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China Section. There will be bargains. Come and see

## STROUD'S

## TRAIII RAN IITO CROWD OF FOREIGIERS AT TREITION

Two Run Down and Killed on Satur day Night-Another Thrown to Safety With Little Hurt.

## The Weekly Ontario

Legishition and boucimon
At the T. A. S. anniversary the ohere even-ing Mr. C. J. Foy made a very strong appeal
for temperance and gave some convincingं arryuments against liquor. Sut there was a slight inconsistency Mr Coy contended that temperance can only be brought about by education. He did not helieve in Local Option or
ary of the popular methods of dealing with the
evil
Apart from the merits or de merits of Local Option or any other kind of legislation. Mr. Foy
mustadmit that to govern any country properly you must impose definite restriction upan certain things. Mr. Fiy himself cited the case had become license. Education is a good thing. It is the best thing, but to educate you must ehild will be zood or obey its parent by mere verbal instruztion, any parent knows this. All men will not obey the moral law or Does Mr. vere not prohibited and punishable by law that these crimes would not $b$; committed more than they are?
To institute a law against bigamy does no
et rid of bigamy, but it brands the criminal, and that fact has a resiraining as fluence upon mer, giving them a distinct sense right and wrong,
'The feaf 0 ' hell's the hangman whip To keep the wretch in order
The Bishop made a very sensible cormment on the adiress when he said we should support veryperance. While we do not believe in extreme legislation we cannot agree with Mr. Foy evil is by edu:ation. If Mr. Foy followed out ical conclusion he would see that educaticn in volves restraint and outside torce. He himsel The T. A. S, has done a good work in Pet erborough, is methods have been largely no sociery lives unto itself and many of its
members have used their influence in the direction of practical methods of dealing with the
problen during the fourteen years the T. A. S. problem during the

## OR A CLEAN STAGE.

All credit to Mr. John Griffin, head of Grifin's theatrical o rcuit, for the fecisive ction he from the playhouses under his control. The
following news despatch from St. Catharines will explain Mr. Grifin's attitude,- Curifin, the St. Catharines, Feb. .. John long string of
Torunto man who runs heatres, came over here the other day
and last night dropped int his own vaud-
eville house. A pair of vaudevillians, a man and woman, as a climax did a rather
vulgar turn. Mr. Griffin went behind the. "Say" he said to the man, "you've got "Why" queried the entertainer. "Be-
cause ti's not decent, and I won't stand for The ail, soid Mr. Griffin. Mr. Uriffin discharged nim. Forthwith he wrote out a list of instructions for ah his
houses, which expressly stated that certain
words must not be ased on any of his words must not be used on any of his
stages: neither must there be anything suggestive ssid or acted, any manage
beling given permission to immediately dis miss any actor whois guilty of such a a thing
There has been a good deal of comThere has been a good deal or com
plaint against vullararity and indecency or
the stage here and in other places, and it has been very often remarked that
the vaudeville should be censored as well as the moving-picture
This same pair appeared in Belleville some ime ako, and the bold suggestiveness of their act was the source of much decidedly unfavorgratulati गn that Mr. Griffin was enabled to see or himself. Anyone who is acquaintel winh
Mr. Griffin knows that he is extremely rigid about the moral tone of the presentations that ake place in the theatres under his managb-
ment. It is not possible to know in advance the ment. It is not posside vaudeville acts to be presented but the instructions he is sending out o bis local managers should have a wholesome effect. Atthough it should be stated that
xhibitions of the character complained abuit ave heen quite unusual. While the perforhave heen quite unusual. While the perfor-
mances have not always reached a high stanJard of artistic excellence, they have almost uniformly been free from objectionable feattures. is a matter of supreme importancs that the vaudeville and moving picture houses in
our smaller cities and towns should be clean uur smaller cities and towns should be clean
and decent. The audiences are largely composed of children, and immature girlhood and
minds foul pictures, or suggestive dialogue or performance is a arime against you to ismut but there is smut-loving section in Toronto large enough to make such a venture profitable.
In Belleville or $S t$. Catharies a few indecent Derfermances would incurably alienate the performances
better class of
derive the bulk of their revenues. blackguardism were quite uncalled for, both in the dramin and on the stage. Resort to these now devices is aiways a confession the actor. John on the parr he play no such adornmient in his compelliny play. "The Breed of the Tresh ams,' and Martin Harvey was able to ceptivate and thrill his audience vithout the slightes imputation of suggestiveness, in look. in wor
or in action. We have read a great deal lately about the wave or indecen the "movies," in New Yurk stage and even Content to allow New York
City. We are.
establish certain standards for us in the field establish certain standards for us in the field o
aramatic art, but we will certainly net permit aramatic art, but we will certainly net permit
them to send out any streams of foulness in our direction wit' 10 ut prorest. Gieffin upon his We again congratulate Mr. Crown manl ommendable course. He the Canadian home and Canadian ideals, and at the same time we:should sugges dmirable business sense.

## bellevilles population

The population of Belleville is now nearly wellected by Assessor Kerr in his annual rounds. The exact figures are 11,893. The actual increase the past year was 692 . Nor only has population grown, bu there was a splendid
crease in building activity. No less than 125 new dwellings were, elected during the year While a large part of the credit for this growth and progress
enterprise of our own . citizens, it is well to remember that all nur enterprise would have ioned policy of Canadian expansion introduced by the liberal party. ville was prior to i896. Trade was utterly stag nant,our manufacturers had nearly all failed and
been close. out, property could scarcely be given away to anyone why was capable of paying young men were flitting away in droves to
raise the standing of cilizenship in the United States. It is a dismal story and we will not Then came Laurier and the great awaken ing. You atr remenber fiscouraged East, and the marvel lous development of the unknown and unpeopled West. Don't sav that governments have nothing to do with the creation of prosperity
The man who makes an assertion like that is a bone-head upon who
Had the British preference, and the policy of inielligently advertising Canada in the Brit ish lyes, among the nations of , Europe, and
the United States, anything to do with turning the tide of immigration and prosperity in the direction of this unknown but naturally poren dominion? Had to yas forming up this frigid old earth?
And then to think that the imperial-minded author of all these wonderfui Doicies of nation al expansion should be whispered out of office
by the very men who were enriched by the benefits he had created. To think that instead of progressive, sagacious statesmanship w should deliberately choose bobrogerisation! And Bolleville! Renewed, rejuvenared, rein vigorated and trebly benefited Belleville I To
think that this city should by a majority of fivehundred and forty votes display such towering ingratitude as to show its preference for a party whose only conception of statesmand
is to "dash away and spend the money:" It was truly said that Canada needed a
chas ening, and in 1911 we fashioned the rod to chas-ening,
scourge our own backs.
scourge our own backs
How lonk it will take the present aggregation of reactinnaries to take us back to the doldrums and dumps, and the awe-inspiring stag nation of the National Poverty days, it is hard to sav. It requires some prosperity of the New Cana la, dating from 1896. But we have had a forea taste the present winter of what may be expected. The old note of buoyant optimism in Canada is not quite so confident now as it was only three short years ago. Let us all earnes
ly hope that the hands of the spoilers may be ly hope that the hands ome the people of this great nation have had an opportunity in a general election to undo to so
engendered in 1911 .

Houses of poured concrete seem to have met with great favor in Europe. At Salitidre.
Southern France, 120 are being built at $\$ 1,088$ each, about 20 per
ilar brick houses.

If that conferince of Front Street property owners dian't give us a permanera fact that
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of such neighborly gatierings is not to be dispised.

It some of the jelly-fish in Right Honourable Robert's cabinet had orly a portion of the
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would not have the invertebrate grovelling before nationalism and flunkeyism that has served 10 make the present goveriment at Otawa
the most inert and impotent since the jays of the discover,

Any oi our married men who have been getting a raw deal at tea meetings, socials,
lacies' aid banquets, tanyo teas, or similar festivities should ay heed to the following valuable hint in a note that sppeared
issue of the Kingston Standard.

Prince Edward county is gradually getting wamped by the sand that is drifting up every year in greater volume from Lake Ontario,
Che county council has just memorialised the provincial legislature to have the area reforested in order to prevent the furcher encroachmen upon the agrizultural land. of the affected, dis-
trict east of Wellington. Prince Edward has been rather proud of these great sand dunes and the strange natural phenomenon they prebuildings, orchards, and choice land to the eve advancing driffs of white sand-well, the phe nomenon comes a litue expensive. Ine
enment undertakes the reforesting of this barren area the experiment will be watched ook like a pretty tough proposition for the for estry experts.

One would think from the pow-wow in the Kingston papers that their hockey team had won the championship of British Nork Amerhabitants of the planet Jupiter. A few even ings ago Colonel Marsh's gallant boys inflicted a decisive defeat on the indoor hase hasteric cackling and crowing in this city over defeate opponents who had played the game like hon orable men and lost. In Belleville we wear our
laurels with hecoming modesty. Butwhen defeat comes nur way, as come it occasionally must in our varinus athletic activities, we ac-
met cept the adverse decision quite as ptas or there would bew harey. Belleville is quite content with having had teams in both the intermediate and junior hockey fields who came home far more proud of the fact that in all the contests their boys stood up and played the game and kept their colors clean.

Newspaper men are currently and comm-
only supposed to have hides about as tough only supposed to have hides about as ough
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owever by the receipt of a notic man with a good situation in Toronto to stop his paper. Hecould nolonger afford the dollar to pay fifty two visits of the paper from his home which he had left only two years betore,
nearly all his relatives still remained.
It is regrettable to see how many soung men when they leave the home town to reside in a larger place. regard it as an evidence of
manliness to sneer at the eld enviroment and all it contained. As the News Argus says, they are home feeling or patriotism."

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## 2 News Gathered From Belleville's Many Suburban Districts


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See the window display of new March styles to-morrow.

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## THE CLUSE

Recent uely rumors aboutt the "selling" of thockey matches need occasion no surprise. Such rumors are the legtirmate consequence possessed a large proportion of the followers of the game in this city,
It has apparenily become the fashion for
 Would strenuously repuaiate the insinuation Word. They merely put up a firiendly wager
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test. Others again value their own opinions so test, Others again value their own opinions so
highly that they are not satisfied until shey highly that they are not satisnied unn
have bncked up the said opinions by a substantinalamount of money. Some of these amonnts ara eso substantial that some nit the more well-
to-do beltors have lately placed hundreds of dolars on the outcome of a single game of

## hockey

Now then, dear hockey-loving reader, you
who believe in sport for sport's sake, you who desire to see our great national game kept clean,
look at the situation honestly and impartially look at the situation hinnesiy and mparially
and tell us if you think it is possible to keep and tell us if you uninetionable and debasing hrckey free from objectionable and debasing
features as long as this saturnalia of betting features as
continues. Can you see any connection be-
tween the recent examples of ruffianism at tween the recent examples of ruitianism at
Orillia and very many opher places over Ontario, and the betring mien whic cro
the barriers at the side of the rink
Ifra man has a hündred-dollar wager on a hockey game, will he be more intent on seeing
the berter team win, of or the saving of his the betrer
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is it conceivable that a man who had
placed a bet of five hundred dollars and who placed a bet of five hundred doliars and who
was not too scrupulous about methods might was not too. scrupulous anou a player or two,
take it into his head to buy uther get them to lie down
safely of his stake?

We are not trving to create the impression that all men who Det are unfair or unscrupuwe Jo hold there is a very considerable numbero men who make of hockey an excuse for
an extremely mischitevous form of gambling, and these men care eno more for honesti, cleari. sport, or fair methods than the money-lending
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tim. Then it is surely absurd to claim that hock ey, the liveliest and most spectacular game
ever devised, requires a ny such additional stimever cevised, requires any bet on the side to make it interestins for the spectator.
ame the man with a wager on the game has an additional interest in the contest,
but it is not a healthy interest in sport. On the contrary it often degenerates into s savage determination to see the side he is backing win,
whether there is any reggrd for the rules or wheth

To this source, we believe, can be rraced most of the exhibitions of savagery thar
been far too frequent the present winter.

It is not our intention to moralise for sermonise upon this subject, We wish merely to
treat it is a mater of susiness and common treat it
Our men and particularly our young are
ndulking in this betting propensity far more induliking in this tetuing propensity for more
than is good for them or good for sport. The o-ccilled "sport" is doing his level best to ruin
sport. All betting is essentially immoral. We spall it by its right title when we name it gambling. Although we have lived on this earth
more than two score years we have yet to hear of any individulul, institutiof, or nation whom gambling has really benefitued. if you know
of any such, kindy send along their names and will gladly publish them.
It looks so easy when you gather in ten dollars from your friend with whom you have
bet on the outcome of a hockey match. If you are a bank-clerk or a mechhanic you would have to work nearly a week to make that
much money. It's like finding it. T The next day you put up some more -perhaps a larger ayount. Your judgment is so reliable, you
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But in the meantime where are your thoughts) is your mind intent on giving your
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the pasteboards. Then come the ponies, and the pastiobe
then Pluto.

You are of course stronger than the others. You are of course stronger haw when the trine has gne far
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| ter dollars from your friend. What have ycu | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Too not believe we can reasonably fope for } \\ \text { sucesss unless we eliminate the cardiboards- }\end{array}$ |
| :--- | :--- | given your friend in return? Do you thins any more of yoursel for having put teh dollars

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No, do not .zet alarmed, dear reader, we are not zoing to quote any horible examples,
althouzb we know of many within the course of our limited experience right here in sober,
staid old Ontario. But we will close this little staid, old Ontario. But we will ciose lisk hittle
oreachment by repeating a few remarks from ne of the best known writers in America who declares that he is not a member of the Christhe Baptist Union, the Knights of Culumbus, or the Society for the Suppression of Vice. "let me give you this: I would not trust an amateur gambier
Taurus by the tail.

IT will not do business with a man who olays cards for money iflcan helo it. No in-
dividual in my employ-or anybody else's who plays cards for money can ever hope for promotion
"A professional zambler may be honest,
but your clerk or business man who indulves but your clerk or business man who indulkes
in a quiet game of draw is a rogue, a prevaricator. and a cheat. And mat he cheats most is him"And the onty man the really, deceives is himself. And the mail whe deceives himself
and cheats himself will get no chance to cheat and cheats himself will get no chatce
me if the matter can be avoided. "Beware oi the white face, the soft hands,
and the impassive smile of the poker player ! bad man -primarily his intents are honest. te plays first simply for recreation ; then,to add interest ; the game transiorms into penny-
ante. ante. From this to betiting ail whe money
has is a very easy evolution when the fever
"The successsulu amateur gambler graduates into a proresslon
men shun him. No man who olays caras for money can
keep his position lomp. The fact is, none of us has a surplus of brains, and if you are going to
to succeed in business all the power you have to succeed in Dusiness all the power you have
o your credit is demanded. The man who can olay cards at night and do business in the
 keen edge of his life is lost in shuffiling the cardboards. All he gives to his employer or the
world is the discard. Outside of his play he is world is the discard. Outside of his play he is
a weak, ineficiet person, and his weakness is very apt to manifest itself in burdening his very apt to manifest gamoling does not fall
friends. The curse of on the gamber alone. any more than the
drunkard alone suffers for his fault. Suffering tells on every one within the radius of the gambler.
ten comes around for his wazes before pay-day, then the gets to discounting his salary to a money-shark; then if he can, he will "bor-
row" his pay before he earns it, without first consulting you. He intends to pay it hackoh, yes! He wins and pas sit baik. This en, zourages him to
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The high coss of living continues to be the
most discussed topic of the day. And well it might be, for it is a subject that touches every man's home. All are. pretty generally agreed that the irect cause is a lack of production of food on the farms, but there is a wide variance
of opinion as to the primary causes operatinz back of the farm.
Why should our farms be producing less when prices are higher than ever before, is a
question that every town dweller is asking. We question that every town dweller is asking. Wo e
would naturally suppose that farmers would now be ctowding the markets with their wares and carrying home the enurmous profits. are maxing bie profits even with the present
high orices. If what they sell has ascended in Drice, so that they buy including
thing
hired helo. Farming too they tell us, is a diff. areen help. Farming from what it was fifty years apo when the thrifty agriculturist aimed to produce practically all his needs in the way
of food end clothing right on the farm. At the of food snd clothing right on the farm. At the
present time farming proceeds more along spec-
 plus of one or more kinds of food producisls, sey
of theese, or pork, or wheet, or fruit, sells oif this surplus and then buys his other require-
ments the same as the man must do who lives in the city.
Farmers no longer manufacture their owir
clothing. They do not use maple sugar for clothing, They do not use maple sugat for
sweetening fruit. Most of them buy butcher's sweetening fruit. Most of them buy butchers
meat, canned goods from the grocers, clothing from the tailor, or ready-made dealers. Even
in this dairying county of Hastings it is a fairly in this dairying county of Hastings it is a fairly
customary practice for farmers to buiy the butcustomary yractice for farmers to ouy the but-
ter they ue the though the summer season.
thent they buy baker's bread.
The point we wish to bring out is that
farming conditions have changed. The farmfarming conditions have changed. The farm-
er buys his household needs much the same as the city dweller. The farmer is therefore just as much the victim of high prices as is the just the same way. This is a consideration that usually escapes the notice of those who
clain that the farmer must be making large profits.

Twenty years ago, one of the most popular as well as efficient members of the staff of
Toronto univesity Dale. In the spring of 1895 came the famous Students' strike, when all the students in the
arts' department left University college in a
and oody and refused to attend lectures until certain grievances, particularly in the poilitical science
section, were adjusted. We happened to be attending lectures at the time, in. our freshman year, and retain a vivid impression of the
stirring episodes of the time, and the fiery elostirring episodes of the time, and the fiery elo-
quence of the strike leaders, among whom were Hamar rieenwod James
Prot. Dale ewas the one member of the oro-
fessional staff who stood out for reform, and he had the courage lo exprcss his conviction sin the his position, and he retired to his fine farm near his oosition, and he retired to his fine
St. Marys, in the oounty of Middesex.
Prof. Dale has since that time been quierty pursuing the even tenor ol his way as a tiller of
the soil, an occupation which has given him ample time for pondering upon the condition ample time
agriculture.
From his retirement Prof, Dale has come orvard to give one of the best and must in-
cisive short articles we have anywhers seen up on the high cost.of tiving.
Following is Proft: Dales a ale letter. Read
Itis werth while,
The addresses of mytriend Mr. C. C. James are always interesting, but not entirely convin-
cing to the oractical farmer. Mr. James lectures on the "Romance of Agricult re." And 1 can understand the romance of imazining the
steps by which the indegenous grains of the Steps by which the rellomian rivervally have developed into the highly prodactive grain of the present day.
As a student of history, I wish that we knew All the steps of that development. But what a a matter of history, has been the lot of the
tillers of the soil? Three words tell the sombre tale e slavery, serffom, and peasantry. And
 to the tiller what is in sufficient tre a bare subu-
stinence, and that only. Whether this naturat and universal law. if such it be, has anything
to do with the general cityward trend of the present cay deserves, perhaps examination. But is this much talked-ot "high cost of ian farms are producing less food than they could do? I Iadmit the fact. But 1 deny that
under the present circumstances the fact can be under the present circumstances he lact can be
altered. To procuce more food requires more
labor and more capital. But addititonal labor is
not to be had. What are the conditions to-day
The cifies and towins have been enabled in var lous ways-by tariff, combinations and union to pay labor hiyher wages than farmers can an ford But his higher rate of wages in town ie
almost wholly exxracted from the land-tie. almost wholly exrracted from the land--i.e.
from the farmer. And then he is asked to pay for labour more than the product of that labo vet return, in order that the townsman land at present to produce more is to ask wh economically impossible.
But more capial is required. But how is the farmer to hire capital at 7 per zent. and us it in a business which, on the average return
onlv fromi 4 to 5 per. cent? The most pres sins demand on this snntinent to-day is some mean can be supplied to agriculture at such à that it can be profitably employed. In w
condition does the farmer find himself? has to pay of the capita in the country. Thos
who use it are able to pay, owing to their lare profits, 6 and 7 per cent. for it. The farmer
making 4 or 5 per cent. in his business mus. preforce go without capital. The law of dimin ishing returns toj often acts here in Canad
with special severity and is an additional handi-
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Has ànyone ever attempted to tell us wh of living'? We may blieve the mane arraing he tells us that he findspitat or present more/dififi cult to make "endd moe"t than it was som cost of the necessaries of life has increased fas Hence arises the universal demand for highé wages a den
But how has this enhanced cost of necess
aries come aboat?? Take an example of the practical working of the matter. The railwa man increases the freightage, the banker
creases his percentage, the professional ma incseases his fee, the grocei, the dry, goods
inchanic increase the man, the tailor, the mechanic increase the
price of their respective goods. They deal with one another, and the increase makes little no difference. The medium of exchange on ring, and what follows? The exchange b comes at once unequal. The outsider must
pay to the ring the enhaticed price of what pay to the ring
they sell, but he zannot raise the price of wh all of whose profits ultimately depend upon him The victim in the present case is the ownne
and tiller of the soil-the farmer, the lumber man, the fisherman, the miner-and is pr served from utter annihilation prepared for hi,
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under his that the traffic will b. The ring charges that it has overstepped the limit and is on th
the path to the killing of the goose that lays th
golden egg. The causes, however, of enhance golden egg. The causes, however, of enhance
prices are as obscure as ever. Beginning in small area, they are now world wide in the
operation. The protectionist Canada dictate the legislation and control the finaneses of the cuuntry, Favored by yeograph
cal condivions, they have made Canad th cal condicions, they have made canad the
dearest country in the world to live in. Th population of the most fertile country in th
world, rendered hardy aud frugal and orderl and skilful by the trials of the last forty yea are now in the grasp of a minority which wi
not let go its hold without a desperate struggle I cannot see any improvidence on the pa of British Columbia in importing what it need
or anything but profit to Prince Edward Islan in exporitng what it does not need. catistic tell us-and my own experience confirms
what statistics assert-that a farm itself con-
sumes half its produce. It would seem, theresumes half its proauce. falls below one-hali of the entire population
cannot produce sufficient for the whole country This would appear to be the case in Britis opposite is the case with Prince Eda
Hence it exports-toits advanlage. "Practical remedies," The clobe says, are draining, adaption of crop to soil, scientific draining, adaption of crop to soli, all $4,000-\mathrm{lb}$. milch cows and substituting 20,00
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mestic expenditure, are some of the mestic expenditure, are some of the remedies
have seen proposed. All are zood, some ar practised, some are impracticable and some ar impossible. I would like to make a suggestion to our well-equipped agricuitural colleges an
tarms. Let them each set apart a farm of the average size -125 to 150 acres. Let them equi it as an average well-todo farm in Ontario equipped with labor and machinery. Let then
work it as the average mixed farm is worke work it as the average mixed farm is worke
Let them show the average farmer how Let them show the average farmer how to
make farming pay better that, it dnes at present. A work of the highest national importance
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