

THE WEDDING

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sits you notice a

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PIANO

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entured parents for
the gift. We have
selected stock on

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limited
St. London

Press,

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HILARITY.

done well, and
equally well in
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of firearms on
the "recreators"

up this descrip-
s to all, intens

hibit them in the
1905 is a dutiful

to both per-
many a fire re-

was attributed to
the proper thing as a

of patriotic fervor. Here
has been discarded with

arm bell as "bad form" in
entertained, progressive com-

our Republican neighbors
view is strongly asserting

in the largest cities, which
the year 1905 vied with one another

the amount of racket created in
fourth of July celebrations and in the

of casualties resulting therefrom.
et it is a custom still honored in

in observance, despite all manner
of protests emanating from persons edu-

ated by travels abroad and from im-
insurance men who have to pay the piper

after every such day of explosions.

A New York paper, which has
analysed in these protests with

parent effect, states that "fully
thousand accidents yearly are

Fourth of July celebrations. In
were 467 deaths, of which

are chargeable to the use of
parties in the toy pistol."

same paper observes that the
danger in these cases is an at-

tention, even after the infor-
mation apparently trivial injuries

in the instances the death occurs
after the accident that the

of cause and effect are not
sufficiently emphasized.

the hand, which is most frequently
used is one of the most favorable

beds of the virulent lockjaw
bacteria. The dirt, garden soil and the

which harbor the microbe have a
fatal and recognizable affinity for the

gaster. By explosions the tetanus
is blown widespread in the deep

toughened tissues of the fingers
and palm. There it multiplies at first

and, ultimately attacks the nervous
system, and gives rise to the well

known symptoms of muscular spasms,
convulsions and the agonizing

phenomena that end in death.
The toy pistol we have always with

and also the building firecracker,
entertaining both in noise and dan-

ce the comparatively harmless
kind of the "penny bunches" of a

generation. The city dads do
to order the suppression of such

to holiday hilarity. The patriot
that needs them to display and

its fulness and profundity is but
deep.

ON PARTY LINES.

least one prominent Liberal, Dr.

Veber, representing Lethbridge in
Territorial Legislature, has come

against the gerrymander of the
Northwest provinces. He was

of a delegation that waited on
Frank Oliver to ask that the dis-

tribution of seats be left with the
proportion. The proposition was refused.

Dr. Veber deals with the matter
in a recent letter to the Lethbridge

in which he not only reaffirms
his position on this matter, but also

attacks the partisan distribution made
by Mr. Oliver and his friend Mr. Tal-

bot. The Liberal member for Strath-

more also intimates that he in-
tends to continue the fight for more

equitable distribution of seats.
A highly interesting note,

from the Winnipeg Telegram, what
Dr. Veber has to say in regard to

lines in the new province. In
he also disagrees with his leaders

awa. He says:

"I mention in your editorial the
action of party politics, and I

have pen in hand I may as
well state it. I have represented

territories in the Assembly during
the last term. On neither of these

did I run on party lines, nor
in any way or on any occasion

did I allow party politics to influ-
ence my action or mine. I have

undeviating support to Mr.
Conservative in Dominion

whose opinions are intro-
duced in the Assembly during

the last term. I have coincided
with mine. The

of the new provinces
time, and in their

of laws to the
of the placing

of re-

and

rest assured that should party lines be
introduced it will be none of my seek-

ing."

From the stand taken by Dr. de

Veber it would appear that Mr. Oliver

and his friends are not going to have

things all their way in their own party

in their attempt to knife Mr. Haultain

in Alberta, should he decide to enter

politics in that province.

CAUSE FOR CONGRATULATION.

The 38th anniversary of Confedera-

tion finds the country a trifle disturbed

by political issues which the British

North America Act was thought to

have settled wisely for all time. To

Sir Wilfrid Laurier belongs wholly the

responsibility for obtruding into the

public arena influences which cannot

fall, if persisted in, to increase party

feeling by sectarian bitterness. To

that extent his profession of British

imperialism is a sham. The man is

no friend to Canada, who labors to

create cleavage among a peaceful, in-

dustrious population. Better for a

political chieftain that Quebec were

born widely asunder by party differ-

ences than a solid phalanx of par-

tisans in that province in political an-

tagonism with the country as a whole.

While these differences of a racial

character are fed and fostered by the

action of the ruling chieftain, and de-

spite the forebodings of those who

can only see in such incipient pertur-

bations grave trouble for the future,

there is on the surface of things deep

cause for congratulation upon the

state of the Dominion as regards its

general interests. It is at the apex

of the record for material prosperity.

Never did the Canadian people feel

more sure of their national outlook

or of their affinities as an integral

part of the British Empire. There is

no jarring note, as to the role Canada

may elect to play aside from the great

partnership entered into thirty-eight

years ago. Economists in England

have but lately discussed probabilities

looking to a different alliance, from

the nearness of assumed commercial

advantage and the propinquity of popu-

lation. Those gentlemen may sleep

at ease in the assurance that Canada

will not be swept from its present

moorings by any considerations of

tariff from without or within. Were

the land to be canvassed from end

to end, there would not be found an

ingredient of discontent with the na-

tional situation as it stands worthy of

contrast with the prevailing feeling of

satisfaction, the belief that all is well

so long as the British flag floats over

us.

A SOBER COUNTRY.

A weakness of the prohibition agi-

tation in Ontario has been the exagger-

ation of language by its orators in re-

gard to "the saloon." When the speak-

ers talk of the "saloon curse" they

have in mind the prevalence of that

institution with its power for evil in

the cities of the United States. The

denunciations felt to be suitable there

are adopted and applied in Canada as

though the same conditions existed

as there, whereas the reverse is the

case.

At a recent meeting in Toronto the

Rev. Mr. Allen from Ohio stated that

with a population twice that of To-

ledo, Toronto has one-fifth the number

of saloons. Rev. Dr. Mason, from Cin-

cinnati, declared Toronto to be the

soberest town he had seen on this

continent.

This is very different from the tone

of the remarks ordinarily heard from

twenty almost or quite penniless, look-

ing for work.

The American Society in London

sends back more women than men.

But how do the women get there?

Does the rage for an European finish

to an artistic education account for

any part of it? All do not realize the

short distance a seemingly large sum

of money will carry one on such an

errand, till too late.

The destitution among the stranded

derelicts of humanity is not without

its humorous side. A London News

reporter says that at the consulate it

was said that the "Tear Room" had

to be abandoned because the "dis-

tressed," many of whom shed alligator

tears, were spoiling the carpet.

THE CHINESE BOYCOTT.

A new phase of the Chinese boycott

of American goods complicates the

case of Washington, making it more

difficult to deal with. The Chinese

have no grievance regarding the ad-

mission of coolies to the United States

proper, because that it provided for

by treaty. But these laborers are

refused admission to Hawaii and the

Philippines, which came into Ameri-

can possession after the treaty was

made. It has been decided by the Gov-

ernment of the Philippine Islands that

coolies shall not be admitted there for

any class of labor. This decision is

likely to have the support of Con-

gress, and therefore this new grievance

makes a settlement of the existing

trouble, with its increasing boycott of

american goods, one of the greatest

conceivable difficulty.

A Port Arthur bookseller being

asked by a tourist why he did not

have a hand-book of the town and

Thunder Bay district, so rich in scenic

grandeur and legendary lore, replied:

"Because I have no money to lose in

large amounts." The shortage of this

kind is to be supplied by the twin

town of Fort William, which proposes

to publish a hand-book containing all

the information required, ancient and

modern.

Criticism of the action of United

States immigration inspectors affecting

the Chinese is no new thing with those

engaged in Christian missionary work

in China. The religious press of

the country, including that of the

Pacific coast, has long and steadily

protested against such brutal treat-

ment as many of the Chinese have re-

ceived, and they can be counted upon

to co-operate with the mercantile class

of the country in the present agitation

for better usage of the Orientals. Re-

ligion and commerce too often in the

past have been seeming allies in the

invasion of foreign shores for the

sole benefit of the invaders. Here is

where they can co-operate to win the

good-will of an awakening China.

There is at least one invalid excuse

for the recent exhibition of temper by

certain lakeside villagers toward our

medical health officer, that they are

popularly supposed to lie on hard

beds. Years ago they took up this

fool, and forthwith banished every goose

from the Kettle Creek margins. Tru-

verse that streak of winding sylvan

water from the harbor mouth to the

hills, and you will not find a feather

of this domestic fowl, the provider of

succulent Christmas fare and feathers

inviting to balmy rest the tired

traveller. When, therefore, the villagers,

worried by lack of refreshing sleep,

irritated by racked nerves and aching

bones, the result of ill-padded "slats"

"CANADA"

Our great Dominion! Glorious land!

Broad as a continent, and grand;

Bound on the east and on the west

With ocean's waves which know no rest.

Thy territories reach the Pole—

Regions which none but God control;

Wrapped in a garb, cold, white and pure,

In frost's strong grip, ice-sealed, secure.

And yet no fairer land on earth.

No land more free from plague and

dearth;

Health flows from every mountain breeze,

From inland seas and forest trees.

Thy streams run broad and deep and

fast,

Majestic, ever rolling past,