THE DEPARTMENT OF INLAND REVENUE has distributed over 100 samples of metric weights and measures in order to enable the people to become conversant therewith. It will take a generation or two to effect this work. Most of the samples named will soon find their way to the rubbish heap.

MR. JOHN S. BELDEN, formerly Western manager of the London and Lancashire, and recently appointed associate manager of the fire Association in the West, has been presented with a fittingly inscribed silver bowl by the directors of the London and Lancashire in testimony of his long service, and also with a suitable honorarium.

"United States Papers Please Copy," says the "British Columbia Trade Budget," would be a very appropriate heading to print over this sage bit of advice from the "Milwaukee Sentinel" to the fire-eating editor of the Louisville "Courier-Journal": "Warlike Colonel Watterson advises that we occupy Canada when she gets fractious. We tried it, Colonel, a long time ago, when the populations were relatively the same. Our school histories properly say very little about what happened. Let us not occupy ourselves with occupations, let us pray rather for our young sister whenever she goes astray." The United States school histories say a great deal about every skerwish that was favourable to the United States troops, but suppress facts of a reverse kind.

CONTRACTORS AND OFFICIALS CONNECTED WITH THE SUB-WAY at New York, in which an explosion occurred, have been indicted for manslaughter.

THE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY of New York, has just received a cheque for £5000 from a well-known baronet as the first premium on a policy of over £52,000. "This," says the "Post Magazine," England, "and another for £50,000 last May, are the two largest single life policies at present on record in this country." The Mutual Life seems to be securing a class of business policies for large amounts, which the British life companies have hitherto neglected.

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