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THE GERRYMANDER.

The following table shows how unfairlythe gerrymander bill will operate in Ontario, the population being given, together with the number of members of each county:—

County or city,	Population.	Members.
Addington	17,514	1
Algoma	36,432	1
Brant	33,217	2
Brockville	18,691	1
Bruce	60,604	3
Cardwell	20,195	wiped out
Carleton	21,807	1
Dufferin	22,133	1
Dundas	20,132	1
Durham	32,427	2
Elgin	43,377	2
Essex	56,345	2
Frontenac	14,689	1
Glengarry	22,447	1
Grenville	21,609	1
Grey	71,214	3
Haldimand	18,216	1
Halton	21,982	1
Hamilton	57,946	2
Hastings	59,084	3
Huron	66,781	3
Kent	58,019	3
Kingston	19,263	1
Lambton	57,925	2
Lanark	37,725	2
Leeds	20,588	1
Lennox	14,900	1
Lincoln	25,394	1
London	31,977	1
Middlesex	60,367	3
Muskoka	17,850	1
Nipissing	13,163	1
Norfolk	29,842	2
Northumberland	36,942	2
Ontario	45,355	2
Ottawa	44,142	2
Oxford	50,649	2
Parry Sound	18,067	1
Peel	20,986	1
Perth	51,716	2
Peterborough	36,090	2
Prescott	24,173	1
Prince Edward	18,889	1
Renfrew	46,970	2
Russell	29,970	1
Simcoe	66,417	3
Stormont	27,156	1
Toronto	200,000	4
Victoria	39,431	2
Waterloo	50,473	2
Welland	24,452	1
Wellington	59,549	3
Wentworth	28,141	2
York	63,892	3

The position of the city of Toronto is little less than scandalous. A population of 30,000 now in East and West York is added to the city constituencies, and not a single additional representative is given to the provincial capital.

Brant, with a population of 33,000, will have two members.

Lambton, with 58,000, two members.

Durham, with 32,000, two members.

Essex, with 56,000, two members.

Kent, with 59,000, three members.

The net result is that some members will represent only 14,000 people, others 50,000. The general purpose of the measure is clearly to give excessive representation to Liberal districts, and only partial representation to Conservative districts. Some of the boundaries now changed have existed for 30 or 40 years.

It is figured out that the net result of the change, if it becomes law, will be to deprive seven Conservatives of their seats.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

The latest English newspapers contain interesting details of the experiments with Signor Marconi's system of wireless telegraphy in the British Channel, and of the new contrivance which, it is claimed, makes it certain that any particular despatch shall be received by the station for which it is intended, and by no other. One of the main objections to the practical utility of the invention, it will be remembered, was that a message, sent into space as it were, could be intercepted by any apparatus existing within the prescribed radius. This possibility, it appears, has been obviated entirely. The experiments were conducted between the gunboat Ibis in the channel, the South Foreland, the Goodwin lightship and the French village of Wimereux. Messages were first sent from the Ibis to the South Foreland, and were received simultaneously by the Goodwin lightship. Signor Marconi's new invention was then tried, and the messages sent to the Foreland were concentrated there, and received at no other point, the lightship being cut out. A similar experiment was made with the lightship, the ships communicating with each other, while the Foreland was cut out. As a further test messages were sent simultaneously from Boulogne and the lightship to the South Foreland, where only the Boulogne message was taken by the receiver, the other being cut out at will. This experiment was also tried on board the Ibis and from the other points, in each instance with complete success. It has now, therefore, been clearly demonstrated that not only can moving ships communicate with each other at sea, but that the messages can be concentrated upon the point which they are intended to reach.

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THE BISHOP AND DANCING.

From Notes from a Diary, by Sir M. E Grant Duff.

Col. Henderson told me recently that the Bishop of Peterborough had said to a great lady, who had scruples about allowing her pretty daughters to dance:—"The devil has invented quite enough real sins to make it unnecessary for your grace to invent imaginary ones!".

RED CANARIES.

Pittsburg Dispatch.

A few years ago, an ingenious individual, Emile Pardin by name, drove a roaring trade in Paris in red canaries. His secret for producing the red plumage was a simple one, and consisted in nothing else but mixing a certain quantity of cayenne pepper with the birds' food at the time they were moulting; the young feathers grew in red, and the trick was done. Since Perdin's death the art has been brought to considerable perfection, and half a dozen or more mixtures are on the market, all guaranteed to produce the required results without any injury to the birds. Pepper and cochineal are the principal ingredients.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Porto Rico is tired of American eagle and wants canvasback duck.—Washington Star.

A few new water plants ought to thrive in the rich soil of the Schuylkill.—Philadelphia North American.

With frozen mammoth steaks to be had for the digging there need be little fear of another famine in the Klondike.—Syracuse Post-Standard.

Four of the eight boys who will speak at the Yale junior exhibition are from Ohio. How did the other four come to get in the list?—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

In Italy some vengeful persons have been distributing explosive cigarettes to injure their enemies. In America the cigarette does its injury more insidiously.—Nashville Banner.

A Chicago man pines to raise a colony to settle in the Isle of Pines, and if he succeeds there will be a lot of pining for the United States before the year is out.—Kansas City Times.

The Sir George Newnes' Anglo-American chess trophy once more will visit the United States to enjoy the companionship of the America's cup and other international tokens of Yankee supremacy on sea and land.—Boston Herald.

There are a good many colleges looking in vain for presidents just now. Why should they not select the officials from among those individuals upon whom they so freely bestow "honorary" degrees?—Louisville Courier-Journal.

It cost the marine underwriters upward of $12,000,000 last year to pay for losses and disasters at sea to vessels insured by them. It's lucky for the companies that they didn't have anything at risk on the Spanish navy too.—Boston Globe.

General Henry says that a man with plenty of money and considerable patience can get on well in Porto Rico. A person similarly endowed ought to find New York or almost any American city a pretty good stamping ground.—New York Press.

A Chicago genius has invented an instrument whereby the studying capacity of children may be determined and overwork prevented. As might be supposed, persons who hold down political jobs have no use for such a machine.—Baltimore Herald.

LITERARY NOTES.

NEW YORK INDEPENDNT.

The latest number of The New York Independent, a valuable weekly magazine publication, has reached this office and is certainly a credit to the publishers. It contains an excellent series of well-written articles on current topics. It contains such excellent articles as, "How England Governs her Colonies;" "The Reign of the Mob;" "Georgia's Record of Blood," and many other equally interesting.

AN EXCELLENT NUMBER.

The current issue of Literature, a New York Gazette of criticism, published by Harper & Bros., is an excellent number, containing valuable comment upon the literary specialties of the day. Among the best articles are, "American Myths," and a review of "From Cromwell to Wellington, 12 soldiers."

IN M'CLURE'S MAGAZINE FOR MAY.

The special literary features are an excellent short story by Kipling, "The Flag of their Country;" a series of poems on the gold trail, by Hamlin Garland; and, particularly, the opening installment of a novel of American life, "The Gentleman from Indiana," by a new writer, Mr. Booth Tarkington. This last, for a first work, is very distinguished. The characters are presented with masterly clearness and individuality; they and the whole scene and atmosphere in which they move are charming; and, finally, the incidents in which they are involved have unfailing freshness and significance and often become intensely dramatic.

Other notable things in the number are a paper by Charles Dana Gibson relating personal experiences in Egypt and illustrated with his own drawings; a good railroad story by John A. Hill; and Miss Tarbell's collection of new anecdotes and reminiscences exhibiting Lincoln's personal relations and dealings with the commanders of the army, from McClellan to Grant.

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Desperate Attempt at Suicide Because of a Fickle Lover.

Detroit Free Press.

Mildred Holliday's attempt at suicide last Friday night was a failure. Miss Holliday boards at 158 Randolph street. Friday evening she was entertaining her lover and about 10.30 o'clock he arose to go.

A woman's smile couldn't phase Georgie just then, however, and he opened the door. Mildred saw a gleam of determination in his eye, and knew that she must take heroic measures. Picking up a three ounce bottle full of laudanum and iodine she shouted after the retreating form:

"Here's a go, Georgie," and tossed off the greater portion of it. Georgie looked back and then made a bee line for a doctor.

Meantime another young woman had called Boyd's ambulance. When it arrived Mildred informed Archie Boyd that she preferred to die at home, and would not leave. Patrolman Hicks persuaded her to get into the ambulance. She was hurried to St. Mary's hospital and a stomach pump brought her out of danger.

When the patrolman asked her lover for his name he replied:

"Just call me Georgie," and as the policeman reached for a note book he disappeared around a convenient corner. Later he called at the hospital and saw Mildred. She was still angry and refused to be comforted. Miss Holliday is 22 years of age.

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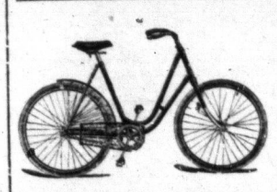

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Proprietow,
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May 13th, 1899. 6d1w

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed separate or bulk tenders will be received by the undersigned, marked tender, until noon, the 31st, next, for the erection of a frame residence at Charing Cross, with brick foundation. Hot air heating and plumbing. Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of T. J. Rutley, architect. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

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To Contractors.

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All tenders are to be addressed to Mrs. I. Garner, and left at the Office of Thomas Scullard, Barrister, City.

Plans, specifications, details, etc., may be seen at the Office of the Architects, Messrs. Powell & Carswell, Architects.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

(Signed)
POWELL & CARSWELL,
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