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CANADA'S NEIGHBOR

The New York Evening Post tells its readers that the hostility evinced towards Canada by the tariff-makers at Washington will "convert the Maple Leaf into the symbol of a proud rival Power." Of course such advice has been wasted upon those to whom it was addressed, and we are rather glad of it. Canada is no longer dependent upon the favor of the United States for commercial prosperity. There was a time when every Canadian looked southward for commercial expansion. Now we all look eastward or westward. We are doing passes laws intended to compel us to ship our raw materials to them under pain of not being permitted to ship finished products in case we refuse. You may not ship us pulp, says Congress, unless you allow us to have your pulp wood free of an export tax or duty. Very well we say, do without our pulp; we have plenty of forests to allow you to manufacture them into pulp and paper; we can supply you with all the pulp and paper that you need; but we are doing pretty well, thank you, as we are, and are quite content to wait until you get good and ready to take our pulp and paper without conditions.

No one ought to suppose that legislation of the kind mentioned is inspired by any feeling of hostility to Canada. We think the New York paper is incorrect in thinking that it is. It arises from too great an idea of the importance of the United States market to Canada and too small an appreciation of the importance of the Canadian market to the United States. Our neighbors will come to their sense all in good time, and in the meanwhile we thank them very much for so arranging things that the Canadian people will continue to have a strong incentive to develop their business along east and west lines. No one in Canada gives a second thought to reciprocity now.

DISALLOWANCE

The right of disallowance of provincial legislation by the Dominion government is being discussed upon the powers of parliament and are at the same time hostile to the general policy of the Dominion. Such a case was that involved in the anti-Oriental legislation of British Columbia. It was ultra vires the local legislature because it dealt with a subject upon which parliament had already legislated, and it was contrary to the established policy of the government. Even the strongest supporters of the legislation raised no question as to the right of the government to intervene. Their protests were directed against the policy of intervention—a distinction must always be drawn between jurisdiction and policy.

As a general proposition we think that questions of jurisdiction should be left to the courts. The moment the Dominion government undertakes to disallow provincial legislation solely because in the opinion of the Minister of Justice the jurisdiction of parliament has been invaded, all kinds of trouble may arise. We find in a contemporary some extracts from a speech by the Minister of Justice, in which he takes this position very clearly, and we think it is one that will commend itself to all reasonable persons.

THE GRAND TRUNK PACIFIC.

Important changes have been made in the management of the Grand Trunk Pacific. Mr. E. J. Chamberlin has been placed in full charge of the portion of the line from Port William to Prince Rupert; that is to say, he will be in charge of all the line owned by the company and a small part of what is to be leased from the government. His position will be analogous to that occupied by Mr. William Whyte, of the Canadian Pacific. His headquarters will be at Winnipeg, where a large clerical staff will be located.

It is intimated, though not officially

announced, that Mr. Chamberlin will not be in charge of the eastern division, that is, from Lake Superior Junction to Moncton, which the company is to lease from the government. It is anticipated that this part of the National Transcontinental Railway will be handed over to the company at the expiration of 1911, and it is stated on good authority, apparently, that Mr. Hays will not undertake to look after this part of the line, but that a new man will be appointed. The name of Mr. F. W. Morse is mentioned in connection with that post. Whether or not the management of the eastern section will be subordinate to Mr. Chamberlin is not announced, and it would be premature to expect any statement on that point.

While the eastern end of the line will at the outset consist of only a single set of rails through a country largely in a condition of nature, it will be necessary for the G. T. Pacific, or the Grand Trunk to provide connections for it. A connecting line to the Grand Trunk system, so as to give the shortest possible route to the capital and the Ontario cities, and a connecting line, giving the shortest route to Montreal, will be needed. One of the strongest claims made for the Grand Trunk Pacific is that its route to the Orient from Prince Rupert will be the shortest of all, whether Toronto, New York, Montreal, or any other point in those latitudes is taken as the starting point from the Atlantic. But to make this promise good, connecting lines will have to be built from the main line east of Winnipeg. Therefore, the future of the company seems naturally to divide itself into two departments, if we may so call them. One is the construction of branch lines and the development of traffic in the West, and the other the construction of branches and the development of traffic in the East. Each of these departments is heavy enough for any one man, and therefore the suggestion that the appointment of Mr. Chamberlin to the West carries with it the inference that another manager will be appointed for the east seems reasonable. Of course, both managers will be subordinate to Mr. Hays, the president of the system, who is also general manager of the Grand Trunk.

A BASELESS COMPLAINT.

The Colonist has been informed on excellent authority that it is charged in Ladysmith with the issue of a pamphlet in which every city or town along the line of the E. & N. railway, except Ladysmith, is mentioned. The pamphlet referred to is one published by an advertising solicitor unconnected with the Colonist or the Colonist Printing and Publishing Company, Limited. All that the Colonist company had to do with the pamphlet was to print it, and it is in no way responsible, directly or indirectly, for anything stated in it. The pamphlet purports on the face of it to relate chiefly to the Country Club, but our information is that it was purely a private venture of the solicitor, whose name is upon the title page as compiler. We are told that many people in Ladysmith have assumed that the pamphlet was compiled for this office and issued by it, and not unnaturally some feeling has been aroused because of the omission of the name of that city. The facts are just as stated. It is true that on the title page appear the words "Printed by the Colonist Press," but this is the usual commercial imprint which printing establishments put upon work done by them. Neither the Colonist nor any person connected with it in any way is responsible for the compilation or publishing of the pamphlet referred to, or for anything else in regard thereto except the mechanical work.

Apparently a terrible story of the sea will shortly come from Africa. The revolution in Spain seems to have collapsed. A little blood-letting has a quieting effect some times.

Man says he saw a ghost leave Ross Bay Cemetery and go out over Straits. Going salmon trolling probably.

That the harvesting of the wheat crop in Manitoba has begun under very favorable conditions is excellent news.

Going to have a holy war in Morocco. What was it that Sheridan called war? "Holy" does not seem to be a suitable adjective to such a noun.

The United States tariff Bill is now law. President Taft has issued a statement, which is a sort of apology for it. We think this a very unusual course for a President to take.

Evidently the members of the Imperial Defence Conference are finding their duty a little more difficult than

was expected; but we must remember that they are dealing with an exceedingly difficult question.

Paris has just witnessed a public execution. This occurrence, so unusual of late years, was probably due to a determination on the part of the government to strike terror into the hearts of the Apaches, who have so long invested the French capital.

An army of fifty thousand men is wanted, so the Winnipeg papers say, to gather the harvest of the Prairie provinces. A week or so ago, it was said that thirty thousand would be sufficient. As there will from present indications be three hundred million bushels of grain to be garnered, the estimate of men required is not excessive.

It is with great satisfaction that the Colonist notes the great interest aroused in the future of Vancouver Island. Not long ago even some of our own people were skeptical on this subject. The progress of Vancouver misleads them. Now they are all wiser, and the rest of the world is also growing wiser. No one now denies that Victoria and Vancouver Island may expect great prosperity and development in the very near future.

The question involved in the suit of Mrs. Hutchison against the city of Ladysmith seemed of such an unusual nature that we have made a few inquiries regarding it, and have learned that, while the case was dismissed because of an irregularity, the city has no desire to avoid its legitimate liabilities or shirk any moral obligation. The object in defending the suit brought by Mrs. Hutchison is to settle the matter of legal liability, for if it is recognized in her case, it may have to be recognized in other cases. The city of Ladysmith is quite ready to concede all reasonable moral obligations that can be established and discharge them liberally, but it feels the city authorities think it their duty to resist claims which they are advised have no legal foundation, in which course we think they are to be commended.

The St. John Standard gives currency to a rumor that Mr. H. H. Emmerson is about to become independent in politics, with a platform of his own on government railway management. It adds that the St. John Standard will actively support Mr. Emmerson, and that the Halifax Chronicle will not be unfriendly to him. We would not naturally look to the Standard, which is a Conservative paper, for authoritative statements regarding the intentions of Mr. Emmerson, but the course recently taken by the Standard indicates that some one, who has something to say about its policy, is not any more friendly to Mr. Pugsey than is absolutely necessary. If Mr. Emmerson has quite forgiven Mr. Pugsey for supplanting him as New Brunswick's representative in the Cabinet, he is more amiable than it is generally supposed politicians are.

Mr. Clive Phillips-Wolley has recently written a letter showing how "plagiarism" may sometimes not be plagiarism at all, but only the result of coincidence. Most newspaper editors know that not infrequently two papers will make a statement simultaneously without any preconcerted action. The writer of this paragraph once wrote what he thought, and still believes was something original with himself; nevertheless on the same day Mr. Edward Blake, speaking more than a thousand miles from where the article was written, said the same thing in the same words, and a writer in the Saturday Review, of London, did the same a day or two later. It was not surprising that three persons thinking upon a subject, should come to a certain conclusion, but it was surprising that they should do so almost at the same moment, and express it almost in the same words.

Lady Swindler Held

SEATTLE, Aug. 6.—On a complaint sworn to before Judge Gordon by George Carson, claim agent of the Seattle Electric Company, the police of San Francisco have arrested Mrs. E. L. Brown. The woman, together with two men, also under arrest at San Francisco, and believed to be her husband and a brother, is charged with obtaining money under false pretence. Mrs. Brown, has, it is claimed, operated in Denver, Portland, Oakland and many eastern cities, and has had dealings with the Union Pacific and the Northern Pacific railroads, to their financial disadvantage. Her plan of operation was to throw herself to the floor as the car on which she was riding would give a sharp lurch or turn. In Seattle she appeared to have been injured on March 12 last, and according to the complaint sworn to by the Seattle Electric Company, she settled a few days later for \$600 and left the city. Extradition papers will be asked for and the woman brought here for trial.

SUMMER LISTLESSNESS

If you are all run down, have that tired feeling, can't sleep and appetite poor, be sure to get BOWES' COMPOUND SYRUP OF HYPOPHOSPHITES

The finest general tonic ever devised; makes good blood, clears the system, builds flesh and tissue. Good for old or young. A splendid remedy for all wasting diseases. Procurable only at this store. A \$1.00 bottle contains sufficient for one month.



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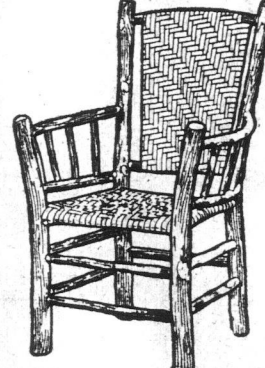
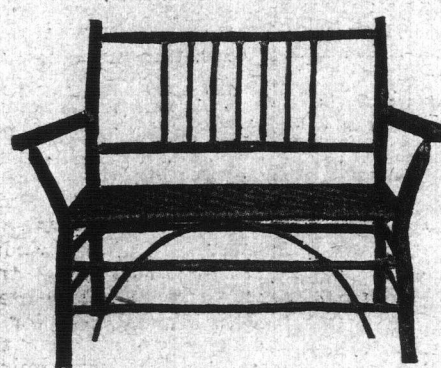
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TOURISTS ARE HEARTILY INVITED TO VISIT HERE

TOURISTS and visitors to our city are heartily invited to spend some of their time within the walls of this store. No obligation to purchase is incurred—not the slightest. We have a store which some globe-trotters have been kind enough to say is among the finest on the continent and certainly superior to any seen in cities many times the size of this. We want you to pass judgment. If you want some little souvenir of your visit to town you'll find hundreds of suggestions in our stock of British China, British Draperies, etc.—items you don't see at home.

FOR YOUR PORCH OR LAWN

A Real Comfort Type of Summer Furniture



WON'T you sit in one—just once? Then you'll know just what an easy chair really is. You'll enjoy that gentle springy feeling no other chair can give. You'll like it for its rustic simplicity, for its comfortable breath of the woods.

To verandah, lawn or porch corner old hickory furniture adds charm and comfort—and lasts a lifetime. Built from sturdy young hickories—the seats woven by hand from long strips of tough bark—these chairs are the sort that won't wear out. We are sole Victoria agents and we invite you to come in and try these furniture pieces. We show several styles in chairs, rockers and settees.

ARM CHAIRS, several styles, at \$12, \$6.50, \$6.00 and \$4.00
ROCKERS, at \$8.50, \$7.00, and \$5.50
SETTEES, at each \$8.00 and \$7.00

WHEN YOU NEED A REFRIGERATOR, COME HERE

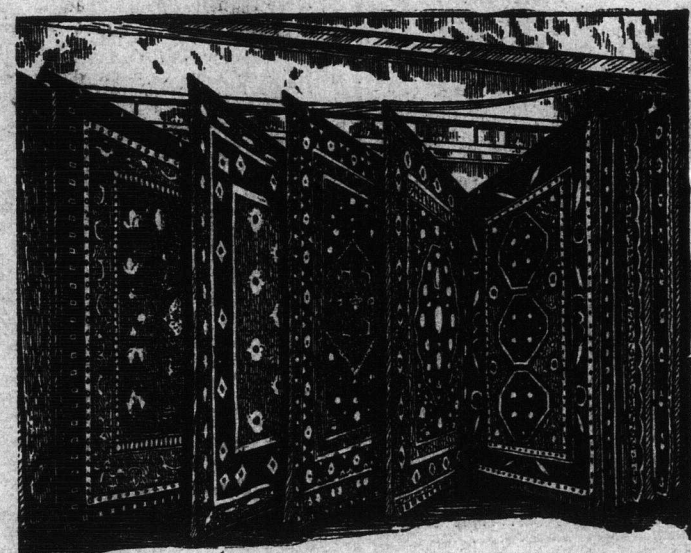
There is no other establishment in the city offers such a choice of real, good refrigerators—refrigerators so constructed as to preserve the foodstuffs and at the same time be economical on the ice consumption. The first cost isn't the only cost when buying refrigerators—not by any means. That's why you should see these ice savers. Priced from \$12.

LET US SHOW YOU THESE NEW AXMINSTER HEARTH RUGS

HEAVY, wool-back Axminster Hearth Rugs that won't curl at the edges to trip you, have just been priced in the carpet store. Fresh from the famous Templeton looms, they show the latest ideas from the carpet fashion centres. Nothing better in quality or style than these. There is a nice assortment of colorings in both floral and oriental patterns and some decidedly attractive rugs in the lot. Several sizes, averaging about 33x70 in. shown. Ideal for the hall, parlor, private office or most any room. Priced from, each—\$9 to \$6. We have lately added some new carpets and drapery materials to this floor's stock and a visit at the present time would be "worth while."

INVESTIGATE THESE VALUES

In Seamless Axminster Rugs



NEWEST PATTERNS SHOWN ON RUG RACKS

YOU'LL find our prices on carpet squares are fairest. You'll find the qualities superior to those offered at higher prices elsewhere. That's a big claim but we'll back it up with the goods if you give us the opportunity.

There's a reason and it's mainly because we enjoy the largest carpet business in the city and are able to secure, through big purchases for cash, the best prices and the exclusive sale for this territory of the products of the foremost carpet makers in the world. We guarantee all our carpets.

SEAMLESS AXMINSTER SQUARES, \$26.50

9x12 Feet, Best British Make. Here is a sample value chosen from our stock of seamless Axminster squares. These squares measure 9x12 ft. They are from Templetons—the foremost makers of carpets in the world. Big choice of colorings—reds, greens, blues, fawns—in floral and oriental patterns. Compare the price with that quoted anywhere on a similar square. . . \$26.50

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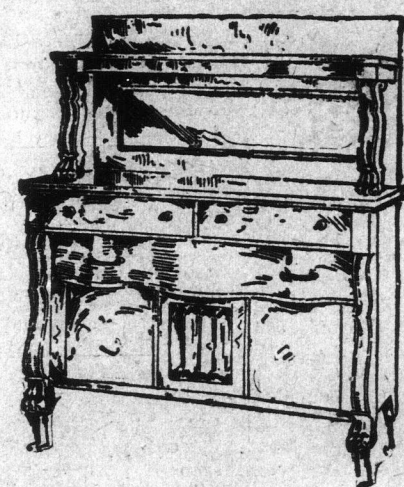
"STRANGER THAN"

That truth is stranger than one knows. A novelist invent incidents of a kind that pen in everyday life. Some we see strange coincidence situations, but the audience prepared for them by some vance or an explanation is dialogue afterwards. But everyone is that it is the happens. Coincidences of conditions are exceedingly rare that two people exchange regard to the unusual that not something to relate that ing. The Colonist had a letter relating how a baby boy on the deck of the troopship was sinking, to a boat all afterwards that same boy, and occupying an important received a bottle in which ten by his father and mother the sea just before the ship happened that all the letter message full of trust in God as well have conveyed importance in regard, let us say, to boy was entitled to inherit, it would make a story turn currence, he would be accus probabilities and of pove Here is another story, which for:

During the War of Seced the side of the North was heard some one coming gave the necessary challenge, proached and asked per through the Union lines, g that he had a baby lying, and only a medicine which at the town nearby could save the town refused to let him wards relented, and not only go on, but gave him the co night in case he should me In the course of a short turned, bringing with him medicine, and after expressi fusely, went on his way. the sentry, then a well-to-do was telling the story at a room of the Hotel Me don. When he had finish looking gentleman opposit me for intruding upon you, you allowed to pass, and th is the baby whose life you s incredulous look upon the f he added: "I will prove is the countersign you gave peated it. That is the e Nothing else came of it; b rence might easily have be portant consequences, if the in it had mutual interests tion. A playwright, who audience to accept such a would be thought absurd. another: "The world is so pose if either of us should he would meet some one him or some mutual acqu moment the door opened walked in. "Is Mr. — in tioning the name of the ma "I am —" said the latte manger said: "I am — met you, but I knew your occurred in a newspaper of G. C. K. was a civil enigi to be sent to Brazil from upon the financial house in he was to be employed. firm, with whom he spoke, ately the references from I promised to give, had not at they had telegraphed to the send them, they had receiv added that whatever they nothing had been said at must see that, under the c could hardly send him to B he felt very much broken u London from Canada in the employment on the Brazil he was disappointed in this w hard; but he saw that the done but to make the bes started to leave the offic.. the door it was opened fr he found himself face to fac who exclaimed: "Well, K, meet you here. I thought da. I see you know my fri ing the name of the finan who knew the stranger w other than the great indian commendation had been e said: "The steamer for Bra Mr. K.; you will just have This incident, which is tol lated to the writer by K. b the gallery gods howl bec improbable, if it were intr J. C. A. and E. J. were c somewhat portly. A told "I was in London, and g early for a walk and took Courts, where I wandered the architecture. As I w building, I came into coll rather violently. I took d and apologized, and so d whom I had unceremonio tact. I am a little near-sig

SEE OUR NEW BUFFETS

We would greatly appreciate an opportunity to show you these recent arrivals in buffets—buffet styles suitable for your diningroom. These round out a showing of buffets not equalled elsewhere in the city, and if you are at all interested in diningroom furniture you should see these offerings. Pleased to show you through the entire stock and there's not the slightest obligation to purchase either.



BUFFET—A handsome buffet style in selected quarter-cut oak, finished in golden. Has 3 small drawers, cupboards with leaded glass doors and a dainty oval bevel plate mirror. Finely finished and splendid value at \$36

BUFFET—A golden oak style. Made of selected oak, finely finished. Has 1 large and 2 small drawers, 2 cupboards and large bevel plate mirror. Priced at... \$40

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BUFFET—This style has 3 small bow-shaped drawers and large drawer, 2 cupboards with leaded glass doors and a large bevel plate mirror. Made of selected quarter-cut oak, highly polished. Priced at \$50

BUFFET—A stylish buffet in selected quarter-cut golden oak. Has 2 small and one large drawer, 2 cupboards and a cupboard with drop door. Large bevel plate mirror. Highly finished throughout. Priced at \$50