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ASSUMING OUR OWN DEFENCE.

The announcement that an agree ment has practically been reached with the Imperial Government by which the Dominion will shortly assome the defences at Halifax and Esquimault is one that is not likely to occasion much adverse criticism on this side of the Atlantic, joints out the Stratford Herald. The rincirle is a right one and might well have been adorted sooner. Circumstances have changed greatly since England planted those fortifications on the two ocean coasts. Then Canada was in a sense a mere bolding of the Crown; to-day its status is rather that of an integral part of the Emrire-not as powerful a part as some, it may be, but still a force to be reckoned with. The position occuried is in a measure that of an eldest son who has outgrown childish things and is prepared to assume the duties of manhood. On us as a reople a measure of the white man's burden must descend and as a reople we apparently realize it. The part played in the last war of the Empire was an indication of this and the rresent step, in assuming our own defences, is only a further recognition of it. Decidedly it is a step in the right direction.

Only let us have no chear sentimentalism over it, please, no wealth of words about our loyalty to England, such as marked the sending of the South African contingents. Our love for the Mother Country has never been questioned, but it is something that we do not commonly talk about and it is something agart from the present movement There is no question of loyalty to England about it; it is rather a question of duty and self-interesta recognition that we are simply a unit in an Empire that is wider than England and as such must play our own part in the national defence.

The terms of the agreement, so far as made known, appear to be satisfactory. To have merely contributed a sum of money, as was proposed in Parliament, would have been less satisfactory as it would have savored too much of a gift in consideration of services rendered. On the other hand the assuming of the defences will place Canada on its proper footing as a distinct part of a whited Emrire. It is in keeping with the sturdy spirit of independence which seems to be a trait of the Canadian character; it will give the neonle of the Dominion an opportunity of seeing where their money is going, and it may even be expected to do something toward removing the erroneous opinion held by many of our English brothers, that Canada is a mere dependency of England which could not exist without the protection of the mo-

AN INTERNATIONAL CHAMBER OF AGRICULTURE.

One of the striking features of the time is the manner in which the rulers of the nations, hereditary and elective, are interesting themselves in international arrangements. The of Italy, at whose instance the Italian government has addressed a note to the powers, proposing that a conference be held in Rome next May for the consideration of a scheme to establish an international chamber of agriculture. In his letter to the president of the Italian council, the King explains that the scheme was suggested to him by a citizen of the United States, and seemed to him practical and valuable. The agricultural classes of the world are decimated and dispersed, and are unable to provide adequately for the improvement and rational distribution of the various forms of agricultural produce. While absolutely non-political in its aims, the chamber he has in view would act as a bureau of information as to the quantity and quality of the crops, and in unison with the various national associations already existing throughout the world. It would furnish trustworthy information as to the demand and supply of agricultural labor and promote agreements necessary for collective defence against diseases of plants and animals and influence the development of societies for rural cooperation, for agricultural insurance

and for agrarian credit. In the despatch which the Italian government has addressed to its rep resentatives abroad emphasis is laid upon these points and other weighty reasons are given for the formation an international chamber. Among them is that the proposed chamber would operate as a mean of defence against the action of transportation and commercial trusts, which the law is unable to

makes life worth living. It clears the brain and cleans the stomach, makes the bowels move naturally, gives an appetite for breakfast, and makes every day the best day in the year.

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prevent, but which are nearly always harmless if the producers and consumers are advisedly informed and guided as to the real conditions of the markets. Consequently, the despatch adds, the international chamber of agriculture does not imply war against the great organizations and concentrations of capital and labor, but it implies efficacious defence the only efficacious defence-against any abuses of the same. It does not aim at doing away with the middleman, but at controlling his actions. The Italian government's communication closes by asking its representatives to make a special point of the advantages which the various governments would secure by having their representatives in the international chamber.

This proposal appears to be a very valuable and timely one. Already in several countries national societies or organizations exist for the purpose of doing for their respective nations what it is now proposed to do for the world. It has been found in connection with those national societies that it is not necessary to give advice, but to ascertain and disseminate facts. When these were fully grasped the intelligence and common sense of the localities interested led to the necessary changes in the character agricultural products and the methods of their disposal. There is no reason to doubt that the same result would follow in the case of the nation themselves. In place of competing with and injuring each other unnecessarily all would benefit by being guided to the best and most profitable market. A knowledge of the most scientific modes of husbandry would be disseminated and agriculturists would be guarded against fraud and ignorance in the purchase of implements, and in the use of lertilizers and foodstuffs. So vast and so rapidly increasing is the world market that there can be no fear of over-production. The fear is rather the other way when as it present circumstances one part of the world may have its market glutted and another be on the verge of starvation. A regular market and steady profits are better in the long run than a fluctuating market and uncertain profits. That more stable field which a national society provides for its own districts an inter national chamber will help to provide in the case of the nations them

Such an international institution would also aid in the inauguration of that reign of peace so ardently desired by the best men of every latest instance is that of the King age. It is not at all probable that the federation of humanity will ever be attained in any formal way. It will come into being by degrees. the nations realize the real solidarity of their interest and learn to appreciate their inter-dependence and the folly of attempting to establish a universal domination on the ruins of their neighbors, and rivals, trade and industry, a better sentiment will take its ;lace. When peoples are linked together by mutual knowledge and interest the causes of war will diminish and the results of war will be more dreaded. Till that time comes individual nations must continue to protect themselves, but that need not prevent them from hastening the dawn of a new and better day. And the most effective ster

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is, through international association and action, to broaden their symrathies and heighten their aspira tions.-Mail and Emrire.

EGGS IS EGGS. Belleville Intelligencer The two loftiest things we know of at present are the snowbanks and the price of eggs.

A FELLOW FEELING

Say, George E. Foster, shake! Here is a good place to get sympathy for able to hold your job very

A REVERSAL OF CONDITIONS.

New York Tribune If Deputy Marshal "Bat" Masteron, champion gun fighter, scout and wild Westerner, can rid New York of the Mafia and its present surplus of thugs the city will consent with better grace to be referred to as the 'effete East" out in Butte, which shivers with horror as it reads about our subway and its terrors.

DOING HIM A GOOD TURN. Toronto Star

Andrew Carnegie is going to Cleveland to testify against Mrs. Chadwick, although she got into her present trouble through her sympathetic desire to help him escape the disgrace of dying rich. He was resolved not to die rich, and with her quick vomanly instinct she resolved to help him all she could.

LADIES AT RESTAURANTS. Vanity Fair.

Though ladies may affect a nice discrimination in the preparation of food, they are much too interested in their surroundings to be really pritical. A band and an extra half bottle of wine will cover a lot of the sins of omission. It is important however, to always place them facing the room, as two or three dinners have been rendered ghastly failures from the fact that the lady had all her jewellery on in front, and her back to the room.

NEEDS OF THE HAIR.

The Greatest Are Cleanliness, Ven tilation and Friction. The first and greatest needs of the hair are cleanliness, friction and ven-tilation. Give your halo a sun bath once in awhile, and the silky strands will fairly laugh with happiness. For some crazy reason there are many individuals who will not wash their heads often enough to keep the hair decently clean. We are not water animals and do not need to soak our topknots every day, but it is a pretty plain fact that once every week or two the hair should be carefully washed. If there is an inclination to dandruff or if the hair is dust, a weekly shampoo is an absolute

By using eggs instead of soap there is no danger whatever of causing the hair to become harsh and brittle. Eggs are as cleansing as soap, and the sulphur contained in them acts as a tonic to the growth. When eggs are used the water should be very hot and the hair rubbed vigorously so that the eggs will make good live suds. No soap is eccessary.
When the hair persistently suffers

from loss of vitality it is usually from one or more of the following causes: Uncleanliness, lack of care, anxiety, worry, late hours, overstudy, want of exercise or disease. Dyspepsia is responsible for many thinned out halos. The hair, being the most delicate of

Nearly everybody knows that charsponsible for many thinned out halos.
The hair, being the most delicate of
the body's formation, is the first to
show that the body is not receiving
sufficient nourishment. The use of
harmful restoratives or dyes will fre
quently cause the hair to become gray
and broken. One cannot be too carefu,
what one rubs into one's thought dome.

THE BABY'S EARS.

They Really Require Attention From
the Merseat of Birth.

The ears are quite as important little
members to be caref for as the eyes,
and when they stand out from the head
they are anything but ornamental.
From earliest infancy be careful to see
that the cars are always kept back in
place. When the child is lying on his
side be sure that the ear is lying flat
against the head, not folded over toward the face. Be careful that the
ear on the opposite side is apt to stand
out a little more than the one on which
he lies. Nurses when putting children's
caps on are often careless in not seeing
that the ears are pressed flat against
the head. Time and again when a baby's cap has been removed have i seen
the little cars red and creased by being
bound forward by the sange cap, and if
baby has thick hair or curis which are
gathered in a little mass behind the
ear they, too, will prevent the ear
from lying back close to the head,
supcinally were there is the slightest tendency of the cars to stand out. The
mother or nurse should be very careful
of these little things, for if neglected
until the child is very young.—Maisinn. Whe ler is they swisdom to conceal the mind.

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Humor and Philosophy

THE SUMMER BOARDER

Delicate and quite sickly, Hardly can stand on his feet, Wanting to trade the city Off for a calm retreat; Mo appetite, but it's a fright Just to observe him cat.

Wanting to make the natives Think he is rich and great, Able to run the city. Also perhaps the state, Bullt on the plan of a great big as Maybe a candidate.

Meanwhile the wily farmer
Who has the coin annexed
Letteth the boarder ramble
On with himself as text;
Don't crack a smile, though all the while
He and his folks are "next."

Who is that large gentleman with a big wagon who looks as though he wanted to run over some one? That is the ice man. When summer comes he comes also. He has a vague idea that your mother has some money, and he wants it. He gets it.

good guesser? No, he is a wretched guesser. He thinks that seventeen ounces make fifty pounds.

"Yes. Her husband says she is worth her weight in gold, and every pound

They Missed It. "Some of the world's greatest poets received but very little pay for

We have the smokeless powder In every modern fight, But the smokeless corresponder is not as yet in sight.

"All right, Weary, but before we go to the trouble of traveling, look in the book and see if there are no Pie is-

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Nearly everybody knows that charooal is the satest and most efficient disinfectant and purifier in nature, but few realize its value when taken

Happy is the man who never knows when he gets the worst of it.

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

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Out to the pleasant country, Whether in east or west, Cometh the summer boarder, Looking for health and rest, Wanting to pay one per day And to receive the best.

Boss of the Road.

In exchange for the money he gives her a chunk of ice that she can frequently see without putting on her glasses. If she kicks he makes the piece smaller and charges twice as much.

Is the ice man a

Does the ice man own the big wagon that he drives? No. If he did he would not drive it.

Hardly Same as Cash, "Mrs. Blanque is resigned to the double chin that annoved her at first" she adds to her weight seems like put-ting money in the bank."

The Difference. A villain vile may smile and smile, Though he'd kill a man by inches, But it takes a girl to look real sweet When she wears a shoe that pinches

"Think of what they missed by being born before the days of the soap adver-

He Still Smokes

Wanted the Best. "Drousie, let's take a trip to Sandwich Islands."

Softened the Shade. Mer hair was like a carrot, A bricktop, sure enough, But still they called it auburn Secause she had the "stuff."

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CULINARY CONCEITS.

Granulated sugar makes a better meringue than powdered sugar. Save rice water when you have boil-

ed rice for curry, as it makes a very good foundation for stock or sauce. In cooking tough fowls or meat one tablespoonful of vinegar in the water will save nearly two hours' boiling.

One cook always puts a crust of bread into the water in which greens are boiled. She says that the bread absorbs an objectionable rankness of flavor,

Nearly everything made with baking powder may be raised equally well with sour milk, buttermilk or soda, allowing one even tenspoonful of soda to each pint of milk.

Recfsteak is often improved by rubbing two teaspoonfuls of salad oil over it, then leaving it so for several hours between two plates. This is said to soften the meat fiber.

A Wondertal Knife.

The collection of a famous firm of cutiers in Sheffield, England, includes what is by some considered to be the most valuable knife in the world. It is large enough to fit in the pocket of none but a glant, and it contains seventy-five blades, which close up like those of an ordinary knife. Each of the larger blades is elaborately engraved, and among the subjects of these strange pictures are views of Sheffield college, the city of York, Windsor castle, Arundel castle and a score of other-famous scenes. The hafts are of mother-of-pearl, carved with great skill. On one side the artist has depicted a stag hunt and on the other a boar hunt.

Time is the great comforter of grief, but the agency by which it works is exhaustion.



A short order is you get from the grocery.

MR. HILL HAS PROVED IT

Toronto man explains how he ga ed thirty pounds in a few Remarkable statement.

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