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OUR LIVE STOCK TRADE WITH GREAT BRITAIN.

The value of living animals imported into Great Britain for food during the six months ending June 30 was £4,616,979 compared with £4,924,619 in the corresponding period last year. There were 230,373 cattle, against 254,-685; of that number 158,895, against 162,300, came from the United States; 38,562, against 62,152 from the Argentine Republic; and 31,893, against 29,-468 from Canada. Of sheep, the number was 262,536, against 405,801 last year. The United States sent 76,950, against 102,705; the Argentine Republic, 178,969, against 278,506; and Canada, 5,549, against 9,428. Of course, in the month of June, the Argentine Republic sent no live stock, and the figures given indicate the falling off in the general supply from this cause. The number of horses imported during the six months was 29,168, against 22,386 last year. The United States sent 19,951, against 15,467; Canada, 1,219, against 1,155; and other countries 7,998, against 5,764. The value of the horses imported was £793,356, against £629,180 for the same period last year.

SPIRITUALISM.

Rev. Dr. Austin, in his address here, simply reiterated the old arguments in favor of spiritualism. And these very arguments are calculated to make any sensible person weary. Just imagine, if you can, anybody seriously believing that the Almighty indulges in the fake picture business in a darkened room or has created in his wisdom a natural law by which spirits are permitted to talk to their mortal friends provided they use tin trumpets. There are, we believe, two kinds of spiritualists, those who are in the thing for money and those who imagine they "see things," hear voices, etc. The latter are no doubt sincere. This class we sympathize with. The former are sharks and frauds who prey on their dupes. These frauds are not expert enough to go on the stage as professional sleight-of-hand men or conjurers, and they resort to this cheap and easy method of deceiving a few innocents, out of whom they make a living without working for it. Dr. Austin refers to this Medium Coleman, of Detroit, whose simple tricks appear to have thoroughly taken him in. There is nothing Coleman did for him a professional sleight-of-hand performer cannot duplicate and excel. But all this has been explained thousands and thousands of times, and still these sharks find dupes. If Dr. Austin really wants the truth let him go to any spiritualist he has faith in, put up the necessary cash for the inside working of the fake and he can buy it. When he finds out how the tricks are performed he will be amazed at their simplicity.

A HANDSOME PERSONS PICTURE HAS A PROPERTY VALUE.

Justice Davy, of the Supreme Court, has overruled the demurrer to the complaint of Abigail Robertson, the eighteen-year-old girl, who brought suit against the Franklin Mills Company, for $15,000 damages. Miss Robertson, who is a very beautiful girl, found that, unknown to herself, her portrait was being used by the defendant companies as an advertisement for "Flour of the Family." Her chief ground of suit was that her right of privacy had been invaded, a point never before passed upon in the courts of this country. In his decision Justice Davy says:

"It does not appear from the complaint in this action that the plaintiff is within the category of what might be denominated a public character. She is undoubtedly a young woman of rare beauty, and this she enjoys as a private citizen. It is very natural, if the plaintiff is of a modest and retiring nature, that any such publicity would be extremely disagreeable and offensive to her. It is not impossible, therefore, that she has suffered and continues to suffer great mental injury and distress. In other words, there is a plausible ground for the existence of the distress and injury alleged in her complaint. It cannot be said that it is a pure fabrication or fancy. The act is such that every person can readily see might cause, and probably did cause, mental distress and injury to her nervous system.

"Take any modest and refined young woman, possessed of more than ordinary beauty and intelligence, situate in like circumstances as the plaintiff, and she might naturally be extremely shocked and wounded in seeing a lithographic likeness of herself posted in public places as an advertisement of some enterprising business firm. To permit every person to use a lithographic likeness of the plaintiff to advertise their business, and yet say there is no power in the courts to prevent it, would be asserting a proposition at war with the principles of justice and equity and in violation of the sacred right of privacy. Every personal interest which she possesses must be regarded as private, especially when the public has acquired no right in them.

"Privacy is regarded as a product of civilization. It was unsought and unknown among the barbarous tribes. It implies an improved and progressive condition of the people in cultivated manners and customed, with well-defined and respected domestic relations. The privacy of the home in every civilized country is regarded as sacred, and when it is invaded it tends to destroy domestic and individual happiness. It seems to me, therefore, that the extension and development of the law so as to protect the right of privacy should keep abreast with the advancement of civilization. When private life is invaded, which brings pain and distress of mind and destroys the pleasure and happiness of domestic life, the courts ought to have power to protect the individual from such an invasion.

"For years there has existed in the public mind a feeling that the law was too lax in affording some remedy for the unauthorized circulation of portraits of private persons, and this invasion of privacy has been keenly felt by the public. It may be asked how the circulation of these lithographic advertisements affect the plaintiff in her rights of privacy. It is evident that the acts of the defendants in printing and posting her likeness in public places as an advertisement to sell their flour invites public criticism and brings her name into more or less unenviable notoriety, and to a certain extent inflicts injury upon her reputation and feeling, especially if she desires a life of privacy, which she has a right to enjoy. To permit every person to print and use the likeness of the plaintiff to advertise their business and yet say there is no power in the courts to protect her, would be asserting a proposition at war with the principles of justice and equity. Are we to rely upon the courts for the protection of one's goods and chattels; and is there no power to protect the plaintiff's reputation or right of privacy against circulating and posting these lithographs in public places, unless it be by the horsewhip or some other unlawful act? If her lithograph likeness, owing to its beauty, is of great value as a trademark or an advertising medium, it is a property right which belongs to her and cannot be taken from her without her consent. She has a right to say that, without her consent, these lithographic copies of her likeness shall not be circulated or used by the defendants."

The charge made by Lord Roberts that Sir Redvers Buller did not exercise sufficient authority over Sir Charles Warren, originated in a complaint by Sir Redvers against being placed in such a position with regard to Sir Charles Warren. It was known, he said, that he and Sir Charles had not been on speaking terms for years, and gave this as the reason why, when it came to the exercise of his authority, he hesitated to do so as strongly as he would have done in the case of an officer with whom he was on good terms.

Cyclones, or general storms may be one thousand miles in diameter. Hurricanes operate on a path averaging six to eight hundred miles wide. Tornadoes are very much smaller. They may be only a mile wide at the top and but a few feet at the bottom but they are much more dangerous than either a cyclone or a hurricane. They form in all parts of the temperate zone—at sea they are water spouts, and on the desert they are sand storms. Sometimes a whole family of Tornadoes will be born at once from the same cloud. As many as fifteen tubes have been observed at one time.

A Whitby despatch says:—The protest against the election of Hon. John Dryden is set down for trial on Sept. 10, and some startling evidence of the working of the machine is expected to be revealed. South Ontario has become a by-word for political corruption in the eyes of the people of Ontario. One of the petitioners for the election trial is said to be a Reformer who has become sore on the party. He had been promised an office, but when the office was vacant the promise was forgotten. This man was the bosom friend of Jack Brant, Jack Thompson, Alex. Smith and other well-known Liberal workers, and went with them throughout the riding. His story will show up the discreditable means by which Charlie Calder was euchred out of his seat.

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INTERESTING HIRSUTE APPENDAGES.

San Francisco Chronicle.

The whiskers of the Afrikanders have been almost eclipsed in the history of current events by the pigtails of the Chinese.

HON. CLIFFORD SIFTON IN DANGER.

Hamilton Herald.

The Hon. Clifford Sifton will be in luck if the opposition journals don't somehow make him out partly responsible for the alleged murder of his relative near London.

BILL, LIKE ISRAEL, TALKS TOO MUCH.

Hamilton Herald.

Hereafter, Emperor William's public speeches will be censored before published. It is a wise arrangement. William is quite as much in need of an editor as Mr. Tarte is.

A NOTE OF ALARM.

New Denver, B. C., Ledger.

If the European powers succeed in dividing up China it will be a serious affair for Canada. England will have a slice of it and all the Chinese turned into British subjects. They will have just as much right in Canada as any other subject, and no tax can be placed upon them. They can flood this country to the top stope, and we cannot, for imperial reasons, say a word.

A POINTER FOR HENRY DAGNEAU.

London Free Press.

A writer in a scientific journal takes ground against the shoeing of horses. He says of his own unshod horse, that after having been for years the victim of the farrier it is remarkable that he does work as he does barefooted. Shod he brushed and stumbled; barefoot he does neither. He tells of a doctor's horse that in twelve years has travelled London streets a distance of 13,000 miles. He was never shod and his feet are the admiration of veterinary surgeons.

A REBELLIOUS LIBERAL.

Montreal correspondence N. Y. Sun.

A well-known citizen of this city, whom I happened to meet to-day, and asked his opinion of the matter, said: "I do not know whether to put it down to the government being crazy or in its dotage, or to the dog-days, I am becoming thoroughly disgusted with Ottawa and feel like transferring my allegiance from Laurier to Tupper. Positively, if the elections were on now, I would vote against my old leader, much as I admire him in many things, as you know, but there is a limit to my party loyalty. I know many who think as I do in this matter, and will both work and vote against Laurier if he keeps up this nonsense much longer."

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AT THE BANQUET.

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Persian Wit.

The author of "Flowers from a Persian Garden" gives many examples of Oriental wit and humor, some of which are extremely delicate and pleasing. Among them is a story of a professional scribe to whom a man went, asking that a letter might be written for him. The scribe said he had a pain in his foot.

"Pain in your foot," echoed the man. "I don't want to send you to any place that you should make such an excuse."

"Very true," said the scribe, "but whenever I write a letter to any one I am always sent for to read it, because no one else can make it out."

When a man becomes suddenly rich it not unfrequently follows that he becomes as suddenly oblivious to his old friends. Thus a Persian, having obtained a lucrative position at court, a friend of his came shortly afterward to congratulate him thereon.

The new courtier asked him: "Who are you, and why do you come here?"

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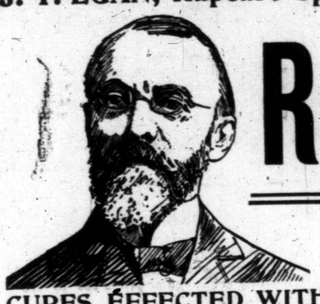

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LITERARY NOTES.

UNLEAVENED BREAD.

Served after a course of historical novels and war records, "Unleavened Bread" is a refreshing dessert. It is an immensely clever caricature of social life, and reflects a keenly observant mind. It will be thoroughly relished by all who have looked into society and its ways, and who know that therein all is not gold that glitters.

Robert Grant has cleverly presented his characters. In this gallery hang no imposing portraits suggesting weeks of patient toil with the brush, but there we find "snap-shots" of women and of men, who have had neither the time nor the warning to admit of posing. For instance: "It was enough for him to watch her as she stood there with her head on one side, and the worried archangel look transfiguring her profile."

This is Selma White, about whom the whole story circles—Selma White, thrice married eventually, and bearing other names; who, throughout the three-act comedy of her little life, paraded before the footlights, taking herself tragically, deliciously unconscious of the burlesque enjoyed by that quiet multitude of refined eyes in the shadowy theatre, and hearing not the ridicule of "the gods."

Of comely appearance, coupled with an earnest manner, this worried archangel received the heart's best devotion of three consecutive men; and this commodity she made capital to purchase her own advancement. The adoration of the first was crystallized in a fine new house and "metal stag"—in the city of Benham—which the adorer had been enabled to buy through success in the varnish business. For a time Selma was happy in this new sphere; especially since she could forsake school teaching and become mistress of a gaudy house, when Lewis Babcock took her for better or for worse. But discontentment began to seethe in her soul, when she found that family traditions were provokingly old in Benham; and that unless a home-owner lived on a certain street, and on a certain side of that street she could not mingle socially with the elect.

Selma was not long married until good and sufficient cause arose to justify her in seeking a divorce, which she had little difficulty in obtaining. Without much delay, she again tried matrimony, this time with Wilbur Littleton, a New York architect, brainy and accordingly more congenial; for Selma was intensely ambitious intellectually, and had a great idea of her own mental capacity. She was equally ambitious for social success, though she spent a life-time trying to stifle and conceal this longing, realizing that she was not quite socially fit. In cold-blooded fashion, she used every one to her path as means to an end. Wilbur Littleton was ready to do much for her, but alas, he progressed too slowly in his profession, and was unwilling to sacrifice the high ideals of his art by building architectural "hotch-potches" and thus make money more readily, that his wife might keep pace with Mrs. Gregory Williams, the one woman who filled Selma with a fierce envy. Therefore Selma ignobly charged her husband with neglect of his duty to her, and the oft-repeated accusation in time broke his spirit. To save complications and to give this small-souled woman every chance to attain the heights, the author allowed Littleton to die; and great is the pity, for he was the fine character of the story. His death left Selma free to marry the lawyer who obtained her release from bondage as Mrs. Babcock.

As Mrs. James O. Lyons, the wife of a successful politician with a senatorship as goal, Selma believed she could go no higher. She was ecstatic on the night of her husband's election when the crowd gathered about his house to cry out their congratulations. Together they stood upon the balcony, and as Selma listened to his peroration "she felt that he was speaking for them both and that he was expressing the yearning intention of her soul to attempt and perform great things. She stood gazing straight before her, with her far away, seraph look, as though she were penetrating the future even into paradise." Robert Grant tells us nothing further of Selma; that is the last glimpse readers are given of this unusual character. The book is full of wise observations on character, and is the cleverest society study we have read. The price of the book in paper is 75 cents, and in cloth $1.25, and is published by the Copp, Clark Company, Limited, Toronto.

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