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BOYCOTTING THE HORSE AND THE STEAM ENGINE.
Electricity bids fair to be the universal

motor power in the near future. It already has been found to be a cheaper agen than horses for propelling street cars, and almost every week sees several hundreds of these hard-worked, docile animals worked out of a job through its adaptation to the wants of urban travelers. But tory, but people do not forget that the last there is a reasonable prospect that at no distant day electricity will replace steam on long distance reads as well as horses on the farm. We look forward to the time when the storage battery will be so improved, cheapened and brought within the reach of everyone that a farmer will be able to attach one to each of his vehicles and heavy implements, and get it to do the work of one or more horses, according to its size, at a tithe of the cost incident to present methods.

Already an electric phaeton has been constructed at Indianapolis, and those who are fortunate enough to attend the World's Fair at Chicago will have opportunity to intercourse. We have seen no valid reason test its adaptability to human wants. The vehicle will carry two passengers on the same seat and the motorman on the same seat and the motorman on the rumble. The motorman will guide with one hand and with the other apply or slut off the electricity, which is generated by six cells located under the main seat. The current is transmitted to a one-half horsepower motor. What the cost of manufac turing this novel vehicle is has not been stated, but it would not be surprising to nd that its maintainance is little, if any,

find that its maintainance is little, if any, higher than an ordinary horse and baggy. Probably the next great development of electricity, however, will be in supplying radial railways near large cities and in propelling trains on ordinary railways. First of all, we shall have the experimental the state. It is preserved the allowed the state. If success crowns the efforts of the enterprising capitalists who now have the matter in hand, they will certainly have many imilators. The most ambitious scheme yet set on foot is that undertaken has been relieved that employment of convicts at trades is unfair to existing industries. There is matter in hand, they will certainly have many imilators. The most ambitious scheme yet set on foot is that undertaken by the St. Louis-Chicago Electric Railway Company, which is now engaged in the urgent preliminary work, and has bought the necessary right-of-way to establish a bec line between these two big western cities. Capital has not been lacking for the preliminary work, and the prowestern cities. Capital has not been lacking for the preliminary work, and the projectors, who are men of acknowledged professional standing, state that there will be no difficulty in completing the line throughout and having it in operation 202 miles by the opening of the World's Fair season. It is expected to attain a speed of 100 miles an hour when the machinery and rolling stock have been perfected. The company will at the outset handle passenger, mail, and express business, and later on give attention to freight traffic. One hundred miles an hour appears to be a tremendous speed for even electric cars to run, but it may be that tremendous speed for even electric cars to run, but it may be that the projectors accept the view that there is greater safety for the traveler in the event of collision on a fast train than on a slow one. If this line is established and successfully operated, then the problem of long distance electric railway development will have been selved. A still more ment will have been solved. A still more remarkable project is that of Col. Henkle, of Rochester, N. Y., who, according to a dispatch, recently laid before the officials of the Grand Trunk Railway his scheme for harmassing Niagara's water power. He will have been solved. A still more harnessing Niagara's water power. now states that he is almost ready to make a start on the undertaking. He proposes to construct a gigantic power house across the brink of Ningara Fails for the purpose of generating electrical power to be used of generating reaction power.

for lighting, running trains, and operating all kinds of machinery. The power house will cost \$35,000,000! Four years will be required to build it, and Col. Honkle expects to make a start in November. This reads like one of Col. Sellars' foliulous with with williams in it!" It projects - with "millions in it !" prejects — with "millions in it? It may or may not come to anything. But this much is certain, scientists have long ago asserted that there is an enormous amount of power running to waste at Ningara Falls. It only requires

SOME BRITISH APPOINTMENTS.

It is not often that both father and son are to be found in the same Government; but the appointment of Herbert Gladstone to the post of Under Secretary of the Home Office brings about that unusual family combination. The junior Gladstone, is however, a man in the prime of life, and possesses considerable talent. The selection of Mr. Thomas Burt, miner's fould of entertaining and pleasant reading.

THE PRISONERS AND TWINE.

We trust that the Ontario Government will not be deterred from its determination to break down the binder twine monopoly, and give the farmers of the Province supply of this useful commodity at a reasonable cost, by any dodges that the ringsters may set on foot. Convicts in the Central Prison have to be employed. It is not fair to the farmers or the wage-earners should be maintained in idleness, and it is

Henkle, ing to a meing inflated by scheming to a five special form the color of the sanitary convention in Niagara Falls, Dr. J. D. Maedonald, of Hamilton, presented his paper on "The Best Means of Disposing of City Sewage and Garbage." He stated that all expectation of turning sewage to profitable account to ragriculture or herticulture will have to be abandoned, atting at the expense of its application to these is so great. The best that can be looked for its to make as little as possible the loss attending the handling of sewage and garbage. Hereferred to the assertion of some that rivers and lakes were the natural channels for carring off sewage, and object to each a claim. Sewage should never be emptied into streams and lakes until that first been purified. The best system of disposing of sewage was its application to land filtration. He believed in the possibilities of sewage farms.

TOPICS OF TO-DAY.

We have, however, less belief than Principal Grant has in the power of either of the peoples of this continent to hold itself aloof from the other. Fraternity is the only possible condition of stable equilibrium. Every gale that blows drives us upon each other's protection. The currents of common waters float American commerce down to us; summer heats and winter colds compel us to visit one another; intellectual, social, moral and religious sympathies draw the good of both nations together in public meetings and the United States are fighting against the strong-structure of the sum and the earth, the moon and the star in their course and against the strong-set human as well as elemental influences.

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scientists have long ago asserted that there is an enormous amount of power running to waste at Niagara Falls. It only requires well-directed knowledge and ingenuity on the part of man to turn this power to the advantage of the race. Col. Henkle may not his we the ability to produce the results he contemplates, and if he has the ability he may find difficulty in getting cap tal to carry out his work. But if he once can an accessfully demonstrate that it will pay, he will not experience much trouble in completing his gigantic task.

We are on the eve of an era of marvelous development in the scientific world. Wonders have been accomplished in the last twenty years, for in 1875 electricity was not spoken of as an illuminating agent, much less as a motor. Suppose we make the same relative progress in the next twenty years, where, in the words of the famous Congressman, will we be at?

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THE UNITY OF MANKIND.
[Welt Whitman.]
We are all embarked together like fellows a ship, bound for good or for bad. What recks one wrecks all. What reaches the ort for one reaches the port for all. Nothing will do eventually but an understanding of the solidarity of the people, of all seens and all races.

THE BACKDOWN THE BACKDOWN.
[Chicago Canadian-American-]
The removal of the canal rebare under pressure is tantament to a backdown, though very little if any loss of traffic is likely to accrue to Canadian ports as a result of the action taken at Ottawa. The rebate was abolished just two months too called a reflect credit on Canadian diplowho have to pay for their keep that they late to reflect credit on Canadian dipl

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> [Portland Transcript.]
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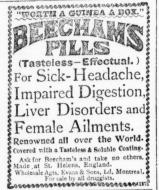
THE TAX ON LAND VALUES.

[Portland (Ore.) East Oregonian]
A tax on land values regardiess of improvements will do much towards eradicating the abuses of land monopoly and giving the producer all of the fruits of his toil. It would undoubtedly compel the owner of land to be the user of land. It would take the unearned increment now going into the pockets of the monopolizers, manipulators, speculators and the tidle rich classes and pay the expenses of government, thereby relieving labor and enterprise of the burden of taxation which is pressing the life out of them at present. It would stimulate industry; it would discourage speculation; it would lessen taxation; it would preentland values from being inflated by schemers.

Fire, Water and Smoke Get in Their Work at Ridgetown. Work at Ridgetown.

RIDGETOWN, Ont., Aug. 19.—At 12 o'clock to-night fire started in the rear of Long's large drygoods store in the Livingstone Block. It was quickly subdued by the brigade, hut not before Mr. Long's large stock was completely ruined. P. Bawden's stock of drugs, next door, was also badly damaged. J. W. Coyne's dental parlor above Long's store, and the lodge rooms in the third flat were also badly injured. Long's loss will be heavy, as will Mr. Bawden's. Insurances unknown at present.





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