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In English speaking countries the world the assessment system shall be changed. I In English speaking countries the world am satisfied that there is no demand am satisfied that there is no demand whatever, except from a few individuals, ies the shadow of war and pillage falls for this local option in taxation." oss the Feast of the Nativity. Even Sir James made this assertion in the n those countries where war is not, there social strife, and a condition far removed

social strife, and a condition far removed s social strife, and a condition far removed from peace and good-will. There is, however, the reassuring knowledge that as the years pass there are more and more sixty-five township clerks throughout Onthe years pass there are more and more people earnestly seeking a solution of the problems that press upon humanity. The agencies which work for social welfare multiply, and the aid of scientific enquiry is sought more and more, to the end that prevention rather than alleviation and cure may be applied. The readers of this paper have only to make a comparison between the present Christmastide and that of a year, ago to perceive that several very important measures relating to public health, the care of children, and the housing of the people, have been advanced a stage; and that there has been some approach to a co-ordination of forces working for social betterment. While one may be disposed to take—a pessimistic by this community would be welcomed by the farming community."

Sir James, however, was obdurate, and the fight for reform must be continued in Ontario until a change of government or the conversion of this city phrased in a rocent address as "the growing kindliness of life." In the midst of all the burnoil of Christmas hurrying and buy-the sould archers of a variety failure to grass.

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brought to induce the council to act, that

a recent address as "the growing kindinass of life." In the midst of all the turmoil of Christmas hurrying and buyong, and perhaps of partial failure to grasp the real significance of that life which began in Bethlehem so long ago, there is yet a saving spirit of self-sacrifice which is unquenchable. It is now as always true that the greatest happiness lies in service, and if the milenium seems far off a little reflection tells us that in the long that collisions march of the human race toward higher ideals and the higher life, a change of conditions comes but slowly to the colonist's article:—"If you chould afford to smile so, if you chould afford to smile so, if you have reached middle age and that your grandfather lived in Canada. He ever ate a piece of celety. He did not each of the line is in general accept ance of those principles laid down by Him whose life the world this week commens enters. Aside from all questions of creed or ritual, the way to salvation, in its broadest sense, is still the way of sacrifice and service; and there is no other.

There will be many homes tomorrow where grief holds eway, and many others where the Christmas fare will be meagre because of folly and dissipation; but we shall be the better for the pause in the activities of life, and for the innum, erable maniferations of that spirit which replaces in the happiness of children, and which makes the home and its joys, and reminions the centre of our thought.

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The Cost of the high cot of living which do not altogether explain the continuous falling plant from my sight the kindly light of the day; out of the depths my sight the kindly light of the collist and prevail appeal to the older folk. We quote a portion of the way in the paul to prove the paul to prove the sour problems more serious the provent provent

of fruit to eke out the more expension jams and jellies. There were crocks of butter in the milk room and a cheese or The attempt to assassinate the Viceroy of India recalls the address of Sir Andrew Fraser before the Canadian Club of St. John. On one occasion, when Sir Andrew was governor of a province in India, a fanatic sought to kill him. The pistol snapped, and before the man could fire again an Indian prince of high rank interpreted his own hody between that of faced the winter with never a thought

interposed his own body between that of the would-be murderer and his victim, while others seized the man and wrested the weapon from him. There you have the two extremes in India, the fanatic who is mad enough to believe that by killing an official he can change the government of the country, and the loyal gentleman who would gladly give his own life to save that of the representative of British authority. One of the most powerful facts in the world today, as Mr. Frederick Campbell told the Canadian Club when he addressed that body, is the rule of India by a mere handful of Englishmen, who devote themselves with the highest motives and the highest courage and tact to this stupendous task. It is inevitable as the conditions change and ambitious and turbulent young Hindoos gain a partial education that they will, like the younger men of Egypt, grow impatient and dream that they could rule their country better; and now and then a great crime is committed or attempted; but, with supersh

SIR JAMES ON DECK

would be duly instructed in the matter.

produce the best results for India and the world. At the annual meeting of the Niagara tor; I'll Not Use That Expression Again."

Peninsula Fruit Growers' Association last week a committee was appointed consisting Until I Hear From You." of growers from all parts of the district, The tax-reformers of Ontario have got a to look into the matter of transporta to look into the matter of transportation and better marketing of the fruit, and to secure particulars from other fruit disting of the special assessment committee of the legislature, with the result that it turned down the proposition in favor of local option in taxation for the municipalities and will recommend two minor amendments to the present law. One will propose the raising of the income exemption from \$900 and \$1,200 to \$1,200 and \$1,200 and the other asks for the elimination and better marketing of the fruit, and to secure particulars from other fruit distincts, and report at a special meeting to be held later on. The object is to bring the grower and consumer closer together and cut out the middleman. One speaker urged the committee to consider the immediate establishment of an agency in Toronto to cut out the middlemen's profits. He estimated that the growers in the Nigeara district alone paid \$10,000 per \$1,500, and the other asks for the elimintowns and villages, which has allowed the holding of land for speculative purposes, a condition that has been specially pro-

towns.

Sir James Whitney contended that a roper interpretation of the existing law vassessors would reproper interpretation of the existing law by assessors would remove many of the inequalities complained of in the present orable in all business transactions and financially contained that the present of the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly hon orable in all business transactions and financially contained that the present orable in all business transactions and financially contained that the property of the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly hon orable in all business transactions and financially contained that the property of the contained that the contained that the property of the contai WALDING, KINNAN & MARVIN,

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