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PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Corruption at City Hall is Exposed by a New Reform Lea ;ue, and a Shocking Condition of School Buildings Brought to Light by Committeeman S. A. Wetmore.

Boston, Nov. 6 .- The corruption in high places brought to light this week by the officers of the municipal reform league have been worrying the members of the city goverment considerably, and from present indications it is evident that the new league will fill a long felt want.

It is composed largely of men of high moral purposes who, so far as is known, have no axes to grind and are honestly working for the good of the public.

Their first broadside at the members of the present city government has stricken terror to the rank and file. The smallness of spirit shown by the aldermen and councilmen in helping themselves to the public chest is in striking contrast to the wiglesale robbery of the lord mogul of New York, but it is plundering just the same, and of the meanest kind.

The members of the city council and beard of aldermen are allowed meals and cab hire when holding committee meetings, and they have been working this provision of the law to the Queen's taste. Som ; of them have been sending in bills to the city for expenses of this kind, running up into thousands of dollars, although the figures This year, with perhaps a possible exception, have kept within three figures. Nevertheless one would judge by reading the returns that the aldermen of Boston lived in cabs and carriages, and ate dollar dinners eight times a day.

Of course they haven't been living in cabs and carriages (you call them coaches in St. John) or eating to beat the band, although the circumference of some of them might lead one to believe that the latter | consummation desired. A poor article may statement was true. A "pull" is something have an opposite effect.

BOSTON'S MORAL WAVE. under difficulties. A mechanical arts high GIRLS, LEARN TO COOK. school established a few years ago has prac-AST. JOHN MAN'S ADDRESS ON THE tically come to a standstill owing to lack of funds, and complaints have been made at

every meeting about the condition of the school buildings in different districts. was not until the last meeting, Lowever, that the public was brought to a true realization of the way matters stood, and, with the mass of evidence collected and presented by Mr. Wetmore, the board will now probably push its claims and place the schools in the condition in which the members would like to see them. They have voted to print Mr. Wetmore's address in pamphlet form and circulate it freely as a school document. By this means public sentiment will be still further aroused, and it is to be hoped that before very long that no children will be deprived of an education on account of insufficent accomodation, and that those that do go to school will not have their health impaired by being compelled to sit in close badly ventilated rooms day atter day the year round.

R. G. LARSEN. "FILOSOPHY AND FOLLY."

A Few Remarks on Various Subjects by "Jay Bee."

Memory, like mules, is better for being ogged.

than merely flickering.

Quack medicines should be purchased with counterfeit money.

"While the (electric) light holds out to burn," you'd better keep off a live wire ! (This last is not poetical but it has been demonstrated.)

Are there any "crooks" in the straits of Gibraltar?

Can the Dye Works di-aphram?

In smoking the pipe of peace, use a good piece of tobacco, thereby assuring the

SUCH IS ASTRA'S ADVICE TO "COM-ING WOMEN."

The Troubles that Astra Herself Was Heiress to Because of Her Ignorance of Cookery and the Other Secrets of Housekeeping-A Housekeeper's Independence.

I wish I could impress upon every girl of my acquaintance, and upon every girl who comes to me in this column for advice, the importance of learning not only how to take ordinary care of a house, but how to cook and serve a platable meal. It may seem like rather a superfluous remark to make, when Canadian girls are noted for being excellent housewives; but I do not speak without reflection, and I believe the number of good housekeepers amongst the girls of today, to be decreasing rather than increasing. Ten years ago, the number of young girls in my own circle of friends and acquaintances, who are excellent cooks and housekeepers, was more than double what it is now; and amongst the girls who grew up with me I can remember but two who were not capable of taking entire charge of their mother's household when occasion demanded, and of managing the domestic machinery with such skill and judgment, that the different hand on the helm was imperceptible, and the weary Some lights are better extinguished | mother could go away for a long rest, with a perfectly easy mind.

I regret to say that I was one of those two exceptions, and perhaps that is one reason I can speak so teelingly on the subject. Circumstances were against my learning very much about the gentle crafts of cooking and housekeeping in my early youth, partly hecause I never was strong enough and partly because I always had so many other things to do; so that what I have learned of late years has been acquired | troubled herself to find out, because there laboriously and by the sweat of my brow, as it were. But I suppose the experience to do such things and she did not see why has been valuable, even if it were only by she shou'd meddle with what did not con-

qualitying me to serve as an awful example | cern her. to other girls and warn them off the shoals which proved so very inconvenient to me. At least it has had the good effect of convincing me that nothing else can compensate any woman for ignorance of the arts of home making, and housekeeping. She may be a genius and possess gifts far beyond the average of her sex, but if she does not know how to keep a house neat and bright she will be a failure as a wife, because the instinct of order is not with her, and what is lacking in herself she can scarcely hope to instil into her servants, tate.



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ing in this world than to be utterly depend- to learn at least enough about housekeepent upon someone who is merely paid for ing, to make your husband's home fairly the services rendered, and who may at any comfortable; I can assure you that you will never regret it, and neither will he.

THE DUDLEY DIAMOND.

How the Glittering Gem Was Found in a Kaffir Village.

For many years the rumor of a magnificent diamond, said to be in the possession of a time, but I don't think she could have made tribe dwelling in a far-away region vaguely indicated by the expression "up country," upon it, and I am sure she did not know had tickled the ears of adventurers in South whether tea was boiled in a saucepan and Africa. Many had gone in search of it; none had come within measurable distance on the back of the fire for four hours, beof obtaining it.

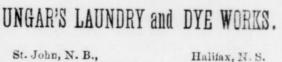
> About this time, however (1869), A Dutch farmer named Van Neikirk got upon the track of the diamond. He wandered UNGAR'S LAUNDRY and DYE WORKS. from tribe to tribe and from village to village- one day hopeful of success and the next disappointed. At length he was directed to

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How to get \$50.00 wear out of \$20.00 worth of clothes. There is but one way. Have your old clothes dyed at UNGAR'S, and you will find that you get all the satisfaction of new ones.

One trial convinces.



worth having in this part of the world and everybody who has one works it to the best of his ability. And pulls have something to do with the expense bills.

It is said that many of the bills for carriage hire were contracted by the aldermen when some of their constituents died. The ward heeler who controlled the constituent's vote when he was alive, and perhaps continues to control the votes of the members of the family after he is dead, goes to the alderman who benefits by these votes and till him that so many carriages are wanted key." for the funeral. Then the alderman sends the number of carriages desired to follow the deceased constituent to the grave, and charges them up to the city as carriages used by him in attending committee meetnings.

Then the aldermen go cut riding in the parks and suburbs on Sundays and of course that goes into the Lill, too, according to common report.

Other charges of a more serious natue have been mule, to the effect that prople going before the committee on claims have to pay up before their cases will be considered.

All this has made the members of the city government indignant, and while some are trying to explain matters, others are threatening to make the municipal reform league pay dearly for what it is done. There are likely to be some warm days during the coming winter months.

Revelations of an equally important nature, if not more so, were made at the last teeman S. A. Wetmore. The committee other kind." on school houses made a report that even ing calling attention to the inadequate accommodation in some of the school districts, and Mr. Wetmore followed it up with an order asking that the city government of Boston appropriate \$1.000,000 for new school buildings. His address in resenting the order is said to have been one of the most remarkable ever delivered to the board. He presented an array of facts and figures to show that nearly 4000 ebildren were deprived of schooling every year, owing to the fact that the city did

had grown up, and the candle-stone had by the experience of the manager of a pubin Canada, and many a woman who is able way radiantly in the world, but oh ! such sensation, and its publication has caused poor matches for any unfortunate man who lishing house in Chicago who advertised been lost for years, did any of them realise and willing to pay high wages to a comthe matter to be taken up by the municipal that it was a diamond of, doubtless, impetent servant, is obliged to put up with may happen to marry them ! They may tor "a little beauty to work in a store window reform league and prominent educators, mense vilue. The Kimberley mines were be able to earn money enough to keep halt the very indifferent article she can get and and display paper dress patterns." Eight while some of the ministers who are shoutin the anknown future; but this stone had make a good and reliable handmaiden of a dezen s rants, but that does not matter, women without a vestige of good looks or ing for the little red school house and the TONIC. perhaps been washed down by some torher by careful teaching. Suppose she did provided they cannot guide the helm them- trace of any they might have lost through A. P. A. have been using it as an argument | rent, or brought by other chance from that not know the first thing about housekeep- | selves, and, in cases of energy, even do the age or illness-except in their own estimato show that the church of Rome is trying region ing herself, how would any man's home work that is necessary. tion-appeared on the scene. They were Women as Bootblacks. to do away with the public school. This, It makes weak nerves strong, There is no nore unsatistactory wife in this world than the brilliant talented girl whose gifts are so great that she is incanaget on with an ignorant mistress at the however, is a phase of the subject which has A woman recently in Paris confessed to a promotes sound, refreshing great interest in the woman bootblacks head of it, trying to guide an equally igprobably never entered the mind of the norant-maid? It does not take a servant whose gifts are so great that she is incapasleep, aids digestion, restores whom she saw there. "They wear a pecucommittee man. observers with a desire for the patterns. The Boston school board has been try- liar uniform," she says, "not unlike that of long to find out how little her mistress ble of bringing her mind to everyday affairs So the homely ones had no chance. Not lost appetite, is a perfect the Sisters of Mercy, but their coquettish knows either, and it may be readily of life, and who knows no more about one pretty one had been found since, and ing for a long time to induce the city goverthe manager declares that all the pretty blood and flesh builder, manners quite nullity the religious asimagined that she has little respect for an housekeeping thin a butterfly. Therefore, girls, I do beg of you to find sufficient time, after you leave school, and heads all other cities in the number of ment to give it enough money to keep up sociations of their dress. Most of them employer who does not know enough to restores the bloom of health. the standard of the public schools, but work with gloved hands, and they are wonderfully neat and dexterous at their instruct her in her duties. year after year the appropriations have All Druggists sell it. 50c a Bottle. Six for \$2.50. I don't know of any more wretched feel- before you ente on a career of your orn, I women employed in business. been out, and the board has had to labour | calling." Mid only by Hawker Medicine Co. Ltd. St. John, M.B.

Drawn and guartered-two pints of ale. A soft answer not only turneth away wrath, but if conveying an exclamatory yes

A crank who recognizes the fact that h is one, is not nearly so cranky as the crank who considers himself crankless.

"Liar licenses" should be issued to all intending fishermen.

Man proposes-except in leap year. Darwinian novel-"The tail of a mon-

"See, the conquering hero comes" never better illustrated than where it is necessary to administer paregoric.

> Said she, "A life on the ocean wave," Said he, "With you I'd just as lave."

There's an end to the matter, as the printer said when he finished his pi. "Gull bait" is generally used by the sportsman who spins a longer yarn concerning the length of the fish he catches than is consistent with the carrying capacity of his basket.

A gentleman dying wished to be cremated, on the ground that he would more likely be re(m)-embered, but was convinced by a friend that by ordinary burial he would stand a better chance of being re-membered, and accordingly submitted to his friend's wishes. Remember !

Hardcash-"Never borrow trouble, my boy." Harlup- "I wasn't trying till I saw you. Lend me a fiver, that's all the trouble

I'm trying to borrow, but I'm afraid I'll meeting of the Boston board by Commit- have more trouble borrowing that than any

Never try to "keep in" with a friend who is always "out" to you.

Politeness does not discriminate between silk an l calico. Nor does it confine its conspiciousness to time or place. Nor is it any more expensive than ruleness, n-ither does it need to assert loudly, nor with affectation. Nor can it be improved by other than a natural exhibition thereof, the variety depending largely upon the personality of the individual. JAY BEE.

A Diamond for a Playthlag.

living thereby, and a third takes up paint-Miss Olive Schreiner, the celebrated not provile sufficient accommodation ; that lead Australian writer, recently told this story ing as a means of livelihood. And all of bo rd, but I always expect to have some-THIN "Make it so," responded the colonel children were crowded into stuffy little of her childhood. She and her trothers them are too busy to think of such a usewith the greatest gravity, and the dinner one to do the work for me." rooms where their health was impaired and sisters had as one of the playthings a preceeded. Nothing was said at the time, les study as that of household economy True enough, and well enough, as far as a. to bat the rental of these rooms, paid by but the navy officers tell the story. bright stone that they called the candlet goes! But how is the mistress to teach and the science of cooking properly. the city, would be sufficient to pay the stone. It was about the size of a walaut, Chicago's Fretty Women All Employed. the servant a thing about which she is per-They are all good girls, clever girls, and greater of the interest on the amount for and would flish in a bright and singular feetly ignorant herselt? Unfortunately, wonderfully capable girls, nev r spending The wondrous advantage of beauty of new buildings asked for the order. way when held to the light. Not until she many idle moments, and winning their own trained servants are few and far between ace and form in woman is again exemplified Mr. Wetmore's address created a genuir e

and we all know how much there is in the force of example.

A woman may be beautiful as Helen of Troy and fascinating as Cleopatra, but if she has no idea how to cook the simplest meal she will not look charming in her husband's eyes, when he comes home tired and hungry, and finds nothing but her attractions to feast his eyes upon, the day the cook gets drunk, and the housemaid takes French leave. He has been hard at work all day, and he has a right to expect a little home comfort, and a reasonable amount of good food awaiting him at the close of his labor, and morever he is an angel amongst men who will not resent any did not either. We did not know how to shortcomings in this respect. A man who can afford to keep servants for his wife usually dislikes to see her working her-

self, but still I think there is usually a connection pretty deeply rooted in his mind, that when a man marries a woman, and cheerfully undertakes to provide her with every comfort and luxury in his power, as long as she lives, he is justified in expecting her to anderstanl the management of the household he has placed her at the head of, and to be able, it need be to look after his comfort herself. It is merely her share of the bargain, the portion she should contribute to the partnership she has entered into. "But why should I trouble about housekeeping, and ruin my complexion fussing over the kitchen fire learning to cook?" says the pretty society girl. "1 never had to do it and I never expect to. Papa has always had servants to do the cooking and housework for us, and I hope I will not marry a man who is too poor to do the same: if I do, we shall certainly

By-and-bye, she married a man who a medicine man or witch doctor, residing could only afford to keep one general serin a certain Kaffir village, and sure enough, vant for her, and it was really pathetic to after a good beal of palaver and plentitul see the absolute slavery in which that couple libations of jowala, discovered him to be were held by their own maid. She happossessed of a pure white stone of extrapened to be not only a tyrant, but a thoroughly capable damsel who could do everything, and who loved to rule. Their one terror was that she would leave them, and therefore they lived in absolute subjection to her, feeling certain they would

moment leave you alone, and helpless.

I knew a girl once who was brought in

the midst of luxury, and taught everything

a girl should know-except the great es-

sentials of cooking and housekeeping.

She travelled a good deal, and saw some-

thing of the world, and she had a very good

an apron for herself if her life had depended

then strained, or potatoes simmered slowly

tore they were done; and she never

had always been plenty of servants around

all awfully hungry; you know this is

taste so good."

starve and perish if she left them to their became excited and offered him his whole span of oxen. To this had of necessity to be added the tent-wagon which he had fitted One night I happened to be spending out for his own journey together with his the evening at the house of a mutual appurtenances. And at last, stripped of friend, and this couple, and a friend of the all his belongings save his gun and ammunition, he departed with the gem safely conwife's, who was visiting her dropped in. cealed somewhere about his person. During the evening our hostess made

The bargain, nevertheless, was a good chocolate and we had a dainty little supper one, as the stone was found, when brought of thin bread, and butter, chocolate and to the frontier, to be a beautiful, flawless cake. The visitors seemed to erjoy their diamond of the purest water and worth £25,000. This diamond, which is now in supper wonderfully, and at last the young the possession of the Countess of Dudley, wife said-"I daresay we are all eating as may be called "the foundation-stone of the if we were starved, but the fact is we were diamond industry."

Score One for the Navy.

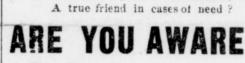
Maggie's atternoon out, and she said she There is always more or less rivalry bcwould be out to tea too. I did not know tween the army and navy, and probably how to get tea, and Alice-her visitorthere always will be. When men of either service can work off a joke at the expense boil a cup of tea, and Jim said he was not of the other they never miss an opportunvery hungry, so we just went without anyity. The navy officers are now telling one thing to est at all, so you see we have on the army. It was at Fort Monroe, good reason to eat like beggars, things where one of the vessels of the navy was temporarily awaiting orders, that a dele-Those three people, living in their own gation of army officers stationed at the house, and surrounded by every comfort, ort came aboard. There is a set naval regwere actually suffering for a meal, just ulation that rothing can be so on board because two girls' education had been ship until the commanding officer orders it. neglected, that neither of them could even While the army party were looking over make a cup of tea, and set some food on the ship 12 o'clock arrived. A junior the table ! I am afraid that girls now-aofficer approached the captain and said, days even in the middle classes of society, with a salute

" It is 12 o'clock, sir." pay so much attention to the acquiring of a "Make it so," responded the captain, profession, or some means of earning their and eight bells were struck. The army living, that there is no time left for cultiflicers suspected that the navy men wanted vating the qualities which go so far tohem to ask some questions, and get sold, wards making a home, and a husband or that this was a bit of foolery got up to oke the land warriors. Some time after a happy. One has a talent for music; of party of the army officers invited the officcourse she must cultivate it, and by-and-bye rs of the war ship to dine with them. The make a profession of teaching. Another linner was progressing when a lieutenant entered, and, saluting the senior officer devotes all her energies to the study of pres 1. sud, gravely stenography with a view to earning her

"to nel, the major's blind horse is

ordinary size and lustre, which he had little **ARE YOU AWARE** doubt was the diamond referred to. The witch-doctor, however, was extrem-That the cough that so terribly tries you ly unwilling to part with it. A high price And which to consumption must lead, was offered, then a higher still, but he re-Can be cured by ROYAL EMULSION, mained immovable. The Dutchman now

ASTRA.



That ROYAL EMULSION That "tired feeling" soon drives away, Makes you brisk and ready for business, And shoves you along through the day?

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That ROYAL EMULSION Will quickly and pleasantly cure Bronchitis, LaGrippe and Consumption, And health and long life ensure?

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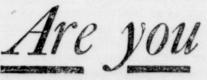
That ROYAL EMULSION Will build up and strengthen the weak? They'll acknowledge it most efficacious, When rescued from pros. ects so bleak.

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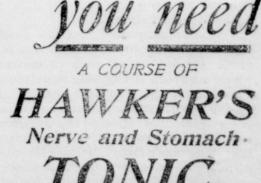
That DAWSON'S ROYAL EMULSION, Druggists at Fifty Cents and one Dollar sell Children take without any compulsion, And give ne'er a cry nor a yell.



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