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"It's the devil for any one to tell me a secret, for it is sure to come out in print."—HAZLITT.

Coun. Connolly entered into the gaol question quite exhaustively last week. I cannot see that his defence of the court house is very strong. He must recollect that the period in ancient history when the public built fine buildings for public uses, and took a pride in them, embraced government by a republic. It was not a time conspicuous for the oppression of the poor. That came later. Supposing when the present court house was built, it was built in stone or brick at a cost of \$20,000 or \$30,000, would it not have been economy. The same of the gaol. There would then be no question about new buildings. The best in most cases is the cheapest. I am not perverse in this matter of the gaol, and would not wish the sentiments of the county to be misrepresented, but I object to the idea that county councillors should wire every elector before they dare to vote on a question. If this dread of what the electors may think is to rule let us return to the system of having elections every year, as we used to do. Supposing a member elected for Ottawa as a liberal. His constituents after his election all become conservative. Is the member to vote liberal or conservative? A member of parliament or of a county council, which is a parliament, is not a delegate. He is supposed to use his own head for it, sometimes, and does not, like a delegate, await instructions. If the electors are not pleased with his course they defeat him when the opportunity comes.

I am glad that there is to be a contest for the mayoralty. Not that I have anything against either of the candidates, or wish them to have more anxious hours than are necessary, but I like to see the chief office of the town so valued that men will strive to attain it. There is not the least need of any hard feeling existing between rival candidates for the mayor's chair, any more than between so many competitors in a foot race or any other sport. A man says in effect, "I would like to be mayor" another man says the same, and the people are asked to decide which is the favorite. I wonder if there is any likelihood of a dark horse appearing on the scene. Such a possibility has been hinted at to me.

The somewhat harmless duet between two illustrious contemporaries leads me to quote for the benefit of the parties concerned, a bit of very timely advice that I notice the Bobcagen Independent is giving to the profession in Toronto:—"Gentlemen, your journals are your pulpits, for goodness sake respect yourselves. If you feel impelled to say things of each other that are not pretty, use the telephone. And if you positively must scrawl, then our sporting editor has a set of eighteen gloves, and will referee a twenty round bout at any point agreed upon. At any rate let us have peace. If our great calling is to be respected by the people, respect for each other among ourselves is positively imperative."

I don't know whether there is much real piety in Woodstock. I know there is a lot of sham piety, and that the Parishes of old is well represented in the community. There used to be a pious custom among our ancestors to have grace before meat and also family prayers. It is to be hoped these good customs are still in vogue, though I fancy the fashion today is to make praying profitable. The man who prays a good deal in public may neglect his private devotions for he gets no credit among his fellows for these latter orisons. It was rather a bright boy who in reply to a question said his parents had family prayers at night time, but not in the morning for they were not afraid in the daytime.

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Etiquette For Boys.

Use your handkerchief unobtrusively always. Always knock at any private room door. Keep step with anyone you walk with. In the parlor stand till every lady is seated. Never play with your knife, fork or spoon. Do not take your napkin in a bunch in your hand. In the dining-room take your seat after ladies and elders. Let ladies pass through a door first, standing aside for them. Let a lady pass first always, unless she asks you to precede her. Eat as fast and as slow as others, finishing the course when they do. Look people straight in the face when speaking or being spoken to. Cover the mouth with hand or napkin when obliged to remove anything from it. Hat off the moment you enter a street door and when you step into a private hall or office. Special rules for the mouth are that all noise in eating and smacking of the lips should be avoided. Always precede a lady up stairs and ask her if you may precede her in passing through a crowd or public place. Lift your hat in saying "good-bye" or "how do you do?" also when offering a seat in a car or acknowledging a favor. Rise when ladies leave the room and stand till they are out. If all go together, gentlemen stand by the door till ladies pass out.

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"It won't do. She weighs ever so much more than that."

He slid the weight along several notches farther.

"By George!" he said. "She weighs more than 10 pounds—11—12—13—14! Is it possible?"

He set the baby and the scales down, and rested himself a moment.

"Biggest baby I ever saw," he panted, resuming the weighing process. "Fifteen and a half—16! This thing won't weigh her. See, sixteen is the last notch, and she jerks it up like a feather! Go and get a big pair of scales at some neighbors. I'll bet a tinner that she weighs over twenty pounds. Millie," he shouted, "she's the biggest baby in this country—weighs over 16 pounds!"

"What did you weigh her on?" inquired the young mother.

"On the old scales in the kitchen."

"The figures on those are only ounces," she replied, quietly. "Bring me the baby, John."

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