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POE'S "RAVEN" AND DICKENS Poe only acknowledged in a general way his debt to Dickens for "The Raven," but the plot and ideas that Poe works up into poetry are entirely due to Dickens' character of the raven in "Barnaby Rudge."

THE GREATEST WATERWAY The engineer in charge of the Panama canal work has repeated his previous estimate that this greatest of waterways will be available for the use of shipping before January, 1915.

TROUBLE IN QUEENS Are the Conservatives going to introduce a new type of railway—the movable? Is the Valley road to run down both sides of the St. John river? It is to cross at the Mistake, but also to entwine itself around Welford, thus killing two political birds with one stone?

MR. BORDEN'S WORST IS TO COME His friends complain that they cannot count on Mr. Borden; his opponents say that they can—they can always count on his doing the wrong thing in the most awkward way.

MR. BORDEN THE HESITANT "The boldest act of cowardice ever heard of. Such was the characterization of one of the Duke of Wellington's announcements of government policy. But he did announce a policy, and that indicates more courage than the shiftness of a party that apparently has no mind to make up upon anything."

THE QUESTION OF DIET Men have always been able to accommodate themselves to their food supply. They have existed upon it when it was full of parasites and dangerous bacteria; they have taken raw or cooked, peddled from dirty carts, prepared in dirty dishes, and they have lived and apparently prospered through it all.

NOTE AND COMMENT If the assessors could levy on options this year the taxes of the average citizen might be lightened, temporarily at least.

HOME RULE HOPES The failure of the comedy of errors which Carson proposed in Ulster, indicates that Home Rule may be passed by the present government.

POLITICAL OUTLOOK Dr. Andrew Macphail, editor of the University Magazine, has an article in the last issue of that fine quarterly, in which he discusses Mr. Borden's proposed tariff commission, and in the course of this article he once more expresses the view that the principal cause of Liberal defeat in the last elections was the failure of the Liberal party to live up to its professions of 1893 in respect of the tariff.

THE PRESENT CAST ONLY A TRY-OUT Many Changes Likely to Be Made, He Thinks—Doherty the Heavy Father; White, Leading Juvenile; Col. Sam the Hero—Why Not Broder as Court Jester?

INSIDE VIEWS OF MEN AND EVENTS IN PARLIAMENT H. F. Gadsby's Comments on the Political Stage and the Players

ABE MARTIN The Standard a copy of an excited telegram he sent to The Telegraph, dealing with the number of smelts caught in the Restigouche. Mr. Montgomery's telegram had been buying smelts by the carload, whereas it had been asserted that catch on the Restigouche was less than half a ton.

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INTELLIGENCE SHEEP AND AGENTS For and Against Sheep on the reasons why there could be kept in your district replies, "Just Dog" if "dog" is the only word not kept, it would be laying too much stress on the loss from this cause. There is a danger, but if this is about the only word there is a likelihood of their ailments are few, with those of the horse, the dog nuisance, while really as bad as many of the sheep business imagine, is only attacked about 10 years, under ordinary care are known where flocks are more frequently herded. There are usually 6 dogs in the neighborhood responsible for the trouble, and where generally 10 or 12 damage themselves, and finally caught and subjected to life of so ineffective an animal, which he obtains by accident, rather some poor, half-bred, nobody seems to own, and to subsist upon the milk which he obtains by accident, rather some poor, half-bred, nobody seems to own, and to subsist upon the milk which he obtains by accident, rather some poor, half-bred, nobody seems to own, and to subsist upon the milk which he obtains by accident.