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citizen on the public streets. Is this complete? Do we need to say more? Is this man fit to be on the police force?

> These are questions which every citizen has a right to ask, questions that should them forward with any feeling toward the man. We consider him only in the light of an officer and believe that as such he is a disgrace to the police force and a disgrace to the city.

A NATIONAL FOLLY.

Readers of American newspapers, particularly those in sympathy with the republican party, can hardly fail to have been impressed with the great stress laid upon the manner in which any line of national policy is likely to affect England, and upon English comments upon American the affairs. England is the bete noir of republicans. The election of MCKINLEY in Ohio was hailed as a triumph over England ; but we have not observed that FLUVERS' election in New York, has been characterized as an English victory. The disrepute into which Uncle SAM has fallen in Chili, is laid at England's door. The overturn in in Brazil is an English device to defeat BLAINE's reciprocity scheme. The fact that the Sandwich Islands object to being coddled by the WASH-INGTON Government is attributed to to JOHN BULL. High protection is applauded, principally because it is supposed to hurt England. The American consumers will have to pay \$15,000,000 more for their tin this year than they would have paid except for the MCKINLEY bill, and the papers all advance as a compensa-

ting thought that the Welsh tin miners are suffering. Of all national tomtoolery this augrophobia bears the palm. Recently the Democratic papers have begun to make sport of this failing of their rivals; but it is not altogether a matter for pleasantry, because there is danger that Mr. BLAINE, who is the past master of this English bug-a-boo business, may push things a little too far, and strained relations with England may result.

MEN AND THINGS.

The alleged determination of Kaiser

He has been suspended for abusing a swear to his statement. We are not in a position to ask for or get copies of the telegrams from the telegraph offices, but the man who sent the telegrams, the chief of police, can get them. It he will produce those copies the truth or the untruth of MCNEILL's statement will be shown. be asked and answered. We do not put If he will not produce them, what must we conclude?

> city is an old and powerful newspaper, with a circulation among the thinking and wealthy people. Sensationalism is not a branch of its journalistic business, and yet it speaks the truth at times, and puts it plainly. Here is a paragraph relative to police supervision in that great city:

stale. The conviction of poor and friendless people on doubtful evidence, while the wealthy gambler, keeper are allowed to go at large, reveling in their found ill-gotten gains, will not be permitted. Superintendent MURRAY, you ought and you shall stop these crimes, or you may expect disgrace.

Do you see the point, Chief CLARK?

C. N. SKINNER, M. P., makes the statement that he will not sit in the house of commons again, and that he will go out of politics so quick that we will never know -" the rocking-horse," " the greatest annexation power," and such. Don't let them lie around loose. Take them with you, and the blessings of the weary will follow you.

Outing, in a recent number, accuses the University Monthly of plaguarism, and proves the charge. It is bad enough for a daily newspaper to scissor a paragraph and orget the credit, but for a monthly, and a university monthly at that !- what are we coming to? Here's scope for spare 'extension" energy.

Mr. JOHN VALENTINE ELLIS and Mr. WILLIAM HENRY THORNE are paying their compliments to one another. This is a good time of the year for such pleasantries. Here's the season's compliments

to both of you, gentlemen. May you in William to have a commission of experts 1892 devote less of your time to each other and more to your newspapers.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

paragraph in regard to small offertories at the Mission church of St. John Baptist is, I think, capable of a wrong interpretation by the public. I did not hear Mr. Geare's remarks, but I believe I am right in assuming that they were not intended to apply to the congregation. That body is not composed of wealthy people, and not a The Mail and Express of New York few of the number are poor; but in few churches, probably, do the members give more freely in proportion to their means. It must be remembered that the church is supported by voluntary contributions.

At the services attended wholly or chiefly by the stated attendants the average of the offertories has always been good. The early celebration at Easter gives a proof of this. It has long been noted, however, Arrests without evidence to sustain the cases are that the larger the proportion of strangers at Sunday evensong, for instance, the smaller is the average of the offertory. It green goods man, pool seller, policy seller and dive is then that the one-cent a head result is

In justice to the congregation it is well that this fact should be understood. LAICUS.

Indemnity of Members in Nova Scotia.

TO THE EDITOR OF PROGRESS: In res ponse to the invitation of your representative, I recently gave PROGRESS an expression of opinion upon the advisability of increasing the salaries of members of the New Brunswick Government, any portion of which he was at liberty to publish, or to consign to the waste basket at will. Certain statements of fact made in that inter view have since been called in question in PROGRESS, by a correspondent writing over the signature of "Fred. " Congdon." Save to re-affirm the strict accuracy of my statements, it is not necessary to enter upon any lengthy discussion of the issues raised by him. First, because those issues are not of public interest outside of this province, where Mr. Congdon is not known. Secondly, because no unsupported accusations of the character preferred by him are ever deemed to be of any importance in this province, where Mr. Congdon and his relations with our provincial executive are known. Mr. Congdon's equivocal denials are based an allegation that the facts on referred to are not within recollection. But as only eternity itself would suffice to inform Mr. Congdon upon the infinite series of subjects that never were within his recollection, I must respectfully decline to enter upon such a task in the short space of time allotted to the life of man on this terrestrial sphere. If, however, he is really vearning for information on this subject, I can only refer him to the files of the Halifax Chronicle, in which he should consult the editorials of April 17, May 3, 13, 28,



We mention a few articles that we think would make Choice and Acceptable Christmas Presents. For LADIES :

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A Fine Assortment of Gold and Silver Headed WALKING STICKS,



he was in them. Before you do either, Mr. SKINNER, accept a suggestion. Do something for the people ere you disappear in the gubernatorial mansion or rest upon the ermined bench. Get a hard and fast copyright upon your stock phrases

THE PEOPLE CAN JUDGE.

It is a matter for sincere regret that RAWLINGS was not summarily dismissed from the protective force of the city when found guilty by his chief of insulting and abusing a citizen on the public streets. The fact that the citizen happened to be an ald erman and chairman of the very committee which has partial charge of the police force does not in our opinion aggravate the offense. Every man has the same right to protection-protection from abuse, assault, robbery, incendiarism, etc., and he expects to get that safety from the protective force of the city. What must we think then when the very men who are supposed to guard the people, to keep the law, are among those who seek to break the peace and satisfy private enmities by public abuse of the object of them?

What can we think of a man who will overlock such conduct on the part of a to his attention, until torced to act by the representatives of the people and a newspaper?

And in the face of all this what must we think of three days suspension as punishment for so serious an offence?

Let us for a moment take up RAWLINGS'

extraordinary young man. Fancy a collection of specialists meeting at a man's own request to do such a thing. Suppose they judge him to be insane and so report, will he set up a new standard of sanity?

We have about eleven or twelve Unless the story is a new French canard, it is no joking matter, for a man who can do such a thing may be expected to do anything.

> There is a good text here if one were disposed to preach a sermon. Whether he be sound in mind or no, the Kaiser is not sound in body. Nor was his father before him. His grandfather was a rugged man, and his maternal grandmother, the Queen, is certainly a strong woman. But there have been bad streaks in the blood on both sides of the house, which has cropped out in many ways, and there are lunatics not far removed in point of blood from the head of the Hohenzollerns. Too much fast living, too much intermarrying will bear its legitimate fruit of impaired physical and mental powers. "I will visit the sins of the fathers upon the children" was laid before the thunders of Sinai.

> Our own royal family are rather a poor lot, physically and mentally. They are not, apparently at least, good average people. Of course they are hampered by their position to some extent, but not one of them has shown a capacity to do anything useful out of the merest routine. Possibly this is just as well, for the United Kingdom has no need of a vigorous sovereign. In fact one would be rather an embarrassment. Respectable mediocrity adorns the throne of a limited monarchy about as well as anything.

> As every one knows the Czar is said to be crazy, and he has enough to make him so, if any man ever had. With dynarevolution and famine, the mite, ambition of his officers urging him to war, and the numerous et ceteras inseparable from Czardom, he would need a brain of adamant to keep from going crazy.

A crazy czar, a kaiser who has doubts about his own sanity, a crazy German princeling or two, a baby king in Spain, a subordinate, even when strongly brought little girl queen in Holland, a king paid to keep out of his kingdom, as in the case of Servia--the business is getting into disrepute. If the ghost of CHARLEMAGNE, or of CÆSAR, or some of the other worthies we all can recall, ever "revisits these glimpses of the moon," how disgusted it

The correspondent of the Halifax Mail, whose letter we quote from elsewhere, is rather inclined to think that the agreeable this city will not continue. That all depends upon circumstances. We shall see what we shall see.

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POEMS WRITTEN FOR "PROGRESS."

Song of the Snow Flakes.

Down from the misty heights above. We come awhirling fast; And soon o'er all the landscape, Our mantle white we cast.

And first we fall so gently, So gently flake by flake, You wouldn't think it possible A snow-drift we could make.

But soon it grows monotonous, Just falling one by one, And though we're only snow-flakes, We dearly love some fun.

So we challenge the North Wind To catch us if he dare! Then up and down we frolic And creep in everywhere.

We bank the poor man's cottage high, We sift in through the cracks; The old wind whistles at our heels, And bolder still we wax.

The rich man turns his collar up, But down his neck we creep; We melt upon his lashes And in his pockets deep.

We keep the snow-plough busy From morning until night; While to see the shovels flying Just fills us with delight.

We cover deep the frozen pond On which the skaters glide; We bid them get their snow-shoes There are drifts on every side!

But gently, now, and reverently, With a low wailing sound, We lay our purest winding-sheet, On the lonely burying ground.

We wrap each hallowed resting place In a robe of purest white; We crown the lofty tree-tops With snow wreaths glittering white.

The chuckle of the boisterous wind, Has sunk into a moan; With sighing breath he piles us high

Fit emblems of life's transient dream. Which soon must fade away We nestle, cold and lifeless, O'er the cold and lifeless clay.

On each gray lettered stone.

So down from the misty height above We come awhirling fast; Full well we know our time is brief Soon snow flakes will be past.

The Illustrated Advertisement.

PROGRESS has printed more really handsome advertisements this season than at the source from which it was obtained .-must be with the modern representatives of any time in its history. Many of them Outing.

August 4 Nov. 25 of 1879; April 12, 1880; March 8, 1881; and others of the same purport, which appeared during the term of Mr. Fielding's editorial management. The statement that "not unfrequently the Herald will one day refer to the statements in the editorial columns of condition of Saturday night closed bars in the Chronicle as the language of a certain person, and again refer to the same statements as the language of another person," is an utterly gratuitous falsehood, for which I can conceive of no possible explanation or excuse CHARLES H. CAHAN.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 14, 1891.

Good Pure Fiction.

A bright, chatty writer in the Free Press talks about books in this fashion :

I don't see how anyone can condemn good, pure fiction. How restful, after the day's work is over, to sit down and read a tew chapters in a serial or a tew short stories. One's brain does not always feel capable of solid reading. I have spent many hours upon novels and I don't consider them wasted. Someone asked for the names of a few good novels. I think East Lynn and John Halifax, Gentleman, are two of the best novels I have ever read. Uncle Tom's Cabin should be read by every one. George Eliot's Middlemarch is good, but you who like stories to end happily do not read her Mill on the Floss. I have just finished reading Vanity Fair, which is splendid. I like J. O. Cooper's works very much. Put Yourself in His Place is one of the best of novels and with a moral that every one can see. Dickens' and Scott's works need no comment. The Vicar of Wakefield and Scottish Chiefs are both highly interesting.

Four of the books mentioned above can be had with six others equally good by sending 50 cents to PROGRESS in addition to the regular subscription price. Read the offer.

Outing finds, month by month, its leading teatures recognized as a mine of information, pleasure and instruction, from which editors everywhere draw nuggets for the edification of their readers. Outing has not only no objection to this, but has ever announced the pleasure it gives the proprietary to observe the use so freely made of its pages. It asks in return only that credit in each case be given to Outing whenever extracts are made from its pages. We notice, therefore, with regret, the increasing unprincipledness of a certain class of editors who repay our liberality by stealing bodily whole articles from *Outing* without giving any credit whatever. While *imitation* is "the sincerest form of flattery," such use is unpardonable piracy, and unlawful too, and Outing will be compelled to invoke the law for its protection against such thievery as that of the University Monthly of the University of New Brunswick at Fredericton, N. B., which indexes as one of its literary contributions and prints in the issue of October as its own the article "Canoeing on the Miramichi" from Outing for September, without any reference to Sets of Books, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Shaving Sets in Silver and Plush, Dressing Cases, Gentlemen's Card Cases, Cigar Cases, Choice Editions of all the Poets.

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Really This is Too Bad.

recent record. We will not go back ot king-craft. The business is pretty near the union of the cities. Since that time-He has been on his trial for perjury; He has been tried, found guilty and fined tor abusive language to a subordinate :

He has been suspended by his chief for abusive and blasphemous language; He has been suspended for drinking at a public bar while on duty;

would adorn a magazine. Mr. Ungar always has an "ad" worth turning to, but for done. the past few weeks such firms as T. Mc-

Mr. JOSEPH MCNEILL's letter pub-Avity & Sons, Alfred Morissey, Ferguson lished elsewhere in this paper, is very ex- & Page, C. Flood & Sons have shown the plicit and straightforward, and calls for an value of the illustrated advertisement, Messrs McAvity with supply of electros explanation from the chief of police. We do not wish to fasten the charge of sending could keep it up the whole year and give such a telegram upon Mr. CLARK, but something new each day. The world is MCNEILL says that he did and is willing to moving and the advertiser is keeping pace.

His Annual Display. There is always a display of fancy goods at Crockett's drug store, on Princess street, during the holiday season, but this year the proprietor has excelled himself in the way of goods suitable for Christmas presents. It is impossible to print a catalogue of goods in a notice of this kind, but the best advice is to take a walk round that way and see what "Tom" has.

Present.

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