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HOW WOULD IT SUIT HERE?

The federal system of civic government, adopted by the city of Cleveland, Ohio, is an experiment which seems likely to result in success.

The charter secured by the citizens last year creates a system of responsible government in civic affairs.

The expenditure has been greatly reduced while the effective work done has been enormously increased.

The amount of relief granted by the department of charities has been greatly increased, but a saving has been effected of \$32,341.

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THE BORE BELL.

A device of great utility, which appears to have been in limited private use for some time, is announced from the other side of the water.

There are summary ways of getting rid of bores, if one is not ashamed of being rude, but most bores are of a class whom one does not wish to openly offend.

Some of the English doctors have found out the way to keep friendly with patients who are bores, and yet to avoid being bored too much.

An electric button which is operated by a slight pressure of the foot. The result is the ringing of a bell in the apartments of the attendant, who at once appears with the announcement that a visitor is in waiting...

The various uses to which a bore bell may be applied will readily suggest themselves. Editors, lawyers and doctors, will find them of special service, of course, but the utility of them may be made apparent in many other ways.

In the meantime, the idea of the bore bell is one that commends itself as pointing the way to the supplying of a long felt want.

PRAYER CAUSES A BOYCOTT.

A very peculiar labor difficulty has been attracting attention in New York of late. Everybody who has had occasion to take cheap lunches in that city, or indeed in Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago and other big cities of the union, knows something of DENNETT'S lunch counters and tables.

The most peculiar thing which strikes the stranger in Mr. DENNETT'S restaurants is the frequency with which neatly framed texts of scripture adorn the walls, mixed up with business announcements.

One of the rules for the government of his employees has been that they shall attend prayer meeting every morning. Three or four weeks ago, however, one of the New York waiters, of the Roman catholic faith, refused, for conscience sake, to attend at a form of worship not recognized by his church.

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were known. All the vices of New York are not concentrated in the slums. It is but fair to say, however, that Fr. HUNTINGTON disclaims his intention to do any "slumming," as it is termed.

An English paper, in speaking of the progress in the English language made by PADREWSKI, the pianist, during his stay in America says that "fortunately, however, he has not caught the peculiar intonation and accent that disfigure the mother tongue when spoken by Americans."

A writer in Public Opinion asserts that the average American works one month out of the year for the sake of being governed.

JOYS AND WOES OF OTHER PLACES.

Mr. Belliveau is on Deck. Mr. James Belliveau is having his house improved by a nice coat of paint.—Yarmouth Light.

His Big Contract. McKimour, our chief of police, is keeping the streets quiet and orderly. He does his work without any fuss or bluster.—Digby Guardian.

The Man Who Laughs. I think some people wouldn't mind moving a foot rather quickly after that wire clothes line man who has fooled us all into buying his patent line.—Parrboro Leader.

Why Samuel Returned. Many of the Durham folks wondered at Samuel Johnson coming back from the Northwest, but now they think it is all explained as he and Miss Isabe McLean were married on Friday last, the 22nd inst.—Pon Herald.

The Time They Got Left. Quite a crowd of men and women gathered at the Scotch Crown school house Tuesday evening for the purpose of hearing Mr. Robinson lecture on butter making, but for some reason or other Mr. Robinson did not make his appearance.—Carlton Sentinel.

Spring in Nova Scotia. Planting, fencing, brush burning, young lambs, etc., testify to the presence of spring; however, your correspondent has not seen any goslings yet, so we fancy it is going to be a poor summer for geese, notwithstanding the fact of it being leap year.—Parrboro Leader.

He Must Live on an Island. Four negroes were lynched in Florida on Monday night. They were taken from jail, and strung up to trees by the roadside. This does justice smoothly till its functions in the continent to which, thank heaven, we don't altogether belong. Tarraboom-de-ay.—Lansburg Argus.

Lottery, Dance and Revival. The last of these gatherings was at W. Green's, where a quilt was sold by lottery. In the dance that followed all admit, that in grace and agility, the elderly ladies far surpassed the younger.

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HAVE YOU BEEN MOVING?

IF SO, YOUR NAME OUGHT TO BE IN THE LIST BELOW.

It is Your Own Fault if It is Not There—Two Hundred Others who Have Had all the Fun, and Otherwise, Getting Out of One House into Another.

A good many people seem to be moving this year. It is the same way every season. The streets on May day, and for days before and after, show a succession of processions made up of all sorts of teams loaded with all sorts of household goods.

PROGRESS gives a partial list of removals this year. It is not complete, nor was it expected to be. The people who moved were invited to send notice of the fact, and many of them have done so.

About 200 removals are recorded below. While this does not represent all, it means a great deal when one comes to think of it.

The list here given explains itself. Alger, Ed., Portland to High street. Allen, Fred, Garden to Charlotte.

Wallace, T. C., 301 Union, to 219 King. Wanamaker, James, 61 Bridget, to 45 City road.

POEMS WRITTEN FOR "PROGRESS."

The Wanderer. Far o'er the prairie wide, Far up the mountain, All o'er the rolling plains Laying between.

Rest here, tho' wanderer, Cease thou thy loiterings, E'en though the heart be bruised, Here peace for aye.

To the Front With Another Idea.

Mr. R. Rodgers comes around periodically with a new idea, and it is usually a good one. This time his announcement on another page will interest all masons, and as he invites applications for sub-agents his mail should be a heavy one next week.

Joining the Fold.

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Leonard, Harry H., Prince to do. J. B. Beatty's new house. Little, Mrs. Rock, to Summer. Lortley, A. J., King to Horsfield.

Macdonald, C. A., King to 117 Union. Macdonald, E., High to Duke. Magee, Dr., Queen to Mt. Pleasant avenue.

McCarthy, D., High, to Grand Bay. McCarthy, D., Richmond, to 197 Union. McCarthy, James, 80 Charlotte, to 247 do.

Nelson, Robt., Douglas ave., to Harrison. Nichols, Geo., High, to Portland. Northrup, E. L., Celebration, to Exmouth.

Samuels, Rev. J. H., Elliott row, to Queen. Sanderson, Geo., Wright, to Hazen. Scarnell, Mrs., Prince Wm., to Garden.

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SPRINGHILL.

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May 5.—Last week was decidedly one of dissipation—there being no less than three social events to break the monotony—the most brilliant of these, however, was the ball on Friday evening, and for which Murray Hall was prettily decorated, though not so elaborately as on previous occasions.

The assembly was most enjoyable and the committee deserve the very highest praise for their efforts. The chaperones, Mrs. Alloway, Mrs. Pease, Mrs. Mastord and Mrs. E. H. Parsons, filled their position splendidly.

Among the many pretty costumes worn the following were noticed: Mrs. Carr, black lace. Mrs. G. Leckie, pale blue satin en train.

The dramatic class are announced to appear on the 12th. No doubt they will be well patronized as the club has the best amateur talent of the town.

Mr. Alexander Lawson of the Herald spent a few days in Boston last week. Miss Katie Burdill has returned from St. John.

Among those who have been absent from Yarmouth for the past month, is Miss Julia Moody who returned from New York this week.

On Thursday week there will be a recital in Music hall, by the pupils of Mr. G. K. Hatfield, consisting of singing, piano, and organ, and choruses.

Mr. Geo. Butler returned from Dalhousie last week, having come out first in several studies at the college.

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HALIFAX.

MAY 5.—The Orpheus concert on Thursday does not afford much scope for criticism.

The shepherd heard his Sunday boy, who was very fresh and charming in character, and was charmingly sung; and Meyer-Helmsund's serenade, which is most poetic, left nothing to be desired.

The "Lady of Shalott" which was the piece de resistance, was very nicely done, and if there was a little monotonous in it, it was owing to the composer, not to the artist, who did it more than justice.

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