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THOSE HISTORIC GUNBOATS.

The action of the Government in refusing to allow American capitalists to come over to Canada, raise the British gunboats now lying in the Thames and carry them off to the United States, was the only course open to them. In fact if the Government had decided otherwise the Americans might have found some difficulty in obtaining possession of these hulks, permission or no permission. Chathamites feel strongly on this point and their opinions are shared by the London Free Press, which expresses the opinion, in an editorial recently, that in reply to Mr. Kemp, of Toronto, Hon. Mr. Hyman has given the only possible, or thinkable, statement regarding the disposal of the hulks of the British war vessels which were sunk in the River Thames near this city in the war of 1812. They will not be removed to grace the patriotic holidays of another people.

No other decision was possible in the matter. The hulks, having lain in the river for nearly 100 years, are worthless except as relics. But in this aspect they belong to Canada, and are valuable to this generation as testifying to the hardness of a military campaign which some parts of history have disparaged. That the forces under General Proctor were able to bring their remaining supplies so far on the retreat from the frontier, in face of a much superior force of trained fighters on horseback, was a creditable feature of the business. The ships were sunk to prevent their possible capture, as guns are spiked when they are abandoned. There was nothing discreditable to the British cause in this action.

Too much has been said regarding Proctor's return after the battle on Lake Erie had made his further campaign impossible. The British general's discretion has been unjustly submerged in adulation of Tecumseh. The Shawnee chief was a great factor in the affair, but it was not the deciding one. The massacre of Miami and flight of Tecumseh's braves following that unfortunate incident, together with the opposition in England to the employment of American Indians in the war, intensified by the charge of cannibalism, were sufficient to discourage Proctor from reliance upon this "arm of the service." His retreat was, in the light of history, "the better part of valor," although his trial by court martial and disgrace was the natural course under the military code of the period in which a gallant admiral of England was shot on his quarter deck for an alleged neglect of duty.

In this view of the military history of Upper Canada the old hulks have a peculiar interest for the descendants of the men who fought in the war of 1812. By no strain of that history could they be justly used to celebrate General Harrison's side of the campaign, let alone that of General Hull. The attempt to "lift" and remove them by the Detroit capitalist, Mr. Burton, was a piece of impudence without warrant in any of the records. Therefore the only proper decision regarding it was that which Hon. Mr. Hyman stated in his reply to Mr. Kemp's question in the House of Commons. The reference of the question to the British Government was due to courtesy alone. The refusal to let the vessels go should have been prompt, unhesitating and out of hand.

TILBURY

May 5—Miss Grace Lockridge, of Detroit, is the guest of her cousin, Miss Beulah Bartley.
Mrs. Clark, of Colborne, visited here yesterday.
Spokane, May 6.—A large crowd gathered here yesterday.

THE STAGE

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

At the Grand—
Richard & Pringle's Minstrels—
May 9.
The Holy City—May 10.
The Tenderfoot—May 16.

(Supplied to The Planet by Press Agents.)

GEORGIA MINSTRELS.

Richards & Pringle's Famous Georgia Minstrels continue to do large business everywhere and it is likely to do the same in this city at the Grand on Wednesday evening, for there is a fascination about the fun and music that will draw the people to the theatre many times, and Richards & Pringle are strong believers in advertising and keeping faith with the public in their advertising.

Someway or other it always happens that the judicious advertising succeeds. Judicious means many things. Some people better never advertise. This can be said of many shows. Some attractions better never advertise. Managers who are not honest, whose advertisements mis-

Holy Word, and only by the most careful avoidance of anything like sacrilege could the play be made a success. But this has been accomplished by the author, and the dialogue does not breathe a single word but what is pure and elevating in its tendencies. The play is founded on the incidents of the Biblical story just previous to and immediately after the crucifixion, and the scene on Calvary is shown in a tableau after the painting by Michael Angelo. The presence of Christ is frequently referred to, but obviously it would be impractical and offensive to attempt to represent the Master on the stage, and this is done. But many of those intimately associated with Christ during His time on earth, are presented with a fidelity to the best conceptions of their characters and appearance, and the result is a play which is absorbing in interest and elevating in its teachings.

Great care has certainly been shown in the selection of the cast, and the leading parts will be taken by artists of exceptional ability, who will give to the portrayal that skill and intelligent conception which makes an enjoyable performance.



JAMES CROSBY OF RICHARD & PRINGLE'S MINSTRELS

lead and whose shows disappoint, they had better let advertising alone. The managers of Richards & Pringle's Famous Georgia Minstrels endeavor to advertise nothing but what they can show. They are in a class by themselves, being the only recognized negro minstrels that play the first class theatres and cannot afford to mislead their patrons.

Some show people are careless in their statements. They become so used to writing biggest, grandest, greatest, best, and world's largest, that they can only think in superlatives. They mean to be honest, probably are, but are merely careless, and failure is the price of carelessness.

The performance given by these "Sons of Ham" gained its vitality with the introduction of something new each season, and this, their 28th annual tour, a program of novelty is promised of unusual excellence.

Go to the Grand on Wednesday, May 9, and judge if the Georgians are not what they claim.

The usual parade will be given at 11:30 a. m.

"THE HOLY CITY."

The production of "The Holy City," to be given at the Grand on Thursday evening, will be an agreeable surprise even to those who expect the most from the play, and the presentation will be one that will live for years and receive constantly increasing praise and patronage at the hands of the public. It is certainly a daring attempt to give a play founded on some of the most stirring and tender incidents in the

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PARISH SOCIAL

Holy Trinity church school room was crowded Friday night with the members and friends of the congregation at a parish social. The room had been most beautifully and artistically decorated with flags, bunting and flowers and looked most inviting. The rector took the chair at about nine o'clock and in his usual pleasing manner made the large company a hearty welcome.

Instrumental selections were given by the Guitar and Mandolin Club, Messrs Hodgins, Cochrane and Master White, and vocal numbers by Misses Dugger, Rankin, Schwemmer, Mrs. Cooper and the Christ Church male quartette.

Refreshments consisting of coffee, cake, ice cream, etc., were served by the ladies and a most pleasant evening spent in social converse.

Singing For Nothing a Year.

Writing of the trials and tribulations of American singers who go to Europe to gain recognition, Mildred Aldrich in the Theater Magazine says:

"To most singers who have sought recognition abroad there is but one drawback to the European career. It is not love of home that lures them back to the United States. It is money. It looks like to put 'de Opera' or 'de l'Opera Comique' on one's visiting card, as is the habit in Europe, but there is another side to it. Many a debutante has sung at the Opera Comique for nothing, some have paid, and some have had the magnificent salary of 200 francs a month (just shy of \$40). One of the most prominent debutantes at the opera saw 5,000 francs paid over for her debut, and one woman who was there two years as a regular member of the troupe earned 6,000 francs a year (\$25 a week), and she was considered favored. Cities like Bordeaux often get debutantes at 300 francs (\$60 a month), and in theaters of that size they provide their own costumes. All wonder that, having seen the money, one wants to go to the States."

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ELECTED OFFICERS

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2nd Vice-Pres.—Mr. Truax.
3rd Vice-Pres.—P. Parrott.
4th Vice-Pres.—W. Boomer.
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Sec. Treas.—S. Oldershaw.
President of Junior League—Mrs. Wells.

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FOOD OR STIMULANT.

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FOOTBALL IN CHINA.

The Game Was Played There Before the Christian Era.

Writing in the Nineteenth Century on "Football and Polo in China," Professor Giles asserts that the game of football at least was known during the Han dynasty before the beginning of the Christian era and was even then an imperial favorite and an object of veneration.

The Emperor Cheng Ti was fond of football, but his officers represented to him that it was both physically exhausting and unsuitable to the imperial dignity. His Majesty replied, "We like playing, and what can a emperor do to do is not exhausting." An appeal was then made to the empress, who suggested the game of tiddlywinks for the Emperor's amusement.

The ball as originally used by the Chinese was a round leather bag stuffed with hair. Bamboo poles were erected, and it was the aim of the contending sides to kick the ball over a net stretched on these poles. Some of the stories taken by Professor Giles from the old historians are not without application to-day. Thus of a Taoist priest of the sixteenth century, who was a good player, we read: "He used shoulders, back, breast and belly to take the place of his feet. He could withstand several antagonists, making the ball run around his body without dropping." And of a certain game played before a certain Emperor on his birthday it is said that the winners "were rewarded with flowers, fruit, wine and even silver bowls and brocades. The captain of the losing side was flogged and suffered other indignities."

Jules Simon's Partridge.

When Jules Simon was ten years old he found a small red partridge dying in the snow. He took the bird home and warmed it into life. One of its legs had been broken, and Simon, seeing that the fracture was too bad for setting, amputated the leg with his pocket-knife and replaced it with a wooden one. Two days later the partridge was as happy as possible, and the tick tick tick of its wooden stump was to be heard all over the house. It became an inseparable companion of young Jules Simon, who named it Cornelia, and it followed him about wherever he went with the persistence of the little lamb. But one afternoon Cornelia was caught in a hall-storm and killed by the stones before Jules Simon could go to her help. And Jules Simon never ate partridge from that day to his death. A partridge always reminded him of Cornelia.—St. James Gazette.

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BOOKS AND MAGAZINES

The May number of The Quiver opens with "Children's Classics," by Bella Sidney Woolf, in which is given short sketches of such well known books as "Little Women," "Black Beauty," "Mistaken Identities," "The Vicar's Stories," "A Novel Hospital Ship," "After Twenty-five Years," "Dr. Horton and His People," "After a Year of Blessing," "The English Mayor of Philadelphia," "Mistakes in Home Nursing." Several stories and the usual departments all contribute to keep this number up to the high standard which is always to be found in The Quiver, which is published by Cassell & Co., New York. Subscription price \$1.50 per annum.

McClure's Magazine for May in addition to its sterling text, headed by the first of the Kipling stories and the Life Insurance articles, is one of the best illustrated numbers of any periodical that has been on the stands in a long time. The following well known artists appear in its pages: Andre Castaigne, Glackens, Tenn, Ditzler, Lowell, Wyeth, Taylor, and Sloan. In addition Prof. Woodberry's valuable essay on Milton is illustrated with good reproductions of rare portraits of the great poet.

The Review of Reviews, more than any other monthly magazine published, deals with the news of the month. "California's Catastrophe," "George F. Baer: Master-Spirit of the Antislavery Industry," "Municipal Ownership in Chicago," "Railway Rates and Court Review," "Congress and the Consular Service," "From New York to Paris by Rail," and "The New York Post Office" are among the titles of articles in the May number.

Twenty-two persons contributed to the varied table of contents in the May Canadian Magazine. Stories, sketches, poems, sporting articles, bits of history and more serious material make up the menu. Harold Sands recalls the fact that Simon Fraser started in May, 1806, for the exploration of the unknown district now known as British Columbia, hence the title of his article, "One Hundred Years in British Columbia." Accompanying this is an excellent plate of the first government offices on the mainland. Penny-cast Dale writes on shooting and fishing in the Trent Valley—which is one of the most delightful and typical sporting resorts in older Canada. Mr. Boulton's description of the circumstances under which he won a seat in the British House of Commons is quite entertaining. Mr. McCready, a veteran journalist, begins a series of reminiscences of the first Dominion Parliament.

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Tenders will be received by The Canadian Bank of Commerce, Chatham, up to and including the 15th inst., for a bank building to be erected in Dresden, Ont.

Plans and specifications can be seen at the Chatham office on Friday, the 4th inst., and thereafter.

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