

Personal.

Mr. Charles G. D. Roberts is at present in Fredericton, N.B., his old home.

Mr. T. Arnold Haultain has returned from England, looking exceedingly well.

Mr. Bliss Carman has gone to Paris and to Rome on business connected with his publishers.

The Governor-General proposes extending the hospitalities of Rideau Hall to-morrow to the railway men of Ottawa.

The trial of Jameson and his associates was adjourned until June 11, to permit of the arrival of important witnesses from South Africa.

In an interview recently Mr. J. H. Metcalfe, of Kingston, said that if he was not appointed warden of Kingston penitentiary he would run again for Parliament for Kingston as an Independent candidate.

In the Imperial House of Commons recently Mr. Curzon announced that M. de Staal, the Russian Ambassador at London, had assured him that there was not the slightest foundation for the rumoured treaty between Russia and China.

The four of the leaders of the Johannesburg Reform Committee, three British and one American, who pleaded guilty to high treason, have been sentenced to death. Mr. Chamberlain has sent a very stiff message to President Kruger, saying that the British Government expects a commutation.

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The following from Harper's Weekly well describes a character as common in England as in the United States—the lady, badly equipped for the task, who offers to deliver lectures on literature or literary men:

I do not know what Byron wrote —
No time to read I've had;
But he's the man whose foot was clubbed
And morally was bad.

I've never read up Shakespeare —
I've too much work for that;
But I am quite familiar
With his tendency to "bat."

I don't recall a single bit
Of Mr. Shelley's rhyme,
But he's the man who tried to have
Two spouses at one time.

They say that Pope was pretty good —
I've never seen his work;
But he's the humpbacked fellow
With a tongue just like a dirk.

I've not perused a line of Poe,
But I know what I think:
He is the man than couldn't write
Until he'd had a drink.

And so, you see, upon the whole,
I've really somehow got
A good idea of all the queer
And literary lot.

And while I could not lecture quite
To please the learned mind,
I sort of think I'd captivate
The "Sewing Circle" kind.

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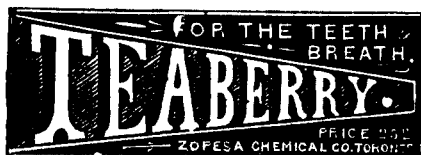
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