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THE SPRING POET.

Spring is always welcome to the editor, as to everybody else, if it were not for the fact, that the spring poet is ever the first sign, and he, somewhat counteracts the pleasing effect of spring veal, spring lamb, and spring vegetables.

Why is it that people of poetical proclivities will always light upon spring, on which to visit their spleen? A fall or winter poet would be a pleasing variety, and the very fact of his originality, might secure him a more friendly welcome than his brother who wishes to gush over the budding trees and the humming bees.

Distance lends enchantment to the view of the spring poet. The long months of winter cause him to forget that spring and summer have their drawbacks as well as autumn and winter. He sings of the bees, but has nothing to say of the obnoxious hornets, that cause cursory remarks to come to the lips of him, who is otherwise calm and religiously-minded. He dilates on the beauties of the forest, when the birds are singing in the boughs, and all that sort of thing, but he is astonishingly oblivious to the relentless persecution waged by the mosquito and the black fly on those whom business or pleasure drives to the bush during the hot summer months. He draws imaginary pictures of the sower, with his basket under his arm, who starts out with the lark at early morn and sows his seed till dewy eve, and quite scorns the fact that it is almost universal now to do sowing by machinery, from which every element of the picturesque is gone. He bursts into song about the sweet little lambs, and the bleating calves, but has no words to express the worry of the farmer who has to be in constant attention on these rising quadrupeds, and who regards them in the light of future profits in mutton and beef, rather than as subjects of Byronic or Tennysonian romance. He waxes eloquent over the new mown hay, and the picturesque attire of the haymaker, but he fails to tell us anything of the sweltering sun, and the beads of perspiration which fall from the brow of the haymaker before he gets all this lovely new mown hay safely housed.

Altogether the spring poet is more or less of a humbug. He needs to do some of the real manual labor connected with spring farm work, and then, if he has any poetry left in his system, we will be glad to hear from him.

IS IT TRUE?

There was great indignation in the House of Commons when D'Alton McCarthy said of the government supporters "they will eat dirt for a consideration," and the speaker was obliged to retract his words, although an independent paper remarks "he told the cold truth."

The difficulty Mr. McCarthy had to face was that he could not prove that many of these gentlemen had the promise of office, although, he felt confidently sure of it—as confidently sure as the people of the country feel.

It really seems that the idea of a man going into public life to serve the people is a myth. He goes into politics as a speculation just as he goes into any other speculation.

If the conservatives are promised offices for voting for this and that we may be quite sure that the liberals are holding out rich inducements to their supporters, provided they get in power, at the next general election. It is no use for the kettle to call the pot black.

The country is evidently heartily sick of this Manitoba school question, and the sensible people do not propose that an affair of this kind shall be allowed to shake the foundations of confederation. We have our school systems, in these old provinces, settled amicably, and we can't see why the people of the west cannot find a fit solution of their difficulty. The Courier des Provinces Maritimes of Bathurst, joins in with the independent, non-party papers of the province in the desire that the Winnipeg conference may lead to a solution. After telling of the recent vote in the house, and the mission of Messrs. Dickey, Desjardins and Smith, the Courier says:—"It is to be hoped the affair will be settled to the satisfaction of all."

Sussex is about organizing a board of trade. In a communication from Mr. Ira Cornwall, secretary of the maritime board to the promoters of the Sussex board, this gentleman says that Nova Scotia is organizing boards in every village, and as the Maritime Board would, in the near future, probably be dealing with matters of great moment to these provinces, it was very necessary that the New Brunswick representation should approach somewhere near its fair and legitimate proportion.

In view of the excitement over the forma-

tion of the Electric Railway, Light and Power Co., it is interesting to note that the city council of Sherbrooke has agreed to grant a similar company, although it is a foreign concern, the privilege of the streets for 30 years and tax exemption for 20 years. At the end of that period the city may buy out the road.

President Cleveland is sixty years of age.

What is a Gift?

In the police court on Saturday Oscar Dugan was on trial for selling liquor in the Vendome restaurant. The room was filled as it generally is on such occasions. Mr. A. B. Connell prosecuted and Mr. F. B. Carvell appeared for the defendant. During the examination of one witness there were some interesting points under dispute by the lawyers as to the meaning of the words in the Canada Temperance Act. For instance, Mr. Carvell objected to one witness being asked as to what his intentions were as to paying for a drink, whether when he imbibed the beverage he expected, or did not expect to pay for it. Another interesting point was as to the nature of a gift. A man, it appears cannot be convicted for giving another a drink, provided it is a bona fide gift. But, as the magistrate pointed out, there is such a thing as an unlawful gift—that is where no money passes between the parties, and no words are said as to pay, but there is an understanding that the drink is in consideration of some service done or about to be done. The prosecution failed to settle the sale upon Dugan and the case was dismissed.

Trial By Jury.

Toronto Ont. Mar. 31.—Mr. Justice Robertson, in his address to the Grand Jury in Kingston had occasion to speak of recent legislation passed in the Provincial Legislature which would abolish trial by Jury in certain cases, where actions are brought for damages against municipal corporations. "I am sorry that this has been done," said he. "for it throws a heavy responsibility on the judge, who has to give reasons for arriving at his decisions, while juries have not. Twelve men, who knock about the world and see different phases of life, can, in most cases, tell when a witness is telling the truth or lies, and can form a better opinion as to the merits of the case in hand than can the judge, though I admit that juries sometimes give most absurd verdicts."

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A Love Affair.

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General Election.

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And butter-flies float past.

The birds their nests will build;
The air'll be filled with song—
Sweet little songsters, they
That sing the Spring along.

The flowers will soon be here;
Snowdrops and daisies sweet,
Violets, cowslips, pansies,
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[Written in 5 minutes by Bessie Gallupe, aged 13, Somerville school.]

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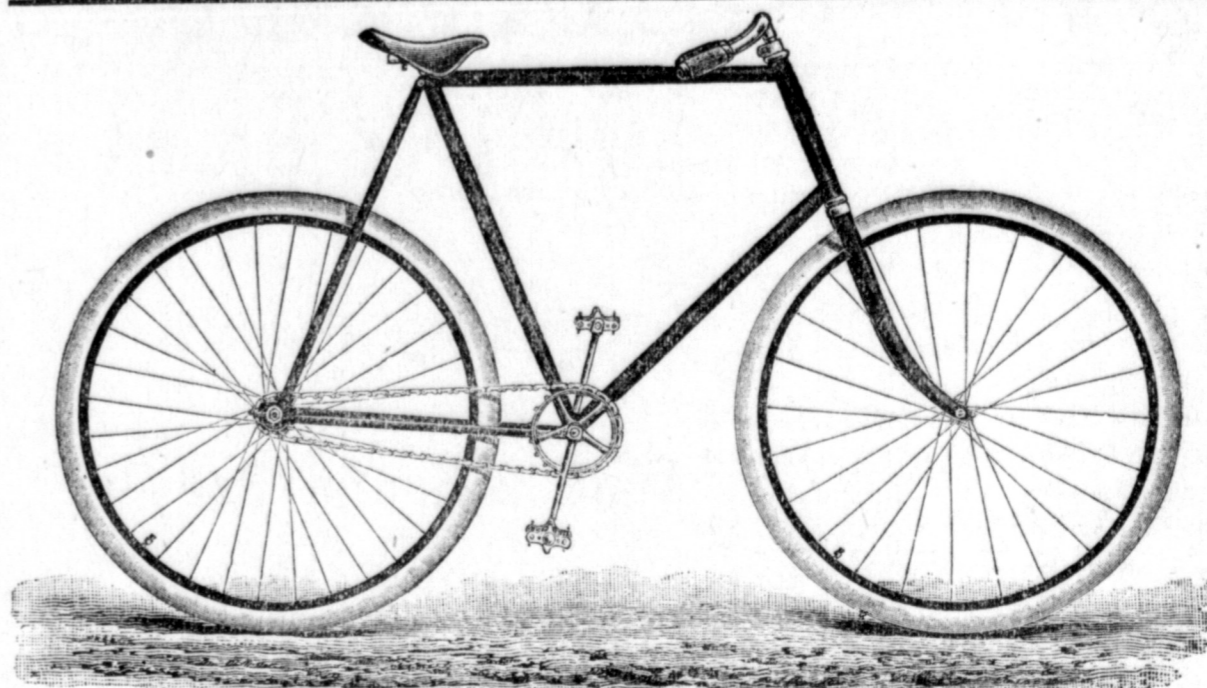
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