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## THE QUESTION OF UPBRINGING

It is quite customary to speak of Thaw as a "degenerate," but although this, of course, is largely the case as the world views the matter, the chances are that a faulty upbringing had very much to do with the matter.

Born of millionaire parents, he was, from his earliest youth, coddled with regard to every whim, and it is asserted that he was never denied anything that he desired.

It is small wonder that a lad so circumstanced grew up to man's estate with the idea that whatever he decided must be right, and that to remove anyone objectionable from his path (such as White) was quite a proper proceeding. Certainly he has not manifested one atom of remorse with reference to his terrible crime.

Our neighbors are very prone to grow great wealth comes to families during a lifetime, when neither the parents nor the children have been trained for such a responsibility, or the adulation and servility which vast riches so generally command. In other cases of large inheritance means the necessary preparations for the duties of life, under such circumstances, are not followed out with any such degree of care as is generally the case in the old land.

There the sons and daughters of the immensely rich are, in general, taught useful acquirements, and from the inception they are instructed that money and estates are to a large extent a trust. Not all of them exemplify that standard, it is true, but a very great many do. Take Lord Salisbury, Lord Rosebery, the late Duke of Devonshire, the Marquis of Lansdowne, Lord Aberdeen, Earl Beauchamp, Earl of Crewe, Sir Edward Grey, the Cecil, Balfour, and scores of others. These men have tremendous financial resources and could idle their time away in any form of luxury, but they don't. Instead they throw themselves heart and soul into the laborious demands of political and public life, literature and other professions.

Whoever heard in the States of the Astors, or the Vanderbilts, or others of that dizzy financial height doing anything of the kind? Thaw, as a man of moderate means, might have made something of his life, but he has been a pampered and stupidly indulged child of fortune, with all that this involves.

## LAURIER'S PLAN

A perusal of the speech which Sir Wilfrid Laurier made at St. Hyacinthe can leave no doubt in the minds of intelligent readers that he has decided to try and get a solid Quebec once more on the basis of the race.

In fact, he betrayed that intention with an openness which amounted to very little short of effrontery. "I have to say to you that I am a Canadian of French origin like yourselves," was one of his statements.

The intent of such talk is very clear. It is that, as French-Canadians, they should rally to the support of one of their number, without regard to the many other races of this Dominion, or the public needs.

What would be thought of any other public man who sought to secure the support of a Province on the plea of birth?

It couldn't be done in this country anywhere else except in Quebec, and Sir Wilfrid well knows that. He knows he can do it there with impunity and success, because he has done that before, and he calculates that in the English-speaking portions he can still hold the allegiance of his followers despite such a reprehensible design.

Such an inflammable course may be politics, in the very lowest sense of that term, but it is not, in the smallest possible degree, the role of a true statesman.

## AS TO TREE-CUTTING

The Expositor has a very lachrymose article with reference to the cutting of trees in connection with the installation of the Hydro-Electric system. It says in part:

"The vigorous protests which are being made by some residents of Brantford against the mutilation of trees by the men who are paving the way for the inauguration of the Hydro-Electric service here show that our citizens are fully alive to the part which ornamental shade trees play in creating 'The City Beautiful'."

"No one wants to see trees butchered, but it is requisite in connection with a thorough lighting system to have the necessary space for the transmission of the rays."

Lights amid dense foliage might be

a very excellent thing if monkeys had to have a way blazed for them, but the value to pedestrians would be decidedly remote.

This necessary work, under the direction of Engineers Ireland and Iler, is being done in the most careful manner. There is an expert of over thirty years' experience in charge, and in addition Mr. Waller of the Parks Board staff and an assistant are keeping a watchful eye on the proceedings.

It has been necessary to so trim the trees wherever Hydro-Electric has been introduced, and the term "butchery" does not properly apply. That phrase is in about the same class as the remarks of some that the Lake Erie & Northern Railway would destroy the Grand River front, whereas it will enable all citizens to travel along the beauties of said front, without trespassing on the grounds of the few who had that privilege. It annoyed them, quite naturally, but public needs are always paramount to private interests.

## NOTES AND COMMENTS

The Toronto World boasts that the credit of that city is "robust." That phrase is in much better than the other kind.

A Canadian youth broke his arm while pitching in a game of baseball. If someone would only break the ill-luck of the Brantford team that would be much more satisfactory hereabouts.

That gentle creature, Sylvia Pankhurst, advises all suffragettes in future to carry canes to all meetings they attend. The outfitting should prove an easy matter, considering the amount they have been raising for some months past.

The people of Toronto got very much excited over a runaway engine dashing through that city at sixty miles. Well, wasn't it the most natural thing in the world for a locomotive to get on a toot?

The Stratford Beacon bewails the fact that Dominion bye-elections soon to be held will be based on votes of constituencies not readjusted since last census. And the same paper was supporting Ross, then Premier of Ontario, when he kept a riding without a member for over a year, because he knew that the Grit candidate could not be elected there, and his majority was too small to be thus endangered.

The New York Tribune puts the entire situation in that State thus succinctly:

If Sulzer is a campaign fund grafter and a perjurer he is what Tammany made him. His morals are its morals. In exposing him Tammany is exposing its own foulness. And the public now knows not only what to expect from putting Tammany men in office, but it has had a view of the shameful blackmailing methods and duress by which Tammany controls its men in office. If Tammany had succeeded in blackmailing Sulzer it would never have exposed his alleged criminality. The public now sees Tammany in all its hideousness. However bad Sulzer is, Tammany is worse.

Ontario, in extent of territory, is now the second largest province in the Dominion, extending 1200 miles from east to west, and north from the international boundary for more than 300 miles. It contains an area of 407,263 square miles. In 1911 this Province produced 35 per cent. of the total field crops of Canada, 39 per cent. of the timber, 41 per cent. of the minerals, and 75 per cent. of all the fruits grown in the Dominion. Yet only ten per cent. of Ontario's land has been located, there being 236,000,000 acres still vested in the Crown. Over 85 per cent. of the total area and nearly all the unlocated lands are within the boundaries of new or upper Ontario. It is, and always will remain, the greatest Province.

## What the Other Fellow Thinks.

## The Usual Thing.

Stratford Herald: Since there is to be another Provincial bye-election on Sept. 8th in East York through the resignation of Alex. McCowan, M.P., to become Sheriff of York, we presume we may as well prepare for the usual thing. Or perhaps, regarding discretion as the better part of valor, the Whitney Government candidate will have an acclamation.

## This Great Country.

Toronto News: Every fourth person one meets in Canada has come to the Dominion within the past ten years. A tourist in the train or a visitor to any city from coast to coast if he has his eyes open, is sure to be impressed with the number of faces he sees that plainly show foreign birth. This continent has become the great melting pot of the nations and the Government reports show that representatives of ninety different nations settled in Canada in 1912. In that year the number who came from the British Isles was 146,859, and from the United States 140,143, the first time on record when the British immigrants outnumbered those from the United States.

## Toronto Mausoleum

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agreeing to keep the mausoleum open for all time to come. The building is in care of an attendant each day until 6 o'clock. The exterior of the Roman stone and the interior of marble. It is proposed to erect a 1000 crypt mausoleum in Brantford, providing for numerous family vaults.

## Description of Building

The mausoleum, as constructed by the Company, is a structure of exceptional beauty and impressive grandeur. The style of architecture for each building conforms with its location. The foundation and superstructure is a monolithic mass of concrete, reinforced throughout with steel. The concrete outer walls are faced with granite, marble or any other desired material. The crypts are uniform in size, and are separated by four-inch seamless walls of concrete. Underneath each row of crypts is a marble ledge, six inches wide, suitable for floral tributes. The interior of each building is finished in marble.

The mausoleum is designed to serve as a chapel for performing the funeral service. In corridors leading from this chapel, the crypts are grouped in sections, making it possible for an entire family to rest side by side. For families who desire privacy, rooms are provided which offer all the advantages of a private mausoleum at a much less expense.

## Sanitary Features

Each crypt is connected with a patented sanitary plant. These plants, which are installed in every mausoleum, consist of a central disinfecting tank of formaldehyde with pipes embedded in concrete radiating to each crypt, through which any gases in the crypt are conveyed to the disinfecting plant and passed through formaldehyde and a cotton cushion, being made absolutely harmless and pure by this process before being discharged through the vent pipe at the top of the building. There is also in each crypt a drain pipe embedded in concrete which carries any drainage from the crypt into a jar of quicklime, thus preventing any contamination of the earth and air. The crypts are hermetically sealed with a slab of reinforced concrete, making them air tight, the only exit for the gases being through the pipes embedded in concrete, and the air is forced with a marble tablet for inscription.

## Earth Burial

The unsanitary method of earth burial creates undeniable danger to the living. The necessity of protection against the dead, when interred, has in the past years been anxiously discussed by hygienists, sanitarians, and members of leading medical associations. A recent committee of the American Medical Association made a report to its session in St. Louis, from which we quote: "We believe that the horrid practice of earth burial does more to propagate the germs of disease and death, and to spread desolation and pestilence over the human race, than do all man's ingenuity and ignorance in every other custom or habit. The graveyard must be abandoned. The time has come for us to face squarely the problem—how to dispose of our dead with safety to the living."

Sir Henry Thompson speaks very plainly for those who consider all burial places dangerous to the living when he says: "No dead body is ever placed in the soil without polluting the earth, the air, and the water above and below it."

## The Better Way

In direct contrast with these unsanitary features of earth burial are the sanitary features of mausoleum entombment. The most approved principles of sanitation are embodied in the disinfecting plant previously described. The crypt can be saturated with formaldehyde, which destroys all decaying matters, while the drainage is absorbed in quicklime. The sanitary features of the method of entombment are heartily endorsed by the boards of health wherever presented.

## Moderate Cost of It.

To provide a resting place in one of these beautiful buildings, and insure permanent maintenance and care without future consideration or assessment, costs less than to buy a lot in a cemetery, erect even a modest monument, and provide for other necessary expenses connected with earth burial, to say nothing of the cost of care and maintenance. The same character of interment is offered the person in moderate circumstances.

that is obtained in a private vault of mausoleum, costing anywhere from \$500 to \$50,000. Wherever mausoleums have been erected requests have been made for the transfer to them of the bodies which previously have been buried in the earth. This may always be done as the mausoleum is, in every sense, the property of those who own compartments in it. The title of ownership may be transferred, as is the case with other real property. With its many advantages, mausoleum entombment is no more expensive than the common mode of burial universally practiced to-day. How satisfying to think that a little foresight will provide such a home, a fitting place for one's final sleep. How much more satisfying to realize that this original cost provides a fund to take care of the building permanently. A plan has been adopted whereby each mausoleum is endowed with an ample fund, the income from which will take care of all necessary repairs to the building for all time. The endowment feature insures the absolute permanency of the community mausoleums.

## A Beautiful Chapel

To those who have stood with a friend in the rain or snow at the grave of a friend or relative, and have undergone the experience of having the final ceremonies hurried under circumstances most disagreeable and dismal, the thought has invariably arisen: "Why has not someone devised some means of doing away with this horrible practice?" Such a way has been devised, and the question answered. No matter how inclement the weather or disagreeable the condition without, the entrance halls of our mausoleums present a beautiful chapel in which the last rites over the body of the friend or relative are conducted with all the dignity and comfort of a funeral home, in a dry place, amid most comfortable surroundings, and with plenty of light and warmth. Instead of the earth being lowered into the damp, soggy earth, mid depressing conditions, it is carefully and quietly placed in a beautiful white tomb, and instead of the sound of earth falling upon the casket, a marble slab is quietly slid into place. It is felt that our friends are merely in an adjoining room, and it is known that they are fittingly entombed. Why not provide a last resting place—a final home—for those most dear to us? No preparation could be more satisfying than a snow-white tomb in a beautiful mausoleum.

## Becoming General

The deputation on the home greatly pleased with their visit. Mayor Hartman was to have accompanied the deputation, but was unable to do so on account of business. An agreement has to be made out with the city by the company and it would probably be agreed before construction would start.

Many deputations from all over Canada have recently visited Forest Lawn Mausoleum, which already contains the remains of over 85 Torontonians, although the building has only been standing a year.

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## British News

## Giant Buff Ball

An enormous specimen of the fungus known as the giant buff ball (Lycoperdon giganteum), 5lb. in weight, has been found growing by the side of Lion road, Bexley Heath.

Woman Gives Life for Child. Trying to reach a child who was in the roadway, Miss Sarah Ann Moll, of Gloucester street, Cirencester, was knocked down and killed by a motor car near her house. The child was unhurt.

Died in a Bathing Box. Theodore Henry Andrew, fifty-six, a commercial traveller of Nottingham was found in a Weston-super-Mare bathing machine lying unconscious on the floor naked and was removed to the hospital where he succumbed.

Sailor Charged With Murder. William Griffiths, a ship's fireman, was charged at Liverpool with the wilful murder of his sister-in-law, Jane Wiseman, and remanded. It was stated that after a quarrel, Griffiths cut the woman's throat with a razor and she died almost instantly.

Death Sentence Commuted. The governor of Armlay jail, Leeds, has received notification that the death sentence upon Mary Elizabeth Bentley, twenty-three, convicted of the murder of a four-year old child at Bradford, has been commuted to penal servitude for life.

Crushed by a Pit Tub. At an inquest at Hartlepool on the body of a 15-year-old lad named Wm. Macdonald, North Road, Wintgate, who was employed as a trapper in the pit, it was stated that the lad was admitted to the hospital suffering from a compound fracture of the left

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