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## A CONFLICT ON TIME.

The town is agitated over the question of time, and a good many people refuse to look at the clock on the post office, while it chronicles the seconds, moments and hours as it does now. They have cut the clock direct, and refuse utterly to speak to it even so much as by a conscious look, as they pass by.

Others have pronounced just as strongly in favor of the clock's present manner of ticking and striking, and while they are now cordially disposed towards it, declare that they will have no intercourse whatever with it, if it returns to its former mode of reckoning. The clock is said to be deeply concerned over these conflicting views, and to wish to hide its face altogether from sight.

The matter we now understand, is to be left for decision to the government at Ottawa. It is a little thoughtless of the town council to bother the post master general just at the time when a general election is at hand; and his mind is full of other weighty matters. We hope the government will not find the question of the Woodstock town clock, to be so serious to decide upon as the Manitoba school question, or some other matters now under consideration.

The town people who wish to carry their watches at whatever time they choose would like to be clearly notified whether or no they can be prosecuted if they adhere to standard time should the clock be set at local—or, what is called local.

It was once said to a character in biblical history by a patriarch "Unstable as water, thou shalt not excel."

If we are to have the clock changed every year, it may cause some inconvenience, and perhaps the best plan would be to remove the clock and with it a grievous cause of annoyance to peaceful citizens.

THE DISPATCH, however, will still continue to accept subscriptions whether they be paid on standard or local time, and it will be just as friendly to a man who carries his watch at one, as at the other.

## ELECTRIC RAILWAYS.

The Toronto World is always up to the times in its advocacy of reforms. It has always been persistent in its demand for a two cent passenger rate, on the lines of railway through the dominion, showing that wherever in the states or elsewhere, a two cent rate is adopted, it has proved of benefit, not only to the public, but to the railway companies also. The board of trade of Toronto has taken up the World's idea, and the president of that body has recommended the proposal to the Grand Trunk of such a reduction in passenger rates. The World, in a recent editorial, makes this allusion to a question which is of as much interest to the country as to the city:

There is another matter in connection with railways that the president of the Board of Trade might have touched upon in his valedictory. We refer to the construction of trolley lines into the country districts. The success of the electric lines between Hamilton and Grimsby is surely proof enough that similar lines would pay between Toronto and its various suburban outposts. The stock in the Hamilton road, after one year's operation, has gone up to 130 and 140, with prospects of a further rise under more progressive management. There is three or four times as much business for similar lines around Toronto as what is afforded the line running between Hamilton and Grimsby. The establishment of trolley lines along the highways leading into Toronto would not only cheapen the cost of transporting the produce of the farm to the city, but it would facilitate the intercourse of people from the country to the town and vice versa.

The electric railway is something that we will yet see connecting Woodstock and Houlton, and smaller places with both these, and with each other.

## HOW IT WORKS.

An election contest is one of the object lessons which a free and enlightened people, as we are in Canada, have to hold up before the eyes of tyranny-ridden countries, still under the iron heel of despotism. If we could bring some Russian, or Turk, or other heathen to New Brunswick just now, and place him in Northumberland County, he would see, at once, how charmingly our representative system works. Personalities seldom occur, matters of public policy are gravely and courteously debated, and the great and independent people cast their vote as their consciences dictate. How different from Russia and Turkey, where the wealthy rule, and the poor are forced to the wall? What a supremely glorious thing our liberty is! Well! may our bosoms swell with honest pride, at the high dignity to which our election contests have attained, after centuries of struggle and trial.

If a Fiji islander could read English how

edified he would be to peruse the speeches of two candidates, now striving for the good will of the electorate in Northumberland County, N. B.

The Chatham World reports the speeches of the candidates on nomination day. For the benefit of the unlightened heathen, who take THE DISPATCH, we quote.

Mr. Robinson the government candidate said—"Now, gentlemen, one word more. Give me your confidence, and I'll not betray the trust, but endeavor faithfully to represent every portion of the county in a just, impartial and energetic manner. (Cheers.) I have a large business in the county, which I look after and carry on successfully, and I will use the same diligence in looking after the interests of this county. (Cheers.) Roll me up a big majority. I feel that you will do it. I feel that I am safe. (Cheers.) I have never appealed to you in vain. (Cheers.) Vote for me as the government candidate. It will be of no use to elect an opponent of the government. When Mr. Burchill and I were canvassing in the last contest for the legislature he used to appeal to the electors, in eloquent speeches, not to throw away their votes and deprive the county of influence with the government by sending an opposition member to represent them. Now he asks you to elect an opposition candidate. That is his position. Look at it, gentlemen, look at it. (Laughter and cheers.) I cannot see the consistency of his change, his right about face on the question."

Mr. Mitchell followed. He is the opposition candidate. Mr. Mitchell said, "he thought he was there to talk politics, but he had to listen to a parcel of twaddle, and would notice it only to nail some of the lies it contained. Mr. Robinson had told them deliberate falsehoods. (Cries of Order.) 'That,' said Mr. Mitchell, 'is order, and pretty d—d good order to.' If he had wanted the Governorship he would have applied to somebody else than Jim Robinson."

Mr. John O'Brien, M. P. P.—You applied to me and I signed the petition for your appointment. (Cheers.)

Mr. Mitchell—I never applied to him. I tell him to his cheek I never applied to him or Robinson. They're not the kind of men I'd apply to. I never asked for it, nor would I have taken it. I nail that lie to the mast. I am astonished at the audacity and impudence of that man Robinson in putting such words in my mouth."

It is such scenes as this represents which show the working of our elective system in its real beauty and its winning simplicity.

Happy as the people that are in such a case, Yea, blessed are the people who have responsible government, and let all the people say, Amen.

It certainly seems that Lord Dunraven made a serious mistake when he accused the Defender's crew of unsportsmanlike conduct in ballasting that vessel. English papers are calling on him to tender an apology, and he will lose nothing in dignity if he does so. If he is proven wrong let him acknowledge his error, and the sooner the better.

We are at liberty to announce that Major Vince has definitely been appointed to the postmastership here, vacated by the death of the late John C. Winslow. This news will give the utmost satisfaction in both political parties. During the interregnum, H. W. Bourne, has managed the post office well, and we trust he will find his faithful services duly appreciated.

## All Recommend it.

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## An Armenian Settlement?

LONDON, Feb. 1.—A despatch received here today from St. Petersburg says:

"Arrangements point to a conclusion between Russia, Great Britain, France and Italy for a final settlement of the Armenian question. These include the occupation and administration by Russia of Anatolia and the purchase of Cyprus by Great Britain."

It is semi-officially announced that there is no truth in the despatch from Vienna, published here today, saying that Russia has a fleet lying off Sebastopol and Odessa and that her Caucasian armies are being concentrated on the Armenian frontier in readiness to move next spring for the purpose of partitioning Turkey between the powers, Russia taking Armenia and Constantinople, France taking Syria and Palestine and Great Britain taking Egypt and the eastern shores of the Persian Gulf, with the remainder of the Ottoman Empire to be divided among the other powers.

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## Cleveland Leaves Washington.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—President Cleveland and Dr. O'Reilly left the city early this morning on another shooting trip. The President with his physician and his guns rode away from the White House at a little after midnight to the Seventh street wharf, where they boarded the light-house tender Maple, which was lying there with steam up. The lines were quickly cast off, the boat headed down the river and was soon lost to view. It is said that the President does not intend to go further than Quantico, and that he will make his headquarters at the clubhouse near that point. It is also said that he will be away but a few days. One authority says he will be back in forty-eight hours.

## Breach of Promise.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Feb. 1.—Miss Mary A. Erwin, of Fios, Simcoe Co., and her attorney, Alfred E. H. Creswick, Q. C., of Toronto, arrived in Buffalo yesterday with a bundle of legal papers, looking for one Con. J. Saxton, whom she accuses of breach of promise. Her story is that Saxton was betrothed to her for four years, and left Canada on April 25, 1895. In his flight he was accompanied by Madge Harber, whom he married before leaving Canada. Ever since Saxton's precipitous emigration his once affianced bride has been looking for him, and a few days ago she located him in this city.

The legal documents in the case were turned over to Sheriff Lamy by the Canadian attorney. The sheriff placed them in the hands of Deputy Carr for service, under an order issued by the Master-in-Ordinary at Osgoode hall, permitting the service of legal papers upon a British subject residing out of the jurisdiction of the English courts. These documents show that in July, 1894, Miss Erwin began an action against Saxton for \$20,000 damages for breach of promise of marriage. Saxton defended the case and lost it. The jury returned a verdict of \$2,000 damages in favor of Miss Erwin. The verdict was returned on April 24, 1895, in the Court of Common Pleas. The next day Saxton left Canada, and his former sweet-heart did not hear from him until she traced him to Buffalo. Saxton was thought to be a wealthy young farmer in the district in which he resided in Canada, but when Miss Erwin tried to seize his farm under her judgment, she found that he had tied it up in a peculiar manner. Before he left Canada Saxton had his sister deed the farm to George Harber, his father-in-law, in supposed consideration of \$3,750, though the farm was worth much more than that. Harber, a few days after the making of this deed, gave mortgage on the farm property to George Gooderham for \$3,750. Saxton then disposed of his chattels in some manner which Miss Erwin does not describe. Miss Erwin definitely charges that the conveying of the farm was a deliberate conspiracy to defraud her out of the amount of her judgment, and has brought an action against Harber and Saxton to set aside the conveyance on these grounds. After securing from Deputy Sheriff Carr an affidavit to the effect that the service had been made, Miss Erwin returned to Canada with her attorney.

Prosecuting a case of this kind against real estate situated in Canada while the parties are residing out of the jurisdiction is the most expensive sort of litigation known, and there will be little left of the Simcoe county farm should Miss Erwin succeed in proving the conspiracy which she alleges was hatched between Saxton and his father-in-law to defraud her of the amount of her judgment.

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Ben Craig, who lost his leg some weeks ago, is now able to be out.

## A HOT MEETING.

In Which Two Temperance Advocates Figure.

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—"Francis Murphy, you are a traitor to the cause of temperance. You are responsible for every open saloon in Chicago," said Elder Wells, in the meeting in Willard Hall today. "Sit down!" shouted some man present. "I won't sit down. No power on earth can close my mouth when I speak for Christ and the truth. I say Francis Murphy, I was with you in Philadelphia in years gone by. I labored with you for souls. But I say today you are responsible for the 2000,000 saloons in this land. You are a Republican. Your party supports the sovereign power in America today, which is the saloon."

At this point Mr. Murphy stepped forward and said: "See here; I'm running this meeting, and you'll sit down and shut up, or I'll have you put out, and right quick at that."

A gentle hand—the hand of Mrs. Wells—took the lapel of Elder Wells' coat and led him to the rear. A resort to the Doxology was efficacious in bringing an outward semblance of harmony, and the meeting closed.

Londoners smoke 1,000,000 cigarettes daily.

Gov. Busiel, of New Hampshire, is a candidate for United States Senator.

Ladies', Misses' and Children's  
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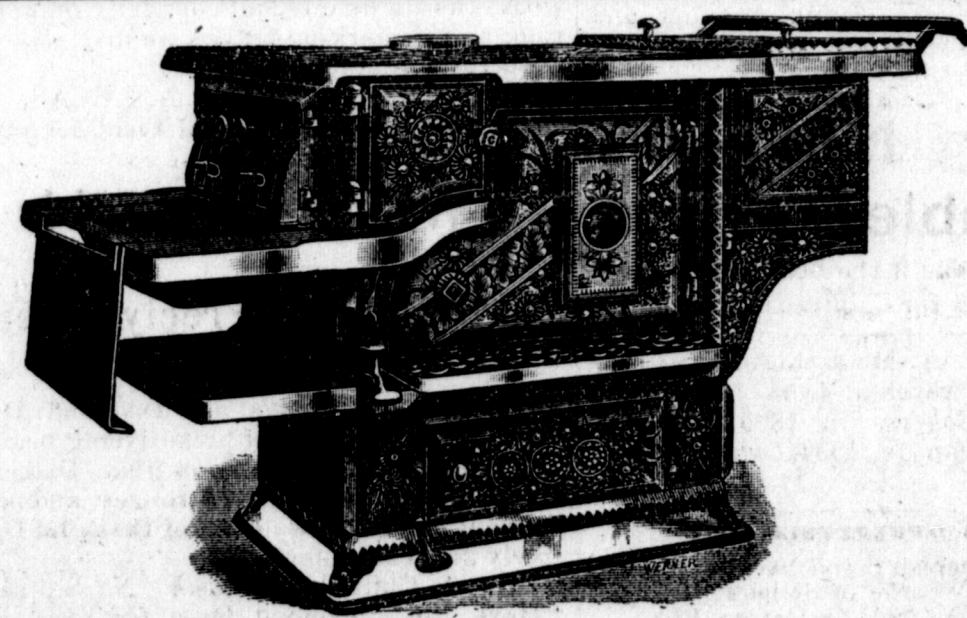
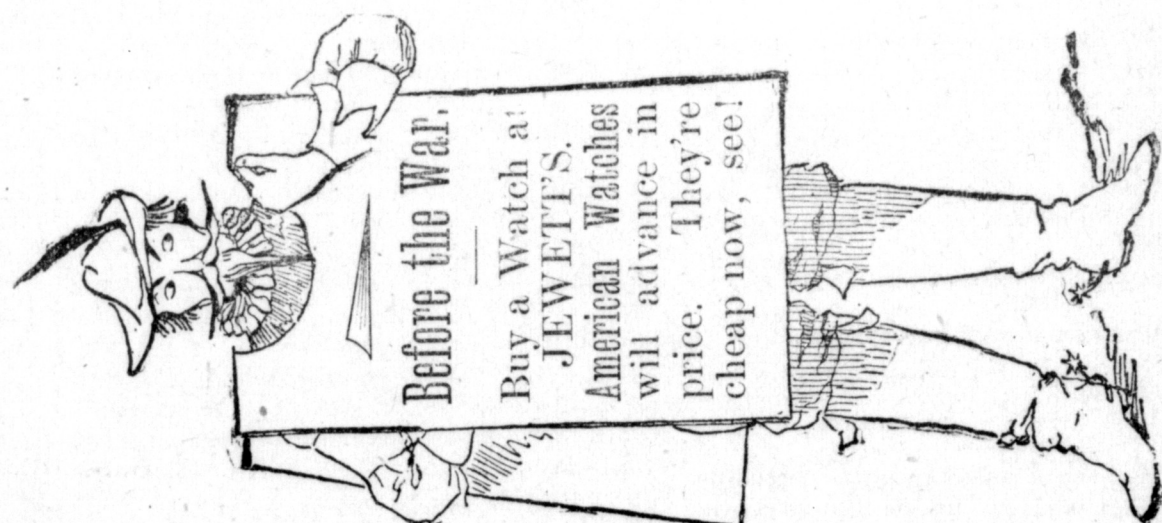
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