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LONDON, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

SCANDAL-MONGERING AT OTTAWA.

Mr. Bourassa was not upon tenable ground yesterday in demanding that Parliament should degrade itself into a detective agency to chase gossip, rumor, and innuendo into a corner. Mr. Bourassa admitted that he had no evidence in support of the insinuations thrown out by Fowler, of King's, with respect to the personal conduct of members of the House. In bandying names with no other justification than the corridor scandal which is rife in Ottawa at all times, the member for Labelle, like the member for King's, overstepped the limits of propriety.

If the principle were conceded that it is the duty of Parliament to lend an ear to, and magnify into a shout, every whisper affecting the private lives of members, the door would be opened to shocking injustice and abuses of privilege. It would be arming political assassins, and no public man, however upright, would be safe from unscrupulous enemies. An evidence of this is furnished in the case under discussion. The member for King's has thrown aspersions of immorality upon cabinet ministers, but has refused to give specific information or lay formal charges. Any member may scandalize the country and besmirch the good name of public men in the same way. If he has a little sense of shame as Fowler, unless Parliament finds a way to deal with the slanderers and rib-stabbers within its own walls. The member for King's, now that he has created a scandal, should be required to formulate charges, or be disciplined by the House in some salutary manner.

AN AGE LIMIT THAT DIDN'T WORK.

There is still something in this world for the man of 25 to live for, and incidentally the sexagenarian, who Prof. Oster jealously proposed should be assisted to a better world with the aid of chloroform, has cause for rejoicing. For, be it known, it has been discovered that the younger man may still consider himself a factor in life's activities, while the older man congratulates himself on an extension of his days of grace.

Some time ago one of the big railroad companies of the United States - the Reading - set 35 years as the age limit for applicants for work. But as might have been expected, the company has come to the conclusion, after putting the theory to test, that it cannot be worked out in practice, and now announces that hereafter anybody under 45 may put in an application without fear or trembling. Applying the same rate of calculation to the Oslerian theory of the expiration of man's usefulness, he who it was suggested should end his existence by the chloroform route at 60 is now at liberty to postpone the fatal dose until he reaches 77. That its decision will be far-reaching and be accepted by other corporations with similar experience makes the Reading Company's change of faith additionally gratifying.

It does not seem to have taken the company long to discover that men under 35 are less numerous than supposed. It was found that after the desirable men of 35 and under had been provided for there still remained a good many places to fill, and the officials realized that a rule that provided situations without men to fill them was, to say the least, embarrassing to a corporation desirous of profiting by the prevailing prosperity. Furthermore, the discovery was made that youth is not necessarily an assurance of technical equipment, and that in binding a corporation to a hard and fast age limit an unlooked-for proportion of poor workmen was substituted for good men, and that the mere fact of youth and the strength that usually accompanies it, did not compensate for the absence of experience and skill. To put it briefly, the Reading Company found itself in the position common to many another concern - it was unable to procure the experienced, trained and reliable employees it needed, and without whom it was difficult to get along. The company attributes the failure of its plan to a misconception of the real state of the labor market, in not realizing that in these

days of prosperity there is work in plenty for all, and that the constant cry is for good workers, without special regard for age. The vindication of the man of 40 or 45 is complete, and he can pluck up his courage with the assurance that he still counts for something in this busy old world. As, too, the man of 60. There may not be the demand for him there once was, but he is sure to find comfort in the knowledge that he may live on for a while yet.

THE REAL TRADE INVASION.

The figures of trade of the United States cannot, when analyzed, be entirely satisfactory to the American manufacturer, for notwithstanding the high tariff barrier that has been erected by that country and maintained for years, American imports of manufactured goods last year were more than double the exports, amounting to \$723,000,000 of the former, against \$334,000,000 of the latter. To put it another way - it is found that the exports of American manufactures to all Europe only about equal in value the manufactures exported from the old world to the republics of Argentina and Brazil. The people and press of the United States have been wont to boast of imaginary commercial conquests, to exult over the fancied invasion of the world with American manufactures; but statistics show that if the total sales of English, German, French and Italian manufactures in North and South America are added together, the record is a story of Europe's commercial invasion of the western hemisphere. American total exports, of course, still exceed total imports, because of the immense shipments of foodstuffs and of raw materials to Europe, but returns show imports to be increasing at a much greater rate than exports. During the eight months thus far of the fiscal year 1907 the imports into the United States show an increase of \$132,000,000 over the record for 1906, while during the same months the exports increased only \$30,000,000. Another significant fact is that, in spite of the tariff, dutiable goods are entering the United States faster than merchandise that is free, more than 55 per cent of the imports paying a high tax at the port of entry. The high protection advocate will not find this very pleasant reading, and the American manufacturer will likely begin to realize - if he had not done so long since - that a high tariff is not an insurmountable barrier to the enterprising manufacturer of the old world, while it tends to restrict the export of American products.

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Canadian journals are showing small intelligence in representing Mr. Bryce as being under instructions to sacrifice Canada on the altar of Anglo-American good feeling. Mr. Bryce is not the sort of man to take any office with his hands tied.

Lord Rosebery warns the British Government not to make any attack on property. If he means that the landed interest of Great Britain should be confirmed in its present privileges, Lord Rosebery's Liberalism is off-color.

Mr. Foster says he is the victim of a political conspiracy hatched by political opponents. The report of the insurance commission shows little knowledge of insurance problems, but it at least hits right and left. Ask Senator Cox.

A CORRECTION.

[Houston Tex.] Post.
"Madam, your husband said if I would call here today there'd be an old suit of clothes I could have."
"He ain't goin' to have no old clothes this spring; I'm goin' to get a new one."

LE PRINTEMPS D'HABITANT.

[New York Sun].
Ba gosh, Ah'm glad for see de crow sing
"Caw! Caw! Caw!"
An' caw seem satisfy for heat jus' leetle more pea straw;
Ma hole wite 'orse 'e keck dees foot, and start for 'row hees hair.
An' wen dat hair pass on ma mount, ba gosh, me I don' care!
Ah'm glad see good 'Kle naple tree wit' pipe stuck on hees mount."
He giv s'ro' an nice latire ma girl can't do widout.
De chicken sing an' start make haig, do "caw caw" goin' fast."
An' everyting say "Dieu Mercei, de spring ahe's come at las'!"

A WASHINGTON VIEW.

[Washington Post.]
If we had Canada it would carry immense satisfaction to the rulers of England. It would make American politics intensely Anglo-American. If the pear were ripe, she would fall in our lap, with all her love for the mother country. In a few years she would be a dozen States, with more than a score of United States senators, with no telling how many members of the House of Representatives. That would amount to the British alliance. And if England had America for an ally, bound by treaty, she would not have to walk the floor again this century. Fate may yet out some capers for Canada, England and the United States.

EVERYBODY COULD TELL.

(Philadelphia Bulletin.)

Those who listened as the man and woman parted at the station heard this conversation:
"Good-by, dear," said he.
"Good-by. Don't forget to tell Bridget to have the chops for dinner," she answered.
"All right."
"And be sure and feed the canary."
"Sure."
"Look up the silver every night."
"Very well."
"And don't forget that the gas man is coming to renew the burners. Be sure and have him put the four-foot burner in the servant's room."
"I'll remember."
"Order kindling wood on Thursday."
"All right."
"Consult the list I made out if you forget anything."
"I will."
"Better not kiss me. People will think we are just married."
"Not if they have been listening."

TWO SIDES TO IT.

(Somerville Journal.)

She-No, I can never be yours.
He-In that case, farewell forever.
She (hastily)-Now, don't go off mad, George. You can be mine.

NO STRIPED TROUSERS FOR HIM.

(Reynolds Newspaper.)

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, who has given such an effective proof of his detective skill, has seldom been tempted to exercise his talent outside the covers of his books. "If he once modestly stated, 'I undertook to unravel the entanglements of other people I believe I should fail. On one occasion however, I solved what might have been a puzzle to me. I was in a tailor's shop while a rather unattractive man was selecting a pair of trousers. He flatly objected to striped material, and I got the idea that he was an ex-convict. I satisfy myself, I visited a number of prisons, and, sure enough, I found the man's picture in the rogues' gallery. Doubtless he had had enough of striped material."

POSITIVE PROOF.

(Washington Star.)

"How do you know he is used to receiving letters from that girl?"
"Because," answered Miss Cayenne, "he knew immediately where to look for the second page."

A WISE OLD BIRD.

(Baltimore American.)

"Ma," asked the little gosling, "are the big things without holes that look so any relation to us?"
"No, my child," replied the wise old bird fowl, "but the people in them are."

AN OLD SERVANT.

(Tit-Bits.)

City Man (spending the day in distant suburb)-Didn't it ever strike you that your servant is impertinently inquisitive?
Suburban-My dear fellow, it's only the way of a privileged old family retainer. Why, would you believe it, that girl has been with us over six weeks.

HE KNEW HIS FATHER.

(Silo.)

Teacher-Now, Moses, tell me this. If your father lent a thousand roubles at 6 per cent, how much interest would he get in a year?
Moses-Two thousand please sir.
Teacher-I see you know nothing about interest.
Moses-Oh, yes, I do; but you know nothing about my father.

THE INSURANCE COMMISSION.

(Montreal Witness.)

It seems pitiful that they had to fill their report exclusively with criminalities and innuendoes, although as far, at least, as regards the principal companies, there was in the abundant newspaper reports, which we followed with some care, no evidence of any injury done to the policyholders. It is a pity, we say, that such a damaging document should go upon record, as the only reasonable deduction from it is that all the business men of the country are untrustworthy.

EQUAL TO THE TASK.

(Montreal Herald.)

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has had some hard nuts to crack in his time, but a lot of them have been easier than his present task of deciding between French and English. Greenway on a question affecting Northwest lands. Both know the west, "down to the ground," both have admitted honesty of purpose, both hold their views strongly. At the same time, these very qualities can be counted upon to facilitate an agreement when the matter is in committee.

A SONG OF LOVE.

(Allied Notes.)

Now the purple night is past,
Now the moon more faintly glows;
Dawn has through thy casement cast
Roses, on thy breast a rose.
Now the kisses are all done,
Now the world awakes again;
Now the charmed hour is gone -
Let not love go, too.

When old winter, creeping nigh,
Sprinkles raven hair with white,
Dimes the brightly glancing eye,
Laughs away the dancing light,
Roses may forget their sun,
Lilies may forget their dew,
Beauties perish, one by one -
Let not love go, too.

Palaces and towers of pride
Crumble year by year away;
Creeds, like robes, are laid aside,
Even our very tombs decay;
When the all-conquering moth and rust
Gnaw the goodly garment through,
When the dust returns to dust,
Let not love go, too.

Kingdoms melt away like snow,
Gods are spent like wasting flames,
Hardly the new peoples know
Their divine thrice-worshipped names!
At the last great hour of all,
When Thou makest all things new,
Father, hear Thy children call:
Let not love go, too.

MENDICANT PHILOSOPHY.

(Washington Star.)

"Pete," said Meandering Mike, "what would you do if you had a lot of money?"
"I dunno," answered Plodding Pete. "Maybe I'm better off dis way. Some of dese fellers dat has a heap o' coin simply make deirselvs sick worryin' for fear dey'll spend some of it."

NOT SO SLOW.

(Chicago Record-Herald.)

Over in London recently a man slew a prominent citizen, and there was supposed to be a tremendous social sensation back of the affair. The murderer has just been sentenced to death, after a trial which lasted one day, and at which he entered a plea of insanity. In certain ways the English are not so slow.



WHAT A PROMINENT SALVATIONIST OWES TO ZAM-BUK

Mr. R. C. Burton, a prominent Salvationist

Army worker, who occupies the proud position of Deputy Band-Master at the Temple Toronto, has just proved how wonderfully beneficial Zam-Buk is in cases of skin eruptions, pustules, etc. He says:-

"Pimples and sores broke out all over my face and neck, and notwithstanding all I did to try and remove them, they continued to increase. They were not only very unsightly, but very painful, and I was sadly troubled how to get rid of them. I was advised to try Zam-Buk, and for several days I applied it to the face and neck, gently anointing the sore places. In a few days I perceived a marked improvement. The sores were not so angry and some of the inflamed patches became lighter in color. I persevered with Zam-Buk after noting this satisfactory state of affairs and it did not take long before the balm demonstrated its healing powers. I found it a splendid remedy, and it cleared both my face and neck in fine form. I would strongly recommend Zam-Buk to all who suffer from any skin eruption whatever, and I trust the publication of my experience will lead others to prove how beneficial Zam-Buk is."

Zam-Buk is a sure cure for eczema, itch, bloody poison, ulcers, chronic sores, ringworm, children's rashes, spots, etc. It also cures cuts, burns, bruises, chapped hands, enlarged veins piles, and all diseases or injured conditions of the skin and subcutaneous tissues. All druggists and stores sell at 50c a box, or post free from the Zam-Buk Company, Toronto, for price. Six boxes sent for \$2.50. Send one cent for dainty trial box.

LIBRARY ROBBED OF GREAT WORKS

Books and Pictures Valued at Sixty Thousand Dollars Purloined.

Paris, March 27.-The library of the Ecole des Beaux-Arts, one of the finest in the world, has been robbed of books and engravings of an estimated value of \$60,000. Some of the stolen articles, however, were historic and therefore priceless.

The thief has been unwittingly denounced by a grieving widow, Mme. Thomas, whose husband, a well-known architect, died a few months ago. He was an officer of the Legion of Honor and until two years ago the keeper of the archives at the Ecole des Beaux-Arts.

After her husband's death Mme. Thomas sold some of the rarities of his splendid library. The buyers quickly noticed that the volumes bore the stamp of the Ecole des Beaux-Arts, and informed Mme. Thomas that she was horrified at the only possible conclusion, namely, that her husband had stolen the books from the library, to which his official position gave him access. She at once restored 35 volumes, which she found also bore the Ecole stamp, and which alone were worth \$20,000.

It appears that M. Thomas dared not abstract some of the greatest treasures, and actually went to the length of mutilating them by cutting out the priceless engravings which adorned them. His friends, however, declare that the volumes had been borrowed before he took them. Among the books purloined was the only volume extant of one of the first editions of "La Fontaine."

M. Dujardin Beaumetz, the Minister of Fine Arts, was convinced of irregularities in the management of the library two years ago, and M. Thomas was called upon to resign. None the less, the discovery of his thefts comes as a great shock, for he was universally esteemed. Much sympathy is felt for his widow, who has done everything possible to make good her late husband's default.

When the robbery was discovered the police set to work to find the stolen treasures. They were so successful that late tonight every one of the stolen books and engravings had been traced. All will be restored to the famous library whence they were taken.

TRAVELERS, MINERS EXPOSED TO BAD WEATHER

(Washington Star.)

When away from home and your doctor, always provide yourself with a bottle of Nerviline to break up a cold, to relieve neuralgia, muscular soreness. Nothing compares with Nerviline for instant relief and sure, lasting cure. Bruises, cramps, rheumatism-call the pain any name you please-it has an antidote in Nerviline which is an assured protection against all sickness. Good to rub in-excellent for internal use, the best all-round household remedy on earth-that's "Nerviline." Sold everywhere in 25c bottles, and used by nine out of every ten families in Canada.

J. H. CHAPMAN & CO HOLIDAY NEEDS



Holiday buying is creating quite a stir in the suit section. Tomorrow and Saturday will likely be the busiest days, for, if this fine weather continues new wearing apparel will be greatly in evidence Easter. The suit or light coat is the primary consideration. Eton Suits are shown almost exclusively in black and white checks, fancy tweeds very light in color, and plain blue, brown and black broadcloth. The best dressers or dress-makers can find no fault in their fit or style.

Prices.....\$12.50, \$16.50, \$20, \$25

Spring Coat Styles include the tight-fitting and box covert coats, and three-quarter tourist coats, made of fancy black and white tweeds.

Prices\$7.00 and \$8.00

Broadcloths and Tweeds

For a spring suit the choice of materials is between broadcloth and tweed. We have just received an additional supply of colored broadcloths and popular gray and fawn tweeds, to sell at 50c, 75c and \$1.00 yard. All-wool Howson tweeds at \$1.00 yard.

New Gloves for Easter

At One Dollar a pair; two-clasp, fine dressed Kid Gloves, fitted and guaranteed; in black, white, gray, moda, tan, beaver and brown. Ask for the "Rouillon" Dollar Kid Gloves.

Long Dressed and Undressed Kid Gloves, in black, white, gray and tan, priced from \$1.50 to \$2.75
Children's Tan Kid Gloves, all sizes, \$2.75

Long Silk Gloves, black and white, at 75c and 85c
Long Lisle Suede-Finish Gloves, white and gray, at 95c

Teddy Bears \$1.25 to \$3.00

White, cinnamon and brown Teddy Bears, made in Germany; all sizes.

J. H. Chapman & Co., 126, 128, 128 1/2 Dundas St

YELLOW IS THE COLOR

In Old Country Frocks, Frills and Furniture This Year.

London, March 26.-Yellow will be the fashionable color this season, London having caught the "yellow fever" from Paris, where a sulphur shade is in vogue. Not only for frocks and frills, but for home decoration, yellow is the reigning tint in many shades, from pale primrose to saffron.

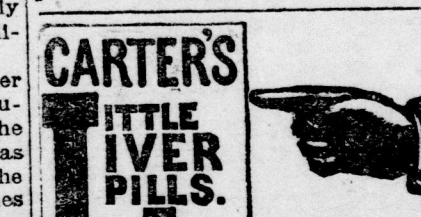
The yellow craze is a repetition of a previous one which prevailed 20 years ago.

London costumers are making a great effort this year to intercept the American woman on her way to Paris to buy gowns and hats. They are organizing a great exposition of English dresses and millinery which will be held in June, when London will be full of American society women and tourists.

The object of the exposition will be to show American women and English women, too, that they need not go to Paris for the most elegant and best-made frocks. "The English 'fashion-creators,'" says the secretary of the exposition, "are quite as artistic as their foreign competitors, and they fit well; they understand the English and the American figure."

"What we want to make English and American ladies understand is the fact that they can get just such artistic creations in London as they can in Paris."

In Russia there are no fewer than 86 general holidays in the year. Police of New York City arrest 122 persons each day for intoxication.



CURE SICK HEAD

Sick Headache and relieve all the troubles incident to a bilious state of the system, such as Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Distress after eating, Pain in the Side, &c. While their most remarkable success has been shown in curing

Headache, yet Carter's Little Liver Pills are equally valuable in Constipation, curing and preventing this annoying complaint, while they also correct all disorders of the stomach, stimulate the liver and regulate the bowels. Even if they only cure

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BELLEVILLE MAN RIVALS SINBAD

Meets With Many Adventures on Government Service in Frozen North.

Toronto, March 26.-The first authorized government mail-carrying contractor in Alaska, Capt. Graham, has had varied experiences in the far north.

Capt. Graham, who is a Belleville, Ont., man, has been on practically every pack and dog trail in Alaska. He was the pioneer to the Yukon, going up in 1892 on the Yukon steamer Arctic. In 1896 he came out and headed the stampede back in 1897.

He took the first cargo of currency over the trail to Dawson by dog-team, \$3,000,000, mostly in bills, which were not countersigned until their arrival. This money was sent up by a number of banks, and the same year (1898) he carried millions more. He has had similar experiences in British Columbia. He opened the first bank in Atlin. The bank "kicking" was a tent. A rude counter was set up, and the bank took in gold dust for \$15 an ounce which proved worth \$18 3/4.

"Up around Dawson we used to keep our gold dust in old fruit cans on a shelf. Often we would leave a pan of it standing out on a stump all night. Though there were 25 men in camp, it was perfectly safe."

One of the most stirring stories which Capt. Graham has to tell is of a journey to Mackenzie Bay which he made with his wife in the year 1900, on the pack trail. They were escorted by which occasion they were escorted by their companions. They came back their companions. They came back their companions. They came back their companions.

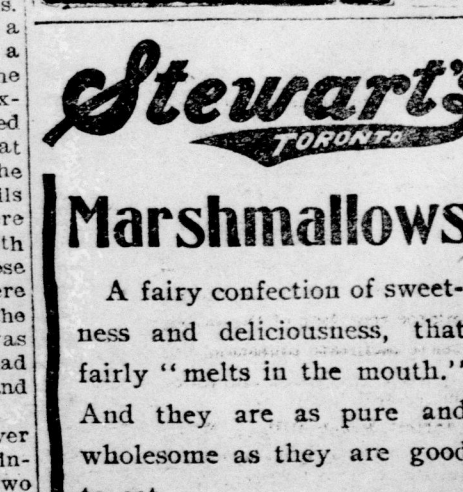
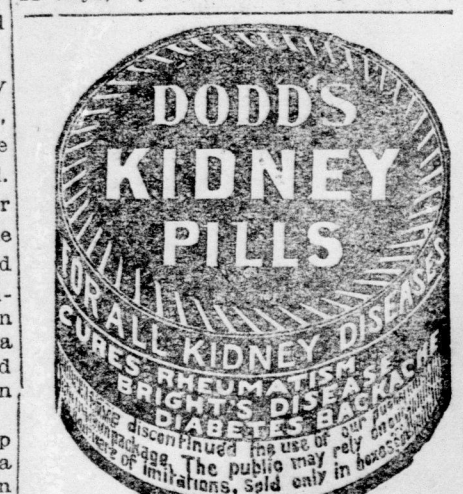
It was on the return trip in the spring of 1901 that the captain and his wife met with the most interesting adventures. They had to go down the Porcupine hundreds of miles to Yukon, and for this purpose they built a rude scow. They were assisted by the natives, who, however, did not know anything about handling tools. Their building material consisted of a whip-saw, a hand-saw, a hatchet, a hammer and a brace and bit. The process of building this boat was exceedingly interesting. When finished it was 30 feet long at the top and 24 at the bottom. It was 6 feet wide at the top and 4 at the bottom. No nails were available, and the timbers were fastened together by boring holes with the brace and bit and plugging these with wooden spikes. The natives were set to work gathering gum from the pine trees and with this the boat was made water tight, after the seams had been filled with pieces of quilt and blanket.

The chief told us we would never get down the river in safety. He indicated that there were falls two sleeps away, and that the 'Big White Chief' (God) would get us for sure. However, we launched our boat and set out. The current carried us rapidly along.

"At last we came to a canyon, and we were going down it at the rate of

40 miles an hour. I saw what I took to be the falls only a little way ahead of us. There was plenty of good timber in our boat, we had safety lines, I was a good swimmer, so I told my wife not to be afraid, though I did not know but what we would land on the rocks. We didn't, though. We went over a sloping apron at a mile a minute; the boat struck the levels below with her nose well in the air; and we did not go over. Our cargo of \$15,000 worth of furs was safe, and 11 miles below, we landed and spent some time with natives who were camping there. My wife and I sang to them and played the guitar. We got valuable furs every time we played. The natives would not believe we had run over the falls, but I took a canoe and went over again myself, with the whole tribe looking on. After that I could have anything I wanted."

Within three years it will be possible to reach Pekin from London in 12 days, by rail all the way.



A fairy confection of sweetness and deliciousness, that fairly "melts in the mouth." And they are as pure and wholesome as they are good to eat.

INSIST ON HAVING "STEWART'S." AT ALL BEST DEALERS THE STEWART CO. Limited, Toronto