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THE DISPATCH.

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crown. Only one touch of yellow appears in front of each eye. There is considerable difference of opinion upon what this bird tells us in its song, but that may be reckoned rather as a good point than otherwise, for each one may choose his own interpretation. At least it is cheerful, which cannot be said of the song of the whippoorwill-a strange mournful chant, which may very often be heard on a summer's evening, coming from the woods on the opposite side of the river. I have never heard one anywhere else about this neighborhood - it seems to return regularly every year. Then there is the golden warbler or summer yellowbird, a veritable gleam of sunshine, the embodiment of cheer. This little follower in summer's train brings with him a breath of the tropics and as one

sits, watching him dart about the trees, one can almost smell the perfume of a hundred flowers and the air resounds with the hum' of insects. Theu, if at this point in your musings, you happen to catch sight of a pom. pous bumble bee ramming himself into a dandelion and hear his deep warning grumble-then the illusion is complete. How completely Bliss Carman's stanza describes our friend.

"The swarthy bee is a buccaneer. A burly velveted rover, Who loves the booming wind in his ear, As he sails the seas of clover."

His rough sea-song is as true an assurance of summer as the note of the frogs is a proof of spring. And how soon the seasons change and steal upon us in gradual but sure succession! For at this very time, when many Canadian boys and girls are coming to an important period in life, all nature too is straining forward, as if in sympathy, to the commencement day of summer, for, like the swell of some sweet tune.

Morning rises into noon, May glides onward into June."

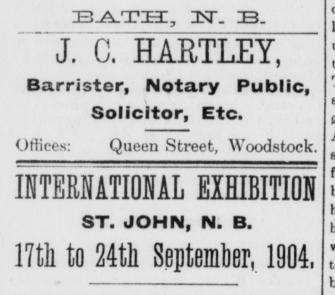
The Financial Burden of War.

The income tax in Great Britain is \$10,-000,000 greater this year than last, and the tax on tea, which amounted to \$4 per family walk in the woods will sometimes reveal more in 1903, will be \$5 per family in 1904. These new taxes, as Current Literature observes, are wholly due to the increased cost are not so careless, for a robin's nest in our of the British army and navy.

At the session of the U.S. Congress which recently closed the appropriation exceeded those of the previous session by \$28,000,000. and of this total \$16,000,000 was due to the ed by the arrival of the junco and the black. Increases which are to be made in the United bird, but the former's voice is merely a States naval expenditure.

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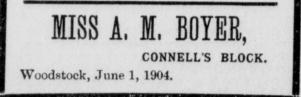
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cal squawk. The junco is a peculiarly neat little bird-never a feather ruffled, like those untidy sparrows. Its color is slate but its is officially declared that four great battletail shows two white stripes when it flies. The blackbird is no singer but it is so handsome and distinguished looking that one forgives its squeaky voice. About the middle of April the chipping sparrow arrives-another small gray-brown bird-just saved from confusion by a dull white throat and reddishbrown cap. And by this time too, the trees have suddenly awakened; the alders have hung out their brown tassels, all powdered with gold dust and the sleek "pussies" of the willow have begun to climb the branches but very timidly. The ground under a willow tree in April may be seen to be

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covered with hundreds of bud-scales, the cast off blankets of the willow babies. Another tree which we all notice in April is the Balm of Gilead or Balsan. Poplar which takes its name from that delicious incense which its bursting buds offer so freely upon the altars of advancing spring.

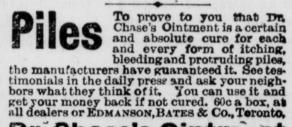
The trees always seem to be in less of a hurry to display themselves than the flowers are; they leisurely wait to hear "the footsteps of the falling drops" before making any extra effort. This year the spring deluge did not come until the second week in May and then the gray hills appeared to leap into sudden verdure. The tasselled, shadowy poplars, the ghostly white arms of the paper birch, the brassy metallic lustre of the yellow birch gleaming through a leafy screen-all these impress one in a woodland walk or drive. I have always had an especial affection for the birches.

Of course the flowers appeared just as usual, nothing could check the hardihood of the floral troop and seekers after woodsy trea. sures could find the blood-roots, adder's tongues, spring beauties, trilliums and violets, blue, white and yellow, blooming merrily in their accustomed places. The blood-root is here the earliest of all spring blossoms. With its brave little white flowers which come up so quickly, it might well be called the Canadian snow drop. But one who gathers a bunch must bear the stains upon his fingers. The ancient Greeks might have considered the blood-root as some poor mortal turned into a flower by the spite of a malicious fairy.

We have three feathered friends who come back to us in the month of May-all worthy of a moments' notice. The first is the white throated sparrow or old Tom Peabody, the "rossignol" of country ballads, Canada's nightingale. This bird has a brown back. gray breast and conspicious white throat and black and white bands alternate upon it

kind. Each added expenditure seems but to pave the way for further outlays later on. It ships in the United States navy (including the famous Oregon), all of which have been built since 1895, will be out of date in four years. The Oregon alone, Current Literature says, cost six and a half millions, or over a million more than the ninety-four buildings and grounds included in Harvard University. How long is this foolish waste to continue?

Wife-"Henry, I am sure young Spoonabit means business in coming here to see Maud." Husband - "Nonsense! What makes you think so?" He wears a new necktie every time he comes." "Do you think Maud cares anything for him?" "I'm certain she does. Why, she hasn't eaten an onion this spring."- Pick-Me-Up.



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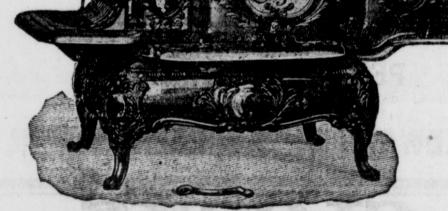
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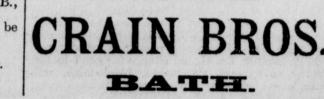
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