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tions with the United States. As to Im-
perial Federation, sometimes spoken of,
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cability, and in any case infinitely pre-
fers the grander and more really hopeful scheme
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pedient general legislation and persuasion
in the meantime.

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for women, whether as regards the franchise,
or equal wages for equal work.

"The Advertiser" is a believer in Christian
Union, and con-
sider the time has come when the various
Christian denominations should come closer
together. These bodies which are now
neighboring should unite first. Under the
present system there is an unjustifiable waste
of men, means and effort. The Advertiser
will endeavor to promote the movement for
Christian union not alone by direct appeal
and argument, but by seeking to present
the best rather than the worst side of each
denomination.

"The Advertiser" advocates Obligatory
Voting as both neces-
sary and practicable. Nothing would so
much purify electoral contests. Nothing
would so much enforce the idea that the
franchise is a duty, not a chattel.

God is in His heaven,
All's right with the world.
—(BROWNING.)

London, Thursday, Oct. 13.

Every independent journal in Canada
has condemned Mr. Chaplain's attack on
the clergy who object to the condoning of
rascality in the public service.

Mr. Lister's declaration that only a be-
ginning has been made to the exposure of
rascality in high places will send the
shivers through the entire anatomy of the
unrepentant thieves in high places.

A feature of the demonstration in Saratoga
Tuesday was the immense number of
stalwart young men in the procession.
Young Canada is in favor of honest Govern-
ment and freedom to make the most of one's
earnings.

Complaint is made in Quebec that old
and infirm judges are kept on the bench
despite the fact that they are invalids, to
the serious loss of the community. This
seems to be an intolerable imposition, but
under the present regime, and the adminis-
tration of the law, as well as in everything
else, private convenience and not public
interest seems to be invariably preferred—
if those affected are known to be friendly to
the powers that be.

In its editorial columns a high tax con-
temporary asserts that the only difficulty
which Mr. Abbott experiences in his
Cabinet-making is the trouble of picking
out the best men—there are so many of
them. In its news columns the same
journal says Mr. Chaplain has been selected
to control the Railways and Canals De-
partment. If Chaplain is the best, what
must be the condition of the others? Even
Mr. O'Brien, M.P., that uncompromising
Conservative, says he is "a million times
around his party's neck." And the Strat-
ford Herald, which in this case voices the
sentiments of the better class of Conserva-
tives, earnestly hopes Chaplain will be kept
out of the Department. His appointment,
asserts our contemporary, "would be a
promotion to which he is in no sense
entitled, in view of the deplorable carry-
ings-on in the Printing Bureau."

Hon. G. W. Ross.

Brilliant Address by the Min-
ister of Education.

Good and Glowing Advice to the
Young Men.

The Y. M. C. A. Anniversary Celebration
at Victoria Hall—A Large and De-
lightful Audience—Rev. Ira Smith's
Remarks—A Deputation Regarding
Temperance Text Books.

Victoria Hall was well filled Tuesday night
with an attentive and intelligent audience,
assembled to hear Hon. G. W. Ross, the
Minister of Education for Ontario. It was
the celebration of the anniversary of the
organization of the Y. M. C. A. A pleasant
feature was the large number of
ladies present. W. R. Hobbs, president of
the Y. M. C. A., occupied the chair,
and with him on the platform were: Hon.
G. W. Ross, Rev. Ira Smith, Jas. Ballan-
tine, W. J. Clark, Canon Richardson,
Geo. W. Henderson, Robt. Aylward, A. C.
Courtice, Canon Davis, William Shortt,
Messrs. John Cameron, Jas. I. Anderson,
D. A. McLeod, Harry Bapty, H. E.
Nelson, C. R. Sayer (secretary Y. M. C. A.),
and Ald. Spencer (at the organ).

The evening was opened with devotional
exercises, and after a few introductory re-
marks Mr. Hobbs introduced Rev. Ira
Smith, pastor of Talbot Street Baptist
Church. The latter made an admirable
address. The annual report of the associa-
tion, said he, furnished interesting figures,
but could not tell of all that had been done,
as it would be difficult to compute the
energy expended in the great work. There
was a possibility as well as a probability
that one individual might be overlooked in
the masses. The possibilities of any
one man were not known, nor the
direction in which his energy would work.

"Every man is active; no man is insignifi-
cant." The average man looked upon a
fellow-man coldly, selfishly, and from his
own personal standpoint. One man went
into another's store, was treated courteously,
he purchased, left his money in the tiller,
and went out and vanished from the merchant's
mind. A person's value could be increased
by the character he possessed. He was a
matter of great interest to society. He
would be enriched by the grace of God,
and in this work was the Y. M. C. A. busily
engaged.

Secretary Sayer read the statement of
the work accomplished during the past
twelve months, which has already been
published in the ADVERTISER.

The chairman then called upon one whom
he termed a son of Middlesex, whose name
and splendid Christian character were
well known to Londoners. Hon. G. W.
Ross was heartily in sympathy with the
work of the Y. M. C. A. Mr. Hobbs said
that Mr. Ross was first in the belief that
it was better to have fence around the top
of a precipice and prevent the fall than to
have an ambulance waiting at the foot.
(Applause.)

Hon. G. W. Ross was received with a
round of applause on rising. He had been
spoken of as a Middlesex boy and he was
always proud of the capital of the county.
"Thirty-five years ago," said he, "I served
as a grocer's apprentice in this city, taking
down the shutters as early as 7 o'clock in
the morning, putting them up again at
hours varying from 9 to 10 at night, and
carrying parcels to supply the wants of the
pressing wants I sometimes thought—
of the citizens for their dinner table
requirements." (Laughter.) I am very glad
to take part in the celebration of your
anniversary. It is 25 years ago since I be-
came a member of this association, and I
have the honor of belonging to kindred as-
sociation in Toronto. This association is
beneficial in its highest sense, and the
work it does is of the highest value. It
would give me much pleasure in taking
part in its work. I have no doubt the
young men have felt relieved that they do
not come under the very severe tests which
which my department is annually sub-
jected in the departmental examinations.
Notwithstanding, it is within our knowl-
edge that the work done here, although
not tested that way, is extensive,
practical and comprehensive. It is
a work which tends to the development
of the intellect, to the solidification of the
character, and to the cultivation of the
higher ideals of duty, without which all
educational work sooner or later fails.
(Hear, hear.) It is gratifying to me to
sometimes step outside the routine of
education, examination, inspection, and
that brain-worrying and nervous friction
incident to a system like ours, and survey
the pleasant, delightful, self-imposed
duties which are carried on in association
like this, and know that the work, although
not differentiated by courses of studies as
ours, is nevertheless defined under the three
names—cultivation, character and con-
science.

"I speak of culture in its most important
bearing as affecting a man's usefulness
and fitting him for the strain of citizenship
which every young man should look for-
ward to bear with a manly courage and
fortitude. In this age of keen competition,
where with our universities, colleges and
high schools indistinguishable we seem to
run to brain and seem to defy the develop-
ment of these mental qualities which give
keenness and edge to the mind, it is very
refreshing to find associations like this for
the purpose of developing the physical
man. We attempt in our public
schools, and in connection with our
high schools, have recently made it
obligatory, to pay particular at-
tention to the physical development of
our young men and women; but we have
not accomplished a tithe of what we should.
I have often thought the indifference arises
from the fact that we have so much
machinery, and that the conclusion
has fixed itself upon young
men that because of the various compli-
cations muscle and bodily vigor are not re-
quired. If you examine closely, however,
the conditions of society, it will be seen
that no matter for what position a
person is disposed to fit himself
that physical health is as important
now as ever. (Hear, hear.) I notice
you have a gymnasium here with those
facilities for that physical culture, without
availing himself of which no young man
should hazard his fortune in the struggle
of life. Carle has said the keen is the
competition in life. 'We be to the man
who stoops down to tie his shoe laces.'
Look at the great men who have borne the
burden and heat of the day, the great
statesmen, the great statesmen, the great ex-
plorers of the Christian religion, the suc-
cessful business men—you will find that in
the majority of instances they were men
physically endowed; they had a founda-
tion and preserved it for that vigorous
intellectual force which was to a certain ex-
tent due to their physical power." (Ap-
plause.)

Continuing, the honorable gentleman
said the physical side of the question, so
inadequately attended to in the school
system, was not the only one for which
provision seems to have been made by the
Y. M. C. A. He occasionally felt there
was some radical defect in our school
system of education, much as we boasted
of it in this regard. How was it? When
the young men and women left school
their books were cast aside and there
was no enthusiasm to pursue
their studies and avail themselves of a library,
as you have here, then I believe we should
have achieved a revolution in the intellec-
tual activity of the people of this country."
(Hear, hear.) The speaker laid down some
plain and practical rules for reform. He
advised that during the winter season an
hour at least should be systematically set
apart each evening for that purpose. A
person could read 100 pages a week, 1,000
pages a month, and 6,000 pages in six
months. In doing that one might read the
five volumes of Macaulay's History of
England, with some of the "Annals" to boot;
one might read Wordsworth's beautiful
works or Tennyson's poems, or some good
novel. Five years of such systematic
reading would make one more intelligent
and better suited for the duties of citizen-
ship than any young man in the circle of
his (Mr. Ross's) acquaintance. "If I owe
to one habit more than another any
success in life, I owe it to the
course of reading which I followed
religiously, systematically, denying en-
tertainments, and plodding my way
night after night, week after week, after
volume, and thus laying in a store of
information for future use. You have an
excellent library here. No evening will
pass in weariness and despair, in doubt and
hesitation, if the student is properly occupied in
reading the works of those great men whose
lives remind us:

"We can make our lives sublime,
And scorn the petty passions of the world;
We can be true, we can be brave,
And scorn the petty passions of the world."
(Applause.)

Another purpose, said the speaker, was
the fortifying of the character of the
Christian men for the struggle of life.
Spencer had said: "Character is three-
fourths of a man." We might quicken a
man's intellect, we might raise up all his
abilities, but unless we have a strong char-
acter, give him a store of information, but
to all intents and purposes he might be
practically useless to society unless with
all this there was a strong character, a
solidity of character and a purpose by
which all these energies might be directed.
As Canadians we sometimes spoke of the
inferior position we occupied as a colony.
The speaker was not alarmed because of
our colonial position at the present
moment at all events. (Hear, hear.) We
were told that if we could place before our
eyes the duty of every Canadian to look
before him and be faithful in present
emergencies. (Applause.) It is only a
few centuries ago since the population of
England was greater than our own, when
"Good Queen Bess" defeated the Armada
and Oliver Cromwell triumphed, and if we
could impress upon ourselves that energy
and self-reliance which made England and
built up the great and her institutions
under all circumstances, the time will
come when our children's children will be
the possessors of an empire far larger and of
greater power than our own. (Applause.)

"Show me the young men," continued
the honorable gentleman, "who has ap-
plication in his studies, who is prepared to
burn the midnight oil, who has physical
health, who is ready to do his duty, and I
will show you a young man, who, though his at-
tainments be not equal to his neighbors', will
achieve more success because of his ap-
plication, his energy, his self-reliance, and
his trust in God and keeping our
powder dry there was a chance
that the way might be opened,
and perhaps we might achieve something
worthy the cause to which we belonged and
the country in which we lived. With those
whom I surrounded by almost insupportable
difficulties the only way was with a stout
heart to address myself to the task, rely-
ing on your own powers, conscious there
was something in you. As Disraeli said,
when he died in Parliament: 'It is in me,
and it must come out of me.'

It was the purpose of the society to give
every young man a high ideal of duty; to
try to place before his mind as well as his
conscience that he was born with tremen-
dous responsibilities upon him, and it was
only by realizing them that he could be
the full-rounded useful man of the
true sense of the term. Owing
to the difference of creed and denomina-
tional preference education in Ontario was
not as many would like it. There seemed
to be a disposition among many to relegate
religious instruction to the Sunday schools
and religious organizations. But those
moral and religious influences which were
essential to the completeness of character
and education should not be undervalued.
He felt that his responsibility to his Maker
would not permit him to neglect the boy
which he not only grows strong but com-
fortable in his surroundings. He that
thought highly of himself would not
allow himself to be stimulated to come
through his veins, that roused the
baser passions and created injury
to himself; he would realize the high
ideals of domestic affection and privileges
which he owed to himself as well as to
society. Every young man should feel
that he is not a unit but is an important
factor in the unity, and owes it to society
that he shall devote a reasonable portion
of his time to improving the world around
him. "The world is growing better," con-
cluded the speaker, "and although we can-
not be prepared now to say 'Lift up
thine everlasting dominion, let us
great millennium come in,' we be-
lieve in the ultimate advent of the
great kingdom of peace when every man
shall rejoice in the prosperity of his fellow-
man, and that physical power will be
cultivated by which God's creatures will
attain to the utmost physical perfection;
that refinement and sensibility of conscience
will be predominant throughout this land,
and that every man will recognize that he
is responsible to high heaven for the man-
ner in which he spends his time and to
society." (Loud applause.)

When Mr. Ross resumed his seat Rev.
James Ballantyne rose. The address, he
said, needed no comment. Mr. Ross was
eminently fitted in every respect to address
the Y. M. C. A. He had it in his power
to purify the hearts of the young men.
He was a Christian gentleman, and his
remarks could not but prove beneficial
to all who had heard them. He therefore
moved that the hearty vote of thanks
be given to the speaker. Rev. Robert Aylward was proud of hav-
ing such an excellent address, and also to
realize that a Middlesex man should occupy
such an elevated and honored chair in the
of the Minister of Education. He had
much pleasure in recording the vote of
thanks.

The motion carried amid enthusiastic ap-
plause. The honorable gentleman bowed
his acknowledgments.

At the conclusion of the evening's pro-

ceedings a deputation composed of Mes-
srs. James C. J. Beal, J. Cameron, W. J.
Cameron and Rev. A. C. Courtice, John
Cameron, D. A. McLeod and Inspector
Cameron waited on Mr. Ross regarding an
improvement in the temperance text
book. In answer to a query, Mr. Ross
book. He promised to look into the
temperance text books in use at present.

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thirteen governments of the country and
14,000,000 persons are in urgent need of
succor.

"August Flower"

Mr. Lorenzo F. Sleeper is very
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ton, Me., and neighborhood. He
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sick, and suffered no one but a
"dyspeptic case." I then began tak-
ing August Flower. At that time
"I was a great sufferer. Every-
thing I ate distressed me so that I
"had to throw it up. Then in a
few moments that horrid distress
"would come on and I would have
"to eat and suffer
"again. I took a
"little of your med-
"icine, and felt much
"better, and after
"taking a little more
"August Flower my
"dyspepsia disap-
"peared, and since that time
"I have never had the first sign of it.
"I can eat anything without the
"least fear of distress. I wish all
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"am satisfied there is no medicine
"equal to it."

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is to teach him to respect his per-
sonal appearance. Dress him neat-
ly, substantially, comfortably.
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