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London, Monday, Jan. 12.

GENERAL LIBERAL CONVENTION. It has been suggested that a general convention of the Liberal party in the Province shall be held in Toronto about the middle of next month. The idea is a good one. We are on the eve of another session of Parliament, in which momentous questions will be discussed. Soon after its rising, a general election for the Dominion must take place, and there are many matters pertinent thereto that can and should sidered by the representative men of the party in convention assembled.

Let the convention be called by all

CRITICISMS OF GENERAL BOOTH'S NEW SCHEME.

While Prof. Huxley is criticising and ridiculing Gen. Booth's new departure in England, Prof. Robert Ellis Thompson, D.D., of Pennsylvania University, is speaking warm words in praise of it in America. Prof. Thompson is himself an Englishman, and a man of excellent abilities, in spite of his "protectionist" crotchets, for his subject is political economy in an institution placed in the very heart of spoon-fed industries. But this does not hinder him from regarding sympathetically the work of Gen. Booth and the Salvation Army in London and other congested centers of popula-tion in England. "That organization," Prof. Thompson says, "is only beginning to have justice done to it by those who stand outside it. The religious public naturally took oftense at its singularity and its vulgarity of method and paraphernalia. But experience has shown that these were admirably adapted to the human material on which Mr. Booth and his associates had to work. It was quite useless to carry the manners and speech of the cloister into a population whose 'cul-ture' is that of the music hall. With Paul's warrant to become all things to all men for the sake of winning them, the Sal-vation Army devised a style of Christian propaganda exactly adapted to the needs of the East London 'roughs.' It made religion speak Cockney, and lay aside the airs and graces and dignities of the educated classes. And under these startling novelties of manner and method there throbbed hearts warm with love and pity for the

So it has come to pass that the Army has

problem in its effort to save in-dividuals from ruin. It has its shelters, food depots, labor yards and industrial workshops, and with these the Gospel goes hand in hand to make a really human life possible. But Gen. Booth is not numan life possible. But Gen. Booth is not satisfied with what the army has already attempted, and for his larger operations he pleads with the public for £1,000,000 to carry out his plan of rescue and deliverance. "No one, I think," Prof. Thompson says, "can close the book without hoping that Gen. Booth will be furnished with the means for making his great experiment." Nevertheless he does not agree with the scheme in some of its parts, nor yet with some of the statements or inferences of Mr. Booth. He does not believe for instance, that there has been a great moral retrogression in England, or even in London. Those who are familiar with the history of the matter, he asserts, know the contrary. "A recent study of a file of a London news paper of 1762-63, and of another of 1822-23, leads me to say that, while the evils he depicts have grown in volume with the growth culation, they have not grown in Even London in 1890 could not Intensity. Even Lendon in 1890 could not parallel the open brutality, the criminal violence, the social heartlessness of its own past. The very fact that the evils of our time call forth cries of rebuke and cries of lamentation such as this book is a sign of od. It shows the stirring of the Chrisgood. It shows the stirring of the Christian conscience and the deepening sense of social responsibility, which are a promise of better things." These are thoughtful words, and we are persuaded that they are true of most other persuaded that they are true of most other places as well as of the city of London. The world under Gospel influences is not growing worse, but better, and it is well to be reminded of this fact especially when the world is harshly criticised by its reformers. Neither does Prof. Thompson agree with that part of Mr. Booth's scheme which would transplant the depraved masses of England into South Africa. That plan was tried before, when Gen. That plan was tried before, when Gen. Oglethorpe sought to provide for the poor of London by founding a settlement in Georgia. But it was an entire failure, the material furnished by the in fact, the soil is virgin, having been a broken, helpless and unergetic classes of a great city being found quite unequal to the strain of colonial life in a new country. Why," he asks, "undertake to carry these English people beyond the seas, to a climate English people beyond the seas, to a climate and a novel environment which are sure to an environment which are sure to a surface and for centuries. An exhibition will be opened at Burlington House, Picca-dilly, within a few days, which will present features of extraordinary interest.

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on this point, and there is little doubt that on this point, and there is little doubt that the waifs who are every year shipped by hundreds to Canada and elsewhere by "philanthropists" of various orders might be far more hopefully treated were provi-sion made for them at home. It is not as if Eugland was over-populated, for when the Flanders Provinces of Beigium can feed 1800 people to the can feed 1,800 people to the square mile it is not too much for England to maintain 484, especially when we find that there are 7,500,000 acres of land, much of it in the most fertile parts of the kingdom, lying absolutely idle. Prof. Thompson readily recognizes the good features of Gen. Booth's scheme; but they are not all good. It will be greatly to be regretted, he says, if the new ex-periment should divert himself and the Salvation Army in any measure from the good work they have been doing. It always has been a danger, he points out, that the social side of the work would come to predominate, as the whole trend of modern thought is in that direction. "To bring a man's spirit into vital rela-tion to God is to effect a vastly greater change in his real environment than can be effected by any kind of colonization." Prot. Huxley, it ought to be observed, sees nothing but evil in Mr. Booth's great scheme, and in his last letter on the subject in the London Times he says some severe things on one and the other. Of the scheme itself he says: "We are, in fact, in sight of a financial catastrophe like that of Law, a century ago. Only it is the poor who will suffer."

PERSONAL AND GENERAL. —St. Thomas is in one respect a most fortunate place. During last year there

were but nine fires in the city, and the total loss was only \$800. -Hon. Wilfred Laurier, leader of the Opposition in the House of Commons, has been invited to speak at the annual banquet of the New York Chamber of Commerce, on the 29th inst. The honorable gentle-

man has accepted the invitation. ttt -The London Advertiser says that the "unostentatious and orderly" manner in which hundreds of women cast their ballots on Monday converted many to woman suffrage. No doubt a scene of wild disorder was anticipated.—[Toronto World.

Not that, but the best of proof was given that the samen can not without injury to

that the women can vote without injury to male voters and positive benefit to the community, when they get the opportunity.

-The total fire loss in the United States and Canada for 1890 was \$106,998,345, the smallest loss in five years. The total in 1889 was \$131,949,250; in 1888, \$123, 290,520; in 1887, \$129,264,400, and in 1886, \$116,600,000. While the decrease is reassuring, the loss is still far too large. With a little more carefulness on the part of property owners and better provision for combatting fires in towns and villages, it could easily be reduced by one-half. ###

-Mr. and Mrs. Stanley are in Montreal to-day. The explorer, in an interview, condemns in scathing language those who are trying hard to make bad blood between the United States and Canada and Great Britain. He sees no occasion for the ravings of mischief makers on both sides the border, and says that so great a calamity as war over the Behring Sea seals is not to be thought of. This rebuke is well deserved. The trade restrictionists in both countries talk as if war, bloodshed and rapine were mere schoolboys' play. What a catastrophe it would be if their views were to prevail! been led to deal with the social

-In the new University at Chicago, founded by Mr. J. D. Rockefeller, a novel plan has been adopted, on the recommenda-tion of Prof. Harper, of Yale. There will entire year, as the university will not clos its doors at all. The student can enter such classes and attend such lectures as suit his inclination and convenience. Any one can avail himself of the advantages of the nstruction offered. If a business man has an hour or two to spare he can receive in-struction and attend lectures. It will be interesting to watch the course of this new departure.

Four bye-election contests for the Legislature are in progress, and the Liberal leaders in the Legislature deem it proper to meet the people face to face and explain the policy of the Administration. That is not a hard task, after the verdict of the electors at the general election and the practical callance of all active opposition to the tical collapse of all active opposition to the Government. The Hamilton Spectator, therefore, rises to this sublime criticism of

the actions of Ministers:
"Little Mr. Mowat doesn't feel quite safe.
He is sending his Cabinet sponters out to
the bye-election fields."

Had the Ministers refused to go into the counties in which there are bye-elections the cry would have been that they were afraid or unable to defend their policy. Happy men! They please themselves and their friends; they cannot please their enemies.

The cable informs us that a remarkable discovery has just been made near Reading, in Berkshire, on the great Strathfeldsaye estate of the Duke of Wellington. It is a true city, and not a mere camp, and, when fully excavated, will throw light upon the domestic life of our remote ancestors of were a severe strain even on the strongest were about to the strongest lements of society? There is noom enough it England for all, and more than all, her ople; and the recovery of these less ople; and the recovery of these less ople; and the recovery of these less of a house ornamented with mosaic floors. Among the articles to be exhibited are pot-herds, bones, combs, bronze utensils, are pot-herds, bones, baths, temples, for under the remains of a house ornamented with mosaic floors. tirely agree with Prof. Thompson fragments of good glass vessels, pieces

anvils and some edged tools, sharp enough after having lain buried for ten centuries, to work with now. The city was laid out with great regularity in squares like Salisbury and Winchester in mediæval times. which it is formed lay drying in the brickmaker's yard. The prints of the little toes are distinct, and the entire foot is perfectly marked. There are very fair specimens of pottery, from coarse beltic ware to delicate uman bones, skeletons of immature inis curious to note a key ring and a safety pin, with other toilet and table requisit much resembling those in present use.

across the Atlantic without submitting the brutes to cruelty, he disclaims the sugges-

It would be a great loss to Cauada if the live stock trade were prohibited; therefore we are hopeful that our shippers will be abla to convince Mr. Plimsoll and his friends in the British Parliament that every care will be taken to safeguard the cattle and their attendants on the ocean passage

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Atchison Globe.

If it is in your wrist, fill a bucket with very hot water and hold your hand in it until the pain leaves. If the pain is in your knee joint fill a churn with hot water and step in it. More people know what to do for rheumatism than for any other disease; the only man we know of that don't know what to do in a case of rheumatism is an Atchison doctor. We called him for a pain in the wrist once and he did not suggest anything, although he talked cheerfully, and tried to be entertaining. Finally we told him we didn't want to be amused; we wanted to know a remedy for rheumatism. "I don't know anything that's good for it," he replied. "If you hear of a remedy send me word; I have had it 40 years."

LADY ABERDEEN AS A POLITICIAN.

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Canada Presbyterian.

Lady Aberdeen, who won such golden opinions in Canada last summer, addressed a meeting of the Edinburgh Woman's Liberal Association a few days ago. There was a sprinkling of gentlemen present, among others Principal Rainy. Here is a practical solution of the question: Should ministers take part in politics? If political meetings held by men are too rough let them attend meetings held by the ladies. The meeting Lady Aberdeen addressed warmly indorsed the action taken by Gladstone in the Parnell matter. They did right. The Grand Old Man never did a grander thing than when he offered to retire from public life rather than associate with the besmirched Irish leader.

mercial and industrial world she is all taken advantage of, receiving in almo-every case much smaller remuneration for her services than do men. Women have lot to get, even in Christian lands, before they get justice.



There is a piece of tile upon which a baby must have trodden while the clay of ly moided vessels embellished with artistic designs of human and animal figures and symbolic devices. There are two sets of tants or dwarfs, as also needles and other articles of household use. Among these it

There is one bangle almost fac-simile those worn in India and seen in our jewelers' shops to day. -Though Mr. Plimsoll, M.P., is very auxious to have the live stock trade carried

brutes to cruelty, he disclaims the suggestion that his object is to establish a sort of "protection" for British farmers. He says:

"No one in Britain ever dreams of 'protection.' The people would not have it on any account. It is like tying one hand and one leg and then expecting to be able to do as much work as a man with his limbs at liberty. If the British Parliament restrict or prohibit the landing of live cattle from across the Atlantic it will be purely as a matter of humanity, and not with a view to 'protection.' If the trade in live cattle ceases your people will speedily adopt the ceases your people will speedily adopt the most approved means of sending us beef in carrasses."

### OTHER NEWSPAPERS.

Chatham Planet.

Mitchell Recorder.

While our editor, Mr. T. H. Race, is absent attending farmers' institutes, the Recorder will steal from its contemporaries what editorial matter it requires over and above what he may have time to send.

WOMAN'S POSITION.

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Hamilton Times.

Rev. Dr. Kellogg, of Toronto, Sunday morning preached on the degrading position occupied by women in Mohammedan and Buddhist lands. He might also have said something about the position women occupy in Christian Canada. In the Canada Presbyterian Church, to which he belongs, women fill a rather ignominions position, although they compose more than one half of its membership. They can subscribe of their means to it, must obey its constitution and live up to its creed and are subject to its slissipline the same as the men, but they have no part nor lot in its councils. A woman cannot be a manager or an elder or a preacher. She cannot sit in the Session, the Preabytery, the Synod or the General Assembly. If she is, in the eyes of her Master, the equal of her brother, the Church does her an injustice in denying her the privileges accorded to him. She is equally trampled upon by the State. She must pay her taxes, but she cannot vote, nor can she be a member of Parliament, a Cabinet minister, a premier, or even a judge. In the commercial and industrial world she is also taken advantage of, receiving in almost every case much smaller remuneration for



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