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HAS A GOOD PLAN

So Mr. Rankin Says For a Ra-

Will Write and Suggest it to the Nev Council shortly.

desultory explorations in search of the Fortunate Islands I have never contrived to catch up and profit by association with that stalwart architect of successful individual effort, the genius of industry-that inevitable guide, philosopher and friend to the willing pilgrim along the pathway leading to the goal which at one time or another in life, shimmers and shines in the imagination of most of us. If be absolutely seen and felt to be duly

husbed in the sombre stillness of suepended animation, and the breathless, reamy quiet of the leafless trees is undreamy quiet of the leafless trees is undisturbed save by an occasional pounding upon one of their hollow dead ones
of some stiff-necked, vagabond woodpecker in search of his staff of life.
In the absence of any other sign of
life or sound, even the echoes, ever sensitive in the valleys of these Laurentian hills where nature is agog with life, are hushed in the solemnity of impressive sleep. The frigid tongues in trees are speechless for the nonce, the books in the sometime running brooks are sealed and ice bound tombs for the time being, the frost and snow smothsed to sermonize. ered stones have ceas and the good in everything or anything, well, that must have gone south to some salubrious sunny clime and will not likely file and apearance here again until long after the spring poet has come and gone in his annual visitation. Howbeit, the "Penalty of Adam" still remains and "the icy fang and churlish chiding of the winter's wind" will still continue to "bite and blow" upon one's "muddy vesture of decay" until the lefter of March have come and gone the Ides of March have come and gone a month and more and old a month and more and old Phebus has hied himself upward and onward in his life giving March back to the goal of his summer solstice. Meanwhile, pending this silence of his woodland tutors and the absence of good in any, one can blow upon his fingers and

THINK THOUGHTS not always in keeping with that spirit of orthodoxy whose ancient barriers frown down upon a vagrant beterodoxy and the modern methods of fin de siecie. innovation. Thus has come to me a suspicion—an indefinable vague sort of thought of late, that in respect of the eternal hereafter and the fulfilment of our final destiny, it would be well for most of us poor mortals if, as concern-ing our probational sojourn here below ?) there could but be ap Kentucky gambler's principal of, "three times and out," which being reduced to our own less figurative vernacular means that if you can't win in three tries you deserve to lose. This method would entail a curriculum of three separate and distinct lives with corresponding, differently appearing entities or hodies in each, for it would not do to be burdened with the same old careass for three separate terms of existence. The first life, correspond ing to the university freehman's year, would practically be the same with our present callow, catch as catch cap, lundering existence and migat be reblundering existence and might be regarded as a preliminary canter or "curtain raiser" to the two succeeding lives. The second life would be as the sophmore years in the college course and if lived rightly, would be devoted to undoing that which was done in the first life. Then would come the third or graduating life which would termin ate with a blast from Gabriel's trumpet and a ringing down of the curtain to the accompaniment of celestial music or the fireworks of hades as the case or the fireworks of hades as the case might be. In this last life if a man had not in

his second heat rectified the mistakes

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and iniquities of the old Adam which pervaded his first life, and if he did not govern himself and feel towards his fellow man, the charity described by St. Paul (13th to the Corinthians, First), and if he did not in all things observe the Golden Rule, and if he did not lavishly give to the poor with one of his hands unbeknown to the other, and if his righteonsness did not far

and if his righteousness did not far-and away exceed the righteousness of the Scribes and Pharises, then might he be consigned to the place where Dr. Taimage says the wicked man goes when he shuffles off this mortal col-To The Planet,-In my bitherto unwept, unhonored and unsung!

If this curriculum of probationary lives—this "three times and out," sys-tem had been in operation when I vis-ited Chatham in '96, innocent of any thought of any

ELECTRIC RAILWAY PROJECT, and I had been on my second trip through this vale of tears, I never would have gotten into the scrape of attempting to promote the construc-tion of the Chatham City & Suburban Electric Railroad. On the occasion rehe were here in this cabin in the bush late Sheriff Mercer, whom I had not at this moment, I might under his benign and stimulating influence attempt to describe the well-pigh, awespiring silence which pervades these northern forests of tall trees on a calm, still, winter day such as this whose shought prematurely to a close brought prematurely to a close were prought prematurely to a close by overhanging clouds portentous of a coming storm. But cui bono, who cares to read a crude and inadequate description of surroundings, that must be absolutely seen and fait the be duly to do at that time I had better come and take hold of the local electric railappreciated?

Let it suffice to say that all nature is way scheme which was being talked

Let it suffice to say that all nature is of. I took the suggestion at the time of. I took the suggestion at the time in the jocular spirit in which it was given, but none the less it set me thinking upon the subject and resulted in my securing from the legislature, with the city's co-operation, the charter for "The Chatham City & Suburban Railway Company."

But if, as I said before, I had been on my second tour through life under "the three times and out" plan when the Sheriff offered his suggestion, I should have said, "No thank you, Mr.

should have said, "No thank you, Mr. Sheriff, I don't think I'll tackle it. I'm not a tenderfoot respecting Chat-ham and its proposed electric railway system. On my first whirl through the world I found out that while Chatham is admirably situated and equipped-no point in Ontario betterfor the successful operation of a radial railway system, the business men of the city view the project (and govern themselves accordingly) as Artemus Ward did the war of the rebellion in the States. They are prepared to contribute all their financial relations towards the undertaking, but they won't put a nickel in it out of their own pockets, simply because they don't think the enterprise would pay as an investment, and therefore would not furnish their customary cinch on 7 or 8 per cent. Feeling as the more conspicuous business men of the city feel with regard to the en-terprise as an investment, in waiting for outsiders to come along the outsiders to come along and build the road, they are simply fishing for suckers; but if some set of philanthropic suckers were to happen along and build the road and it was found to pay well, then these same business men would want to get outside of themselves and kick themselves for not having built it themselves, and would probably offer thirty or forty thousand dollars advance upon its actual cost of construction, as the smart Alecs of Windsor did with the late Col. Clark, who built their system. Unless the enterprise is taken hold of by local interests and pushed to completion you're going to wait some time before

you get your raidway."
This is what I would have said in the suppositious circumstances men tioned. But as it was, this being my tioned. But as it was, rais being my first and only life, with all the blun-dering inexperience begotten of that fact, in the hope of being paid for my services by the ultimate company in the manner provided for by all rail-way charters granted by the Ontario Legislature. I took hold of the scheme and failed, partially, not in toto, be-cause, inasmuch as the proposition con-tained in the so-called railway by-law which was submitted and defeated, covered the lighting of the city as well as the construction and operation of the railway, while we lost the railway I was primarily and directly instru-mental in having the present city the manner provided for by all railmental in having the present city lighting plant installed.

MY FAILURE

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was disastrous to myself and, I regret to say, financially, in a comparatively small way, to three or four esteemed friends, but the city and ratepayers thereof benefitted by reason of my efforts, for if the city is doing its own lighting to-day it can thank me for it. But this will seem like blowing my own horn, and I don't want to do that. The truth is, that whenever I think about Chatham's proposed electhink about Chatham's proposed elec-tric railway I always feel as if I should like never to have heard of it. And, as a matter of fact, until The Planet containing that previously quoted item reporting Mayor Smith's return from Buffalo (whither he had one to see the capitalists about the gone to see the capitalists about the railway) was sent me. I had not heard or seen anything about the railway for more than a year. I have not heard what they are doing with or in respect of the charter, but presume that its present controllers are meeting with the same obstacles to its being successfully pushed into life that I had to encounter, and if this be the case something different to that which has been tried before might be tried now with advantage. Just as an which has been tried before might be tried now with advantage. Just as an old hand at a game of chess or checkers while looking on at a game being played by others will see a winning move that escapes the notice of the players themselves, so have I, right up here in this cabin in an Algoma bush, hit upon a plan, as I firmly believe, that if adopted will lead to the construction of Chatham's radial railway forthwith in a way most profitconstruction of Chatham's radial rail-way forthwith in a way most profit-able to the city and withal popular. And now as you, my dear Planet, will observe, /I have about reached the end of my paper, and therefore won't at-tempt to elaborate what that plan is

tempt to elaborate what that plan is at present. But in the course of a fortnight or so, when the new council gets well down to routine business, I shall fulminate the plan I refer to—which, as you shall see, will at least possess the negative if not positive merit of originality—in the form of a communication addressed to the major and council, and this I shall forward to the city clerk, Mr. Merrit, Till then, adeos.

GEO. C. RANKIN.

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cier vice president.

The hockey match with Dresden has been postponed until Friday night.

The sleighing has made things hum in business circles this week. Miss Marie Kerr has returned from

St. Thomas.

Miss McFarlane entertains a num er of her friends this evening. Miss Young, of Florence, was in own yesterday The new catalogues are about ready

for circulation.

Our curlers will attend the bonspie on the 24th inst., if the weather is fa-

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I'd fly to the African shore,

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I'd make drumheads out of their hides, So our boys could, play Johnnie's Marching Home; Dear, but it puts pains in my heart When I reflect on the loss of our

Had I been commander-in-chief of the Like sheep to the slaughter they'd I'd make it so hot and so stormy

They'd all be dead before they would generals with honors are loaded, They'll not resort to tactics that's

Honor in war long ago was exploded, He that's successful must be cunning and keen. The widows and orphans, the pain and the sorrow, The mourning and gloom all over

the land,
Through the clouds of adversity the sun may be shining to-morrow, Old England, Old England, forever

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Arise from your dormant sleep!
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Solomon Cowell, a resident of North

Solomon Cowell, a resident of North Dresden, was buried in the Dresden cemetery yesterday.

The Assembly given in the Opera.
House on Tuesday evening, was a most enjoyable affair and a large number were present. The hall was beautifully decorated for the occas-ion.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Patrick Burns, 1st con., near Dawn Centre, took place from the family residence to Dresden cemetery. Rev. Fr. Ronan, Wallaceburg, conducted the services.

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Chatham, and all claims against the
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