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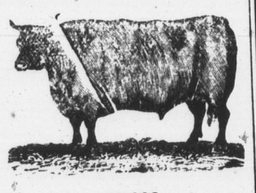

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(Although the girl is sweet).

Don't kiss, don't smack, don't osculate!
With every chaste embrace
You plant a deadly germ of fate
Upon your loved one's face!

Don't swallow stuff of certain brands,
Don't take a "nip" or "smile,"
Don't go in bathing on the sands—
Don't go to Coney Isle!

Don't pile the blankets high in bed,
But, then, don't take them off!
Don't say, "A code is id by head!"
Don't cough, dear boy—don't cough!

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THE LEGISLATURE

Agreement for the Manufacture of Rope at Central Prison.

INQUIRIES BY THE MEMBERS.

A Drastic Measure Proposed to Prevent Officials From Interfering at Elections —Several Bills Introduced, and Others Advanced a Stage at the Session on Monday— Assembly Notes.

Toronto, Feb. 21.—The Provincial Secretary yesterday afternoon brought down and laid on the table a copy of the agreement for the manufacture of rope at the Central Prison. The agreement, stripped of its legal phraseology, provides that the company is to purchase the necessary machinery to manufacture all kinds of rope up to two-inch diameter, subject to the approval of the Government, and is to be reimbursed by allowances from the amount due from prison labor over and above the average output of two and one-half tons per day. The company is bound over to continue the manufacture of binder twine, to pay half the salary of the engineer to run the plant, and to manufacture four tons per day after March 1 next. The scale of prices fixed in the original agreement for binder twine will continue in force, and the original agreement is extended for five years, until 1905.

Bills Introduced.

Mr. Pattullo introduced a bill which provides that towns of over 7,000 population shall elect by general vote a mayor and ten councillors. Towns of 3,000 to 5,000 mayor and six councillors. Towns under 3,000, mayor and four councillors. Villages and townships, reeve and four councillors. Also that the mayors and reeves of towns and villages be elected at alternate years, and half the councillors shall retire at every election. The half of the councillors who receive the lowest number of votes at the 1900 election shall retire in 1901, and the other half in 1902.

Mr. German introduced a bill which provides that the council of any municipality may pass a bylaw or bylaws whereby in the case of merchants engaged in retail trade the assessment, instead of being on the personal property of such merchants belonging to their businesses, shall be a business tax based upon the sale or turnover in the business done during the preceding year according to a schedule to be fixed by the council or such person or persons as the council may appoint.

Mr. Tucker introduced a bill which provides that no Government official shall be actively engaged in any contested election for the Legislative Assembly, either by canvassing or speaking at public meetings, and any offender caught, to be tried before two justices of the peace and, if a conviction is recorded, the punishment to be a fine of $200 and costs, or, in default, six months in jail. The official also to be dismissed from his position, and to be disqualified from re-entering the employ of the Government for four years.

Mr. Foy introduced a bill respecting sureties. Mr. Foy also introduced a bill to amend the Municipal Act by giving the municipal franchise to persons rated at $400 personal property on the last revised assessment roll who have since that day continuously resided in the municipality.

Mr. Reid (Addington) introduced a bill to permit the shooting of deer in the water.

Mr. Auld introduced a bill to shorten the quail season.

Bills for Second Reading.

In moving the second reading of his bill to prevent overcrowding, Thomas Crawford, M.P.P., made a few remarks. He referred to the way in which so many people had to stand as a result of the Toronto Street Railway Company not putting on more cars. The company had undertaken by agreement to give the citizens a proper service. The people have a grievance and should not be called upon to suffer. Mr. Crawford said he did not want to harass or persecute the street railway, but he brought the matter into the Legislature in the interest of the citizens. The citizens thought they were not being treated fairly because the company had not lived up to their agreement.

Mr. Hardy said the Toronto Street Railway wanted to be heard, besides he was not sure that this was a public bill, and asked the adjournment of the debate. This was done.

Mr. William H. Hoyle (North Ontario) moved the second reading of his bill to amend the Municipal Act. By the present law clerks of municipalities are compelled to keep open their offices at election of reeves and other officers until 12 o'clock at night. He would have subsection 2 of section 129 amended by inserting the words, respecting the resignation of candidates, "at any time before 7 o'clock in the afternoon." The bill was read a second time.

Mr. Wardell (North Wentworth) moved the second reading of his bill to permit of the payment of police commissioners in places with a less population than 100,000, if the municipality saw fit. The bill was read a second time, and also one by the same member to amend the Assessment Act.

Inquiries by Members.

In answer to a question by Mr. Marter (North Toronto), as to the quantity of binder twine that had been made each year at the Central Prison during the currency of the present contract, Hon. E. J. Davis (North York) stated that in 1896 there were 962,000 pounds manufactured, and in 1897 the amount was 1,518,000. Last year no twine was made, owing to the fire at the Central Prison. The manufacturers paid 82½ cents per 100 pounds for labor and use of machinery.

ASSEMBLY NOTES.

Hon. G. W. Ross was waited upon yesterday afternoon by a deputation to ask that the salary of Principal Parkyn of Upper Canada College be increased from $3,000 to $4,000 per annum. There are 136 residence boys and 146 day boys at present in attendance at the school.

contract are not properly fulfilled on Nov. 1, 1899, and that the Government take steps at once to bring about the largest possible development of Niagara power.

Lieut.-Col. Hamilton, inspector of vital statistics, will shortly issue his report. One feature of is is neglect on the part of some doctors to register births, which is somewhat responsible for the low birth rate of the province.

Lieut.-Col. Clark, clerk of the Legislature, has published the Members' Manual of Ontario, a neat little book of practice and procedure in the Legislature.

The debate on the budget may not be resumed this week, but it will be concluded early next week.

The village of Bancroft is petitioning the Legislature to make it a condition of any grant to the Central Ontario Railway that the line shall pass within a mile of the village.

The Council of the County of Perth is praying that the north and south of the county be reunited for registration purposes.

The town of Elora is opposing the petition of Belleville for power to make a grant to the Canadian Brussels Carpet Company, which at present has an establishment at Elora.

George W. Yates of The Globe reportorial staff has been appointed private secretary to Hon. E. J. Davis, Provincial Secretary.

SOLD HER JEWELS TO FEED THEM.

Countess Schimmelmann Has Provided for 30,000 Poor People.

Chicago, Feb. 21.—The hungry of Chicago have eaten up the jewels of a noble Danish family. The Countess Schimmelmann, in her efforts to feed the thousands who have gone to her yacht, tied up in the river, has disposed of her jewels, and the proceeds from the last ornament, a pearl necklace of great value, are just disappearing in the shape of soup and bread.

The Countess told the West End Club women that she has provided for 30,000 of the unfed and unsheltered men of Chicago since the Dueu was equipped as a kitchen for the poor. The fortune which she inherited has been spent in the work, largely in other cities, and to maintain her charities here she was obliged to convert her jewels into cash.

"The last," she said, "was a pearl necklace valued at many thousand marks. It had to go that the poor might be fed. It was valuable," she said, with a little laugh, "but not so dear as the thought of caring for the unfortunate.

"Next winter when I have gone I hope the citizens of Chicago will continue the work. Those unemployed men should have shelter and food while they are in search of work."

TRADE AFFAIRS.

The Canadian Agent in Argentina Sends Reports to the Government.

Ottawa, Feb. 21.—D. M. Rennie, Canadian agent of the Trade and Commerce Department in Argentina, reports that there is a demand for agricultural machinery. The outlook in the lumber trade for 1899 is good. There is a likelihood of the duty on spruce being reduced. The shipments of Argentina live stock during the year were: Steers 190,000, sheep 561,000, horses 4,663, mules 2,088, frozen sheep 2,378,000.

Canada sent 118,398 cwts. of butter to Great Britain from Sept. 1 to Jan. 31 last, as against 83,461 cwts. during the corresponding period of previous year.

Our 14-Foot Waterways.

Ottawa, Feb. 21.—Mr. Schreiber, Deputy Minister of Railways, stated yesterday that M. P. Davis, contractor for the Galops Canal, had been granted an extension of time to 1900 to complete his contract, but he will be obliged to provide tugs to tow vessels up stream, there being a sufficient depth of water but a strong current.

The Soulanges Canal contractors have been given to May 15 next to complete their works. There is, however, no certainty that they will be through in that time.

Every effort is being put forth to expedite the work, that Hon. Mr. Blair's expectation of providing 14-foot navigation between the great lakes and the ocean during the coming season of navigation may be realized.

Mr. Harcourt in Mitchell.

Mitchell, Feb. 21.—The utmost enthusiasm prevails throughout the south riding in favor of Mr. Valentine Stock, the Reform candidate. This found expression in a special form last night in the meeting held in the Opera House, when one of the largest political gatherings ever held here assembled to hear Hon. Richard Harcourt, Provincial Treasurer, speak on the questions of the day. The Finance Minister spoke well for upwards of two hours.

Agoncillo in New York.

New York, Feb. 21.—Senor Agoncillo, the Filipino delegate, arrived here yesterday from Montreal. He was accompanied by his compatriot, Senor Marti. Agoncillo expects to sail for England on Wednesday next. He was asked whether he intended to continue his mission in England, and answered that perhaps he would do so, but that he did not care to say much on the subject.

Dr. Briggs a Money-Fetcher.

Kingston, Feb. 21.—At the anniversary services in Sydenham Street Methodist Church yesterday an appeal was made for $2,500 towards paying off the debt of the church. The congregation responded by putting $2,680 on the plates. Rev. Dr. Briggs, Toronto, was the preacher. In St. Andrew's Church the congregation subscribed $2,150 towards the building debt.

Beamsville Mill Blown Up.

Beamsville, Feb. 21.—The boiler in R. O. Konkle's sawmill here burst on Saturday, causing much damage to property in the vicinity. The engineer had just left the boiler room, and was unhurt. John Konkle, son of the owner, had his back injured. The mill building was demolished, and the trees for 500 yards were damaged, the boiler being carried that far.

The Gaspesia Sighted.

Halifax, N.S., Feb. 21.—(Meat Cove, C.B.)—The steamer Gaspesia is reported eight miles north of Deadman and 13 miles from Etang du Nord, still fast in the ice. No smoke is to be seen coming from her funnel, which is taken as an indication that her coal supply is almost, if not entirely, exhausted.

Lived to Be 103.

Woodstock, Feb. 21.—Mrs. Alexander Munroe died yesterday, aged 103 years. That she was that age is amply proven. During the last 12 years she has never left her bed. She had a wonderfully clear memory.

The Khedive Is Happy.

Alexandria, Feb. 21.—The Khedivah has given birth to a son at Montazet There are general great rejoicings

AWFUL WORK OF FROST.

John Brennan of Kingston May Lose Both Hands and Feet.

Kingston, Feb. 21.—During the prevalence of the cold snap last week John Brennan, while driving from Fermoy to Westport, was left on the road through his horses running away and throwing him out. Before he reached shelter his feet, hands, face and other parts of the body were badly frost bitten. Gangrene set in, and it has been found necessary to remove him to the Hotel Dieu Hospital. He may lose both hands and part of his feet. The right hand, at least, will have to be amputated at the wrist. He suffers little pain, but presents a pitiable sight, all the frozen parts being swollen and discolored.

LOUBET'S SEAT SAFE.

Demonstrations Over the Presidency Have Ceased.

LA PATRIE'S MILD MANIFESTO.

A Stormy Session of the Spanish Cortes on Monday—British Royalty in the Soudan—Inquiry About Menier and Anticosti—Editors Who Glorified Murder Sentenced—Austria's Cabinet.

Paris, Feb. 21.—The demonstrations over the Presidency have entirely ceased, perhaps only till after the funeral of M. Faure; but the aspect is, altogether more hopeful, and President Loubet's seat seems permanent. He is credited with the declaration that he will resist strongly any attempt at disturbance, and has reaffirmed his intention to retain the Dupuy Cabinet, a step which tends to remove the suspicion that he is a Dreyfusard. During the month of mourning he will not attend any public ceremony. He has followed the custom of giving holiday remission of punishments in the army and navy, and has made large donations to the poor in Paris and Montelimar, his native town.

The fiery Patrie Francaise has issued an unexpectedly mild manifesto, briefly expressing the wish that the new President shall extricate himself from all compromising connections, and have a clear consciousness of his duty toward the fatherland and the army. The manifesto is signed by Cavaignac, Coppe, Forain, Lemaitre and others. The inference is that the agitation against President Loubet is artificial, and is already dying, both in the streets and the newspapers.

The latter are now concerned in a prosaic but piquant investigation of M. Loubet's domestic connections. Reporters have visited the Montelimar districts and interviewed all his relatives, including his mother, who is over 80 years of age, a bronzed, cheery farmer's widow of the peasant class, in snug circumstances, who has never seen Paris, and who regrets her son's election, because, she says, she would now see him more seldom than ever

President Loubet's brother-in-law, a well-to-do iron monger, said he was delighted at the news of the result of the election, but complained that he would be besieged by office hunters, who would want to be recommended to M. Loubet. He added that President Loubet was not a rich man, and would not be able to spend much beyond his official income and allowances; and he thought that the sudden plunge into President duties, taking him from his beloved books and music, might not prove a happy change.

Stormy Session of the Cortes.

Madrid, Feb. 21.—The Spanish Cortes met here yesterday, and there was a full representation in both Houses and great crowds in the galleries. The principal interest centered in the charges of Count de Almenas, who complained that Generals Prima de Rivera, Weyler and Blanco, Admiral Cervera and General Linares, had proved failures. He said the Spanish army was an army of lions led by asses, and asked why the generals who capitulated had not been executed. General Prima de Rivera denounced Almenas as a calumniator. Senor Annix added fuel to the flame by asserting that Premier Sagasta and Lieut.-General Correa had ordered Blanco to surrender Cuba, when Blanco was opposed to such a course. The session was very stormy, and nothing was accomplished.

Connaught at Omdurman.

Omdurman, Egypt, Feb. 21.—The Duke and Duchess of Connaught arrived here yesterday evening, and met with an enthusiastic reception from the natives. The Duke reviewed 9,000 troops, commanded by the Sirdar, General Lord Kitchener of Khartoum, and afterwards held a levee, at which the officers and notabilities were present. The Duke and Duchess visited the tomb of the Mahdi, the Khalifa's house and gardens and the palace at Khartoum. There was a display of fireworks during the evening.

Menier and Anticosti.

London, Feb. 21.—In answer to a question in the House of Commons yesterday, put by Mr James Francis Hogan, anti-Parnellite, respecting a Frenchman's purchase of an "important strategical position at the gateway of Canada" and the alleged evictions of the previous occupiers, the Government leader, Mr. A. J. Balfour, First Lord of the Treasury, said the Island of Anticosti had been purchased by M. Menier, but he had no official information regarding the evictions. A report on the situation had been asked for, but had not yet arrived.

Editors Who Glorified Murder.

Grenoble, France, Feb. 21. — Max Regis, the former Mayor of Algiers, notorious Jew baiter and editor of The Anti-Juif, has been sentenced in default to three years' imprisonment and to pay a fine of 1,000 francs for "press offences and glorifying murder and pillage at meetings in Algiers and Paris."

M. Philippe, managing editor of the same paper, has been sentenced to eight years' imprisonment, and to pay a fine of 1,000 francs on the same charge.

Old Canadian Stamps Worth Money.

London, Feb. 21.—At a stamp auction sale in London yesterday the sixpence Canada perforated sold at 14 shillings, the New Brunswick Connell at 360 shillings, and the Nova Scotia shilling violet at 280 shillings.

The Pavonia Is Safe.

Ponta del Gada, Azore Islands, Feb. 21.—The weather has become calm, and the Cunard Line steamer Pavonia, which became disabled while on the passage from Liverpool for Boston, and was towed into St. Michael's on Saturday by the steamer Wolviston, is now free of danger.

Cretan Chambers Opened.

Canea, Island of Crete, Feb. 21.—The Cretan Chambers were opened yesterday by Prince George, the high commissioner of the powers, who received a warm greeting. A bill embodying the Cretan constitution was submitted.

Ninety Per Cent

Of the people are afflicted with some form of humor, and this causes a variety of diseases. The reason why Hood's Sarsaparilla cures when all others fail is found in the fact that it effectually expels the humor. Scrofula, salt rheum, boils and all eruptions are permanently cured by this great medicine.

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MATTERS IN MANILA.

Attempt to Burn the Quarters of the Washington Volunteers.

Manila, Feb. 21.—The natives of the village of Paco made a bold attempt last night to burn the quarters of the 1st Washington volunteers by setting fire to the huts adjoining the quarters in the rear. Fortunately the wind changed at the moment the fire was discovered, and, fanned by a stiff breeze, the flames spread in the opposite direction, destroying fully 20 shacks and houses opposite the ruins of the church. The incendiaries escaped.

Mysterious signals were frequently made along the enemy's lines during the night, and this led to the belief that an attack had been arranged, but nothing happened.

LOOKS A BIT THREATENING.

British Cruiser Intrepid at Bluefields, Nicaragua, Has Work to Do.

Managua, Nicaragua, Feb. 21.—A despatch from Bluefields, by way of Greytown, says that on the 15th the captain of the British cruiser Intrepid requested General Reyes, who is endeavoring to retain command of the Atlantic coast in the Department of Nicaragua by a display of force, to permit General Aureldo Estrada, who was chosen by President Zelaya to succeed him, and other official refugees who were at the United States consulate, to go aboard the Intrepid. General Reyes refused the request, and the captain of the warship thereupon issued a circular forbidding foreigners in Bluefields to sell supplies to the revolutionists, or to aid them in any way. President Zelaya's army has established headquarters at Acoyapa, Department of Chontales. No battle has yet occurred. The revolutionists occupy the mountain passes, and are occasionally seen to the westward at La Manga and other points.

Cabinet Maker for Austria.

Buda Pesth, Feb. 21.—The Emperor, King Francis Joseph, has entrusted Koloman de Aszell with the task of forming a new Hungarian Cabinet in succession to the Ministry presided over by Baron Banffy, who announced on Saturday the Minister's intention of resigning at the close of the Parliamentary session.

Spanish Republicans Moving.

Madrid, Feb. 21.—The Republicans in the Chamber have decided to begin at once an energetic campaign against the Government.

THAT $20,000,000.

Bill Reported at Washington to Pay the Money Over to Spain.

Washington, Feb. 21. — The House committee on appropriations yesterday ordered a favorable report on the bill to pay Spain $20,000,000 for the Philippines. The amendment declaring the policy of the Government toward the Philippines was defeated by a party vote. Chairman Cannon was directed to call up the bill under suspension of the rules.

Cable to Manila.

The Senate committee on foreign relations yesterday authorized a favorable report upon an amendment to be offered to the Sundry Civil bill, providing for the construction of a cable to Hawaii and Manila. The cable is not to be built by the United States, but a yearly subsidy is to be paid by the Government.

Jarvis Man Sandbagged.

Hamilton, Feb. 21.—A man named Bamberton, from Jarvis, was sandbagged on the Market Square last night by two men. He was drunk at the time, but he yelled "Murder," and the highwaymen ran before they reached his roll, in his inside pocket. His head was cut.

A Blaze at Southampton.

Southampton, Ont., Feb. 21.—The fine residence of Mr. B. A. Belyea was totally destroyed by fire about 2 o'clock yesterday morning, together with most of the contents. Loss on house, $5,000; insurance on house, $2,000.

NEWS IN A NUTSHELL.

Health returns from the various municipalities of the province for January, 1899, show a marked increase in cases of tuberculosis and a decrease in typhoid fever and diphtheria.

There is a case of smallpox in Anderton Township, Essex County, the disease having been brought from Detroit. Two new cases have developed at Vankleek Hill, and one death has occurred there.

Hon. Edward Blake will return to Canada for good in May. He will be given a banquet by the Irish Home Rulers on his departure from the Old Land. Mr. Blake says he will not enter politics in Canada.

A son of John McMaster, Pitt's Ferry, near Kingston, 5 years of age, placed his mouth over the spout of a tea kettle on the stove and took a drink of the boiling water, terribly scalding his mouth and throat. He may recover.

Hamilton's mayor has written a letter to Manager Ramsay of the Canada Life Insurance Company promising better terms than Toronto in the matter of assessment if the company will retain Hamilton as the place for its head offices.

W. L. Hudson, Watertown, N.Y., has secured a divorce from Ella Townsend, who married William Parish at Brockville and left him in 1893. In 1896 she married Hudson. The woman said Parish was married before he married her, but she could not furnish proof.

At Hespeler on Monday a resolution was put and carried by an immense majority of votes, by property owners only, to sell to William A. Kribs, M.P.P., a portion of the public park at a nominal figure for a site on which to build a box and woodworking plant.

CASUALTIES.

Fred. Gunn, who was run over by a C.P.R. train at Toronto Junction on Friday, had both arms amputated at the Toronto General Hospital on Saturday.

John Jackson of Galt had a narrow escape from death on Friday, the wheels of his loaded wagon passing over his neck. He was unconscious for hours, but may recover.

At the J. Y. Shantz & Sons' button works, Berlin, a boy named Pollakowski narrowly escaped instant death. While ascending to the third flat in the elevator his head came in contact with a protruding timber. He was nearly scalped by the collision.

On Saturday the express train from Calais for Brussels collided with a train which was at a standstill at Feret, near the latter place. Twenty-one passengers were killed, and over 100 were injured. There were no English or Americans among them.

UNCLASSIFIED.

The Government has decided to provide additional accommodation at Brockville Insane Asylum.

John W. Keller, the New York commissioner of charities, relieved 1,800 families on Thursday who were thrown into immediate want by the storm.

Dead Man's Island, in Burrard Inlet, close to Stanley Park, has been sold to a Mr. Ludgate of Peterboro, Ont. The island is a part of the Imperial Government reserve.