

## Peculiarities

**L**ONDON barbers have gone on strike for more money. Better to have given them the money. We don't want the city to look like a Boer commando and have to do business with people covered with Virginia creeper.

A Mr. E. B. Whitcomb who recently took an automobile tour through Western Ontario, has been telling the Detroit "News" what fine roads they have in that Province. He says the roads are far superior to those of Michigan. All right for Ontario, but wait till the Montreal "Star" mails him a copy of their paper.

The abolition of capital punishment in France is meeting with unexpected opposition. One Mesdagh, who was convicted of murdering a woman and sentenced to transportation for life, has protested against the sentence. He says: "If I am guilty I should be guillotined. I insist on being guillotined. M. Fallieres has no right to prevent my head being cut off." The man is right. Why should he be obliged to go about wearing a head from which he desired to be separated and from which he has earned separation? This seems to be a case in which it would be easy to please all parties.

Waiters employed on the Georgian Bay steamers are complaining bitterly about the scarcity of tips this season. One would have thought it unnecessary to remind these estimable citizens that there are ways by which this difficulty may be speedily overcome. A piece of nicely fried rubber persistently introduced into the entrees will often bring relief—for the waiter.

It is now said that the real reason why the English journalists came out to Canada was to investigate the story that Englishmen were frozen on the western plains by hundreds every winter, collected and stacked away till the fall when they were thawed out and utilized to harvest the wheat crop. If we are going to advertise the country, there is nothing like having an effective Publicity Bureau.

The bus running between Strathcona and Edmonton ran over an intoxicated man who was lying in the road, the other day. The report says: "Despite the fact that two wheels passed entirely over his body he was evidently uninjured." For people who are contemplating being run over, a moral may be discovered here, but we decline to state it.

They have a loafer in London who is so lazy that he will not even walk about, but spends his time sleeping under trees in the parks, sallying forth only when the commissariat is low and nature demands more fuel. If it were not for the incessant prodding for the inner man what a lovely time the outer fellow could have sleeping in the parks—life would be a sort of perpetual paradise.

And now a Montreal preacher has declared that there is no such place as heaven! The scientists have already taken hell away from us, so that there seems to be nothing for us to do but select some good boarding house and make the best we can of it.

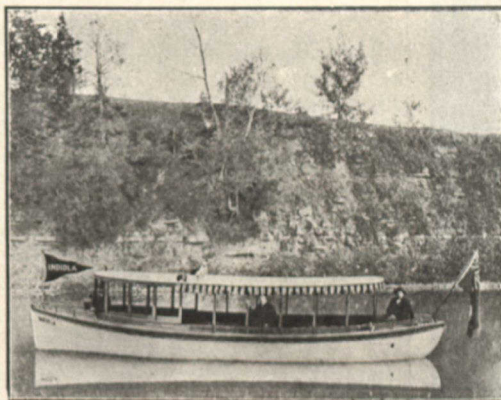
Montreal is having trouble with insect pests and one of the worst of them is a huge, green slug that looks like an animated pickle. Can it be possible that one of the 57 varieties has broken loose?

Commander Peary says that a man who cannot eat dog is of little use on an Arctic expedition. Why not have these ambitious North Pole fellows begin to train at once? We have two or three night-yelping, hoodlum howlers around here that would do first-rate to begin on.

A party of settlers left Edmonton recently for the Peace River district and not a

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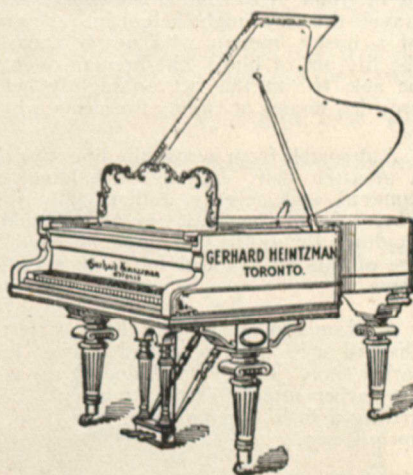
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