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God's in His heaven,

All's right with the world.

—Browning.

London, Friday, June 11, 1897.

In Lexington, Ky., boys who steal bicycles are soundly whipped for the first offense. They very rarely try it again.

Almighty Voice is undoubtedly dead, but Almighty Imagination continues to lead the Opposition in the Dominion House of Commons.

The Dominion Government is taking steps to secure the return of French-Canadian voters. It is hard to make a living in the towns of the Eastern States. The intention is to place them on the new and fertile lands of Northern Quebec.

The Montreal Star, though generally supporting the Opposition, admits that Mr. Laurier "has got together an emphatically go-ahead Government. It does things." And candid critics admit that it is working for the promotion of the whole people.

What has become of the old-fashioned 20-year-old maiden who was willing to wash dishes while her mother took a much-needed nap?—Philadelphia Ledger.

In Canada that kind of maiden married happily, and is now enabled to enjoy life, by the agency of her well-trained daughter, as did her mother before her. Does our contemporary find the species extinct in its ballad-world?

There is considerable complaint in many of the churches of a lack of money—of indisposition to contribute liberally to the funds for promoting the work of the church. A candid investigation would probably reveal the fact that the reason for the shortcomings in this regard is the long period of depression through which the country has passed. Now that it is emerging from this unsatisfactory condition of affairs, improvement all along the line may be expected.

The Canadian hen is on the top. Hon. Mr. Fisher, Dominion Minister of Agriculture, has been advised by the egg dealers of Western Ontario that they will require to cold storage cars during each of the months of July, August, September, October, and November, for the carrying of eggs to be shipped to the British market. And the trade under cold storage facilities, is but beginning. Let the roosters crow and the hens lay, and confounded be he who first shouts, "Hill! enough!"

Referring to the visit of the Premier of Britain beyond the Sea, the London, England, Empire says: "It is a commentary on the system under which the honors of the Most Noble Order of St. Michael and St. George are bestowed, that of the ten titled, Messrs. Laurier (Canada), Reid (New South Wales), Kingston (South Australia), and Seddon (New Zealand), would outweigh any four of their fellow Prime Ministers, mentally as well as physically."

It is never too late to mend. By the death of Mr. Nicholas Awrey, registrar of Wentworth county, a man of marked personality has been removed from the public service. Mr. Awrey, who was a native Canadian, early entered public life, and from 1873 till two years ago represented the district in the Legislature. He was a Liberal, and took an active part in promoting a number of progressive measures. When Dr. Lewis Springer died two years ago, Mr. Awrey was appointed to the office of registrar, his selection being approved on all sides.

Hon. Mr. Wark, the New Brunswick veteran statesman, who made the masterly address in the Dominion Senate the other night in favor of in every possible way promoting closer relations between the motherland and the colonies, is the father of Parliament. He has entered on his 55th year, and has been a legislator for his province or a member of Parliament for the long period of 52 years. Senator Wark is by birth an Irishman, and he is a fine type of the progressive citizens which that island has given to every English-speaking country in the world.

Bishop Sweetman, of the Anglican Diocese, Toronto, at the opening of the synod, spoke strongly on the question of divorce and the sacredness of the marriage tie. Pending more stringent legislation, the bishop urged the clergy not to sanction the marriage of divorcees, and to discourage clandestine marriages by giving as much publicity as possible to the ceremony. These are important suggestions. Divorce has been encouraged in this country by the ease with which a dissatisfied person could cross the border, get a divorce, and remarry, return to Canada, where all was forgiven. In future, marriages so contracted will not be held valid in Canada, and other salutary legislation

along the same line is now pending in the Dominion Parliament.

To light a six-roomed house for \$1 a month by means of an electric mixture, which can be sold around the streets in rubber balls as a milkman delivers milk, is what John F. Wagner, a deputy sheriff of Mill Valley, Cal., says he can do. Wagner is an electrician, and two years ago, while trying to find a method of running an electric elevator by a battery instead of a motor, the idea came to him to get an arc light out of a battery. He experimented, and two months ago produced the light. Then, trying to increase the light by increasing the solution, he lost it, only to find it later. He uses four cells, producing about five volts each. In each cell are two poles of carbon and zinc. Other batteries differ in this respect by having but one pole to each cell. The results, however, are produced by the solution, which, of course, is secret. If Mr. Wagner can make good his promise, he will easily make his fortune in a short time. It will be a comical thing to have an electric light delivered in the same basket as the groceries!

Going Ahead.
Everything and everybody except the disgruntled politician is working to promote good times these days. The tide has turned. The crop outlook is good. Railway and mining development are about to proceed in Northern Ontario and British Columbia. The tariff of Canada will be a settled quantity in the next few days. Our neighbors in the United States say they cannot buy and sell, even as freely as a restrictive tariff will allow, till their taxes are fixed, but they, too, are hurrying along the Dingley bill, and the revised measure will be law in a week or two. British trade is good, prices of articles needed there are not so low as they were last year, our cold storage arrangements will help to largely increase profitable shipments, and so one agency or another will add to the prosperity of the producer and the consumer, and promote the confidence which is the root of all staple advancement.

Equestrian Feats Extraordinary.
The Hamilton Spectator is prepared to take Mr. Whitney on trust on the liquor question, and to support him without knowing what his attitude to it is. One thing only it guarantees—that "no attempt" will be made to ride two horses.

Where does our contemporary get this guarantee? Certainly not from the past attitude of the aggregation which has the making and unmaking of Mr. Whitney as a party leader. It is not so long ago since Mr. Whitney and his friends were enthusiastic supporters of a scheme to take the control of the liquor traffic out of the management of the provinces and to place it under the control of the Dominion Government of the day. The scheme so far succeeded that Dominion license commissioners and inspectors were appointed and a large sum of public money was squandered in endeavoring to maintain the illegal attack.

At another time, Mr. Whitney and his friends were enthusiastic promoters of a scheme to place the license-granting power in the hands of the councils, and to re-establish the very unsatisfactory order of things which prevailed prior to the passage of the Crooks Act. Still another policy of the Opposition, as developed immediately prior to the last Ontario general elections, was to abolish the retail trade in liquor altogether. Mr. Marter, Opposition leader, in this city, at the bye-election in which Mr. Essory was the Conservative champion, laid that line of prohibition down as part of the party platform, though he subsequently stated that the declaration was made in a moment of weakness.

Talk of riding two horses on this question! The Ontario Conservative Opposition has endeavored to ride half a dozen nags, sometimes tackling two or three at a time, and it is not probable that the electors will now accept any pea under the shell policy from Mr. Whitney on this or any other question.

Which horse rides Whitney and his followers now?

Finish the Feeding.
Last week nine carloads of stocker cattle were shipped by way of Port Huron from Canada to the Western States. They will be fed there by the enterprising farmers and shipped to Great Britain. Why should our agriculturists not profitably feed these animals themselves, and market them in the motherland? Once the excuse was that there was no cheap feed, and that was why thousands of half-fed animals were sent to the old country or to the States. Now, with corn tax free, the feeding conditions are as advantageous in Canada as in the United States, and it seems a shortsighted policy to lose the money-making agencies resulting from selling the animal to be fed in a foreign country, and afterwards sent to the old country to be sold in competition with our exports of meat.

Consolation.

When they read some of the prophecies regarding apprehended jubilee day casualties and calamities in the British metropolises, Canadians who have to stay at home will rejoice. The correspondent of the Chicago Times-Herald has been considering the situation, and he records a significant moan of apprehension from the fire department. After a survey of the miles of pine board stands that have been erected along the route for the accommodation of spectators, the chief has declared that in the case of an alarm of fire when the crowd shall be in occupation of the streets it would be impossible for the department to respond with any effectual service. As a result of the jubilee celebration of 1887 there were 482 hospital cases, besides twelve persons killed outright, and something over 3,000 men and women fainted and fell in the crowd of standing sight-seers. It is estimated that as the crowd will be twice as great the casualties of 1897 will be at least 50 per cent greater than those of 1887. But for all that June 22 will be a gay occasion.

EXTRAORDINARY.

What an extraordinary Government this we have at Ottawa. First, they make a steamship contract at a price lower than the unsuccessful contractors, whose tender was refused, think the work can be done for; and here now is the Postmaster-General making public how he has been cancelling hundreds of mail contracts which had been entered into by his predecessors at high prices without tenders, and making new ones at much lower figures; and thus, as the Gazette warningly says: "Setting a precedent that Liberal Ministers may yet have reason to regret."

THE SUCCESSION TAX.

Ottawa Journal.
Some of the planks of Mr. Whitney's platform in opposition to the Liberal Government of Ontario are very good ones, but it is a pity that he questions the desirability of the succession tax.

The imposition of a moderate tax upon the large estates left by wealthy men surely seems the least oppressive of all kinds of taxation. It imposes no burden upon anybody, it is accurate, and easily levied. It is a fair contribution by large properties to the maintenance of the laws and institutions which facilitated the accumulation and protected the enjoyment of the wealth. Under the Ontario law, no estate worth less than \$100,000 is taxed if it is a direct bequest to a child. Those who inherit large fortunes which they have not worked for, fortunes built up partly by the assistance of their fathers, can well afford to let so small a part pass to the maintenance of the state. Taxation is based upon expediency. There is no clearer expediency than this. It is a pity that Mr. Whitney criticises the principle.

Western Ontario.

Walter White, Barrister, of Windsor, Dropped Dead.

Moore and Brown Convicted of Robbery at Chatham—Their Trial for Attempted Murder Follows.

A. Hall, boot and shoe merchant, of Chatham, has made an assignment. Wellington county had no cases for the quarter sessions, and Judge Chadwick got a pair of white gloves. The Kingston Gun Club, of Windsor, has arranged a two days' shoot at Sandwich, commencing on June 24. The Walkerton Town Council has requested the Masonic Grand Lodge to lay the foundation stone of the new town hall. Mr. James Armstrong's general store at Lyons was entered by burglars on Wednesday night and a number of articles stolen, besides some cash. Mr. W. Hales, of Dutton, and Mr. Wilkinson, of Galt, shipped four cars of cattle to the old country the other day, for which they paid over \$5,000. Owing to recent excessive rains new fungoid growth has developed on the wheat fields of the St. Thomas district. The parasite is not the ordinary rust of wheat.

A convention of the Liberals of West Elgin will be held in Dutton on Tuesday, June 23, for nominating a candidate to contest the riding for the Ontario Legislature.

The Walkerville Council has passed the bylaw permitting the street railway to build a loop line in that place, connecting the Sandwich and Wyandotte street lines.

John Davey, painter, Windsor, fell on Curry avenue, a distance of twelve feet. He has concussion of the brain, and his right wrist is broken, but he is expected to recover.

A big gray horse, weighing 2,500 pounds, owned by W. Chaplow, Southwold, fell into a cistern on Sunday. It required fourteen men to get it out, and they labored for an hour.

The Leamington company of the Essex Fusiliers has accepted the invitation to take part in the jubilee celebration by Walkerville. The Essex company has not made up its mind yet what it will do.

At the June sessions of the County Court at Sandwich, a true bill was returned against ex-Mayor Mason for breaking into a store in the Fleming block, Windsor, and removing and destroying property.

David Clock, aged 80, who had been an inmate of the Elgin House of Industry for twenty years, is dead of old age. Deceased was a bachelor. He worked many years for J. D. Weidman, on the Port Stanley gravel road.

On Wednesday night the general store of Wm. Schroeder, Chesley, was broken into. Entrance was made by breaking a large pane of glass in one of the street doors, but they took away no plunder, and the only damage so far as seen is the breaking of the glass door and the smashing of a valuable show case.

The Essex County Council has cut the salaries of county treasurer from \$1,500 to \$1,450, the county clerk from \$620 to \$600, and the county sten-

ographer from \$800 to \$450. The county auditors put in bills for \$8 a day, but were cut down to \$5. The bylaw authorizing the loan of \$10,000 to pay the balance of the indebtedness incurred in repairing the county buildings was passed.

On Friday evening, at her father's residence, Head street, Chatham, Miss Edna Brown, married a man named French, of Chatham township. Miss S. Greenwood, of Wallaceburg was bridesmaid, the bridegroom being supported by his brother, J. French. The knot was tied by Rev. F. H. Larkin, in the presence of relatives from Wallaceburg, Florence, Croton and other places.

At the meeting of the St. Clair district, No. 14, I. O. O. F., held in Sarnia on Tuesday, representatives were present from Petrolia, Mooretown, Bridgen, Point Edward and Sarnia lodges. P. D. G. M. Wood of Mooretown, presented a very encouraging report of his official visit to each subordinate lodge. The representatives added verbal reports of satisfactory working and progress in their several localities. C. Sanders, of Sarnia, was elected D. G. M., and R. E. LeSueur district secretary.

Inspector Levitt, of the customs department, Toronto, made a descent upon the tobaccoists of Windsor on Thursday morning, accompanied by Provincial Detective MacIsaac. They were looking for smuggled American chewing tobacco and cigarettes, but it happened that the tobaccoists had none of these articles with the exception of Charles Steward, barber, and tobaccoist. The officers seized a quantity of goods in his store, amounting in value, Steward says, to about \$1.

Chas. W. Moore and Chas. Brown were convicted in the general sessions at Chatham on Thursday of robbing the store of John McConnell on April 26. The men held up the proprietor, clerks and customers and secured about \$100. The case occupied the day. The jury was out about 40 minutes, turning with a verdict of guilty. The prisoners will be tried today (Friday) on charges of attempting to murder Detectives Mahoney and Campau, of Windsor, who arrested them. Detective Mahoney was shot during the scrimmage, is now almost fully recovered.

A Chatham Banner: "The outlook for tobacco growers in South Essex is very poor. The growers generally raise their own plants from the seed in the spring, and select a spot where the earth is fine and rich, and much heat is needed to make the plants grow well. This spring has been so cold and wet that the seed will not germinate. As few of the growers tried to raise the plants in hot-houses, there is a great scarcity of them. One man near Union had 300,000 plants, but this supply was soon exhausted. It is quite possible that there will be very little tobacco grown near Leamington this year."

A fatal accident was narrowly averted at Cainsville, three miles from Brantford, on Wednesday afternoon. Three men were employed at the erection of a building at the new cheese factory. Suddenly the building took a lurch for ten feet towards the river bank, and three men were hurled into the debris. Hatley and his assistant had a marvelous escape, with only a few scratches, but a man named Holmes was pinned to the ground by falling timbers, and held there for twenty minutes before he could be released. His legs were broken, the lower part of his body were pretty badly injured.

Walter Wright, who was conducting the case of his uncle, the ex-county treasurer of Essex, before the county council, died suddenly Wednesday night of apoplexy. His uncle was accused of being short in his accounts. Wright undertook to show that the apparent deficiency arose from a defective system of book-keeping, and so recover the amount that had been demanded from his uncle's house. The council refused to see it in that light, and Wright was pressing the case when he dropped dead. He was married, and had three children. Deceased was a brother of Dr. J. B. Wright and Arthur Wright, both of Detroit, and had three sisters in Windsor.

John Mulder (colored) was acquitted of stealing wheat from Wm. Heaton, of Colchester, South. At his last trial, the jury disagreed, but convicted Hughbanks of being an accessory to the robbery. He was sent to Kingston Penitentiary for four years, but was brought up to give evidence against Mulder. He was hired by Mulder to drive the wheat, but some saloon-keepers from Harrow swore that Mulder was in that place at 10 o'clock of the morning of the robbery, the time that Mulder was said by the crown witnesses to be selling the grain at Essex.

ALL OVER.
"Cruel and unnatural!" moaned Tricky. "My own father has broken our engagement."
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SOCKS—Men's Fast Black Cotton Socks, worth 15c.

SOCKS—Men's Seamless Cotton Socks, worth 10c.

SHIRTS—Men's Unlaundered White Shirts, grand value.

SHIRTS—Men's Black Sateen Shirts, worth 60c.

SUSPENDERS—Men's Elastic Suspenders, silk trimmed, worth 20c.

HANDKERCHIEFS—Gents' Fine Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, worth 20c.

SHIRTS—Boys' Flannelette Shirts, lace fronts, worth 30c.

SUITS—Men's All-Wool Tweed Suits, odd lines, worth \$8 75.

OVERCOATS—Men's Fawn and Blue Venetian Overcoats, worth \$10.

SUITS—Men's Black Worsted Suits, stripe pants, worth \$10.

PANTS—Men's Old Lines, Fine Colored Worsted Pants, worth \$4 50.

WATERPROOFS—Men's Melrose Cloth, All-Wool, Waterproof Coats, worth \$15.

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SUITS TO ORDER—Men's Tweed Suits, made to order, newest shades, worth \$18.

SUITS—Boys' 2 Piece, good to wear, Tweed Norfolk Suits, worth \$2 90.

SUITS—Boys' White Duck Kilt Suits, drab duck sailor collar and cuffs, worth \$1 25.

SUITS—Boys' Fine Cream Serge Kilt Suits, fancy trimmed, worth \$2.

BLOUSES—Boys' Fine White Duck Blouses, blue collar and cuffs, worth 60c.

PANTS—Boys' Good to Wear Tweed Knicker Pants, worth 40c.

SUITS—Boys' Fine Tweed Bicycle Suits, worth \$8.

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