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### A Record To Be Proud Of.

Over and above what we have done in the way of developing this country, what we have done in the way of promoting trade, what we have done in the way of reducing taxation, we have settled, and successfully settled, one of those dangerous and burning questions dividing religious denominations of one kind from religious denominations of another, dividing race from race, setting province against province—we have settled that, and settled it so successfully that I do not believe today in Manitoba that either party takes the slightest notice of the former discussion and dispute over the separate schools in that region. We have shown that we, at any rate, believed in the unity of the empire, and we have done more in the way of developing a wholesome imperial sentiment between Great Britain and her colonies than has been done by all the talk, all the bluster, all the jingoism, with which this place and others resounded for the last twenty years. When we gave a specific preference to English manufactures we showed that the Liberals were prepared to do what Conservatives had only been prepared to talk about.—Sir Richard Cartwright, at Toronto.

### A Vain Hope.

It was stated the other day that the Boers intended to hold out until November, and after that they expect American intervention. This is all very well, as an announcement, to have its little day on the bulletin board, but it will not bear serious consideration. It is not likely that even at the present rate the Boers will be able to hold out until November. There are still three months, and, notwithstanding their quickness of movement, much will happen in three months. The Boers are stubborn enough, but they have met a race as stubborn as themselves, and now that the British people have had to pay so high a price for victories in South Africa, they are not going to leave the work until it is thoroughly finished.

But if the Boers do hold out until November; what then? To count on American intervention is for them a delusion and a snare. A prominent English journal recently discussing American politics expressed the belief that in any case there will be no attempt at American interference. The Republicans have given their answer, and if the Democrats are successful they will not want to entangle themselves with the Boers. Soberness comes from responsibility, and Bryan, as president, would be slightly different from Bryan as stump orator and candidate. We quite agree with this. The Boers have nothing to hope and we have nothing to fear from the American election. The election for the presidency is the Americans' business, not ours. We are not specially enamored of "sixteen to one," or of the Boer plank in the Democratic platform, but if the people of the United States want Bryan for their president, that is their affair.

But the point we are now concerned with is that with Cuba, the Philippines and China on hand, the United States has sufficient of foreign affairs on hand, not to mention the fact that many of their most intelligent people are convinced that the Boer case was from the start both unjust and hopeless. It seems very clear that if the Boers are holding out in hope of American intervention they are cherishing another delusion, and causing useless bloodshed. The end draws near, and we can only say the sooner the better for all concerned. This Chinese affair makes it certain that Europe will have its hands too full to trouble further about the Boers, and indeed those who are at all well informed know that no harshness or injustice is to be feared from Great Britain.

### Inoculation Against Typhoid.

Most interesting and significant are the tables which have been compiled by Dr. Wright, professor of pathology in the British Army Medical School, with the object of showing the results of the anti-typhoid inoculation among the men who formed the garrison at Ladysmith during the trying siege of that place. The number of troops not inoculated under observation was 10,529, and of inoculated troops 1,705. Among the former there were 1,489 cases of enteric fever, and among the latter 35 cases. The proportion of attacks in the one case was 1 in 7.07, and in the other 1 in 48.7. The number of deaths among the men not inoculated was 239, and among the inoculated 8. The proportion of deaths to the whole number of men not inoculated was 1 in 32, the proportion among the inoculated 1 in 213. The proportion of deaths to the total number of attacks was in the case of the men not inoculated 1 in 4.52, and in the case of the inoculated 1 in 4.4. Professor Wright adds that the probability is that all the men were exposed to equal risks of infection, and that, so far as is known, those who were inoculated were inoculated only once, whereas the protection is supposed to be more effectual if the operation is repeated. Moreover, there is reason to believe that some of the officers, set down as inoculated, only received the anti-typhoid serum, and not the vaccine containing the sterilized typhoid culture. In other cases the injection is

known to have been too small. On the whole, Professor Wright thinks that the tables are quite as encouraging as they seem to be upon the surface.

### "Heads I Win, Tails You Lose."

To read some of the Conservative journals just now might suggest that the Conservative party has begun to take a great interest in the prohibition of the liquor traffic. The fact is, Conservatives do take a special interest in something just now, but that something is the elections, not prohibition. Prohibition seems to them to be one stick with which they have a chance of striking the Government. They have, of course, many more. It is, in fact, wonderful the variety of sticks, big and little, that they have laid up for this purpose. Prohibitionists have been meeting in convention. They are naturally disappointed that the cause has not made greater progress, and they have given utterance to some strong sentiments. This gives our Conservative friends a chance. They say: "Go ahead in that line. You cannot use language strong enough against the men who have fooled you."

Let temperance men read carefully, not between the lines, but in the lines, and mark the trend of this policy. The journals to which we refer do not say that prohibition is right, and any Government should give it at any cost. They do not tell their readers that the Conservative party will, if victorious, give the Dominion prohibition. They simply say that Sir Wilfrid Laurier has deceived the prohibitionists, and that the temperance party should rush with all speed at the next election to vote for Conservative candidates. By all means, let the policy be adopted that is advocated by one or two extreme prohibitionists, punish this Government now, and then if the Tories do not come up to the standard punish them afterwards.

This is very good, but rather thin. It is easy to see that the Conservatives are very anxious about the next election, and "afterwards" can take care of itself. One election at a time is a very good motto. But is not there a dilemma here very near at hand? If Sir Wilfrid Laurier, as they say, deceived the prohibitionists, that means that he refused to give prohibition when the country asked for it. Well, if that is so, if the vote is strong and overwhelming, then let the Conservatives adopt it as a plank in their platform and go boldly to the country on that issue. No! this will not do, as they are not prepared for any such battle, but simply wish to angle for as many temperance votes as are needed to help them to power without committing themselves to any pledge. This is no doubt clever. It is very politic, but we do not see that there is much in it for the temperance party, or, what is more important, for temperance. We desire to see the cause of temperance prosper, and as far as possible legislation that is in harmony with the highest intelligence and best moral sense of the community; but we do not see that this will be accomplished in the way that is now marked out by the Conservative critics.

### A Discredited Prophet.

The irrepressible and irresponsible Mr. Davin, M.P., having addressed one or two meetings in Western Ontario, has been prophesying in Ottawa that his Opposition friends will succeed at the ensuing general election. Mr. Davin has, however, a bad reputation as a prophet. In 1896 he staked his reputation that he would be returned in Assiniboia by a majority of several hundreds. He was no less sure, he asserted again and again, that the Liberals would be overwhelmed at the polls. Result: The Liberals were returned by a large majority, which has been constantly growing ever since, and Mr. Davin only managed to get back to Parliament by the casting vote of the returning officer. Really, Mr. Davin is a political partisan who is most unreliable, whether as a prophet or as an expounder of public affairs. His bitter and unfounded attack on Hon. Mr. Sifton is an illustration of the recklessness of the man. Hitherto, however, the public have refused to take Mr. Davin seriously, and certainly no one will accept his slanderous statements, made as they are out of whole cloth, and with only the desire to earn notoriety and serve his political associates.

### Fires the Enthusiasm.

Mr. James Innes, the genial ex-M.P. for South Wellington, who recently crossed to the Pacific, has since his return to his old home in Guelph been expressing his gratification that he took the trip, and his conviction that no Canadian can fully appreciate his heritage who does not see the wonders of the west for himself. This is the view held by all intelligent travelers in our western and northwestern territories. He who has never seen the great prairies of the west, the wonderful mines in the far-famed Rockies, and the beautiful and productive Province of British Columbia—all yet in the infancy of their development—cannot fully understand the extent of Canada's possessions, or become properly enthusiastic over the future of the Dominion.

Just as the imperial statesman who stays at home has his views contracted as to the greatness of the empire, so every Canadian public man who has not seen the west is that much under-equipped to legislate effectively for the whole country. Mr. Innes has good grounds for his enthusiasm, and he ought to have many imitators. In these days of 100-hour transcontinental journeys, entirely through Canadian

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130 Yards Plain and Twilled Bleached sheeting, 8-4 width good quality, worth 25c, special Friday, per yard ..... 20c  
20 Pairs Wool Blankets, full size, good weight, nice borders, regular \$3.25, special price, per pair ..... \$2.48  
4 Pieces Only White Muslin, fancy Stripes, suitable for blouse waists and children's wear, our regular price 10c, special Friday, to clear ..... 5c  
5 Pieces German Elder Flannel, for ladies' dressing gowns, in pink, mauve and blues, special, per yard ..... 25c  
6 Pieces Fancy Wrapperettes, in Dresden designs, for wrappers and dressing gowns, special, per yard ..... 10c  
30 Dozen All-India Boilies, 3 sizes, white with red borders, special, each ..... 4c, 5c and 10c  
240 Yards Roller Crash Toweling, unbleached, good weight, special, to clear ..... 3½c  
A limited quantity All-India Sheets, full size, our regular \$8, special Friday, per pair ..... \$5.25

### Smallwares

12 Only Black Velvet Belts, set with brilliants, regular \$1, for ..... 25c  
12 Gross Safety Pins, Friday, 3 dozen for ..... 5c  
Tan leather belts, with steel buckles, special, each ..... 5c  
3 Dozen Fancy Brooch Pins, in brilliants, colors and jet, regular 25c each, Friday ..... 10c  
Shirt Waist Sets, any set in the store at half-price, 90c, 75c, 60c, at half-price.  
Best Pin Buck, containing jet, mourning and white pins, 72 pins in paper, special for ..... 5c

### Hosiery

Ladies' Fine Cotton Hose, plain black, fancy stripes and plaids, black with natural soles, worth 25c, 35c and 40c, Friday, special ..... 15c  
Ladies' Summer Weight Cashmere Hose, spliced heel and toe, regular 25c pair, Friday, special ..... 19c  
Boys' Extra Heavy Ribbed Cotton Hose, spliced and seamless feet, worth 25c pair, Friday only ..... 20c  
Ladies' Plain Cotton Hose, Herma-dorf dye, spliced feet, regular 25c pair, special ..... 20c  
Ladies' Plain and Ribbed Cashmere Hose, fine quality, spliced heel and toe, very special, per pair ..... 25c

### Whitewear

Ladies' Chemises, in fine cotton or Nainok New York samples, were from 60c to \$2, to sell Friday, half-price.  
Ladies' Lonsdale Corset Covers, trimmed with embroidery, all sizes, special Friday ..... 25c  
Ladies' Heavy Cotton Gowns, trimmed with frills or embroidery, all sizes, special Friday ..... 45c  
Ladies' Fine Gowns, trimmed with lace or embroidery, insertion and edging, regular \$1, special Friday, each ..... 85c  
Ladies' Fine White Skirts, deep frill, insertion and tucks, dust frill, regular \$1.75, Friday, each ..... \$1.25

### Handkerchiefs

18 Dozen Ladies' Fine Lawn Handkerchiefs, embroidered edge, regular 10c, special Friday, 3 for ..... 20c  
25 Dozen Ladies' Hemstitched Lawn Handkerchiefs, regular 5c each, special Friday only, 2 for ..... 5c

### Shirt Waists

The summer is waning, and so are our Shirt Waists. Take note of the following special lines to clear:  
30 only Fine Muslin and Fancy Piques, regular price 75c, special to clear ..... 59c  
42 only Shirt Waists, all sizes, 32 to 38, white dainty, with blue spots, gingham and percales, regular prices all the way up to \$1.75, special to clear ..... 50c  
12 only Assorted White Pique and Muslin Blouses, nicely trimmed with Hamburg insertion, worth all the way up to \$2, special to clear ..... 75c  
20 only Colored Muslin Blouses, assorted shades, odd patterns, special to clear ..... 20c

### Ribbons and Chiffons

48 pieces Plain Silk Taffeta Ribbon, in white, sky, black and all other colors, for ties and belts, 4 inches wide, regular 25c yard, special ..... 19c  
Remnants in Plain and Fancy Ribbons, collar and belt lengths, all colors, special Friday, half price.  
20 pieces Ribbon, plain and fancy, narrow and wide, regular 8c, 10c, 12½c and 15c yard, special Friday ..... 5c  
15 pieces Fancy Stripes and Plaid Chiffon, 6 inches wide, regular 10c and 15c, Friday ..... 5c

### Underwear

Ladies' Bleached or Unbleached Vests, with ¼-sleeve, nicely finished, regular 12½c, Friday ..... 10c  
Ladies' White Vests, short sleeves, trimmed with lace and ribbon, regular 25c, Friday special, 2 for ..... 35c  
Ladies' Vests, with short sleeve, regular price 7c, Friday ..... 5c

### Grocery & Crockery Dept.

Despite the advance in price of Tea, we still sell our Imperial Blend Black, Mixed and Japan 40c Teas for ..... 25c  
Also 3 pounds Rice and 2 pounds Tapioca for ..... 25c  
Glass Fruit Jars at Rock Prices.  
2 cans Maple Leaf Salmon for ..... 25c  
5 packages Cornstarch for ..... 25c  
5 dozen Clothes Pegs for ..... 5c  
97-piece Dinner Set, in blue, pink, and green decorations, regular \$7, for ..... \$5.50  
102-piece Dinner Set, in mauve and pink, regular \$15, for ..... \$10.50  
10-piece White Toilet Sets, regular \$2, per set ..... \$1.65  
10-piece Heavy Stippled Toilet Sets, regular \$3.50, for ..... \$2.50  
1 hoghead of Fancy Chiffon.  
44-piece Fancy China Tea Sets, assorted designs. Ask to see them.  
30 Glass Lemonade Sets to choose from.

### Men's Furnishings

15 dozen Men's Regatta Shirts, all sizes, fast washing percale, fancy stripes, checks, new coloring, soft or laundered, your choice of any \$1 or \$1.50 shirt in the store on Friday for ..... 18c  
4 dozen only Men's Health Brand Underwear, large sizes only, shirts and drawers, flesh color, pure wool, unshrinkable, shaped shirt and wrist bands, summer weight, regular \$1, Friday bargain ..... 75c

### Boys' Blouses

All sizes, for boys from 3 to 7 years, were 75c and 50c, Friday ..... 38c

### Men's Summer Coats

All sizes, 36 to 42, Crash and Lustre, black and gray, regular \$1.25 to \$1.75, Friday Bargain ..... 95c

## Special Sugar Specials.

For Friday only, for the benefit of housewives canning fruit, we will give

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### George Brown's Son.

The London Examiner has the following reference to the candidature of Mr. George M. Brown, for Central Edinburgh: "For some time past it has been known among the leading Liberals in the central division of Edinburgh that Mr. Wm. McEwan intended, owing to the state of his health, not to re-enter Parliament at the forthcoming general election, and the formal announcement of the fact has, therefore, been received with comparatively little surprise. Upon the recommendation of the executive of the local Liberal Association Mr. George M. Brown, of Messrs. Nelson & Sons, publishers, Edinburgh, was on Friday adopted as candidate for the seat at the ensuing election. Mr. Brown is a son of the late Hon. George Brown, of Toronto, Canada, who for many years was the leader of the Liberal party in the Canadian Parliament, and a prominent figure in connection with the confederation of the Dominion and other reform measures. The candidate was born in Canada in 1869, and came to this country with his mother and sisters after the death of his father at the hands of an assassin. Mr. Brown was educated at Cambridge. On the death of his uncle, Mr. Thomas Nelson, in 1892, the business of Thos. Nelson & Sons was left in the hands of trustees, of whom Mr. Brown was one. He was appointed managing trustee, and has held this position up to the present time. At the meeting, on Friday, Mr. Brown was said to be a very considerable employer, and very popular with his workpeople."

They are complaining in Ottawa of the scarcity of men to perform needed work. This shows how well employed the people generally are. Now, if it had been the other way, and workmen had been looking for employment and finding none, the Government would have been blamed for it all by the Opposition orators and papers.

### Chinese Factory Girls.

A lady who has resided several years in China draws an attractive picture of the girls in the Chinese silk factories. She says they are the gayest and brightest of the native women workers. The factories are large, clean, carefully ventilated and well regulated. The girls are charmingly dressed in blue, with little, decorated slippers, and smooth hair, decked with flowers and silver-gilt or enameled pins, and each has two mirrors, her hair brush, and her tooth brush. How much these are prized is shown by the fact that their forfeiture is the punishment for misconduct. Some of the workers powder their faces, though many of the country women have cheeks of rosy pink. One factory, at Sing Chang, employs 900 native girls, with European foreman and a European general manager. The work begins at 5:30 a.m. There is a ten minutes rest for a light breakfast, which is taken by the hands at their working places, the machinery being stopped meanwhile. At 11 o'clock the work is laid aside an hour for dinner, which is eaten in a large room. The girls make common stock of their provisions. Each girl has at her side, while at work, a little teapot in a padded basket, and a tiny tea cup. She drinks tea frequently, without milk or sugar, and in small quantities. The working day is a trifle under nine hours. In one department, where the cocoons are stripped of their outer covering and dropped into separate baskets, according to their quality, the work is by the piece, and many women work only a few hours a day. Wages average about 12 cents a day. In the next department the sorting is more precise, and here the wages average 11 cents a day throughout the year. The spinning room is a pretty sight, with its rows of blue-robed girls. In preparing the cocoons for the spinner, each cocoon is brushed until the end of the thread appears. Six cocoons threads go to make the final filament, and each spinner works with 38 cocoons in a pan before her. The children here earn 5 cents a day, working from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., while the women earn about 8 cents a day. In the finishing department there is the same attention to neatness of appearance as in the rest of the factory. The girls being scrupulously clean and tastefully dressed. Neatness is taken as an evidence of intelligence, and no slovenly girl could find a place in the flature. The last department of the factory is the packing room. Here the skeins are packed close, formed into square bundles, marked as to quality, and wrapped in white cotton for shipment to the mills of Europe, to be made into fabric.—Los Angeles Times.

A VERY CURIOUS WEDDING CUSTOM.  
A curious wedding custom, a survival of the folk lore of the Fatherland, is found in the German settlement about Buckley, Ill., and in the townships further east. When a young couple is to be married the elder brother of the bride starts out on horseback a few days before. He is called the "brautbeter"—literally the "bride taker." If the bride have no brother, some other male member of the family takes the place. The summons of the "brautbeter" is just as effective in assembling the guests as the engraved invitations of society folk in the cities.  
The "brautbeter" is a picturesque figure. In his invitation trip he is the recipient of many perquisites in money or gifts, which, by right of custom, are kept as his own. At every place where he leaves an invitation to the wedding the recipients are expected to give him something. The size of the gift is regulated by the circumstances of the receiver. It may be a piece of money, a bill or a coin, or it may be only a ribbon or a trinket. However small, the present is invariably expected and given.  
As the "brautbeter" receives his gifts he pins the bills to his clothing or hat, and the coins and the ribbons to his round the gifts are added one

by one, till his clothes are opulent with money and trinkets. The circumstances of the "brautbeter" are not taken into consideration. Every receiver of an invitation makes a gift in return, which becomes the property of the "brautbeter."

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