man who did the chores'
OF "ThE WORK HE ROBERTS

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