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INSANITY ON THE INCREASE.

There is no affliction so terrible as the loss of reason, when there is no hope of its recovery. Startling, indeed, then, is it to learn that insanity is on the increase in Canada.

Dr. Daniel Clark of the Toronto Insane Asylum, probably the best authority in the land was recently interviewed upon this question. Dr. Clark says:—"Insanity is on the increase in Canada, and will continue to be so as long as our civilization compels in its various phases the mind to put forth more than healthy effort to keep the wolf from the door. High pressure is necessary in commercial and business circles because of keen competition. The agricultural classes have had many years of struggle to make both ends meet. A pauper element is augmenting daily among those who are congenitally lazy, or vicious, or among those who have lost heart because of reverses and have not the mental robustness to rise above circumstances. Persons thus degenerate, or, hapless and helpless, of necessity produce a generation of weaklings, as the stream will not rise above the fountain; hence our asylums are filled with at least 60 per cent. of patients who have had bequeathed to them a heritage of insane tendency, whose malign potency may display itself should occasion arise because of disease or mind stress." Competition carried to the length it is, produces an unhealthy excitement. The mind is overworked. Business men forgetting the invaluable and unerring command to take no thought of the morrow, work at full pressure all day, and keep awake at night, wondering how they will win a dollar from their neighbor. Nature, who, however men may be defrauded, will not be cheated, rebels, and instead of strong, vigorous healthy men, we have so many bundles of nerves, fit propagators of lunatics and maniacs.

Under our advanced civilization, every man and woman should have so many hours for work, so many for recreation, so many for sleep. Only so, can a healthy people be maintained. And the neglecting of leisure and sleep for work and money getting is, as Dr. Clark points out, increasing our lunatic population.

Not a happy prospect!

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?

A town election will soon be on the carpet. Who are going to run?

Approach any of our well-to-do citizens and they will exclaim "None of that in mine," and then, they will proceed to attack the present town council, accuse the councillors of being a lot of incompetents, and wonder how it is all going to end.

Now, let us look the matter squarely in the face, and be honest with ourselves. Allow that our better class of citizens, with a few honourable exceptions, decline to either serve at the council board, or to work for the election of men, whom they consider fit to serve. Have these men reason to complain if town matters are mismanaged? Not the slightest reason. It is simply laziness, indolence and selfishness that prevents the average business man, taking his own share in civic politics. He says he is too busy to bother with town matters, and then grumbles like a bear with a sore head, because the town is not well governed. As a matter of fact the business men who will not exert themselves to take a fist in town affairs deserve not the slightest sympathy.

It is strange how slow people are to learn by their own or others' experience. The man who has any knowledge of affairs, must surely see that city after city has acted just as Woodstock is doing with what result? With the inevitable result that things have gone from bad to worse, until "Good government associations," or some such concerns have had to be organized in order to get the city machinery working properly.

A move was recently made by the town council to raise the qualification for members of the town council. It is whispered that the movement started to inconvenience a member of the present board. However that may be, the property qualification is now quite high enough, in all reason, to place the town government in the hands of our local millionaires. THE DISPATCH does not object to this, provided the millionaires will take advantage of their privilege. But it does object to the millionaires, after having received the legislation they wished, neither entering the council themselves nor allowing others to enter. Such is a dog in the manger policy. We have self government in Woodstock. If we do not govern ourselves properly, it will not require an X ray to show us where the blame lies.

A Mr. Pingree became Mayor of Detroit, and made himself famous by his scheme of

securing the cultivation of vacant land in the city, for the raising of potatoes, thus giving employment to idle citizens. Now, Mr. Pingree has been elected governor of his state, and he wants to build warships on Lake Michigan to give ship carpenters work and wages. The New York World says:—"When Great Britain and the United States decided to be sensible and to live side by side on this continent as good neighbors, they agreed that neither nation should maintain any warships on the Great Lakes. It was an eminently sensible and civilized agreement. It spared both nations a great, unnecessary expense. Better still, it promoted peace and amity, and went far to lay the foundation for that sentiment which forbids all thought of war between two nations. . . . Mr. Pingree has tried to persuade the new president to induce the nation to abrogate the treaty, abandon the civilized arrangement that has existed so long, and go back to the barbarism of bristling fleets where none is needed.

Well, the country won't do it."

And now women may go to the bar without in any way outraging the feelings of society, for so the benchers of the Law Society decreed yesterday. They have at last decided to allow women to practice, and Miss Clara Brett Martin has won a hard and long-fought battle, but it is also decreed that she and others of her sex who follow in her footsteps must wear a barrister's gown over a black dress, and wear a white necktie, and have the head uncovered.—Toronto World.

"The Railroad Kidney."

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A PERILOUS ADVENTURE.

Raftsmen Have a Narrow Escape From Death.

FREDERICTON, Nov. 21.—Two men named Howard Bragdon and Wm. Munroe, of Southampton, had a thrilling adventure on a raft coming down river last night, and a very narrow escape from a horrible death. They started from Nackawick yesterday afternoon with two rafts of sawn lumber, from the mill of J. R. Pinder, M. P. P., to bring them to town. The weather was cold when they left and grew much colder as they proceeded down river. When they reached McGinley's ferry, twelve miles above town, it was after dark and they began to encounter ice, which so impeded their progress that they determined to abandon one of the rafts and exert all their efforts to get the other to Fredericton before the river should close over. This they did, but their efforts failed and came very near resulting in the loss of their lives. They had not got far below McGinley's when they were surrounded by heavy cakes of floating ice, which carried their raft into mid-stream and beyond their control. They stuck to it until late in the night with a violent freezing wind blowing upon them, until when they began to realize the peril of their situation. There were apparently no means of saving themselves. They cried and shrieked at the tops of their voices in the hope of bringing help from either bank, but residents on both sides were long since asleep and beyond hearing of their sounds of distress. The unfortunate pair received fresh hope when they came in view of the lights of Aberdeen saw mill at the head of town, which has been in operation night and day during the whole season, and, reduced to a state of almost complete helplessness, they raised all their remaining powers to alarm the men in the mill, but their voices were too weak to be heard above the noise of the machinery, so they drifted past the mill unnoticed. Engineer Taylor, of the Water Works house, a short distance below, had occasion a few moments later to come out of the engine house, and but for this co-incidence Bragdon and Munroe would probably have been dead. Taylor heard the faint cries of the men. He was puzzled for a time to know what they meant, but eventually surmised the whistle and sounded a distress alarm by the whistle of his engine. This brought Donald Fraser and a number of men from the Aberdeen mill, and also a number of city firemen to the spot. A boat was got ready and several men headed by Mr. Fraser put out to midriver—where they struck and boarded the raft. Bragdon and Munroe were practically unconscious and had to be lifted into the boat. From this upon reaching shore they were carried into the engine house where with much care and exertion they were restored to their full senses and to-day it is thought they will pull through all right. The raft, of course, was abandoned and has not yet been found.

A Good Deal in a Few Words.

"I paid a Toronto specialist on catarrh a large sum of money but I got no benefit. I tried them all, but finally, almost in despair, and assuredly without any faith, I tried Chase's Catarrh Cure. It is all that it is recommended, which is saying a good deal in a few words." Joel Rogers, clerk, Division Court, Boston. Improved blower in each 25c. box.

Killed in The Woods.

Word reached the city today of a fatal accident which occurred on the South West Miramichi, Thursday afternoon, and of which James Painter, a well-known resident of Woodland, in the Parish of Douglas, was the victim. Deceased was employed at Thos. Evans' camp and at the time of the accident—5 o'clock, p. m.,—was with two other men cutting down a tree which fell and in its descent, struck a dead tree, knocking off a heavy limb, which came down on Mr. Painter's head killing him instantly. The body was taken through to Stanley last night and by this time has probably reached deceased's home. Mr. Painter was a widower of 58 years, and leaves three sons and one daughter.—Gleaner.

You will want to read these long evenings, prepare for it by getting the last artificial aid from W. B. Jewett, Optician, Woodstock.

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Reasons Why The Cheap Sale Is Genuine.

It is impossible for a merchant, no matter how careful and experienced he is to avoid mistakes, now and again. Sometimes he will import too heavily, sometimes he will not import enough. McManus Bros. made a heavy importation of dress and cloth goods for the fall, expecting the cold weather that usually comes with that season of the year. The goods came, but the cold weather failed to connect. The season was warm and rainy, and waterproofs, umbrellas and rubbers were in demand. The customary fall goods were not asked for, and the shelves which would, by this time, have been empty, in an ordinary season, are still loaded with an assortment of the finest dress goods and cloths. Now, that the winter trade is coming on, it is necessary that these shelves should be unloaded.

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"We never advertise cheap sales unless we really mean it," said one of the firm to THE DISPATCH.

And That's Right.

Good Look Out For Lumber.

The Toronto World has the following to say of the lumber prospect:—"There is a better feeling among the lumbermen of Canada. This fact means more than the mere bald statement would indicate to the ordinary reader. Timber and lumber are the leading exports of the country and the source of considerable wealth to the state of people. This important industry is the foundation of many others, and, consequently, business people are guided to a great extent by the state of trade in this staple product. From what The World can learn, there are good reasons for the improved outlook. The basis is the activity in the trade in Great Britain, owing in large part to the increased ship-building on the Clyde and Mersey. The World some weeks ago reported very large sales by Canadian lumbermen. This was chiefly of deals, the bulk of which is to be gotten out this season. The prices obtained were good, and these transactions instilled confidence in the trade. Canada ships considerable quantities of lumber and shingles to the United States, but during the past two seasons this trade has suffered greatly by the financial disturbances and trade depression across the border. Since the election of McKinley and the verdict of the people for sound money, a turn for the better has taken place as regards this industry. The stocks of lumber held in Canada are large, on this account, there will not be as many lumbering camps in the woods this season, but the fact of decreased production will help in sustaining values and result in more activity the coming season.

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New Brunswick Heard From.

Amongst the thousands of complimentary letters sent to the Family Herald and Weekly Star, Montreal, regarding the premium picture "Orphan's Prayer," we notice one from a gentleman well known in this locality, which we think worthy of reproducing in these columns. The "Orphan's Prayer" is indeed a beautiful work of art. It can be had with a whole year's subscription to that excellent paper—The Family Herald and Weekly Star of Montreal, for only one dollar. The "Orphan's Prayer" alone sells in New York city for eight dollars per copy. The following opinion of it is from Mr. C. A. Sampson, School Inspector.

Board of School Trustees.

FREDERICTON, N. B. Nov. 11, 1896.

Gentlemen,—It seldom falls to the fortune of the general public to come into possession of a work of art at all comparable to that superb painting by John Ems, the celebrated English artist, aptly named "The Orphan's Prayer," which is given this year as a premium to subscribers to the Weekly Star, Canada's best family newspaper. This many colored painting, wherever it adorns the walls of our people—in mansion or cottage—must prove as a silent and loving formative force in the household.

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School Inspector.

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To Enter The Sewers.

A meeting of the board of school trustees was held in the office of Messrs. Fisher & Connell on Monday afternoon. The question of the condition of the outhouses in connection with the schools was considered and a committee was appointed to make arrangements for connecting the school houses with the sewer system, at once. Other matters of a routine character were dealt with.

Learn to keep your troubles to yourself. The world is too busy to care for your ills and sorrows.

Wore Greased Gloves Seven Years.

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