

ONLY USE OF THIRD DEGREE SAVED THE BORDEN GOVERNMENT

Bolters Over the Lancaster Marriage Bill Threw
Bad Scare Into the Conservative
Leaders.

A DRAMATIC NIGHT AT OTTAWA

Ministers Had to Use Strenuous Measures to Bring the Rebels
to Time—Majority That Should Have Been Fifty
Was But Twenty-Five.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Ottawa, Jan. 23.—A young Government was never nearer death than this morning when the Borden Administration was in Parliament last night.

If Sir Wilfrid Laurier had declared flatly for the Lancaster bill the House almost certainly would have voted against the Government by a small majority. However, Quebec, would have been antagonized on the measure, and as Sir Wilfrid believes the constitutional question should be decided by cold impartial decision of the courts, he sacrificed a just chance of overthrowing his conquerors for the sake of keeping faith with his belief and for the sake of keeping religion out of the political arena of Canada.

Borden in a Panic.
The Government in the evening recognized the danger it was in, and frantic efforts were made to bring followers into line.

The Lancaster bill on the measure was passed. Mr. Lancaster had urged the passage of his bill as a measure of right. Premier Borden said the measure should be dropped so the Government could ask the privy council if the bill was constitutional or if it infringed provincial jurisdiction.

The proposal of the Premier was not well received by his own side. One after another Conservatives got up and declared that Mr. Lancaster was right, that a marriage was a marriage, and wherever performed by an authorized person should have legal status.

The Bolters.
Thomas Wallace, of Centre York; William Northrup, W. P. Maclean, Col. Hugh Clarke got up, one after another, and declared for Lancaster and against Borden.

Sir Wilfrid's Suggestion.
Then Sir Wilfrid said the question should not be shelved by an adjournment, should not be referred to the privy council as a hypothetical question, but should be sent there as a practical case from the action now in the Quebec courts.

BANK MAN TALKS OF AMALGAMATION

Has Heard Story of the Joining
of Montreal and Royal
Banks.

FEWER BANKS SHORTLY TO GET TOGETHER AND REDUCE NUMBER OF INSTITUTIONS.

The rumored amalgamation of the Bank of Montreal and the Royal Bank of Canada created some excitement in financial circles it is stated that the union will take place very shortly. Negotiations are under way, it is stated, and in a short time, the whole matter will be settled.

In conversation with a number of prominent financial men in the city today, the universal opinion was expressed that such a thing was liable to happen at any time.

There was a tendency to bring strong financial institutions together, for mutual protection and profit. The opinion was expressed that in a very few years, the number of banks doing business in Canada will be reduced greatly, and this will be accomplished by amalgamation.

Has Heard the Story.
"I do not know the details, but I am quite convinced that such is very likely to happen," said a prominent financial man to The Advertiser. "I have heard rumors of a change for some time past, and knowing certain things, I am quite convinced that such will take place, although as I said before, I am not in a position to give details of anything like that, but these will shortly become known. The tendency in modern business, such as banking, is to form strong organizations, and reduce competition as much as possible. During the past couple of years, there have been many such, and at the present time, other banks are considering such a step. For instance, the Canadian Bank of Commerce has recently promulgated a union with the Eastern Townships Bank, a strong institution in Quebec, and I am credibly informed other banks will follow the lead. It looks like good business all around."

Nothing To Say.
Mr. F. E. Kern, manager of the Royal Bank here, declined to discuss the matter. He had heard nothing, and did not wish to offer any opinion whatever.

Mr. A. H. Bédome, manager of the Bank of Montreal, could not be communicated with.

Speculation is rife as to the effect the amalgamation would have in the city. Both banks now have branches here, and the Royal Bank has purchased the city hall to extend its sphere of influence.

It is understood that the new institution would take both branches to the city hall. Branches would also be established in various quarters of the city.

BAIL IS ALLOWED TO DR. MACGREGOR

Not a Scintilla of Evidence
Against Him, Says Attorney
Walsh.

THE DOCTOR CONFIDENT Local Sentiment Entirely Favorable to Him—"Suspicious Circumstances" Exploded.

[By Staff Correspondent.]
Bad Axe, Mich., Jan. 23.—The Sparling poisoning case came before the circuit court here today. Dr. Robt. Macgregor, formerly of London, today expressed his appreciation of the loyalty shown him by his friends in London.

"I certainly feel grateful to London people," said Dr. Macgregor, "for the many kind letters and assurances of sympathy I have received, and for the active interest my old friends are taking in my present trouble. I am in good physical health, and have nothing to complain of as to my treatment. In fact, the authorities have shown me every possible consideration, and I have nothing but the kindest feeling toward any of them. I know that I am innocent as a baby, and have no fear as to the outcome."

It was hoped that the case might be tried at the present term of the circuit court. The state prosecution, however, has asked for more time in which to complete its case, and the probability is that the case will not be tried until March or April.

Dr. Macgregor refused to plead to the charge of murder, and his attorney, Joseph Walsh, of Port Huron, and George Clark, of Bad Axe, at once began a determined fight to secure bail for their client.

Not a Scintilla of Evidence.
"If your honor please," said Attorney Walsh, "there is not a single scintilla of evidence on which this man can rightfully be held. At the examination there were three so-called 'suspicious circumstances' brought out by the prosecution. First, it was shown that Cyril Sparling died suddenly of illness, and that Dr. Macgregor was the attending physician, and that Cyril and his brothers were insured in the Sun Life Insurance Company of Canada by the doctor's father. Also Dr. Macgregor got all or part of a policy of \$1,000 in payment for his bill as family physician. Now it appears from the evidence that the boys took out their insurance with Dr. Macgregor's father after they had consulted with the agents of other companies, and found that Dr. Macgregor's father's fee was a better term than any of the others. Suspicious circumstance No. 1 exploded."

"Then, it is claimed that the boys were insured in the Gleasons, and that Dr. Macgregor was the examiner who passed them. On investigation, it appears that the boys first went to two ladies in Uxley who took their applications, and then sent them to Dr. Barlow to be examined before admission to the order. Suspicious circumstance No. 2 exploded."

"Then a young man, a graduate of the medical department of the University of Michigan, testified that he had found a little more than a trace of arsenic in the liver of the dead Cyril Sparling. Whether or not there was enough to cause death he did not say. A fine combination, I submit, your honor, on the strength of which to hold a man for the crime of murder. We think the defendant should not be punished any more until it is decided whether he is guilty or innocent, and ask for reasonable bail."

Bail Allowed.
Prosecuting Attorney N. A. Boomhauer took exception to "the way in which Mr. Walsh had construed the evidence taken at the examination." "I would suggest," he said, "that you review the evidence in question for yourself before deciding this point."

After hearing the argument for both sides, Judge Reed announced that he would grant bail in the sum of \$15,000. Much interest is manifested all over the state in the approaching trial, which promises to be one of the most exciting legal battles ever fought in a Michigan court. The counsel for the accused are two of the ablest criminal lawyers in Michigan. It is expected that the case will occupy at least two and one-half weeks of the court calendar.

The local sentiment is greatly in favor of Dr. Macgregor and as a result some difficulty is anticipated in obtaining a jury.

When seen by The Advertiser, Dr. Macgregor seemed to have suffered but little from his long confinement. He appeared perfectly at ease, and nothing about the matter seemed to give him any anxiety as to the outcome of his case. He is treated almost as a guest in the sheriff's home.

Both Trials in April.
Dr. Macgregor's case will go over till April.

Mrs. Carrie B. Sparling, also charged with poisoning her son Cyril, and mother of Peter and Albert, and the wife of John Wesley Sparling, all of whom died mysteriously, has been held without bail, and an effort will be made to have the judge allow her to furnish a recognizance. Her case will likely go over till April also.

BRANTFORD DOGS TO BE SHOT ON SIGHT

Police Given Unlimited Powers
In Attempt to Eradicate the
Canine Nuisance.

[Canadian Press.]
Brantford, Ont., Jan. 23.—The city council last night, owing to the threatened rabies outbreak in this city, gave the police almost unlimited powers to eradicate the dog nuisance. Dogs found at large, unless accompanied by owners, are to be shot on sight by police. The minority of the council held that unless the police had discretion in enforcing the by-law the city might become involved in litigation.

Over twenty dogs have already been exterminated.

Among the important questions which will be dealt with at this session is the proposed Gies' bridge, connecting the townships of Carleton Place and Delaware over the Thames. This bridge has been discussed for probably the past twenty years.

Last January it was decided to call for specifications and tenders to be submitted at the December sessions. No tenders were accepted last year, however, and the question will come up to be threshed out again.

Other work for the new council to deal with will be the striking of committees, including finance, board of road directors, jail, petition and dog directors, House of Refuge, agriculture, and equalization committees.

AGED LADY WAS FOUND DEAD CORONER INVESTIGATING CASE

Neighbors Broke Into Home of
Mrs. Ryan in the North
End.

Mrs. Bridget Ryan, an old lady living alone in her residence at the corner of Waterloo and Cheapside streets, was found dead this afternoon shortly after 1 o'clock. Coroner MacLaren is investigating.

Yesterday Mrs. McMullen, a neighbor who was attentive to Mrs. Ryan's needs, called to see how she was. There was no sign of illness, and the woman appeared to be in her usual health.

House Broken Open.
This morning she called again, and Mrs. Ryan did not respond.

At noon she returned, and as there was no response, she informed the neighbors, who broke into the house.

Mrs. Ryan was found in the kitchen, lying beside the stove, dead. There was no sign of violence. Mrs. Ryan had evidently sat on a chair, and expired, falling off on the floor. Rigor mortis had set in, showing the woman to have been dead many hours before.

A Similar Case.
In the same house about a year ago, Mrs. Devan, a sister, was found dead under almost similar circumstances. The latter had considerable money, which she left to the Catholic Church, and to some relatives in Michigan. Mrs. Ryan was somewhat eccentric in her ways, and had not spoken to many of her neighbors for years. This happened after robbers had broken into the residence and robbed her and her father.

LONDON, ENGLAND, PHYSICIAN WAS TOO HIGH FOR THIS LONDON

Dr. Inman Wanted \$7,000 a
Year, With Automobile,
Assistant, Etc.

Dr. Inman, of London, Eng., who was selected as the head of the Hygienic Institute, will not come to London, and at the present time, the authorities of the Western University are endeavoring to secure a Glasgow man, said to be one of the best in his line on the continent.

Dr. Inman could not be secured for the salary the local authorities had to offer. He wanted \$7,000 a year, free house, motor, and his own assistant. This was considered rather too high a price, and his name was dropped.

In the meantime, efforts are being made to secure the Glasgow specialist, who will arrive in the early summer to have everything ready for the opening of the term next autumn.

There was a rumor that the appointee would act as medical health officer for the city. Dr. Hutchinson is to be replaced or act as an assistant.

In conversation with The Advertiser, Dr. Williams, chairman of the board of health, stated that this was not the intention.

UNIONISTS TO GRAB HALL AND BLOCK NATIONALISTS

[Canadian Press.]
Belfast, Ireland, Jan. 23.—The corporation of the city has agreed to let the Unionists for the purpose of a demonstration on Feb. 7, the day preceding the meeting at which Winston Spencer Churchill, first lord of the admiralty, and John E. Redmond, leader of the Irish Nationalists in the House of Commons, are announced to speak there in favor of home rule. The Unionist meeting is believed to be a scheme by which the Unionists will retain possession of the hall, and thus keep the Nationalists from holding their demonstration on the next day.

PAY CITY TAXES INTO THE BANKS INSTEAD OF AT THE CITY HALL

Mayor Graham Thinks Scheme
Would Benefit the People
of London.

It is now proposed by Mayor Graham to pay the city taxes into the various branches of the chartered banks throughout the city, instead of at the city hall as at present.

For some time the water commissioners have been collecting their water and electrical rates in this way. The results have been highly satisfactory. Chairman Pocock states, and Mayor Graham is of the opinion that as good, if not better results, could be obtained by having the banks receive the taxes.

"I am going to bring the matter up at the next meeting of the council," his worship stated. "The plan is a very satisfactory one in the water works department, and I am positive even better results can be obtained in regards to taxes. It would relieve the congestion at the city hall at certain times, and considerably assist the tax collector in his duties. As a convenience to the citizens, it would be very great, as it would obviate the necessity of coming down town. There would be a little more work in connection with the collection of taxes than with water rates, but I think that everything could be arranged satisfactorily. I am taking the matter up with the banks, and when the question is raised in the council I will be able to report what can be done."

Some of the aldermen thought that there would be too much difficulty in the way, owing to the intricacies of the discount, but Mayor Graham pointed out that this was merely a matter of bookkeeping and expert bank clerks could handle it as well as others. He dealt with the matter, and it is probable that Mayor Graham's suggestion will be accepted.

STREET RAILWAY EXTENSION WILL SOON BE CONSIDERED!

The City Engineer Has Almost
Completed His Survey of
Railway Crossings.

The question of street railway track extension will be considered by a special committee of the city council in a short time.

City Engineer Wright has practically completed his survey of the William and Adelaide street crossings of the C. P. R., and will report on the feasibility and cost of constructing a viaduct and a level crossing at these points.

His report will inform the council that a bridge at either of these points is not feasible, and will recommend either a viaduct or a level crossing. The whole matter will be referred to a special committee composed in all probability of the members of the board of works, together with Ald. Spittal, Ald. Moore and Ald. Wright.

North End Loop.
Then the whole matter will be gone into more thoroughly. The north end residents will insist upon a loop line up Colborne to Victoria, across Victoria to William, down William to Oxford, along Oxford to Adelaide, and forming a Belt Line.

This is the original plan of the residents in that district, and it will be adhered to strictly. The claim is made that a majority of the aldermen elected were on the slate favorable to the proposed extension.

"The matter will be taken up as soon as we can," said Mayor Graham. "We have much to do, but that will not be neglected."

INDIAN KILLED AT LAMBETH BY LAKE ERIE TRACTION CAR

Brakeman Simcock
Dies at Sarnia

Had Been Ill With Typhoid
Fever for About Three
Weeks.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Sarnia, Jan. 23.—No new cases of typhoid fever have been reported for several weeks, and it is believed that the epidemic which has been raging in Sarnia for many months has been checked completely.

Another death in connection with the outbreak occurred yesterday, when Robert Simcock, a G. T. R. brakeman, died after an illness of about three weeks. He was 37 years old.

There are a number of patients still in a very serious condition. The work of repairing the intake pipe will be gone on with as soon as possible.

SIR JAMES PEEVED AT MR. JOSEPH FELS

Says Tax Reformer Is an Extra-
ordinary Creature and His
Story Grotesque.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Toronto, Jan. 23.—Brief and very much to the point was the comment of Sir James Whitney this morning on the interview of Joseph Fels given out at Ottawa, in which he described his meeting with Sir James.

"I went out of my way to see this man, who is certainly an extraordinary creature," said Sir James. "I don't care to enter into details, but the story is grotesque, and there is a falsehood in every sentence. I should have sent him away as soon as I saw the drift of his talk."

The steep grade caused the powerful searchlight on the car to be directed toward the sky, and the plight of the Indian was therefore not known until the car was almost upon him.

Applied the Brakes.
Motorman William Beal, of St. Thomas, who was in charge, applied the emergency brakes with such force that the motorist was derailed, and the car therefore coasted along for some distance before coming to a stop. Anon Lewis was the conductor of the car.

The horse was first struck, the force of the collision hurling the animal up on the roadway. It, however, slid back on to the tracks as the car passed, and was again rammed by the car, so that it was from London, reached the scene.

Portions of the cutter, smashed to kindling, were strewn along the highway for a hundred yards.

It is said that the victim of the accident had been drinking, and it is possible that he did not know that the horse had carried him back on to the tracks before the car.

TO FIX SALARIES OF CITY OFFICIALS

Special Committee Will Hold a Meet-
ing Shortly For the Purpose.

The special committee regarding the fixing of salaries of the city officials will hold a session during the week.

It would have been held this week, had it not been for the desire to get the local improvement question out of the way. That committee will meet tonight, and the whole matter will be threshed out in all its various phases. With this out of the way for good, then the other matters in case other cases. Mr. Bennett is anxious to have the work completed before the estimates are struck some time in March.

PERISHED IN BLIZZARD ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Body of a Little Girl Found under a
Snowdrift Near Moose Jaw.

[Canadian Press.]
Moose Jaw, Sask., Jan. 23.—While other children were rejoicing in all that Christmas means, little Carrie Smith, the 3-year-old daughter of a farmer, perished in a blizzard on Christmas day. She was found under a snowdrift near Moose Jaw, and was put to rest in a coffin.

Carrie was putting forth all her strength against a blinding blizzard on her way home from a neighbor's a mile and a half away. The child perished, and it was not until yesterday that news was received of the discovery of the body under a snowdrift ten miles from her home.

ARE LOOKING AHEAD

Isolation Hospital at the Coves Will
Be Put Into Shape.

Dr. E. L. Williams, chairman of the board of health, had an interview today with Dr. Hutchinson, M. H. O., regarding the case of smelter reported in Dorchester Township, and it was decided to open the Coves Hospital, thoroughly air it, and have everything ready in case other cases follow. It is nearly sixteen months since there has been a case in the city of London, and during that time the hospital has been closed.

"We are not anxious to have an outbreak," Dr. Williams declared. "We can get along very well without any such cases, but it is just as well to be properly prepared for it in case it does come."

PEACE ARTICLES SIGNED.
Washington, Jan. 23.—Articles of peace, bringing to an end the revolution in Ecuador have been signed by the leaders of the federal troops and the revolutionists at Guayaquil. It was officially reported to the state department today from the United States consul there.

LATEST NEWS OF WESTERN CANADARIO

EVERLASTING STARS SHINE IN COUNTRY

City Has No Monopoly On the Good Thing, Say Several Country Correspondents.

MANY GAY GATHERINGS

Bobsleighs Full of Young Folks and Cross Roads Concerts Are Cleanest Form of Entertainment.

In point of the numbers of letters received the rural brethren seem to be having "all the best of it" in the verbal battle over whether country life is preferable to city life in the winter time. Answers to the letters appearing Saturday, in which two correspondents upheld the advantages for the urbanite, continue to arrive, and among them are two from Fanshawe, one of them from the correspondent who first took exception to the description of life on the farm as a zero morning. Whatever the conclusion readers may come to those on the farm seem satisfied with their existence and those in the city seem equally content. Perhaps neither side intends to admit any grievances when taking a defensive pen.

The latest letters received are as follows:

THE BRIGHT SIDE.

To the Editor of The Advertiser.

After reading the articles in Saturday's Advertiser, by two citizens, in regard to "Winter Life on the Farm," and thinking that people who know no more of the above subject than they appear to know might be sharing the same hallucinations I thought, perhaps, I might throw some light on the bright side of country life in the winter.

As W. H. S. writes in Friday evening's paper, life is not nearly so bad as that article in Jan. 18th's issue would lead anybody to believe. Pumps are seldom ever frozen; most farmers work in stables nearly as warm as any factory, or, perhaps, warmer; forty head, all told, (horses, cattle and swine), is the average number to attend to on every farm; if more than forty he usually has an assistant to help; coal is the universal fuel used in the country at the present time, and houses are as warm when arising as when retiring; and if one can have all the feed necessary for the morning done he is not very apt to leave it undone the night before.

"Citizen" mentions that educational facilities are poor in the country. I quite agree with him there, but, if one chooses to enter upon a professional career, it isn't so awfully heartrending to leave home and go to some town or city to complete his university course. It has been successfully done in the past, is at present, and will be in the future with the same good results. One of his main preferences to city life is its being in closer proximity to the theatre and other places of amusement, and also to the large city churches. If "Citizen" is in for everything that promises a big time he can certainly have it, but he's got to pay the price. As for anyone going in from the country he can "hitch old Dobbin to the hay" and drive in, enjoying with so much pleasure the evening as one in the city. Any one wishing to have a good time socially in the country can generally find it in attending dances, concerts, skating parties and many other recreations that are to be found in or around his or her home. It is true that you may hear a more eloquent speaker, and the music is far the best in the city churches, but as to it being any more of a saving power I do not know, as it is all centred round the same book, the Bible.

From the way "One Who Knows a Good Thing" words his letter one would almost imagine that he thinks we are buried alive in one dreary waste of snowy vacancy that is appalling to think of. Well, he is wrong, much alive even after a terrific snow blizzard, and are soon able to visit around, or enjoy a quite evening reading an interesting book, just as one fancies. Of course, we have libraries, as well as those who live near a book store. Farming in the winter time doesn't consist of throwing down feed, doctoring sick calves in a cold barn, working at chores until he is mentally exhausted, or talking over gossip in the evening with his wife until it is dried and more tasteless than hash. It must be gratifying to think of having so much to kick about in the city, but so far as kicking goes you can have

CONTRACTED HEAVY COLD

Was in Bed Two Months.

DOCTORS DID NOT SEEM TO DO HER ANY GOOD.

A cold, however slight, should never be neglected, for if it is not treated in time it will, in all possibility, lead to bronchitis, pneumonia, asthma, or some other serious throat or lung troubles.

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup contains the lung healing virtues of the Norway Pine tree, which, combined with other absorbent, expectorant and soothing medicines, makes it without a doubt the best remedy for all coughs and colds.

Miss N. McCumber, St. Martin's N.B., writes:—"In January last I contracted a heavy cold which kept me in bed nearly two months, and the doctors didn't seem to be able to do me any good. I tried several proprietary medicines, but all in vain. One day a friend advised me to try Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup, and when I had taken three bottles I was completely cured, and I feel as well to-day as I ever did, and I am sure my lungs are once more sound, thanks to that wonderful remedy."

Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup is put up in a yellow wrapper, three pine trees the trade mark, price 25 cents. Manufactured only by The T. Milburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont.

as much as you like out in the country.

As a rule in the winter time a farmer's work requires about one-half of his time, so that he has plenty of leisure to do as he pleases and has no employer to tower over him, demanding that he report every morning at a certain hour. In the city one has to be at his work sharp on time, whether rain or shine, cold street cars, or no street cars at all. (If no street cars after a snowfall, it is lovely walking from house to house in two miles in loose snow.) If late a few mornings, you soon get some pocket-book at the week's end, or maybe the G. B.

"Old Winter" are connecting you with friends and relatives nowadays in almost every locality, thereby adding an enjoyment to every farm home. Drawbacks to Both. There are many other points yet untouched which could be brought up for discussion, and taking everything into consideration I think that there are no disadvantages, and that it is one life in preference to another. As for myself, I enjoy life in the free open air of a Canadian winter, with no walls of brick or stone to wall me in, and with no wind, with no storms of snow and wind, with no thoughts of appalling vacancy, but only that "Mother Earth" is wrapped in a pure white mantle asleep. A LOVER OF CANADIAN WINTER.

TRIED BOTH: LIKES FARM.

To the Editor of The Advertiser.

I beg for space enough in your much-valued paper to answer "Mr. Citizen" and "One Who Knows a Good Thing."

First of all, how does "One Who Knows a Good Thing" know whether he has a good thing or not. I ask him if he ever sent a winter on the farm. I have had a little experience in both city and country, so I therefore can judge for myself. But this world has different tastes, as you will all agree that it is not so good as it would be had thing for everybody. How long would a city get along without the farm produce? Our forefathers got along without the city, therefore, that goes to show that the farm is of more importance than the city. But I will give you credit, Mr. Citizen, of having a very handy plot of ground of secondary importance.

As for education, will admit you have the buildings and a lot of people to fill them. But in accordance to the population, I contend that more country boys go through your buildings to a position of honor and fame, than city boys. We don't have to take the back seat in entertainments, either. For instance, "Mr. One Who Knows a Good Thing," you would be perfectly delighted to have even an "Old Dobbin" to hitch up and go for a sleigh ride, unless you are a bit timid, as lots of your breed are. Give me a dashing pair of bloods to go for a ride with, and I will not bother your town that night. And, "Mr. Citizen," remember it is winter we were talking about, and there is no dirt and mire in the country at this pleasant season of the year. I don't think much of your way of talking about our meeting hours, as you call them, nor would I care to hurt the feelings of any of your city ministers, but I guarantee to say that more of your city people go to the bad than that of the place of freedom. You talk of having to go to the theatre to see nature. Well, we have it before our eyes all the time, and don't have to pay an admittance as you do.

Was a war doll only good for to sit by the stove and read, I think I would prefer living in the city. "O. And as being tired after chores: bears can stand a great deal. In conclusion, I will say that I do agree with W. H. S., and a good farmer finds pleasure in looking after his stock, even the sick calf, in a warm barn. Hoping, Mr. Editor, that you will find space for this letter, I remain,

A STANCH FARMER.

Fanshawe, Jan. 22, 1912.

W. H. S. HAS A REPLY.

To the Editor of The Advertiser.

As you have invited letters on the subject of "Life on the Farm," I would like to give my views. I thought that the theme was "Life on the Farm in Winter," but I think from the flow of "Mr. Citizen's" argument any person would think that the theme was "Advantages of City Life Over Country Life." Besides education and entertainments do not tend to make up life on a farm, and therefore, should not be discussed, but if Mr. Citizen can discuss them I shall do the same.

Life is in no way lonely, as you have lots of little things to do, and the farmer never thinks how lonely it is. I think that if I said that the writers of last Saturday's two letters never spent winter on a farm I would be telling the truth. I think that for one winter they would not have half so many doctor bills to pay, for farm work is much healthier than working in some dusty old factory, or small up office full of cold air. "Mr. Citizen" gave one good point, and that is if the high professionals were only recruited from the ranks of the city boys there would soon be a lack of doctors, lawyers, etc. For where there is impure, smoky air, there are unhealthy boys, and unhealthy boys have very few brains or intellect. Because a boy goes into the city to learn is not a sign that he prefers city life to that of the country. I went to the collegiate in London myself and there was nobody ever so glad to get out of the smoky air as I was.

A Sleigh Full of Joy Ones.

As for entertainment there is nothing more enjoyable than to get a sleigh-load of young men and women, such as the farms produce and drive five or ten miles to a party or concert.

"Mr. Citizen" seems to think that there are no churches in the country, but I am proud to say that the ministers who reach the word of God from their country pulpits can deliver just as good sermons as those of the city. Sitting beside the fire and reading a good blood-curling novel or book does not increase man's knowledge very much.

As for "The Man Who Knows a Good Thing," I might tell him that you do not feel the cold on the farm, and besides we are as tough as bears, he said, but we do not hibernate. You never worry about getting frozen, and he says the people in London have no hay to get down, therefore, there cannot be any horses at all in the city. It is easy seen that he has not been on the farm, for he would not

talk of calves in the winter time. Besides I would like to warn him that before he contradicts me again, he wants to make sure that I am mistaken in my material things.

Now in conclusion, Mr. Editor, I hope you find space for this, and thanking you in advance, I remain, as before, longing for home sweet home on the farm. W. H. S.

Fanshawe, Jan. 22, 1912.

HAS SEEN BOTH SIDES.

To the Editor of The Advertiser.

I have read The Advertiser's recent article on "Life on a Farm in Winter" and the various replies which have been elicited. I have been raised on an Ontario farm and have lived quite a number of years in the city. Now, while I enjoy life in the city, especially in the summer, I have no prejudice against life in the country as some of your correspondents seem to have. I like the spirit of frank optimism and contentment so apparent in the letter of "W. H. S." Surely conditions that inspired it cannot be wholly bad.

"Citizen" thinks there is little or no entertainment in the country. The fact is that in this age of professional and public entertainers, and other public entertainers are everywhere, and one can hardly attend a crossroads concert or entertainment in the country without finding professional talent from the city, including the "burnt cork artist" with his stock witticisms, and the high-class vocalist with his "sentimental" songs—the country people would not stand for songs of the Turkey Trot order. No entertainment in the country? Are there no skating rinks, no hockey, no football or curling, no dancing assemblies? If these pastimes are not in the open country, they are within easy reach in the nearest village.

"Citizen" further says that in the matter of church entertainment the city offers "choice" while in the country we must "hitch old Dobbin to the hay" and drive through slush and mire "to hear something not half as good as you might have read in a book at home." There is evidently more sarcasm than point in "Citizen's" observations. The farmer, in many cases, instead of "old Dobbin" could hitch up a spirited high-stepper that could jog along at a three-minute clip and in something more modern than slush and mire. This is the city man when distressed with ennui he seeks relief in a drive in the country. He must hire an old skin that the farmer would have long ago superseded by a new one.

From three to five dollars for the privilege of coaxing this dilapidated equine to stumble into a trot once in a while. "Citizen" is just as far out in regard to preaching. Some of the brightest men in the ministry are in country pulpits. Besides the "big game" of the city often change pulpits with the country ministers, and when they deliver the "Royal Georges," of course, they fairly set the hearth on fire. Another correspondent, "One Who Knows a Good Thing," is simply distressed when he thinks of the ennui of living in the country. He has only his wife to talk to and that is intolerable. Most men could not stand a company very well before marriage. How would this writer like to live in the west without the sweet little wife? Dreary vacancy in the country? No, indeed, the neighbor has always neighbors. There are stacks of literature of all kinds to read. Our daily papers are available and are always instructive and inspiring. What's more, with music and games in the home? Get interested in some innocent hobby. The everlasting stars shine in the country just as well as in the city. The only one can see the "Hitch your chariot to a star" and the ennui of country life will disappear like mist before the rising sun.

INSPECTOR BOSTON

ORDERS DEPORTATION

Peddler Who Sold Quantity of Liquor Around Leamington Must Leave Canada Immediately.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Leamington, Jan. 23.—Dominion Inspector Boston, of London, has deported Henry Abbott, who completed a sentence of three months in Sandwich jail recently for peddling liquor in Leamington. Steps are also being taken to deport Edward Stramp, the man who was recently committed to Sandwich because he was thought to be a peddler. He was found near Kingsville several weeks ago almost naked and nearly frozen from exposure.

BRUSSELS MEETING

Mr. David C. Ross Was Elected

Chairman of the School Board.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Brussels, Jan. 22.—At the last meeting of the Brussels School Board, Mr. David C. Ross was re-elected chairman for another term. Mr. Murr resigned his position as janitor, and Mr. Robert Henderson was appointed in his place. Archie McCallum is home from his visit with relatives.

The Monthly Horse Fair will be held on Thursday, Feb. 1. A large number of buyers are expected to be present.

Mr. Charles Rozell, who has been ill with pneumonia, is making a good recovery.

A skating carnival will be held on Thursday evening. Teeswater band is expected to be present.

Division court was held here last Wednesday before Judge Holt. Business was light.

CALLED TO CLINTON

Ontario Methodist Church Wants the Rev. Mr. Milson, of Stratford.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Clinton, Jan. 23.—Rev. W. E. Milson, of Stratford, has been given a call by the quarterly board of the Ontario Street Methodist Church to succeed Rev. T. Wesley Coates, who is going to London. Mr. Milson is considering the matter.

NEWS OF THE CANADIAN LEAGUE

Hamilton Herald: The various managers in the Canadian League are busy mulling their teams for next season, and if January gossip counts for anything there will be six pennant-winning teams in the league next season. With more care to secure players and make arrangements, the league should put up a much better article of ball this season, and a great pennant race should result.

A Berlin letter in a little winter base-ball league, the following are the most important happenings in the Canadian League last season.

Hamilton never won a game from Berlin last season.

Berlin secured the lead three days after the season opened, and held it until the end.

Pitcher Chaput, of Berlin, won ten straight games.

Abby Johnson resigned the management of the Guelph club, the Leafs lost fourteen games in a row.

Chaput, of Berlin, was released by the Leafs and signed with St. Thomas, where he became star pitcher.

Dummy Conley pitched two shut-out games in one day against Brantford.

During the season without any apparent success after the resignation of the first, Saginaw, of the Michigan League, on account of the team being overstocked with talent, was signed with Berlin and proved the league sensation.

Tom Grieve, not good enough to bridge

Atlantic liners, is spending a couple of weeks with his mother.

Clifford Long, of Granton, visited here recently.

Mr. George A. Stanley conducted services in the Methodist Church, Sarnia, yesterday.

FALL FROM BRIDGE

KILLED FINE HORSE

George Larkworthy, of Mitchell, Lost Valuable Animal in Simple Manner

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Mitchell, Jan. 22.—A valuable horse belonging to George Larkworthy, a local cattle buyer, was killed. The horse got out of the stable and wandered on the G. T. E. tracks just as the morning train from the west was leaving the station. The horse started east along the track ahead of the train and when it reached the bridge over Whirl Creek on David Elty's farm it fell, and as soon as it got upon its feet again it tumbled off the bridge to the creek, where it was instantly killed by the fall of about 20 feet.

Mr. John Lemon, who has been in the employ of the Burritt knitting and hosiery mills as foreman for the past 35 years, has resigned, and will take a year of rest owing to ill-health.

Mrs. Philip Gardner gave a kitchen dinner at her home in honor of Miss Mary Ede, prior to her approaching marriage. Quite a number of the young lady's friends gathered.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Vrooman, of Winnipeg, spent a few days in town recently, visiting friends. They left Mitchell about 25 years ago. Mr. Vrooman is in the real estate business.

Miss Lucy Hudson, of Stratford, is visiting the Misses Clara and Alice Gorton.

Mr. Sylvester Salisbury, sen., has just recovered from a very severe illness, which at one time it was thought would prove fatal.

Mr. John Phillips has sold his property on the south boundary of the town to Mr. John Robinson, of Fulford, for the sum of \$608. The lot consists of a half an acre of land, a frame house, and a small orchard of fruit trees. Mr. Robinson intends moving in about the first of March.

Mr. Thornton Payne, an old resident of the south ward, is very seriously ill at his home in Sarnia.

Mrs. W. A. Davidson and children, who have been visiting the former's mother, Mrs. Barley, sen., and other relatives in town for the past month, have returned to their home in Sarnia.

Mrs. W. M. Hord, of Toronto, is visiting relatives and friends here for a few days.

STOP AT CIRCLE

Sale Counter Today

Opposite East Side Elevators.

All remnants which have accumulated since Embroidery Sale begun clearing half price.

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Articles for Sale, To Let, Help Wanted, Situations Wanted, Board and Lodgings, Lost and Found, Rooms to Let, and all similar condensed advertisements—First insertion, one cent a word; each subsequent insertion, one-half cent a word. No advertisement less than fifteen words.

Births, Marriages and Deaths

BIRTHS.

McINTOSH—At 826 King street, on Monday, Jan. 22, 1912, to the Rev. W. R. and Mrs. McIntosh, a daughter.

DEATHS.

ALLEN—In Victoria Hospital, on Monday, Jan. 22, 1912, Thomas Allen, beloved husband of Rosanna Allen, aged 73 years.

Bogues—At Lambeth, on Jan. 22, 1912, John Bogues, dearly beloved husband of Elizabeth Bogues.

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MEETINGS.

ANNUAL MEETING, W. F. M. S. PRESBYTERIAN Church, Tuesday, Jan. 23, 8 p.m. Miss Harriet Thompson, of Central India. Public invited. Silver collection. On Wednesday at 2:30 p.m., an address will be given by Mr. Thompson, of the Southern Mission. Ladies of all denominations invited.

SOLDIERS' WIVES' LEAGUE MEETING, The Armories, Thursday afternoon, Jan. 25, at 2 o'clock. Old and new members cordially invited.

REGULAR CONVOCAION OF ST. George's R. A. Chapter, No. 5, Masonic Temple, this (Tuesday) evening at 8. General business. Visitors welcome. William Spittal, Scribe E. John Atchison, Z.

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EXPERIENCED FEMALE STENOGRAPHER wanted at once; must be quick, accurate and dependable; position offered. Apply, stating wages, to Box 6, this office.

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Real Estate Agents—Notice

Instead of offering your clients suburban lots in a far-off town—where you don't know the people, and where your customer does not know what he is buying—why not sell lots in the fastest-growing town in Eastern Canada?

There is a town in Ontario which has secured 25 large factories in the past 48 months, and has grown from 1,700 people to 7,000 in the same time.

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LONDON, TUESDAY, JANUARY 23

THE LANCASTER BILL.

The Lancaster bill reached the House of Commons at last, in spite of frantic efforts on the part of the Government, which have been the entertain-ment of Ottawa political circles for some weeks, to convince the author of the error of his ways. Over the principle of the bill there can be little difference of opinion. It was noteworthy that no speaker opposed the contention that ecclesiastical rulings on marriage should not have the force of civil law. The bill merely asked that marriages solemnized by anyone legally authorized to perform them should be legally valid, irrespective of the religious beliefs of one or both parties. Such a law, however, would be superfluous, outside of Quebec, because in no other province has the nuptial decree or any church ordinance the slightest effect upon the civil validity of a marriage performed by any clergyman. Even in Quebec the question whether church or canon law with respect to marriage has any bearing upon the civil law is not finally decided, being now before the courts in the Hebert case.

The Prime Minister and the leader of the Opposition concurred in the opinion that Mr. Lancaster's bill was outside the purview of the Federal Parliament, by reason of sub-section 12 of section 92 of the B. N. A. Act, which gives to each Province the exclusive right to make laws in relation to the solemnization of marriage. Mr. Borden took the course of proposing that the question of jurisdiction be submitted to the Privy Council, for authoritative settlement. Sir Wilfrid Laurier saw no reason for this, as the matter in a concrete form—the Hebert case—was before the Montreal courts, and would be carried to the Privy Council for final adjudication. In Sir Wilfrid's view, this would be a quicker and less confusing solution than taking the academic question of jurisdiction to the highest tribunal. Mr. Lancaster demanded the passage of the bill, so that it would be immediately operative and continue to be enforced unless declared ultra vires of Parliament. He found a number of supporters in the Conservative ranks, but not enough, even with the aid of the Opposition, to defeat the Government's motion to adjourn the debate. Some of Mr. Lancaster's sympathizers voted against him to save the Government.

So far as the Federal Government is concerned, the matter has been shelved for an indefinite period. In the Hebert case the Privy Council may decide that church decrees in Quebec have no civil effects. If so, there is no grievance that calls for legal redress, either at Ottawa or Quebec. If the Privy Council decides that the Quebec marriage law is subject to church law, a grievance will exist. It would seem the better policy in that event to appeal for redress to the Quebec Legislature, and at least give it an opportunity of providing a remedy before questioning its jurisdiction. If a remedy were refused, every constitutional means could then be taken to bring the matter into the federal sphere.

TOO MUCH GOLD?

The enormous increase in the world's gold production of late years is causing uneasiness. In 1892 the production amounted to a value of \$167,494,800, the largest ever recorded for a single year. The director of the United States mint announces that the total for 1911 will be approximately \$468,000,000, about three times as much as eighteen years ago.

Although some individuals may have been enriched by this development, it is questionable whether unmixing blessings result to human society. And there seems to be no limit in sight to this expansion of the gold supply. Africa is only opening up. South America is waking up. Railways are just beginning to make interior Australia accessible. Canada's mineral deposits are as yet only scratched on the surface, and chemical discoveries expedite the work of collecting gold specks from the rock that imprisons them. Although geologists assure us that gold by its nature is not to be found in large masses like other minerals, nevertheless it is widely diffused, desperately sought, and science accumulates what nature spread and

scattered. But how does all this affect the security of business life? The average man finds it hard to understand the relation of gold supply to prices. Yet there is no doubt whatever that one factor, perhaps the greatest, in the inflation of prices in late years, has been the vast increase in the output of gold. The standard of value is itself governed by the same laws of value as any other commodity. The more of it put out, the cheaper it gets. That is, it takes less of other commodities to buy it in the same quantity; and that is the same as to say that more gold or money must be given in exchange for other commodities. The more gold there is, then, the higher prices measured in gold become.

Suppose the total amount of wheat in the world were 100 bushels, and the total amount of gold to exchange against it were of the value of \$100, the price of wheat would be \$1 per bushel. Suppose that suddenly this gold doubled in quantity, there would then be \$2 of gold to exchange against each bushel of wheat, and while it would not work out that the bushel would be exactly \$2 in price, it would approximate thereto. This illustration is not perfect, but it may make the problem clearer to some readers. Conversely, of course, if the stock of gold went down by one-half, prices also, in general, would drop correspondingly.

Rising prices, due to increasing gold supply as well as to other causes, are hard on the working classes. The pressure is not yet greatly felt in this country, where there is more than enough work for all to do, but in other countries, including even the United States, it is being felt. Wages do not go up automatically like the prices; men have often to make a fight for the increased wage. Debtors benefit by rising prices, as the amount to be repaid is less worth than before; yet the heaviest borrowers are among the well-to-do. Hardest hit of all by the increased cost of living are the people who live on fixed incomes, those retired in declining years upon the honest savings of youth and middle age, pensioners, widows and orphans subsisting on the narrow income from life insurance and such provision. There is a cruel pressure on such as these in the relentless march of prices upward.

BRITAIN'S GREAT YEAR.

The completed returns of the British Board of Trade for 1911 show a record year in foreign commerce. The aggregate of exports and imports was £1,328,000,000, an increase of £26,000,000 over 1910, which was the best previous year. Unemployment in trade unions averaged three per cent, the lowest in ten years. The following table shows the rise and fall of exports and imports in the past eleven years, the figures being in millions of pounds sterling:

	Mill. £	Mill. £
1900	522	291
1901	522	280
1902	529	283
1903	543	291
1904	551	301
1905	555	330
1906	608	376
1907	646	426
1908	593	377
1909	625	378
1910	678	431
1911	681	454
Increase in 11 years	158	163

Last year the increase in the exports of manufactures amounted to £19,500,000, but the significance of this is not fully realized unless it is recalled that, in its turn, 1910 showed an increase of £14,000,000 over 1909. In the last two years, British exports of manufactures have increased by £65,500,000.

The banking, railway, shipbuilding, and other available returns for 1911 fully corroborate the satisfactory figures of trade. Lloyd's shipbuilding returns show that 1,519,000 tons of shipping were under construction in British shipyards on Dec. 31, 1911, as compared with 1,131,000 tons under construction at the close of 1910, these figures being exclusive of warships.

A colony of heavers have built a dam at Minden. It is to be hoped Mr. Beck will not take it away from them for hydro-electric power.

Colonel Hughes sticks to the Ross rifle. And to think how his predecessor had to stand fire from the Conservative party for the same offence!

The Borden Government has shelved the marriage question for some years, and most of the politicians who used it against the Laurier Government are now as meek as lambs.

Mr. Lancaster almost went to the extreme of charging the Laurier Government with the promulgation of the nuptial decree. Doubtless a large number of Ontario electors voted against the Government in that belief.

Winston Churchill has the fighting blood of the first Duke of Marlborough in his veins. It is no surprise that he insists on keeping his Belfast engagement in spite of threats of bloodshed, and it is quite likely he even looks forward to it with pleasure.

Sir James Whitney told Joseph Fels the tax reform agitation in Ontario was the work of two "piffing papers," the Toronto Globe and the Ottawa Citizen, coolly ignoring the other 150 or so. As the Globe is Liberal and the Citizen Conservative, Sir James is at least as impartial in his contempt as he is unlightened in his views.

The Minister of Agriculture of Saskatchewan says that great province

is rapidly increasing its supply of home-bred horses and becoming less dependent on outside sources. This is what such leading Ontario horsemen as Yeager and McCartney told the Ontario farmers before the Federal election. The western demand for Ontario horses is not inexhaustible, and the Eastern States would be a more natural market and a better one for Ontario.

HIS REMAINS.
Stranger—Do you know where Mr. Brown lives in this street?
Mrs. Brown—Mr. Brown's dead, sir, but I'm his remains.

WHY SHOULD YOUNG MEN LEAVE ENGLAND?
[Wimbledon (England) Gazette.]
REQUIRED—A lad about 20; must be a churchman of good standing. He must drive a horse and cart, assist in the stable and garden (melons and cucumbers), milk cows and understand pigs; must be accustomed to waiting on aces, early riser and teetotaler; good references required; commencing wage £10 a year; live out except dinner. Apply, with four testimonials, by letter in first instance.

BISHOP ON RICHES.
[London Daily News.]
Speaking at Eastbourne the other night, Bishop Welldon, Dean of Manchester, said if there was any feeling more than another which was rising in men's minds in this democratic age it was the responsibility of wealth. In future rich men would not be allowed to spend their riches on selfish luxury; that day had passed. The men who had not realized the responsibility of wealth were imperiling the social system, and at the present time there was a demand growing up in the minds of democracy, not that wealth should be equalized, but that such men should get wealth honestly and spend generously. (Applause.)

Four days ago he had the fortune to take part in a great conference at Cardiff upon the relation of the churches to social questions. He took part in it with a distinguished politician, whose name it would be hard to say to mention to the police, but a fashionable audience at Eastbourne—(laughter)—but, whatever might be thought of an individual, there was no doubt about the unanimous feeling of the conference that a sense of social responsibility

NOT HIS FAULT.
[Pileggi's Blatter.]
Liverman (to rider)—Here, what's this? Half a dollar. Why, you've been out two hours.
Rider—So I may have, but I've been on the brute's back only about ten minutes.

YEARLY.
[Pick-Me-Up.]
"George, dear," said the young wife, "you are growing handsomer every day."
"Yes, darling," replied the knowing George. "It's a way I have just before your birthday."

ADAGE OUT OF PLACE.
[Washington Star.]
"I hope," said the prudent friend, "that you are saving something for a rainy day."
"No," replied the breezy Westerner, "I come from a country where they have to keep irrigating."

IT'S TAINT.
[Black and White.]
Park Orator—"Yes, an I can prove to you why millionaires money is tainted."
Voice from the crowd—"That's easy, mate. 'Taint your'n and 'tain't mine."

ONE GUESS.
[Life.]
Mrs. Malaprop—"No, I never was strong on literature. To save my life I wouldn't tell you who wrote Gray's elegy."

PROUD FATHER.
[Birmingham Age-Herald.]
"So you are the father of twins?"
"Yes, they look just like me, too."
"Oh, well, I wouldn't worry. Some children, when they get older, don't look at all the way they did when they were babies."

SOLUTION SIMPLE.
[Ladies' Home Journal.]
A lady in the centre seat of the parlor car heard the request of a fellow passenger directly opposite, asking the porter to open the window, and, scenting a draft, she immediately drew a cloak about her.

"Porter, if that window is opened," she snapped, testily, "I shall freeze to death."
"And if the window is kept closed," returned the other passenger, "I shall surely suffocate."
"Do," echoed the traveller. "Why, man, that is a very simple matter. Open the window and freeze one lady. Then close it and suffocate the other."

THE EASIEST WAY.
[Baltimore American.]
"Is there any sure way of crossing the social chasm?"
"Oh, yes; by bridge."

Piles Cured At Home

Quick Relief—Trial Package Mailed Free to All—in Plain Wrapper.

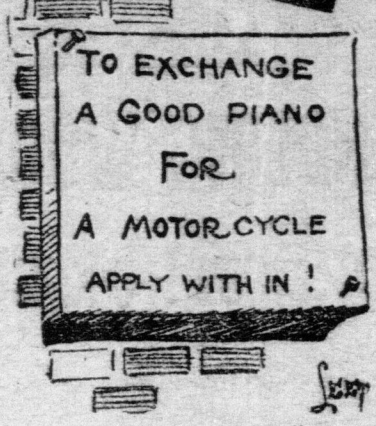
Piles is a fearful disease, but can be cured if you go at it right. An operation with the knife is dangerous, humiliating and rarely a permanent success.

There is just one other way to be cured—painless, safe and certain. It interferes with elimination of waste matter, producing a muddy or blotchy complexion, eruptions and other defects.

To open and cleanse the closed pores, there is nothing more effective than ordinary mercurized wax, used as you would cold cream, but not rubbed in. It should be applied at night and washed off in the morning. Mercurized wax, to be had at any drug store, will also remove the effects of the condition referred to. That is, it removes the unsightly marks, possessing a peculiar absorbent power, it flakes off the soiled skin in minute particles, but so gradually there is no irritation or inconvenience. It is recommended in preference to cosmetics, as the new complexion it reveals is a perfectly natural one.

A Few Lines of Most Anything

OUR PRECISE ARTIST.



TO EXCHANGE
A GOOD PIANO
FOR
A MOTOR CYCLE
APPLY WITH IN!

"Board of Trade."

With a Londoner reciting original poetry to the Duke of Connaught, Alfred Austin ought to invoke his muse more energetically.

It's a rare day when someone does not lay claim to the Springer estate. It might be better named the Springer estate.

A Derby hat on these winter days is neither a dreary touch nor an eccentricity—it's tough luck.

A Pennsylvania man has invented a piano with a bass drum and cymbal attachment. It should be a flat failure.

London chickens continue to win, which reminds us that the rooster is one son who never sets.

As the Duke of Connaught would put it, that epic poem about "The Snowplow," published in this column, was "all balled up" in the part where the snowplow was working up to a knock-out of the military blizzard. A line that was repeated should have read: "So long the crew and captain hold the helm." This correction is made in justice to the crew and captain.

Meanwhile, the printers are hoping that Chinese pens may soon be introduced in newspaper offices.

The most interesting thing to occur in Hamilton since the street car riots is the three-cornered circulation battle of the three newspapers. If any one sees a front page printed in red one of these days, may safely be settled that the blood of a contemporary was used in place of ink.

Poverty.
The rich man sat in his gloomy home, As the silence dripped from the ticking clock, And the twilight dusk as it settled down, Was full of faces that seemed to mock.

Across the way in a humble cot, A poor man romped on the kitchen floor, With rollicking children, whose glad laugh Drifted out through the poor man's door.

And the rich man heard, and the rich man sighed, "Ah me, but it's longsome with none to care; And the clink of the dollars is dull and dead Compared with the children's music there."

Definitions.
A Goat—The Ultimate Consumer.
A Land-Crab—The Crouch.

Sure, We Know! Do You?
[Berlin Telegraph.]
Where does your boy spend his evenings? Do you know?

Thamesville's Zoo.
[Chatham Planet.]
Dr. McCall has a prairie wolf that was shipped from the west recently—Thamesville correspondence.

Who Opened It?
[St. Louis Star.]
If this is an "open winter," I know a lot of people who'd like to catch the fellow who did it.

What Harold Got.
[Aylmer Express.]
W. Harold Barnum went fox hunting one day this week and the next day a friend asked him if he got anything? Yes, Harold replied, "I got cold, got tired, and got back."

Some Poem.
[St. Marys Journal.]
My friend, did you ever skate? No!!! Well it is simply great. The joy you can create By Skating

Ring your best girl, she will go, never fear, Take her to the rink, it is cheaper than beer, And have joy by the yard, if feet don't interfere, In Skating.

If at first, you don't succeed, Try again, if not, ever skate, Keep up your courage, and your speed, Keep Skating.

Get a new move on, everything improve on, You'll be stimulated, with a "Well done, John," Try again, and cross the "Rubicon" In Skating.

To Unclog the Pores Remove Stifling Skin

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STRATHROY FUNERAL

Richard Pincombe Had Been Seriously Ill For Some Time.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Strathroy, Jan. 23.—The funeral of Richard Pincombe was held from the family residence, East Front street, this afternoon at Strathroy Cemetery, and was very largely attended. Mr. Pincombe died after an illness extending over some time. He was 75 years old.



C-C a la Grace CORSETS

Our stock of Corsets is as complete as before the fire, and we wish to draw attention to the fact that customers can now get the same makes and styles as they were in the habit of getting from us.

Decedo Corsets

A splendid reducing Corset with adjustable straps; two models, C-C a la Grace make, at... \$3.00, \$3.50

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Stout figures know this model; it is built on extra strong lines and will give satisfactory service to those who are hard on Corsets. Price... \$2.50

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Three only Pure Down Comforters, best French sateen coverings in red and green; size 6x5 feet; worth \$4.50.

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J. H. CHAPMAN & CO., 248 Dundas St., London

SIR WILFRID SILENCES MINISTER OF CUSTOMS

Shows Reid's Charge Against Hon. Mr. Graham Absolutely Inaccurate.

Ottawa, Jan. 22.—Hon. J. D. Reid, minister of customs, the maker of the Conservative campaign in South Renfrew, experienced an uncomfortable few moments over his doings at the convention last week when Parliament met this afternoon.

Mr. Devlin entertained the House by reading from the Conservative press report of his speech at Renfrew. The minister was reported as stating that the Georgian Bay ship canal would be commenced immediately. "May I ask the Premier," continued the member for Renfrew, "whether the minister's declaration was authorized by the Government?" Mr. Reid beat Mr. Borden to his feet. "I never mentioned the Georgian Bay Canal at the convention," he retorted. "But then, the extent to which confidence may be placed in the ministerial press," observed Sir Wilfrid, amid laughter.

The Liberal chief then read the House another report of the minister's Renfrew speech, in which he was reported as stating that on the defeat of Mr. Borden in Halifax in 1904, when he had sought a seat in Carleton, Hon. George P. Graham used his influence as a member of the Laurier Government to keep him out as long as possible, notwithstanding representations made to the Government by the then Opposition.

"May I just say with regard to that statement," observed Sir Wilfrid, "that Mr. Graham was neither a member of the House nor of the Government at that time, and that nothing was done by the Government of the day to delay, but everything rather to facilitate the return of the honorable gentleman who now sits opposite. Neither were any representations made to the then Government. On Jan. 19, the opening day of the session, the resignation of Mr. Kidd was made out on Jan. 20, the day following, the election writ was issued, while on Feb. 1, the leader of the then Opposition was returned unopposed. It will consequently be seen that the statements of the minister of customs as reported are absolutely untrue from beginning to end."

There was another laugh at Mr. Reid's expense, but this time he remained silent in his seat.

FRANCE NOT WORRIED BY THE SEIZURES

Italy Was Wrong in Arresting French Vessels, But Has Been Forgiveness.

Paris, Jan. 22.—In the Chamber of Deputies today, M. Poincare, the premier, recounted the history of the seizures of the two French steamships, Carthage and Manouba, by Italy. This action on Italy's part has created a stiff dispute between Rome and Paris. The premier declared that Italy had informed him that she had proof that M. Duval, the French aviator on board the steamship Carthage, seized the vessel because a couple of aeroplanes on board were consigned, it is alleged, to Turkey.

Continuing, M. Poincare declared that he refused Italy's request to undertake the task of watching the aeroplane owned by M. Duval while it was in Tunis, but M. Duval's father had spontaneously pledged his son not to sell the machine to either belligerent. The premier stated that he communicated this to Italy by "courtesy," and Italy replied that the guarantee was not satisfactory.

M. Poincare added that Italy made an undeniable error in seizing the French vessel.

RONALD COWAN WAS BURIED IN CARADOC

Strathroy Citizen Died After a Very Brief Illness With Pneumonia.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Strathroy, Jan. 22.—The funeral of Ronald Cowan took place this afternoon from his late residence to Hess burying grounds, Caradoc. Rev. Mr. W. M. Kennaway conducted the services. Mr. Cowan died on Friday morning after a brief illness with pneumonia.

He was born at Tarbet, Argyllshire, Scotland, on Jan. 12, 1828. A pilot to Canada in 1847. In 1855 he went to Mackinaw, Mich., where he lived for 25 years. Returning to his old homestead he lived there until 1901, when he moved to Strathroy, where he had resided ever since. Mr. Cowan was unmarried.

Fire started in the basement of Mr. James Cameron's house on Sunday evening about 7:30 o'clock. A pile of clothes from the furnace and an excelsior caught on the furnace and the flames reached up to the beams overhead. An alarm was rung in, but the fire was extinguished before the brigade arrived.

SMALLPOX CASE AT DORCHESTER

Miss Lizzie Island, of Governor's Road, Is Placed Under Quarantine.

Miss Lizzie Island, a London student, whose home is on the Governor's road near Thamesford, has been quarantined by Dr. Percy Bangs, of Dorchester, as a smallpox patient, and the case is of only a mild type, steps are being taken here to prevent a further outbreak.

Medical Health Officer Hutchinsonson was notified by the Dorchester physician, and made an examination of the other students at the institution attended by Miss Island. The place has also been fumigated as a further precaution.

SARNIA VERDICT

Train Crew Was Exonerated in Connection With Death of A. Young.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Sarnia, Jan. 23.—The jury which last night investigated the death of Andrew Young, who died recently in the local hospital, after being run down by a freight train and having his arm torn off, brought in a verdict of accidental death. The train crew was exonerated from all blame. Young's remains were taken to Kincardine, where he formerly resided, and interment will be made there.

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THE OLD CHESTNUT.
Montreal, Jan. 22.—"That's the old, old chestnut which we keep a stereotype for," said General Passenger Manager Hannah, of the Allan Line, when asked for a statement about the dispatch from Portland to the effect that the C. P. R. had secured a controlling interest in the Allan Line.

OCEAN STEAMSHIPS.
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Portland, Jan. 22.—Arrived: Steamers Asencia.
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Cynthia Grey and EVERY WOMAN'S Page

Slippers and Hose for Pretty Pink Toes



"Slipper, slipper, who's got the slipper?" is no longer the cry of the girl or woman who is thoughtful of her foot-wear.

The carefully-shod one calls for slippers, but for several pairs. She cannot have too many in shape, form and color.

For evening and indoor wear slippers are worn in preference to low shoes. They match the gown of the wearer and while, in a few instances, stockings contrast, as a general thing the hose harmonizes in color with the slippers and dress.

One of the freaks of this mid-winter season in footwear is white silk stockings with dark low shoes. It is a freak of fashion and not a pretty one, so cannot be of long duration.

A return to a fashion of a decade ago is the hand-embroidered hose. In those days the instep of the stockings was done in variegated hues. This year the self shades are used for the handwork.

Lace inserts on the instep is another revival. The maid or matron who is an expert needlewoman can make hosiery elaborate with her own skillful fingers.

Low-cut shoes are necessary for the display of elaborate stockings. Pumps are worn as much on the street as indoors. They will be the fashionable shoe for street wear for the coming spring and summer. Black moire

pumps are the very latest cry, while black satin ones are holding their own.

For indoor wear black satin boots are popular, but let the woman beware who dares wear them out of doors on a muddy day. The wise woman always keeps a pair of heavy boots for rough wear.

For the pleasant very late winter days patent leather and corduroy are the things to wear. Few lace ones are seen.

Low shoes button instead of tying or lacing, especially the ones for formal occasions. Button shoes are come in satin, velvet and bronze. The bronze ones are elaborate with metal beads in attractive designs, while the silk and satin ones are wrought in silver, gold and pearl beads.

The colonial shoe, with the deep tongue and huge buckle, is a model for both dancing and out-of-door shoes. For the ballroom this form comes in black silk, the attractive narrow stripe contrasting with silk and has a band of the plain silk at the top of the shoe. The tongue and the bow are of plain silk, which matches the frock of the wearer. For out-of-door wear this model is the vici kid and with a buckle of either steel or gunmetal.

For bedroom wear satin mules with French heels are the thing. These come in all tones and should match the kimono in color. A rubbing of chiffon decks the top against the foot and a his rose of chiffon decks the top. Indeed, choux of chiffon trim many dancing shoes, too.

CAKES

Date Cake.

One cup chopped dates, one cup chopped walnuts, one tablespoon flour, one teaspoon baking powder, one cup sugar, four eggs. Cream sugar and egg yolks, and flour and baking powder with well-beaten egg whites, put nuts and dates in last and bake in removable bottom pan in one hour.

Apple Tart.

Take eight apples in small pieces; simmer in a pan with a piece of but-

ter till soft; when cold add one and a half cups sour cream, five egg yolks and white beaten separately and one and a half cups sugar. Then have some breadcrumbs ready, butter tin and put breadcrumbs about half an inch deep and then put in the other batter and some more crumbs on top and bake an hour in a removable bottom.

Feather Cake.

Five eggs, one and half cups butter, two and a half cups sugar, one and a fourth cups flour, half a cup baking powder, one teaspoon lemon flavoring. Mix together, whip thoroughly, and cook in a slow oven.

Coffee Cake.

Half a cup of sugar, heaping cup flour, one tablespoon baking powder, two eggs and enough milk to make two-thirds cup. Butter top and sprinkle with cinnamon, nuts and sugar.

PRYING HUSBANDS

[By Cynthia Grey.]

It is the belief of most young girls that husbands in general are delightful creatures to have about the house. They pay all bills without a murmur, grace the head of the table, only set their foot in the rooms that are set apart for them, never question where the money goes, and never presume to oppose her will. Such is the picture girls draw in their minds of mere man wedded.

Once in a great while a girl finds just that sort of a man, but more often she doesn't. It would take the stoutest of hearts to withstand the shock when women discover that they have wedded just the opposite of their fondly cherished ideals. Instead of being satisfied with the smoking den, she has fixed up for him, believing this to be the height of a man's ambition—a place where he can invite his men friends to smoke the walls black if they want to—he turns up his nose, declaring that the smallest room in the house is considered good enough for him, eh?

And as for the household expenses, he wanted to know the why and wherefore of everything purchased, making loud and emphatic discourses upon frugality and waste. Not a package came into the house that she did not find the string loose and a corner torn off if he happened to be home and she had not heard the ring of the doorbell in time to race to the door for it.

If a schoolgirl friend called she heard creaking steps out in the hall. Later on he was able to recount every word that passed between them.

She dreaded to go out of an evening, leaving him at home while she visited a sick friend. When she returned she was sure to find the cover of her handbox awry, the contents of the bureau drawers topsy-turvy. Even the few shirts which she had made as a donation for the poor had been overhauled, evidently, and thrust back in the box, which she found among his belongings. The notes which she had received from her friend showed signs of scrutiny from the fact that each and every one of them was found in the wrong envelope. If she touches any of his private property for the needed dusting and cleaning the result is there's a tempest in a teapot.

But after all she knows his heart's all right. He is so loving, kind and true that like a good wife she must overlook his little faults and do her best, by having patience with him to help him overcome them. She argues that after all what is of interest to the wife is of absorbing interest to the husband.

Cynthia Grey's Correspondence

Sister Steals Her Beaux.

Dear Miss Grey: I am a pretty miss of 23. When men call, my sister wins them away from me. What can I do to interest them? 2. Mention several articles which would make nice birthday gifts for my sister, WORTHY. A—1. Study your sister's ways and imitate her. Strive to be pleasant and agreeable always, and learn to talk of the things in which your friends are interested. Above all, don't snub. 2. Books, monogrammed handkerchiefs, pretty things for her dresser, silk hose, subscription to a magazine.

Much Too Young.

Dear Miss Grey: I am 16 and have been going with a boy of 19, but we have been on the outs lately. He is a favorite of my family and I still love

him. How can I win him back? A—If you are at fault, ask his pardon for your mistake. If he is at fault ask him for an explanation. If he fails to give one, or seems indifferent, then forget him, for he does not care about you. Anyway, you are too young to think of love—time enough for that when you are four or five years older.

Intemperate Sweetheart.

Dear Miss Grey: I am engaged to a young man who drank at one time. Another young man says that my sweetheart still drinks, but he denies it. Whom shall I believe? ORPHAN. A—If you have not faith enough in your sweetheart to believe his assurances, better give him up right now. If you have had faith in him, give him the benefit of doubt, and do not listen to the tales of others.

Try to win something better suited to your needs.

Study conditions around you and find out what requirements are most urgent. Learn to meet these requirements or the demands of the market near you.

Work with a goal before you. Don't be satisfied with your own degree of efficiency or knowledge. You can always acquire more.

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The Daily Menu

BREAKFAST.			
Oranges	Rice Cereal		
Bacon Omelet	Hot Rolls		
COFFEE			
LUNCH.			
Beef Bouillon	Macaroni and Cheese		
Lettuce Salad	Cookies		
TEA			
DINNER			
Plain Tomato Soup	Roast of Lamb		
Potatoes	Carrots		
Celery Salad	Apple Pie		
COFFEE			

TWO RECIPES.

Cabbage With Tomato Sauce.

Boil a cabbage, cut it fine, season with salt and pepper and put a layer of it in the bottom of a greased pudding dish. Place a layer of stewed and seasoned tomato on this, then another layer of cabbage, and so on until the dish is full, putting a top layer of crumbs. Bake half an hour, uncover and brown.

Lyonnaise Beets.

Wash beets well, taking care not to break the skin, put them over the fire and boil until tender in boiling salted water. Four hours cooking is none too much for old beets. When done, scrape and slice them very thin, or cut them into dice. Heat in a frying pan two spoonfuls of vinegar with one of butter, a small onion, chopped very fine, salt and pepper, and add the beets. Cook for ten minutes, stirring often with a fork, that they may not scorch.

Business Girl's Decalogue

Don't complain. Don't expect sympathy. Don't say you are unlucky. You are as lucky as you think you are and opportunity is always at your door.

Be alert mentally and clean physically. Work as if you had no idea of ever marrying, and as if business were your sole interest in life.

Don't think you would succeed in business somewhere else better than where you live. Better yourself if you can, but don't waste time on self-pity. Don't be persuaded that you must be absolutely healthy before you start to work. You may find health in your work.

Don't continue in an employment which really is a detriment to your health. If you are brave enough to

[To be Continued.]

CYNTHIA'S CHAUFFEUR

[BY LOUIS TRACY.]

CHAPTER I. The Hired Car.

Derby Day fell that year on the first Wednesday in June. By a whim of the British climate the weather was fine; in fact, no rain had fallen on Southern England since the previous Sunday. Nine after the event, the newspapers published cheerful "forecasts," and certain daring "experts" discussed the probabilities of a heat wave. So Pumps are worn as much on the street as indoors. They will be the fashionable shoe for street wear for the coming spring and summer. Black moire

perience it will be quite another matter when I take her to Brighton for lunch on Sunday. Dale said nothing. He had met his employer at Prescotes in October, when Lord Medenham landed from Africa; during the preceding twelve months his license had been endorsed three times, exceeding the speed limit on the Brighton road, and he had paid £40 in fines and costs to various petty sessions courts in Surrey and Sussex. Sunday, therefore, promised developments.

Medenham seemed to think that his aunt, Lady St. Maur, would be waiting for him on the doorstep. As no matronly figure materialized in that locality, he alighted and observed a brass-lettered function to "knock and ring." Then he disappeared inside the house, and remained there so long that Dale's respect for the law began to weaken. The chauffeur had been given a racing certainty for the first race; the hour was nearing twelve, and every road leading to Epsom Downs would surely be congested.

His lordship came out alone, and it was clear that the unexpected had happened. Dale said, with the closest semblance to a growl that his good-natured drawl was capable of. "The lady is here, but she has left her ladyship in bed with her annual bilious attack—comes of eating forced strawberries, she says. And she adores strawberries, so do I. There's pounds of 'em in that luncheon basket. Who's going to eat 'em?"

Dale foresaw no difficulties in that respect, but he realized at once that his master cared little about racing, and so far as Epsom was concerned, would abandon the day's excursion without a pang. He grew desperate. But, being something of a stoic, he kept his feelings in check, and played a card that could hardly fail to win him plenty of youngsters on the hill who will be glad of them, my lord," said he.

"Well, I hope so. You are on a sovereign—by gad, you really are, you know. Tomkinson was far too keenly alive to the monetary side of the transaction to pay heed to the quip. His portly figure curved in a superior way, and he replied, "Thank you, my lord," said he.

"Remind me this evening if you are right. I shall not forget to damn you if you are wrong."

Tomkinson ignored the chance of error and its consequences.

"Your lordship will be home for dinner."

"Yes, I have no other engagement. All ready, Dale?"

"The engine was purring with the placid hum of a machine in perfect tune. Tomkinson moved grandly down the steps, ushered Viscount Medenham into the car, and watched its graceful swoop into Holles street.

"Times have changed," said he to himself. "Twenty years ago, when I first came here, his lordship's father would have given me a tip, and wouldn't have been coming home for dinner, neither."

By that last fatal word Tomkinson betrayed the cloven hoof. At least, he was no prelate—and his assumption of the prophetic role would soon be put to the test. But he had answered the Great Question.

The Mercury crossed Oxford street and insinuated itself into the aristocratic narrowness of Mayfair. It stopped in Curzon street, opposite a house gay with flowers in window boxes. The Viscount looked at his watch.

"How far, Epsom?" he asked over Dale's shoulder.

"About sixteen miles by the direct road, my lord, but it will be best to go around by Kingston and avoid the worst of the traffic. We ought to allow an hour for the run."

"An hour?"

"We are not in France now, my lord. The police here would have spasms if they saw the car extended."

Lord Medenham sighed.

"We must reason with them," he said.

"But not today. Lady St. Maur declares she is nervous. Of course she doesn't know our Mercury. After today's ex-

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New Style Notes

The white corduroys make charming skating costumes. They are made up either in the Russian coat style with a loose belt or a straight 26-inch box coat, and whether worn with black or white fox furs they are very smart.

Black maline hats, either plaited or shirred, are being displayed for present wear. The trimmings are very simple, being either an ornament of the maline or a fancy wing.

The new spring dresses again show tunics, and these are so varied in length and cut that individuality has a large scope. Plain gored skirts will also be fashionable and these are generally banded with rows of putting, plaiting or ruching.

As was predicted some months ago, taffetas are finding favor, and will be largely featured not only for one-piece dresses, but for dressy suits. The new taffetas have a soft finish and both the plain and changeable effects will be fashionable.

Navy blue serge still ranks first in favor in worsted materials, and, following the Parisian vogue, white serges will be worn to a greater extent during 1912 than at any time heretofore. The waist line is still slightly raised in some cases, but the high empire effect is no longer seen in fashionable garments. The normal line is constantly gaining in favor, and it will not be long now before this will be the accepted modish waist finish.

Sleeve frills are appearing in increasing numbers. The three-quarter sleeve has a narrow finishing of lace or net either as a cuff finish or at the edge of the sleeve, while the full length sleeve usually has the wrist frill that falls over the hand.

Chiffons are still being employed for waists and the dressy models show handsome chiffon waists in suit coloring, the trimming being largely confined to the foundations. Most of the chiffon is handsomely embroidered or trimmed with dainty lace any tiny buttons.

Lace is often combined with fringe. A black Chantilly lace cutaway coat was edged all around with narrow black silk fringe, as were also the short, pointed sleeves.

Place of the Fireless Cooker

Even in this rich country, only one family in ten can afford to hire a cook, and in the far west such a person is seldom obtainable at any price. Now, by the fireless cooker all women who have to prepare their own meals will be emancipated from the hot-stove slavery, which is particularly cruel in our sultry summers. In some of the fireless cooker all women who have to prepare their own meals will be emancipated from the hot-stove slavery, which is particularly cruel in our sultry summers. In some of the fireless cooker all women who have to prepare their own meals will be emancipated from the hot-stove slavery, which is particularly cruel in our sultry summers.

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KITCHENETTES

Before serving dinner place a bowl of boiling water, into which has been dropped a little oil of lavender, on the dining table. This will overcome the closeness of the atmosphere and the odors from the kitchen or the pantry

which have penetrated into that part of the house.

When the plates and dishes have to be washed on the oven top or in the oven, if a newspaper is put underneath it will break the heat and prevent the plates from cracking.

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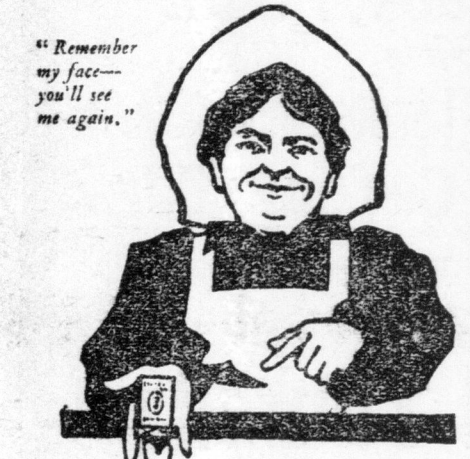
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DEFENCE OF PORTS MONK'S POLICY

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LITTLE HELP TO BRITAIN

Plan Would Not Be of Much Benefit in Keeping Supremacy of Seas for the Empire.

Ottawa, Jan. 22.—A hint at the naval policy which the Nationalist element in the Government is now urging, and which, according to present indications, will probably be adopted, is contained in a return presented to Parliament this afternoon, and asked for by Hon. F. D. Monk, last session. The leader of the Nationalists placed considerable emphasis upon the protection of the policy of which is a memorandum prepared in 1896 by the colonial defence committee, a committee of the British Privy Council. Although the recommendations contained therein are now over fifteen years old, the object of the minister is evidently to lay the ground work for the policy which the Nationalists have already hinted at and are prepared to support. This is a policy of practically of coast defence; a naval defence policy without a navy, and with all the money spent thereon to be expended in Canada, and over which Canada shall always have full control. It is in line with the ultimate goal of practical national independence and anti-imperialism of the Nationalists. That it is now being seriously considered by the Government as a substitute for the policy of a Canadian navy in co-operation with the imperial navy, for which the late Government stood, there is good reason to believe.

The report in question deals principally with the problem of imperial naval defence from the standpoint of the protection of ports throughout the empire from sudden raids by cruisers of an enemy's fleet. The imperial committee of 1896 intimates that the colonies would be justified in providing for the local defence of ports of strategic or commercial importance. In a general way it is stated that with a sufficient land force and with proper guns on shore, the local governments would be able to deal effectively with any predatory raids and prevent any permanent occupation. The great advantage that shore guns have over those on ships is pointed out, and it is further stated that unarmored or lightly armored vessels are especially at a disadvantage in fighting shore batteries mounting even light artillery. Mr. Monk, in the course of his speech at the opening of the session last November, favored the adoption of a policy of coast defence as compared with the policy adopted by the late Government, when he said that he had learned much about the problem by a visit to the American coast defence works at Fort Monroe. He added that he would elucidate his views further at a later date. Mr. Bourassa, in Le Devoir, has also advocated a policy of coast defence in preference to the navy as a first necessity for Canada. It may be pointed out, however, that such a policy will not help in any large measure Great Britain to carry the burden of maintaining supremacy on the seas, and though the Nationalists may be able to force this compromise on the Government, it is certain that it will not prove a satisfactory solution of the problem either to the members of Parliament or to a large proportion of Mr. Borden's supporters in the country.

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MR. FELS HAS FUN WITH WHITNEY

Famous Tax Reformer Had an Interview With Premier of This Province.

WHO CALLS HIM FAKER

Says the Millionaire Is Using His Single Tax Agitation in Order to Advertise His Business.

Ottawa, Jan. 22.—Joseph Fels, tax reformer, of London and Philadelphia, today confessed to a strenuous interview with Sir James Whitney, last Thursday, in Toronto, on the subject of single tax. Joseph Fels told it after this way: "I telephoned to Sir James on Thursday afternoon, asking for an interview. He told me then that he could not see me till noon, Friday. However, it was worth a day's time to see Sir James, and the next day I reported at his house and his business shop in the provincial capital. "The first question I asked him, after he let me sit down, was that he should define the difference between the Liberal party and the Liberal-Conservative party. His answer was that the Liberal-Conservatives now stood where the Radicals stood 40 years ago. I almost fell off my chair in my astonishment at hearing something like the truth. My next question was what importance he ascribed to the single tax movement in Canada. He said that two or three piling newspapers were advertising it and mentioned the Globe and the Ottawa Citizen. I asked him if it was true that 150 newspapers had signed some kind of a petition to him expressing a desire as representatives of the people for the single tax. Sir James' memory failed him here. He warned me against using exaggerated methods of extracting knowledge from him. My next question was what he would do about the holding of land out of use all over Canada. Reports of which had reached even my dull understanding during my few days in Canada. "In reply he said that my single-tax agitation and my Henry George philosophy were fakes, and that he had called to any holding up of land or speculating in land values that were of hurt to the country. If, however, private people were holding up land against the welfare of Canada, he would make it his business to wipe out this kind of hold-up by strenuous measures. Asked what kind of measures he meant, he volunteered the information that taxation of the right kind was the only thing to reach them. "My dear Sir James," said I, "that's the single tax." He came back to me with a scowl, and said he would use any more barbed-wire methods, for he would not stand it. "Sir James Asked Questions. "I respected his warning by suggesting that as an invited guest at Sir James' table, I was under his protection, and so feared him not. Then Sir James began asking me some questions, and 'barbed-wired' me a little. He asked if I intended to introduce the single tax into Canada, and other countries, and if I was spending a fortune to do it. Upon my modestly pleading guilty, he declared that he did not believe a word of it, and that I was taking the cheapest means of courting publicity and notoriety—indeed, that in his opinion, I was getting good advertising for myself. To the latter charge, I modestly pleaded guilty again. I said that if I saved a little money in not paying the newspapers, there was that much more with which to advertise the single tax. Then, the weather getting a little hot, Sir James a little hot under the collar, and I greatly amused, I took the opportunity to offer him the least-bound copy of "Progress and Poverty." He would not promise to read it, but said to leave it there, as it would do no harm. I inscribed it to him, gave him a copy of my own pamphlet on "Uncleaned Increment, Soap, Cows and Land," and shaking hands with him—left his presence. Requiescat in pace."

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MAKING BIG CHANGES IN CITY HALL OFFICES

City Clerk, City Engineer, Etc., Will Be Sent Upstairs Shortly.

At the first meeting of the city hall committee, held Monday afternoon, it was decided to move the offices of the city engineer, the assessment commissioner, the inspector of taxes, and the auditor of the city hall, where special offices will be provided, and to place City Clerk Baker and Mayor Graham's office in the room now occupied by the Assessor's Commission. The room will be occupied by the waterworks staff, and City Treasurer Bell. At the present time they are very much crowded. Mr. Bell's office, and it is necessary to obtain more room. The new offices will suffice.

Mayor Graham, Chairman Coles and Ald. Robinson consulted with City Architect Nutter immediately after the meeting and plans will be prepared at once for the construction of the rooms needed. Vaults will be built, as both Mr. Grant and Mr. Wright will need this accommodation. Chairman Pocock, of the water commission, was present and discussed the details of the arrangement with the committee. He expressed himself as perfectly satisfied with the arrangements made. That portion of Mayor Graham's inaugural address referring to the desirability of having a traction station in connection with the new city hall was laid over until another meeting. Ald. Coles was elected chairman of the committee. Two were nominated—Ald. Coles and Ald. Spittal, but the former was selected.

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LIFE FOR WEBSTER. Oregon, Ill., Jan. 23.—Dr. Harry Webster, of Chicago, was today sentenced to life imprisonment by Judge Farrand for the murder of Bessie Kent, last October. In pronouncing sentence the court reviewed the crime, and declared that "no greater continuing punishment could be inflicted upon a young, intelligent man than to imprison him for life."

WONDERFUL PROGRESS MADE BY CHINESE

Have Advanced More in Five Years Than Japan in Ten, Says Dr. W. Taylor.

That nearly all the apprehension of the Chinese will not be able to successfully direct the destinies of the new republic has arisen through the apathy of England and Japan towards the republican form of government, is the opinion of Rev. Dr. W. E. Taylor, M. A., of Shanghai, who preached twice in this city Sunday, and is now touring Canada and Great Britain with a view to inducing the authorities to extend an invitation to the Chinese Government to send pickets of Chinese students to the Canadian and British universities.

Dr. Taylor, a graduate of Toronto University, and was the first to obtain a Ph. D. degree from his alma mater. Japan, on the one hand, in the opinion of Dr. Taylor, fears that if the Chinese republic is successful, the example will be had for the more radical and revolutionary spirits of Japan, who may be influenced towards overturning the imperial government and setting a republic in the sunrise kingdom.

England's Situation. England, on the other hand, fears the success of the Chinese republic because the example will be had for the Indian students. If China can set an example by having a republic, why not India, whose people are on the whole much better educated and better trained than the Chinese?

Storm Centre Shifts. The world's storm centre, he declares, has now been shifted from the west to east. It is a critical moment for the western powers. To interfere now against China will draw down upon us the hatred of the Chinese. The United States for their friendly attitude are very favorably regarded by the Chinese. The Chinese, however, do not so regard Great Britain. By having up Japan up to the Chinese, the United States are assisting the Japanese to gain control of Manchuria, which they now virtually possess. All their railroads in Manchuria are strongly policed, and Japanese troops guard their interests, protecting the country.

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Behind the Chinese republic there is a strong nationalistic spirit, which has been growing for the last five years. Japan, declares Dr. Taylor, never made the progress in any ten years of her awakening that China has made in the last five years. Today the Chinese are very suspicious of the Japanese. Ten years ago there were very few Chinese in Japan. After the treaty of Portsmouth the number in Tokyo alone rose to the high-water mark of 15,000. Now the number has fallen to about four hundred in the entire country. On the other hand there are thousands of Chinese students in the universities of England, Europe and the United States. There are 500 in England and Europe and over 1,000 in America. In 1905 an edict of the late Emperor of China ordered the Chinese to study the Western sciences, and to learn the Confucian system. In China there are today 42,000 schools and colleges of western learning, with 1,500,000 students. In the Chinese universities, where French, German and English are the important subjects, there are 200,000 students.

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WOMEN STILL ARE PRAISING THEM

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She Was Tired, Nervous and Run Down, and Suffered From Pains in the Back—Dodd's Kidney Pills Cured Her. Paquetville, Gloucester Co., N. B., Jan. 22. (Special).—That Dodd's Kidney Pills are suffering woman's best friend was never better demonstrated than in the case of Mrs. Geo. Butler, a well-known and highly respected resident of this place.

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Social Gathering at Ingersoll Was Attended by Large Crowd.
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Ingersoll, Jan. 23.—A social function of more than ordinary interest was a ball in the town hall last evening under the auspices of the Beaver Club. The attendance was large, many from a distance being present, and the affair was greatly enjoyed. The programme was arranged in a manner that satisfied the most fastidious. Local curlers and others interested in the pastime are looking forward with considerable expectancy to the final game in Group 15 for the Ontario Tankard, which will be played here on Wednesday afternoon between rinks representing the London and Thistle Clubs of London. Many were disappointed when the final game was not played last week, and there will be a large turnout on Wednesday.

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Depart for the East—12:14 a.m., 2:48 a.m., 3:30 a.m., 5:00 a.m., 12:05 p.m., 2:05 p.m., 4:25 p.m., 6:50 a.m.
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Arrive—10:25 a.m., 4:00 p.m., 6:50 p.m., 11:05 p.m.
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Depart for the East—4:35 a.m., 7:45 a.m., 12:45 p.m., 5:30 p.m.
Depart for the West—8:00 a.m., 11:35 a.m., 4:45 p.m., 10:00 p.m.
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Arrive—7:04 a.m., 11:10 a.m., 5:10 p.m., 6:35 p.m.
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LONDON AND DISTRICT

The Late Mrs. Fletcher.

The death of Mrs. John Fletcher, aged 71 years, one of London's oldest residents, occurred recently. Her death closed a Christian life, and her family lost a fond mother and wife. Mrs. Fletcher was born in Kingston, and came to London more than fifty years ago. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. J. G. Inkster. The pallbearers were Messrs. J. Jones, J. Sloan, E. Lee, sen., E. J. Saunders, A. Gifford, and S. Aracott. Among those who attended the funeral were Mrs. Simpson, Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Fletcher, Saskatoon; Mrs. Cheney, Windsor, and Ed. Lee, Bothwell.

LEADING CONSERVATIVES BOIL
OVER THE MARRIAGE BILL

Premier Borden's Motion To Have the Measure Submitted to
the Privy Council With a Test Case Carried By
Eighty-Six to Sixty-One.

Ottawa, Jan. 23. — Eighty-six to sixty-one in favor of the Government was the vote on the motion of Premier Borden to adjourn the debate on the Lancaster marriage bill, with the understanding that a stated case will be submitted to the Privy Council along with the bill.

W. F. Maclean, South York; E. A. Lancaster, Lincoln; E. Kidd, Carleton; Dr. Edwards, Frontenac, and R. Blain, Peel, voted with the Opposition against adjournment.

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signed merely to prevent clandestine marriages. The only civil authority which the decree had, he said, was that which the civil courts might give, and this question was now being threshed out before the courts at Montreal in a concrete case.

quicker and less confusing solution to the problem, he believed, would lie in carrying this case to the Privy Council for final decision than in taking to it the academic question as to whether or not Parliament had power to legislate in the circumstances. To dispose of the Lancaster bill simply by moving the indefinite adjournment of the debate, as was proposed by Premier Borden, was, the Liberal chief declared, neither a proper nor frank method of dealing with the question.

As Dr. Clark, of Red Deer, pointed out, the people of Ontario did not vote at the last election to have the whole question shelved, as was the practical effect of Mr. Borden's motion to adjourn the debate, pending the decision of the Privy Council. The decision was continued by Hon. Messrs. White, Felleiter, and others, to an early hour this morning, while the members waited for a division on the Premier's motion.

The Measure.

In moving the second reading of his bill, Mr. Lancaster declared that the unchallenged validity of marriage was so important to the national life of Canada that, no one could afford to shirk his duty in the operation of the "ne temere" decree, he had done so. "We have," said he, "in the present state of affairs, an evil which requires an immediate and effective remedy. The evil, notwithstanding, because the courts of Quebec, had held the church decree to be law—although he believed that such was not a sound legal pronouncement—because the courts have been cast upon the validity of certain marriages, and it is the duty of Parliament to remove that doubt if we can." Such doubt would sap the national life of the country, and was of more serious moment than any trade or immigration policy. "Because," declared Mr. Lancaster, "of certain ecclesiastical decrees in respect to marriages in Canada, it has been decided by certain judges in Quebec that marriage ceremonies solemnized regularly were not binding, and of legitimacy of the children, called in question." His bill was drawn to remedy that evil. He acted upon national grounds, not upon any religious considerations. He was not prepared to go so far as to declare that "We are not in Italy yet," quoth Mr. Lancaster, "but if we do not apply some remedy we may get to be an Italy in a few years." He said that he was not in a position to say whether or not the action he was very liable to get into that condition.

Continuing, Mr. Lancaster read the statement of Rev. Father Comenau, a Roman Catholic priest at Winnipeg, as published in the Toronto press, and condemned it as "advocating a policy of polygamy, bigamy, and infidelity in the eyes of God and the church." He called upon Parliament to repudiate the "false, silly, unstatesmanlike and un-British doctrine" that he condemned.

The member for Lincoln charged that Sir Allen Aylesworth, late minister of justice, was to blame for the present situation. He said that he was put to him in the House by Mr. Sessmith and Col. Sam Hughes, "Sir Allen Aylesworth, with all respect I say it, trifled with the matter." As for Sir Wilfrid Laurier, he said Mr. Lancaster "was so busy smashing Confederation in favor of the United States that he had nothing but masterly inactivity for the serious situation which threatened the country by reason of the clash of provincial marriage laws as interpreted by the judges."

What is the view of the present Minister of justice, he inquired. Mr. Chisholm (Antigonish) replied: "He can speak for himself. That's what I'm doing. He may or may not know what he is doing, but at this moment what his views are."

"Hear, hear!" put in Sir Wilfrid Laurier, amid a roar of Liberal laughter.

"The leader of the Opposition says 'Hear, hear,' but neither he nor the whole horde behind him—"

"Such an expression is not permissible in Parliament, and must be withdrawn," he decreed.

Mr. Lancaster withdrew. The Liberal party, he said, P. E. I., he said that the bill would not affect or supersede the divorce laws of the Maritime Provinces or British Columbia.

To Mr. Devlin he explained that he was seeking to override or annul article 127 of the civil code of Quebec, which, in so far as it affected the validity of marriages on the ground of the religion of either of the contracting parties.

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In concluding, after recess, Mr. Lancaster argued that it was constitutionally unsound to have one law for Quebec and another for Ontario, one for Catholics and another for Protestants. Only by uniform federal action could the spirit of Confederation be carried into effect. Under the British North America act, he argued, marriage and divorce were placed under the jurisdiction of the federal Parliament, while the "solemnization of marriages," a matter terminating with the ceremony and not dealing with its effect, was delegated to the provinces. He moved the second reading of his bill.

Premier Borden.

Premier Borden rose in silence. He agreed with the importance of the subject under consideration. Every province under the laws of Canada the decrees of any church could not override the civil law. If the decrees of the church had any effect it must be by reason of the law of the province giving effect to them. Mr. Borden took as an illustration of the effect of Mr. Lancaster's bill a supposititious British Columbia case. "If," said the Premier, "in the province of British Columbia a law were passed that a person of European descent and a Japanese or a Hindu should be married with certain formalities, before a certain official, that marriage,

If performed before some other official, in contravention of the law of the province, would be valid under this statute passed by the Parliament of Canada. That, as I understand, is the object and intention of the bill which my hon. friend has placed before the House."

"That is what I mean, so far as religion is concerned. It does not deal with the question of nationality. I am speaking only of religious differences," exclaimed Mr. Lancaster.

The Premier retorted that he was dealing with the constitutional aspect of the case. Mr. Lancaster's bill would confer just as full power to override the statute of British Columbia in that regard as would the legislation he suggested. The same might apply to the marriage of a white and a colored person. The Premier then read the following carefully prepared statement:

"By the Canadian constitution, as embodied in the B. N. A. act, section 92, sub-section 26, the exclusive legislative authority of the Parliament of Canada extends to and includes marriage and divorce. The constitution declares, however, in section 92, sub-section 12, of the same act, that in each province the Legislature may, in relation to the solemnization of marriage in the province, it is perfectly clear that the words 'marriage and divorce' would include the solemnization of marriage if that subject had not been assigned to the exclusive jurisdiction of the province under the language just quoted. The result has been expressed by the judicial committee of the privy council in these words: 'Solemnization of marriage in a province is enumerated among the classes of subjects under section 92, and no one can doubt, withstanding the general language of section 91, that this subject is still within the exclusive authority of Legislatures of the provinces.'"

Full Provincial Authority.

"It has also been held by the privy council that provincial legislatures have authority as plenary and as ample within the limits described by section 92 as the Imperial Parliament possessed the plenitude of power. Within these limits of subject and area the Provincial Legislature is supreme and its jurisdiction exclusive."

The constitution prescribed by a provincial legislatures as necessary to constitute a valid marriage come undoubtedly within the meaning of the word 'solemnization.' It thus applies the jurisdiction of the provincial legislatures is exclusive."

"The opinion of the late Minister of Justice, Sir Allan Aylesworth, the opinion of the present Minister of Justice, Mr. Newcombe, K.C., are to the effect that legislation such as that now proposed is not within the legislative competence of this Parliament. To the same effect is the opinion of an eminent lawyer, Mr. J. H. Maclean, whose opinion upon the case submitted I will lay upon the table for the information of the House."

"On the other hand, the honorable member who has introduced this bill is himself a lawyer of eminence and great experience, and he is strongly of opinion that this bill is within the competence of Parliament. Other lawyers who are members of this House entertain the same view. While I do not share that opinion, I am bound to respect it."

Premier Borden thereupon moved to adjourn the debate and submit the matter of jurisdiction to the supreme court of Canada, whence it could be carried to the privy council.

Termines in Revolt.

Then ensued one of the most dramatic scenes in the Parliament of Canada, Government member after Government member rising to declare his intention to desert his leader on this issue.

"I regret that I cannot accept the disposition proposed by the Premier," declared Mr. Lancaster. "I do not agree to have the matter 'shelved' in the manner proposed. He suggested the bill pass, and that the case then be submitted upon it to the privy council. To submit the question to the privy council is to 'prejudice' the case and secure delay, which the country does not want. I cannot preserve my self-respect and consent to the Premier's motion. It may be said that I am not true to my leader, but if I am true to myself I cannot be false to anyone."

Then arose Captain Tom Wallace (Centre York). "I just want to say," he exclaimed, "that I am completely in accord with the member for Lincoln, and shall vote accordingly."

By this time the House was in a state of confusion of expectancy, and the faces of members of the Government were a study. Mr. W. F. Maclean was the next bolter.

Mr. W. F. Maclean said that if the only way to settle this most vital question was to revise the constitution, the sooner that was done the better. He therefore urged that the thing practically be sent to the privy council for their opinion, and that in the meantime he would content himself by supporting Mr. Lancaster's bill.

Col. Hugh Clark—I am heartily in accord with the arguments advanced and the views expressed by Mr. Lancaster, and am prepared to support his bill.

The Opposition Leader.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said it was well for outsiders to interfere in family quarrels, and therefore he had hesitated up to this time to speak upon this question, over which so much difference had arisen between the Government and its supporters. The question was not new. The ne temere decree was simply an extension of the temist decree of the Council of Trent, made 300 years ago. The decisions of the Council of Trent had been applied by the church to France, but many of them, including that relating to marriage, were introduced by the government of their American colonies. In this way they came to the Province of Quebec, where they had been in force for 200 years. As he understood the ne temere decree, it provided that to be valid the marriage must be celebrated by the parish priest of the parties, and that the ceremony was to be clandestine marriages, and he was sure that everyone, whether Protestant or Catholic, would agree that the prevention of clandestine marriages was wise. It would be well to free the discussion of this question from the prejudice of this question, and simply look at it from the point of view of common Canadian citizenship. There was an impression that the ne temere decree was intended to override the authority of the King and Parliament. As a Roman Catholic he protested against such interpretation. There were no such intentions, and the ne temere decree did not go beyond setting down rules binding upon the conscience of Catholics. It was chosen to give civil effect to its provisions or otherwise.

Mr. Maclean—But will the right

honorable gentleman say the decree does not affect the rights of parties in a mixed marriage?

Sir Wilfrid—No. If a Catholic in the Province of Ontario marries according to the provisions of the civil law of the province, even though it be contrary to the "ne temere" decree, he is legally married, and his children are legitimate, but the Catholic who marries contrary to the provisions of the decree may be penalized by his church. But, as I understand it, it does not go beyond the conscience of Catholics. It has been understood in the Province of Quebec that the civil authorities have given effect to the religious ordinances on this subject. How far the civil laws of Quebec affect the subject is now in question before the courts. I, for my part, cannot support the bill because its provisions seem to me to be absolutely illogical.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said that a marriage celebrated in a province was valid or not valid according to the law of that province, even if it was to amend the constitution, that was another matter, but that the law of the provinces should be overridden by the federal Parliament could not be conducted to proper administration. "If the province is wrong," said Sir Wilfrid, "let us go to the privy council and try to make it right." Sir Wilfrid said that the matter was now before the courts of Quebec, and judgment will be delivered at no distant date. It was probable that a definite case would be referred to the judicial tribunals and a final authoritative decision secured upon this. This in his opinion was a better way to handle the matter than to refer to the confusing and merely academic way proposed by the Premier. To dispose of the Lancaster bill simply by moving the indefinite adjournment of the debate, as suggested by Mr. Borden, was not at all the proper or creditable manner of dealing with such an important question.

The Minister of Justice.

Mr. Doherty said that he had all respect for the member for Lincoln, and while he desired to treat his arguments seriously, he could not agree with the point of view and must oppose the Lancaster bill. The Minister of Justice was in accord with the view held by two of his predecessors, Hon. Edward Blake and Sir Allan Aylesworth, to the effect that the Provincial Legislatures had jurisdiction.

To Mr. Carvell the Minister of Justice said that the decree in no way affected the civil law of Quebec or of any other Province. He admitted, however, that the decree prohibited the marriage of a Protestant and a Catholic, except where the ceremony was performed by a priest, but this related solely to the ecclesiastical tribunal.

Mr. Clarke (Essex), emphasized the strong sentiment existing in Ontario, and was surprised that Sir Wilfrid Laurier had not been accused of the authorship of the decree, as was done during the campaign. He concurred in the view of the Liberal leader not to interfere with provincial rights. The Hebert case would get to the privy council in more concrete form than any academic reference to the courts, which was only an evasion for the time being. Like Sir Wilfrid, he favored basing action on proper grounds.

Quoting Bruchesi.

Hon. Mr. White quoted the pastoral letter of Archbishop Bruchesi that the marriage of two Catholics by civil authorities or Protestant clergyman, made the marriage null and void, but maintained this was only from an ecclesiastical standpoint. Not even the Roman Catholic Church, he contended, had given civil effect in Quebec.

Mr. White held that in Quebec the civil code protected all rights to a marriage validly contracted, and made the children legitimate. He was opposed to the Lancaster bill.

Then did one minister interrogate the other, an unusual spectacle.

"Does the ne temere decree have any effect in the provinces outside of Quebec?" asked the Hon. Col. Hughes.

"No," replied Mr. White.

"Then has it effect in Quebec?" Col. Hughes continued.

"That I do not know," explained Mr. White. It was for that reason it was advisable to settle the doubt.

"This is the place to settle doubts," quoth Mr. Lancaster. "Pass the bill now."

Mr. White contended otherwise. It was a better way to secure a judicial decision and not run contrary to the views of Aylesworth, Doherty and Borden.

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