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London, Monday, April 13.

Mr. MacRobert's Letter.

The letter from Mr. E. J. MacRobert, public school trustee, published elsewhere in this issue, merits some attention. Perhaps Mr. MacRobert could disclose a great deal more than he has told in his communication as to the motives of some of his colleagues in opposing his domestic science motion. At any rate, it will be interesting to note whether the chairman of the Board of Education, Trustee Hamilton, accepts the invitation to explain his somersault on this question. Trustee Hamilton was chairman of the committee which recommended the introduction of domestic science at the Collegiate Institute. He was an enthusiastic advocate of the course, and favored extending it to the pupils of the public schools. Has some pressure been applied to compel him to throw out Mr. MacRobert's motion, so as to save the faces of other members of the board who have been obstructing it all along? It is evident that the same organization which leads the city council by the nose has been meddling in school board affairs. It has failed to discipline Mr. MacRobert, and he will have general support in keeping up the fight for the public schools. He shows that domestic science instruction could be given to the senior girls of the public schools for the paltry sum of \$275 a year, by utilizing the equipment at the Collegiate Institute, the teacher being free to give half her time to public school classes. The objection that no funds have been provided in the estimates is merely a pretext, as the sum of \$1,500 has been set aside for unforeseen expenses. The course would be very valuable to public school girls, many of whom cannot enter the Collegiate Institute. The Board of Education is doing an injustice to this class, mostly the children of working-men.

Officers' Uniforms.

The militia department has prescribed a less expensive mess uniform for rural militia officers. The regulation is in the right direction, but it is not of much importance. The mess uniform is a superfluity. Two-thirds of the rural officers do not wear it, their blue serge being good form for mess and for public places. It is questionable whether the mess uniform should be worn in field training, anyway. The department might do something to reduce the cost of militia officers' uniforms in city battalions. The minimum expense of a captain's outfit is \$150, which puts a commission out of the reach of anyone whose purse is not fairly well lined. The dandified uniform is a tradition of the British army. Thackeray pokes fun at it by giving the tailor's bill of Lieut. Wellesley Ponto, of the 120th Queen's Own Foot Hussars:

Dress Jacket, richly lined with gold	35 00
Ditto Pelisse ditto, ditto, ditto	30 00
With sable	60 00
Undress Jacket, trimmed with gold	15 00
Ditto Pelisse	10 00
Dress Trousers	12 00
Ditto Overall, gold lined on sides	5 00
Undress ditto	5 00
Blue Braided Frock	14 00
Storage Cap, gold lined, plume and chain	25 00
Gold Barreled Sash	15 00
Sword of Harrison	11 00
Gold Belt and Sabretache	15 00
Pouch and Belt	15 00
Sword Knot	1 00
Cloak	12 00
Valise	7 00
Regulation Saddle	12 00
Ditto Bridles, complete	10 00
A Dress Housing, complete	20 00
A pair of Pistols	10 00
A Black Sheepskin, edged	16 00
Total	£47 00

Of course this is a gross exaggeration, but Thackeray was probably satirizing the gaudy apparel of the Household Guards, surpassing the glory of Solomon.

The Land of Sulphur Fumes.

The anniversary number of the Copper Cliff Courier comes to hand, printed on fine paper and illustrated in halftones. The edition would do credit to any printing office in the Dominion; yet seventeen years ago Copper Cliff consisted of one log cabin. It has now 3,000 population, with banks, stores representing every branch of trade, a \$30,000 hospital, five churches, schools, a fire brigade and all the modern improvements, including a brass band. The Courier gives an interesting sketch of the great copper-nickel mining industry, which has sprung up north of Lake Huron, and redeemed the wilderness from a barren solitude. It was not till the year 1882 that these riches were discovered. Judge McNaughton, who was acting as stipendiary magistrate of Sudbury, was lost one day in his rambles through the woods, and the town turned out en masse to search for him. He was found seated on a knoll three miles west of the town examining a

peculiar speckled mineral which he had broken out of the black rock. English and American capitalists were interested at once, and the Canadian Copper Company was organized with a capital of \$2,500,000, commencing work in 1886 at the Copper Cliff mine. In 1889 the first smelters were built, and the nickel industry definitely established. Now the Canadian Copper Company alone produces over a million pounds of refined nickel every month, and some 1,500 men find employment where a few years ago only the Indian and the hunter could gather the bare necessities of life. Before 1889 nickel had a very limited market, its use being confined to nickel-plating, the manufacture of German silver, and the American five-cent piece. But in that year an English steel worker, James Riley, discovered that the addition of three per cent nickel to soft steel produced a metal twice the strength of common steel and extraordinarily tough. Almost at once the use of nickel was taken up by the steel makers of the world, and in a few years the great navies were clad in this wonderful metal, which is found largely in two places—Ontario and New Caledonia. The ore in the Sudbury district is dug from immense quarries, 200 feet deep in some cases. Below these open pits a regular system of underground mining has been developed. The ore is broken by power drills and dynamite, hoisted to the rock-house, where it is broken into fragments, and then sent to the roast yard by trains of flat cars. The roasting, which goes on for three or four months, removes the sulphur, the fumes of which blast all vegetation for miles around, but do not injure the health of the people. The ore after roasting is re-melted to a high-grade matte, carrying about 80 per cent metal. With the growing uses of copper and nickel, the industry is yearly expanding, and the bleak country is becoming the seat of a great population.

The Advertiser has made arrangements for a complete and unbiased report of the Gamey investigation, which opened today.

King Edward seems to have undertaken an international "jolly" tour. No one can fill the role better than he and a King could hardly be engaged in a better business.

The accident to Sir Oliver Mowat must tell seriously on a constitution enfeebled by old age. The heartfelt sympathy of the whole country will go out to the veteran, and the hope that he will be spared much pain and suffering.

It is thought that great difficulty will be found in recruiting the militia battalions for this year's camp owing to the great demand for labor on the farm and in the workshop. Certainly 50 cents per day and rations is no great inducement at the present time. The militia department may have to solve the problem by raising the allowance.

The Rush To Canada.

[The Financier, New York.] The rush to Canada is not a temporary craze. It will continue because the farmer finds there some of the finest wheat lands in the world, and as was the case with the Western United States, there will be no cessation until the free territory is exhausted. The future of Canada, once regarded as unpromising, has suddenly assumed a brighter phase. Those who express doubt as to the permanency of the agricultural migration, because of different forms of Government, do not grasp the situation. The extent of the smallest lot in the class, after hearing this statement, raised her hand and said:

"And now that you have finished college, what are you going to do?" asked a friend of the youthful candidate.

"I shall study medicine," was the grave reply of the young man. "But isn't that profession already overcrowded?" asked the friend. "Possibly it is," answered the knowing youth, "but I propose to study medicine just the same, and those who are already in the profession will have to take their chances."

Was Tot's Query.

[New York Times.] She has been giving her class of little girls a history of the Mississippi River and incidentally stated to them that the word "Mississippi" meant "Father of Waters." One of the smallest tots in the class, after hearing this statement, raised her hand and said:

"Miss Johnson, if that name means Father of Waters, why didn't they call the river 'Mister Sippi'?"

The Beauty of Goodness.

[Little's Living Age.] Beautiful faces are those that wear it. It makes little if dark or fair—Whole-souled honesty printed there.

Beautiful hands are those that do work that is earnest and brave and true. Moment by moment the long day through.

Beautiful lives are those that bless—Silent rivers of happiness. Whose hidden fountains but few can guess.

Revised Proverb.

[Punch Bowl.] Take care of the pennies, and after a while the dollars will take care of you.

Open Air Exercise.

[Hamilton Times.] The Lancet credits the Pope's magnificent constitution to his open air life when he was Bishop of Perugia. In those days the Pontiff was a great part-time hunter and exceedingly fond of mountain climbing. It is probably true that most of us suffer from lack of open air exercise. Muscles and lungs lack the right kind of stimulus—that to be got in fresh air baths, enjoyed while free from the cares of business.

Canada's Grand Old Man.

[Montreal Witness.] Canada has a new advertisement in

the attention bestowed on both sides of the Atlantic to the remarkable career of Senator Wark. A country which can boast of a politician 100 years old, active, energetic and capable of attending to his parliamentary duties, must possess many advantages, for the longevity of its people is the best proof any country could offer of having conditions favorable to human life and happiness. It may be said that Mr. Wark is an exceptional instance, but anyone who will note the obituary columns in Canadian newspapers must be struck by the considerable number of notices of persons who have passed the 90 mark. The mean average length of life in Canada is really very high in proportion to population, a fact which may be attributed to the healthiness of our climate and the good habits of the people generally.

Willing She Should.

[New York Sun.] Clergyman—I require and charge you both—Bridegroom—That's right, parson; make her pay her share.

The Romance of Ontario

[Toronto Telegram.] Ontario has had few battlefields but lots of bush farms in her history. The heroism of the battlefield is not greater than the heroism of the bush farm. The gray cathedrals of Europe hold no nobler dust than the country granges of Ontario, where sleep the brave men and patient women whose toils wrought an unbroken wilderness of brush and swamp into the earthly paradise of smiling fields and happy homes which we call Ontario.

Wages in Holland.

[Ottawa Journal.] No wonder there is a big railway strike in Holland if the scale of wages at present paid is stated correctly in a cable dispatch, as follows: "At present engineers receive 20 florins (\$8.00); conductors, 12 florins (\$5.00); chief conductors, 14 florins (\$5.60); drivers, twelve florins (\$4.80); smiths, 12 florins (\$4.80); workmen, 9 florins (\$3.60); signal men, twelve florins (\$4.80); bridge guards, 11 florins (\$4.40); block guards, 10 florins (\$4.00); barrier closers, 8 florins (\$3.20). Engineers work a fortnight at a stretch, or 168 hours, and have 24 rest days yearly. Other employees average twelve hours daily."

The Limit of the Law.

[Chicago Record-Herald.] "Have you ever been convicted of a previous crime?" asked the judge before passing sentence.

"No, your honor," the prisoner replied, "but this time I've been convicted. He gets up and mows his lawn before sunrise, judge," interrupted a man at the rear end of the courtroom.

"That will do. The penitentiary for life."

"REGGIE" USED A WHIP

Young Vanderbilt Thrashes a Photographer.

Newport, R. I., April 13.—Reginald Vanderbilt on Saturday Reginald Vanderbilt in the presence of his fiancée, Miss Nelson, who was driving with him. Mr. Vanderbilt and Miss Nelson were riding down Bellevue avenue. Just as they reached the reading room, the fastidious men's club, the young man halted his trap and started to run across to the Hill Top cottages, all of which have been engaged for his friends for Tuesday's wedding when half a dozen photographers aimed their cameras at the couple.

"Stop, stop!" shouted Vanderbilt, throwing his hands across his face. But the cameras were slowly focussed. Beside himself with rage, the young man snatched his whip from the trap and brought it down heavily again and again upon the nearest camera man.

"I'll sue you for damages," shouted the photographer, trying to protect his face from the stinging cuts.

"I don't care!" yelled Mr. Vanderbilt. "I'll teach you a lesson."

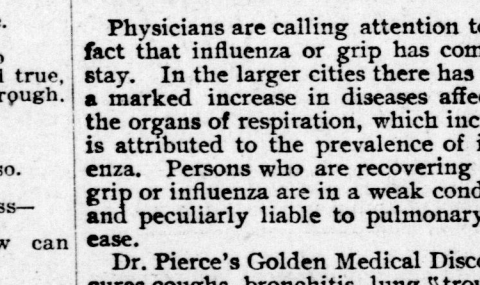
"I was only taking pictures of the cottage across the street," protested the photographer, "when you came along."

Realizing that perhaps his had made a mistake, Vanderbilt sheathed his whip and started towards a policeman who was running along the street at the sight of the disturbance.

"I have stood everything, but I won't stand that," he declared.

"I'm sorry, sir," said the policeman, "but these photographers were trying to take pictures of the house across the street."

At that Mr. Vanderbilt whipped up and drove away. Subsequently he tried to have the report of the affair removed from the police blotter, but it was too late.



Physicians are calling attention to the fact that influenza has come to stay. In the larger cities there has been a marked increase in diseases affecting the organs of respiration, which increase is attributed to the prevalence of influenza. Persons who are recovering from grip or influenza are in a weak condition and peculiarly liable to pulmonary disease.

Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures coughs, bronchitis, lung "trouble" and other diseases of the organs of respiration. It is the best tonic medicine for those whose strength and vitality have been exhausted by an attack of grip. It purifies the blood, cleansing it of the poisonous accumulations which breed and feed disease. It gives increased activity to the blood-making glands, and so increases the supply of pure blood, rich with the red corpuscles of health.

"A word for your 'Golden Medical Discovery,'" writes Mrs. E. A. Bender, of Keene, Co., Ohio. "We have been using it as a family medicine for more than four years. As a cough remedy and blood-purifier there is nothing better, and after having the grip Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is just the right medicine for a complete bracing up."

Accept no substitute for "Golden Medical Discovery." There is nothing "just as good" for diseases of the stomach, blood, and lungs.

MINISTERS AS CO-DIRECTORS

The British Public Objects to the Combination.

HAYES FISHER'S RESIGNATION

The British Coal Exporters Suffer Greatly From the Dutch Strike.

London, April 13, 1 a.m. — Premier Balfour made a great mistake when he altered the sanitary rule laid down by Mr. Gladstone forbidding ministers to be directors. This is evident from the comments which are appearing in the financial and literary reviews on what is known as "The Tele-scriptor Case." An inventor secured a patent for a new system of telegraphy, and Mr. Hayes Fisher, M. P., the financial secretary of the treasury, and some other capitalists agreed to find the money to give the patent its real value on the condition that they were to share the profits.

RECEIVED BONUS SHARES. A syndicate was formed, and Fisher, who was appointed one of the directors, subscribed for a thousand shares, in consideration of which he was allotted two thousand fully-paid bonus shares. The syndicate incurred liabilities, and wound up, and Justice Buckley was the judge that decided that there was a prima facie case for prosecuting Whitaker Wright, disapproved of the conduct of the directors, and expressed the opinion that they should redeem the bonus shares at par.

COMMENTS ON RESIGNATION. Mr. Fisher at once wrote out a check for the nominal value of the shares and passed his resignation to Premier Balfour's hands. The Prime Minister has been blamed in some quarters for accepting the resignation, but the sense of the House of Commons and the country is decidedly against ministers, during the period of official connection with the Government, being directors of public companies. Labouchere says in Truth, "Whilst they eat the official loaf they should eschew the directorial fishes."

DUTCH STRIKE.

It is believed here that the Dutch strike will be over in a fortnight, or less, but meanwhile the British coal exporters and shipowners are carefully watching the progress of events, for if the struggle should happen to be prolonged the effect upon the coal and shipping trades of this country would be distinctly felt. Both Amsterdam and Rotterdam take large quantities of British coal, and when a temporary stoppage of shipments would tend to weaken freights and coal prices in the north country markets, which do the bulk of the Dutch trade. On the other hand, Rotterdam is the port of shipment for German coal, and the interruption to German shipment would, if continued for any length of time, favor the export of British coal to those markets which Germany is in the habit of supplying.

NEW DISCOVERY OF HARD COAL

Eight New Veins That Had Never Been Dreamed Of—Contain 300,000,000 Tons.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., April 11.—An immense tract of coal has just been discovered in Hanover Township, south of this city, on land owned by the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western and the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal Company. Eight new veins have been discovered, which were never before encountered in the development of this region, underneath the twelve veins now being worked in other parts of the upper region. These twenty veins are estimated to contain 300,000,000 tons of coal. The discovery is the most valuable ever made in the anthracite region since its general development.

THE GIANTS CONFER

Hill and Morgan Thought to Be Planning New Move.

New York, April 13.—J. P. Morgan was in conference this afternoon at his office with President J. J. Hill, of the Northern Securities Company, and J. H. Morgan, of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific roads. The conference was reported to have some bearing on the decision in the Northern Securities case, but no confirmation was obtainable as those present at the conference declined to talk for publication.

Massacred Garrison.

Victoria, B.C., April 13.—The steamer Victoria, which has arrived from the Orient, brought news that a party of Manchurians and Koreans who are in the employ of the Russian Government and Russian troops have massacred the Chinese garrison of Cha-Kushin, on the Yalu River. Russian officers from Moukden have proceeded to the locality.

News comes from Chihli of a Boxer rising in that province. Yuan-Shih-Kai, the governor, is endeavoring to put down the movement, and troops being sent to the scene a battle occurred, in which there was large loss of life. Ten of the principal Boxers, among whom half a million women, were captured and beheaded.

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KING EDWARD'S TOUR

Paris, April 13.—The Figaro Saturday afternoon publishes details of the approaching visit of King Edward to France, according to which his majesty will enter France from Italy on the 1st of May. The King will be met in Paris at the Bois de Boulogne Railroad station by President Loubet and the high officials of the republic, and escorted to the British embassy here. Various entertainments have been organized for the royal visit. King Edward, according to the Figaro, will leave Paris on May 4.

San Francisco, April 13.—The earliest American civilization, far antedating the generally accepted limits of pre-Columbian cultures, have been traced in Peru by Dr. Max Uhle, director of the Anthropological excavations and explorations in that country by the University of California, where, heretofore, Inca traditions had led scientists to believe Peruvian civilization existed only a few centuries before the coming of the Spaniards.

The archaeological work of Dr. Uhle has established the fact that a great civilization flourished at least 2,000 years earlier, and that a cultured race of higher development than the Incas was in existence before the Trojan war.

This remarkable discovery follows a study made in the two expeditions which Dr. Uhle has led in recent years under the auspices of the University of California.

LOUBET'S TRIUMPH

Great Crowds Give Him a Hearty Welcome.

Marseilles, France, April 13.—President Loubet arrived here today from Paris on his way to Algeria, after receiving continuous ovations along the route. The presidential party was met by the civil and military authorities and was escorted to the prefecture, where an official reception was held. A crowd estimated to have numbered 300,000 persons packed the thoroughfares and gave the President an enthusiastic greeting, cries of "Long live Loubet" and "Long live the Republic," being heard on all sides. A grand banquet at the bourse followed the reception.

The Barr Colonists. St. John, N. B., April 13.—The steamship Lake Megantic, with the British colonists under Rev. Mr. Barr, for the Saskatoon district, arrived here on Saturday morning. There were 800 people aboard, and they had with them half a million dollars, and will be rushed through to Winnipeg as quickly as possible. Nearly half a million dollars have been set apart for them by the Manitoba Government.

The Age of Oysters. A wholesale oyster dealer was sitting up a new invoice yesterday. "There are some old fellows in that lot," he said, as he showed to one side some abnormally large ones. He picked out one and measured it. The oyster was eight inches long. "The age of an oyster has absolutely no effect upon its quality," he said. "It doesn't get tough with age, like the higher order of animals. How long does an oyster live? Well, I couldn't say, exactly. I have known Maurice River oystermen to claim that an oyster undisturbed in a neglected cove would live for 25 years before it finally died of old age. And an oyster of the Maurice River type keeps on growing all the time. I have seen some myself that measured nearly a foot in length."—Philadelphia Record.

Unresponsive ante has driven many a man to his "uncle." From a feminine point of view a bird on the hat is worth two on toast.

Mrs. Clapp, of Harrison, is spending the Easter holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Whiting.

Mr. Edward Dingman and Miss Maude Steer were married at the manse at Delaware on Wednesday, this week.

An unresponsive ante has driven many a man to his "uncle." From a feminine point of view a bird on the hat is worth two on toast.

Laxative Bromo Quinine on every Course a Cold in One Day, Cough in Two Days. E. M. Linn on every