#### SATURDAY, SEPT. 7, 1907.

**IGNORANCE OF "PATRIOTS."** An ignoramus signing "Patriot" writes to the New York Herald protesting against Uncle Sam abandoning the Philippines, and suggesting that a trade be ade for Canada. He says:

made for Canada. He says: made for Canada. He says: How long shall we remain divorced from Canada? The only obstacle to the union of our States with the Dominion is the little debt the British have sad-died on it. According to the Statesman's Year Book of 1907 the debt of Canada is 27,633,303,0 and that of Newfound-land and Labrador £4,531,542, together £82,105,472, which ominously is the same amount we have sunk into the Philippines. Would it not be fair for Great Britain to relieve the Dominion of this debt in consideration of the Philip-pines? If we can purchase with the Phil-ippines the independence of the Canadian colonies, the latter will be free to join us, and such a union will be of stupend-ous consequences and to the benefit of all concerned. The dense ignorance which that letter

The dense ignorance which that letter betrays would be laughable were it not pitiful. The idea that any debt Can owes was "saddled on it" by Great Britain is one, however, that is prevalent among many Yankees who would strongly resent being called ignorant. The knowledge of Canadian affairs possessed by many of that class of "patriots" among our neighbors is pretty well in dicated by the foregoing extract. And they are loath to believe, even on Cantestimony, that the debt owed is all on the other side of the account and that Canada instead of being under the heel of a hated monarchical government is a strong, happy and pro member of the great family of British nations and a very active and important partner in the greatest Empire-building scheme the world has ever seen. Get th cobwebs out of your eyes, you Rip Van Winkles! Suppose Britain proposed to swap St. Helena for New York State! And it would not be more absurd.

THE REFORM PICNIC.

Wentworth Liberals are making pr parations for a good time at the big form Picnic to be held in Dundas Park on Tuesday next, and are extending ; cordial invitation to the public generally, Tories as well as Grits, to attend with their wives and families. The grounds will be opened at 11 a. m., and ba seball and football matches and a tug-of-war will be contested after the speeches of the day. The visiting speakers will be Hon. A. B. Aylesworth and Hon. Geo. P. Graham, and probably others prominent in the Liberal party, the Mayor greeting them with an address of welco rangements have been made to furnish all with hot water, tea and coffee free, and to make all feel that Dundas Lib erals are good entertainers. There will, of course, be no charges of any sort, and Liberals are invited to go out and bring Tory neighbors with them. They have equal interest in seeing the county well governed, and they will be interest ed and informed by hearing the Minis ters discuss public affairs.

## A TRIBUTE TO SIFTON.

Speaking of Mr. Sifton, who has been o bitterly attacked by the Tory gutter organs, the Toronto News says:

w men have been so savagely and persistently attacked as Mr. Sifton. Few ave so seldom met insinuation with in sinuation, or denunciation with denunciation. In the main, he has eschewed the personal side of politics, and has dealt simply with the merits of public questions and public policies. Nothwithstanding the desperate personal and political attack to which he has been subjected, he held a large measure

of the affection and confidence of west ern Liberals, and never failed to carry a majority of western constituencies for the Government. That he was a capable and efficient administrator the settler of the West, Liberals and Conservatives alike, will agree.

No man, as has been said, has been more savagely attacked, and yet it will not be pretended that when he has chosen to reply, either in Parliament or on the platf rm. he has

and in the low pressure 11 feet 8 inches from which thousands of curved blade project, the longest being 22 inches project, the longest being 22 inches. They drive the screw propellers with a rapidity about  $2\frac{1}{2}$  times that usually attained by marine shafts of comparable size and the vibration at the high speed is said to be hardly noticeable. Not

only is the system capable of producing greater speed, but it is easier on the economizes room. One disadship and vantage not yet overcome is the inability to reverse the motion of the screws. But' machinery has been devised to take the place of reversed motion, and perhaps in time even reversing may be accom-plished.

## BRITAIN'S PROGRESS.

A recent publication of the British Board of Trade sheds some light on the ecmparative conditions of the people of the United Kingdom now and thirty-six years ago. Some of the facts stated are strong refutation of the theory of the protectionists that Britain's popu-

lation are worse off, or that the country is going to the dogs under free trade. In 1871 the population of Great Britain was 31,500,000; in 1906 it was 43,700,000, or an increase of nearly 39 per cent. In view of the great increase in population it is interesting to note facts. these

There were 1,237,000 paupers in 1871; in 1906 the number was 1,089,000. While population has increased nearly 39 per cent. pauperism has decreased 148,000, or over 11 per cent. on the figures of

thirty-six years ago. The imports of meat in 1871 amount ed to £10,713,000; in 1906 to £52,028,-

000. No wonder the people are able to eat twice as much meat as formerly. The food and drink imports per head

in 1871 were £3 18s. 9d.; in 1906 they were £5 6s. 11d. In 1871 the savings in post-office and

trustee banks totalled £55,845,000; last year the total was £230,382,000.

The British people never were so pros perous as they are to-day, and never to do about it? enjoyed so much general comfort. A

comparison of the birth and death rates of the years named shows: Birth-rate in 1871, 33.8 per 1,000; in 1906, 26.8 per 1.000. There is a decline here of 7.8 per 1,000 of the population, a very great falling off. But there is compens The death-rate in 1871 was 21.5 per 1.000 and in 1906 it was 15.6 per 1,000. The falling off in the death-rate more than compensates for the declining birth-rate, as the great increase in the population shows, even if emigration be not con sidered. The birth-rate for last three months is placed at 27.3 and the death rate 15.3 per 1,000.

## EDITORIAL NOTES.

Things are not hopeless for The Hague ermanent Peace Court yet. On Tue day it will be taken up again.

The Mayor does not explain how Adam Beek, or an order-in-council, can set aside an act of the Parliament of Ontario.

Regina cannot sell her debentures a any reasonable price, and will resort to borrowing at bank interest. That i hould teach caution in municipal expenditure

It will not be healthy for the Board of Health to contract the star chamber habit. The open door, sunlight and abundance of fresh air of public discus-

sion fit it better. Toronto bakers talk of further reduc magnifying glasses to see it and dia mond tweezers to handle it.

Fines of \$20 for efforts at forcibly per suading rivals not to break combine prices for milk ought to have some effect. It will take the extra cent on 2,000 quarts to pay for one such lesson.

The C. P. Railway telegraph operators have asked for a reference under the Lemieux Act, and a Board of Concilia tion will be appointed. The operator are well advised, and set a good example

'tak the liquor traffic out of politics" simply means handing the administration over to a commission that will relieve Whitney of responsibility for making it a party machine.

Those islands have sireally cost over 400,000,000, and may cost as much nore. And they are so useless and troulesome that an agitation is on foot to sell them or give them away. ......

While the cleaning of the basins goes on there will be more or less stirring up of the sediment that should have been removed years ago. That is inevitable. While that lasts time should be given or the water to clear by settling before drinking it, and it would be better to

Recent epidemics of scarlet fever and

other diseases have concluded Chicago in the determination to make medical inspection of the school pupils more sys-tematic and thorough. This month 100 physicians begin the work of carefully xamining every one of the 400,000 pu pils, and it will be kept up with all dillence, civil service rules govern

Such organs as the Hamilton Times and Toronto Star are typical of the party press that alarms President Mow-at by its "tendency towards independ-ence."-Toronto Telegram. But nobody in the Tory party ever hinks of being alarmed at eigns of inde-

endence in the Telegram. Abjectness eaves no loophole for suspicion there.

\$242.870.82 on that account. Besides that, of course, there was a trille paid for the erection of the building. The taxpayer is the man behind the purse in should Hamilton ? all these municipal schemes.

tional in Montreal Mr. Borden mildly denied that he wrote a letter to Mr. Graham, of the Star, betraying a knowledge that a big fund was being contributed by Graham and urging him to have it handled by men appointed by and acceptable to the party. Well, Graham has sworn to it. What is Borden going

The name of Mr. George Gibbons, of London, is mentioned as that of the man o be appointed Canadian Commissioner to Washington. Mr. Gibbons is glitted with many of the qualities of the lomat, and as an International Waterways Commisioner he has been a distinc success. Such a man would do Canada good service at Uncle Sam's capital, and

would be of great assistance to Bryce, the British Ambassador. The Ottawa Journal says the so-called Municipal Union -an aggregation of selfappointed delegates, made up of a few municipal councillors and a lot of hired

municipal councilors and a tot of hired employees, "Is filling a need," Perhaps it is. Some of these imperiment "butters-in" may need a holding at the symbile expense; and this furnishesitize But in so far as they project themselves into legislation, they audaciously undertake the work which the people elects representatives to do. It is pretty much dan aggregation of swelled hended and im

ertinent cranks." On the covers of the Fourth Book of the Ontario series was printed "Price 40 conts." This has been amended, and now reads like a harmin day advertise-ment this way: "Price 40 conta-now 15c." If is a great object lesson.—Spec-tere tator.

That's just like what Mr. John Cooper one of the School Book Commissioners says. He tells the people that the speci fications of the contract were changed irregularly, and warns them that when this end of the stock is disposed of or the bargain counter, the new books will

cost as much as before, if not more. It is a sort of slaughter sale of remnants. "Church Work," the Anglican organ in Nova Scotia, very properly deprecates the tendency in some quarters to condemn our public men generally as being impure and dishonest, and resents the claim of any one party to a monopoly of morality. In view of Borden's purity ank this utterance is most significant "It is well that we should remember tha Canadian politics are not the most corrupt in the world; that most of our political leaders in either party are mer of honor and chastity, and that corrup

entiment, although critics affect to find n his musical compositions the "influ-mee of the blood." More fortunate than many great composers, he lived for over thirty years to see his genius recognized and appreciated and to enjoy a pension of 1600 crowns from the Norwegian Gov-ernment. He was 64 years of age.

Why should Hamilton be the only city of any importance in Qanada to elect its aldermen by the at large system? What virture is in it? Judged by results it has

been a bad thing for the city. It has brought to the Council a lot of men who were more anxious to help their political parties or cliques than to see that the parties or cliques than to see that the city's business was transacted on busi-ness principles. Matters which should have been dealt with by the Council was disposed of first by the Tory Ex-ecutive and then its behests were carried out by the parties addermen. There were few, overdrafts under the ward system, for overdrafts under the ward system, and no man got preferment because he happened to be on a political ticket. An attempt is being made to keep the Labor men in line by declaring that none of their number could be elected on the statement of the statement. on the ward system. That is mere scare They would have as good a chance one way as another, in our opinion. The point, however, is that the City Council is not aves no loophole for suspicion there. Toronto has just received from the The citizens send men there to look afrehiteet of her City Hall a bill for a ter their civic affairs, and, so far, exbalance of \$181,255.71 claimed for pro-periance has shown that the st-large eys fessional services, making a total of tem of election has not been advantage ous. Neither Toronto nor Montreal, no Why

In his speech at the Monument Nathe Hon. R. Lemious, Postmaster-Gen-tional in Montreal Mr. Borden mildly eral, deliver an address in English, must Those of our readers who have heard have been struck with the readiness with which he apoke the tongue, the correct ness of his pronunciation and the excel-lence of his diction. A letter which he wrote the other day to Mr. Austin Mor-ton, of the Montreal Gazette, on the oc ion of a family reunion in honor of his parents at Mosherville, N. S., gives a hint as to how the Postmaster-General

was persuaded to become a speaker the English language. In his letter said:

I well remember our early days in Mon-treal, where we started life together as reporters. We were members of the same mock parliament, and spent very plea-cost convince discussions solities though

mock parliament, and speat very plea-sant evenings discussing politics, though belonging to different politics, though At that time what seemed remarkable to me was that you should have acquired so thoroughly the French ianguage. I was at once impressed with the necessity for my learning English, and it is, therefore, largely through you that I undertook its study. I was also given an insight into your character, and learned how broad-minded you were, and how impartially you considered all questions which were frequently the subject of debate. Our friendship was formed in early days, and has continued unbroken ever since. Hon. Mr. Lemienx is one of the mol oloquent and popular speakers in Can-ada, and is much in demand in this Pro-yince, at Liberal gatherings and other public functions.

Our Exchanges

Borden's Great Success.

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Joshus, (New York Sun.) Roosevelt speaks the world stand When

suif; is modern Joshus of renown loose his trumpet, and the walls Businessville came tumbling down.

Right. (Pick-Me-IIn ) Little Millie Grand-dad, what makes a man always give a woman a diamond en-eagement ring f Grandfather-The woman.

Some Other Day. (Toronto Saturday Night.) A couple of weddings which were to have taken place this months have been postported. One of this postporements is, I hear, until Christmas. The other is size dis.



# **Great Values for Monday Bargain** Day

The Same Special Prices

on Graniteware

Will be in order again on Monday, some exceptional bargains await those who will take the pains to inspect the lines we are now offering.

Tea and Coffee Pots Greatly

Reduced

Three Sizes of Wash Basins

Reduced as Follows

Pudding Pans at About

Half Price

3 quart sizes in white, blue and grey mamel for only 13c each; 2 quart 12c; 1 quart .... .... as ....10c

Other Specials

35c Galvanized Pails 25c

Boilers \$1.19

Sale of Matches

Spices

Of all descriptions for pickling, bal-ing, etc., can be purchased here at the lowest department stope prices. Every line freeb.

10c Letter Pads 5c

Canvas School Bags 15e

in Our Infants' and

Children's Dept.

A number of odd lines to the class

\$1.26 Print Dresses 69c

\$1.26 Print Dresses and Dark Eller 11 Children's Light and Dark Eller Print Dresses, in stripe and polles dob pattern, trimmed with braid and tucks, will fit child 7 to 11 sears, res-tucks of the stripe and for the stripe of the ell of for

\$1 Print Dresses 698

22 Children's Blue and White ame Red and White Print Dresses, made with full shirt and waist, nicely took-ed, sizes 7 to 11 years, regularly \$1.00, for ..... \$50 or \$50

Children's Gowns 49c

12 in all Children's White Cotton owns, feather stitched and embroid

39c Tams 19c

6 Navy Blue Duck Tams, now cell-ing at 39c, Monday's price .... 19c

29c Tams 15c

6 White Pique and Duck Tams, with Ribbon Bands, regularly 28c, Monday

\$1 White Dresses 49c

3 Mother Hubbard Dresses, elightly soiled. They are trimmed with em-broidery yoke and frill, edged with Val, lace, regularly \$1.00, for ... 48e

\$1.25 White Dresses 69c

Pot Covers 3c

35 to 75c Dress Goods to Be Sold at 19c 

\$2.95 to \$3,75 Cream China Silk Waists \$1.99

16 in all odd lots of Cream China Silk Waists, handsomely trimmed, our rdinary price \$2.95 to \$3.75. You can have your choice Monday morning for \$1.99 ... ... ..... ..

\$2.75 to \$3.75 Black Taffeta Waists \$1.99

\$3.00 to \$3.85 Black and Colored China Waists \$1.99

Black, brown, green and red China Silk and 1 Plum Taffeta Silk Waist that sold at \$3.00 to \$3.85. These go on sale Monday at ..... \$1.90 each

49c Ladies' Drawers 29c

\$1.50 White Lawn Shirt Waists 98c

#### Print Shirt Waists 29c

\$4.50 and \$5 Children's Rain Coats \$1.99 Monday morning we will put on sale 15 Children's Rain Coats, to fit child from 10 to 15 years. These sold regularly at \$4.50 to \$5.00, Monday morning's . \$1.99 

Great Sacrifice in Spring and Fall Coats

Monday morning we take all our Spring Coats and mark them at two \$3.99 and \$5.99

\$6.75 to \$10 Spring and Fall Coats \$3.99 

\$11.50 to \$18.50 Spring and Fall Coats \$5.99

## This Great Coat Sale Should Interest You

About three months before you need a Heavy Coat. In the meantime, for nights, the styles we offer at \$3.90 and \$5.90 should interest you. s early Monday morning and have first chance.

#### 33c Wrapperettes 15c

\$1 Alarm Clocks 59c 100 Nickle Alarm Clocks good time keeper, will make enough row to get on up in the morning; the price everywhere \$1.00, Monday's price ... 590

#### 32 Doz. Napkins at Half Price Monday **Great Bargains Monday**

\$1.50 Table Napkins 75c 1 30 dosen adsorted Table Napkins, in neat floral patterns, excellent quality, value ragular \$1.50, Monday morning price

\$2 Table Napkins \$1 senTassorted Table Napkins, in a variety of patterns, regular value. \$1.00 012 0 89 06

sale price vision att. bers ...... wind was 50c Tray Cloths 25c

## Great Sale of Long Black, White and **Colored Silk Gloves**

### \$1 Long Silk Gloves 49c

25c Black Swiss Spot Muslin 10c 20C Black Swiss Spot Muslin, ordinary 25c value, Monday's price 500 yards All Black Swiss Spot Muslin, ordinary 25c value, Monday's price 

## Great 15cDay in Our Wash Goods Dept.

We will take all our fine Muslins, Voiles, etc., that sold in the ordinary way up to 50c, and offer you your choice Monday for 15c per yard. Some great bargains in materials suitable for evening dresses in this lot.

36 Inch Fioor Cloth 19c

Skirts Worth Up to \$6.50 for \$2.98

of the encounter. His defeat of Mr. Hugh John Macdonald was the great outstanding fact of the election campaign of 1900, and his answer to his accusers on the Parliament twelve or fifteen months ago was a very memorable per formance.

#### THE GREATEST TURBINE.

The London Times thinks the trial trip of the Lusitania's turbine engines has justified the confidence of those who have labored so hard to perfect them At this the time of the centenary of Robert Fulford's test of the little steamer on the Hudson, and twenty-five years after Mr. Parsons first introduc small model of a turbine engine, it may be interesting to note that the Lusitan has a length of 760 feet, a displacement when loaded of 37,000 tons, draws 32 feet inches of water and provides accommodations for 2,500 passengers. Her engine have a power of 64,600 horse and her ed over the trial course was 25.4 knots an hour, which was considerably better than the contract demanded. She is expected to maintain an average speed of 24.5 knots over the 3,000 miles passage across the Atlantic, making the trip in about four and a half days under favorable conditions. The greatest advan-tage claimed for the turbine engine and that which it is believed will insure its general use in great steamers is econ of space in the vessel. The cylin drical casings which take the place of the complicated machinery of the reciprocating engine in the Lusitania's engine room contain drums which in the high pressure turbine are 8 feet in diameter

The increase from 169 entrance pupils in the class of last year entering the Collegiate Institute to 236 this year means more work for the teachers. It points to the early use of more of the rooms in the building.

Will somebody please send word to the Montreal Star that Mr. Borden has enunciated a "policy," and has called Foster and Fowler to his aid in presenting it? The news does not yet seem to have reached the Star sanctum.

If Mr. Cooper's telegram had been promptly delivered the great loss of life in the Quebec bridge accident might have been avoided. And but for the telegraphers' strike it would have been delivered without delay.

The Spectator says the Times wastes a lot of space "protesting that it is not one of the independent Liberal journals." That is just one of the pieces of news that isn't so that so often get into our contemporary's editorial columns in re-ference to matters political. It can't help it.

help it. Now it is said that the Panama Canal, which it was estimated would cost Uncle Sam to construct \$130,000,000, will re-quire \$660,000,000 to complete. But it may be a better investment than the iod Grieg was of Stothich account on the set of the product of the set in the set of the product of the set of the product of the set of the product of the set of the set of the product of the set o may be a better investment than the purchase of the Philippines even at that the male side, but he was Norwegian i

tion, graft and their concomitant vices are not the monopoly of either political party, and that therefore no politicians have a right to insert a plank, pre-empted of any particular party, the de-

From the publishing house of William Briggs, Toronto, comes a little paraph-let on "Imperial Federation," by Rev. Dr. D. V. Lucas. The reversing author-is a federationist who would begin by establishing free trade within the British dominions, confident that such a policy "would hasten forward the principles of universal free trade, and, therefore, as well, the reign of universal brother hood." He says:

hood." He says: A pocharized If I had the power I would federate the Empire, establish free trade through-out the whole, then put up a barrier against every other nation in exact pro-portion to the barrier erected against ourselves. The result would be the prin-ciples of free trade would be forced upon the world in a very few years. No em-pire, or kingdom, or republic could more easily live within itself than-the Inisisp Empire.

Empire. Edouard Hagerup Grieg, the composer who passed away the other day, might be cited as a case in support of the Gelerian theory that great creative genius is usually active only in early life. Grieg's master works were all given to 

pass under the direction of a teacher muse babel as of first consequence. The teach-ers of Ontario should be paid the best pos-tillo salaries and thorough efficiency should be demanded at their hands.

#### A Dog in-the-Manger Attitude.

21 12. Dogrin-the-Manger Attitude. Smidd (Tusonto Saturday Night.) Organized labor in the Pacific province wants the Chinese sociuted, and no white habit inspirated from Europe. In a country such as learner, stinuted as it is, they cambre hyperates, minese, railways, orchards, and do-timetic error backs of the social social social histic service of the Facilito slope must have men from some source. It seems clear from the way the matter stands out there that organized labor will have to come to terms, or be ignored in the adjustment that will take place. It will not do to oppose the brighting of all kinds of labor-some kind of labor will be brought in.

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-1633 924'Still Canadian. QU DOINTOromoto Saturday Night.) It is said that Lord and Lady Aberdeen still therish affection for this country. The story is told of a Canadian visitor to Dubhn who the other day lat all poone slighting. remark about 'you, Begish Beople.'' 'Please don't forget.'' interrupted Lady Aberdeen. 'we are Canadiane.'' And she added: 'You see, my husband is allowed no privilege over here. In Canada he has a voire being a Canadian farmer (by virtue of his Okanagon fruit farm). In Engisted he is classed w.il minore, women and panyora, and he doen t like tit. So were still Canadian, whether we here Ganada or not.''

## Whitney's Hypocrisy.

Whitney's Hypocrisy. IToronic Saturday Night.) When the Whitney Government discharged al itse fishery inspectors of Ontario in one sight there was not a man Hving within sight of freeh water who did not take this as a sign that there would be a great change. But politicisms got busy. I am told that Conservative members' representing constitu-encies frouting, it would mean a flog-over of the constituency at the next election. One of the new fishery overseen it on a simple but effective idea. He seined fish in there, the whole traffic as if it had been who who traffic as if it had been offrate Government does not wan to shat. The one case pretty well shows that the Offrate Government does not wan to shat. The business down tight and allow no more of the

