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THANKSGIVING DAY.

Thanksgiving Day is a day of Nature, comments the St. Thomas Times. It is essentially a national and a natural holiday, without regard to political, religious or social lines. It is a day of thanksgiving for the year's blessings, and all the ills of the year are to be forgotten in acknowledging the mercies of providence which all have enjoyed. It is fitting that we all should, for this one day, forget our ills and trials, remember our Creator's bounty, and give thanks to the Giver of all Good with joy and gratitude in our hearts. "God is glorified not by our groans, but by our thanksgiving," wrote Edwin P. Whipple, and Dr. Robert South says, "A truly pious mind receives a temporal blessing with gratitude, and a spiritual one with ecstasy and transport."

While doubtless there are many who think they have little to be thankful for, the great mass of the people, who make up the nation, must recognize that there is a great deal for which we should be grateful.

The year has been a specially favorable one for the British Empire. The disastrous war in South Africa has closed in a triumph of British arms, and it is to be hoped in the inauguration of a new regime in the dark continent, which will eventually in lasting benefit to the people there, and an addition to the strength of the Empire, and be a powerful impetus in the enlightenment of the world at large.

The British nation has a special cause of thanksgiving for the coronation of the King and Queen in the midst of peace, and for the fact that no political upheaval resulted. The King and Queen were crowned amid the acclamations of all the people, and not of a dominant section merely. The United Kingdom should be thankful that it is not at the mercy of a greedy coal trust, to the extent that the Americans are.

Canadians are in duty bound to give thanks for one of the most abundant harvests ever reaped, for the blessings of peace and for the general prosperity enjoyed by all classes. We have had some minor labor troubles of our own; but they have been adjusted without serious loss. All things considered, there are in this country perhaps, the most desirable conditions of life in the world. This Canada of ours can more appropriately than any other country sing with Whittier:

"Once more the liberal year laughs out  
O'er richer stores than gems of gold;  
"Once more, with harvest song and shout,  
Is Nature's bloodless triumph told.  
"Our common Mother rests and sings,  
Like Ruth, among her garnered sheaves;  
Her lap is full of goodly things,  
Her brow is bright with autumn leaves."

"O favours, every year made new!  
Of gifts with rain and sunshine sent!  
The bounty overruns our due,  
The fulness shames our discontent.  
Then let those altars, wreathed with flowers,  
And piled with fruits, awake again  
Thanksgiving for the golden hours,  
The early and the latter rain!"

Or we can adopt the words of Addison:  
"If gratitude is due from man to man  
How much more from man to his Maker.  
The Supreme Being does not only confer upon us those bounties  
which proceed immediately from His hand, but even those benefits which are conveyed to us by others.  
Every blessing we enjoy, by what means soever it may be bestowed upon us, is the gift of Him who is the Author of all good, the Father of mercies."

Or we can say with Henry Ward Beecher:  
"As flowers carry dew-drops, trembling on their petals, ready to fall at the first waft of wind, or brush of bird—so the heart should carry its dew-drops of Thanksgiving; and at

## Catarrh

The cause exists in the blood, in what causes inflammation of the mucous membrane.

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Truly Canadians have the grandest heritage under the sun, and if proper use is made of our opportunities and advantages; if we live toward each other as men and women should live, remembering that "a grateful thought towards Heaven is the most perfect prayer," our lot is indeed one to be thankful for.

## A POLITICAL RUMOR.

Says the Ottawa Citizen:  
It is reported on what appears to be good authority that as soon as Sir Wilfrid Laurier returns from England, the minister of the interior, Hon. Mr. Sifton, will place his resignation in the Premier's hands. Various reasons are advanced for this step, among others that Mr. Sifton has decided to go out of politics. On the other hand, it is stated that this course has been decided upon by Hon. Mr. Sifton as the representative of the free trade element in the Liberal party to force a declaration of policy on the tariff issue from the Premier, and to settle the question of the dominance in the Cabinet of Hon. J. Israel Tarte, the reputed "master of the administration." The acceptance or refusal to accept the proffered resignation will settle the moot point once for all.

It never occurs to anyone to order out troops against the lawless employer. It is always the lawless employee. Maybe it will be changed some day.—Winnipeg Tribune.

The rate of mortality among aeronautes seems on the increase. The time when the public will adopt the overhead route is certainly a long way in the future.—Toronto Globe.

By the death of Sir John Bourinot Canada loses a very experienced official, and one profoundly versed in Parliamentary lore. Sir John, like Alpheus Todd, wrote perhaps rather too much under the shadow of Government House. He resembled Todd also in not having drunk deep of the spring of political science and history, so that he was rather a master of rules and precedents than of principles. But of rules and precedents he was a consummate master, and in that province, he will not be easily replaced.—Goldwin Smith, in Toronto Sun.

A special meeting of the Ladies Aid Society of Park street Methodist church will be held on Monday afternoon, October 20th, at half past three o'clock. A full attendance is requested.

Authentic figures show that the pay of a miner for mining a ton of coal in 72-1-4 cents, and that the ton very often has to consist of much more than that because of faulty measurement. The remuneration is certainly altogether too small.—Brantford Courier.

The announcement that the writs are to be issued for the Ross "referendum," will remind Ontario that the Prohibitors are booked to vote against the census returns sometime soon now. It will also remind "the workers" that a lot of deputations will be allotted presently.—Montreal Star.

**PROSPECTS OF A ROUGH HOUSE.**  
Hamilton Spectator.  
The members of the Cabinet will probably "fight like blazes" this week.

**TARTE IS ALSO AN EYE-OPENER.**  
Toronto Telegram.

Ontario regards Hon. J. Israel Tarte as a fair operator and Hon. Clifford Sifton as a mere can opener in comparison.

**"PRINCIPLE"**  
Memphis Commercial Appeal.  
The people of the north should remember that freezing to death is a small matter compared with the "principle involved." The principle involved is whether the coal trust shall admit the existence of the miners' union.

**AN ABLE LEADER.**  
Ohio State Journal.

President Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers, has done more by his recent bearing for the cause of labor than perhaps any man in history. Calm, dignified, reasonable and opposed to violence, he stands in beautiful relief against the background of coal barons showing the iron hoof of unreasonable capital. And he also stands centuries in advance of Debs.

**CRUELTY TO MARIE CORELLI.**  
Chicago Inter Ocean.

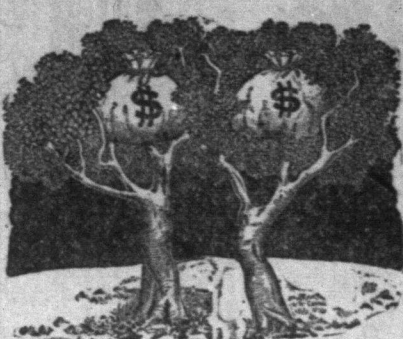
The average reader of Marie Corelli perhaps does not remember the delightful remarks which she makes in her novels about the press, and particularly about the society columns of the press, and how bitterly she assails the "snobs who seek the notice of the press."

However, the editor of the Gentlewoman (published in England) remembers them. Every expression of contempt for the newspapers and newspaper notoriety and newspaper "snobs" that Marie Corelli has written has been treasured by that person with the conviction that some day or other, sooner or later, the collection might serve a good purpose.

And sure enough, Marie Corelli, with Lady Byron as her guest, attended the Broomfield gathering in the royal enclosure recently. It is part of the business of the Gentlewoman to make special mention of such affairs as this, and the Gentlewoman did not neglect its duty. However, in mentioning those present it named Lady Byron as one of the most distinguished and omitted all mention of Marie Corelli.

Whereupon the authoress, who despises the press and loathes newspaper notoriety and entertains no thought but contempt for the "snob" who seeks it, or tolerates it, writes to the Gentlewoman complaining of the omission, and, after reciting the circumstances, says: "I can only conclude that my name was purposely omitted."

To which charge the editor of the



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Gentlewoman frankly pleads guilty, but with the explanation that the omission was "in deference to Miss Corelli's expressed opinion of newspaper puffery." Her letter of protest, however, proves to the editor that she has been misunderstood, and that mention of her name as that of one who was among those present would have gratified her. The editor can plead only some little excuse for the mistake because of the apparent sincerity of Miss Corelli's letters and writings on the subject of "snobs" and newspapers, and so explains that "logical consistency compels him to believe that Miss Corelli, in marking her letter 'private and confidential,' only meant a request for publicity."

Although the editor of the Gentlewoman assumes the masculine gender here, yet a doubt must be allowed to linger. It does not seem possible that a man could be so cruel to a woman as the editor of the Gentlewoman is to Miss Corelli.

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