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MR. HARTE AND MR. QUIGG.

The February number of the Arena contains a story entitled "A Drama in Tatters," from the pen of WALTER BLACKBURN HARTE, a young gentleman who was born in Canada, and has written good, bad and indifferent things for the United States press. His story is not half as amusing as the extra page which the Arena prints in a second edition of the February number.

There are two very remarkable statements in the above sentence. One is the confession of Mr. HARTE concerning his ignorance of politics, which is amazing after the widely circulated articles that that gentleman wrote a few years ago concerning the politics of the United States and Canada.

Honors are easy in the United States senate now. LEE MANTLE has just been sworn in senator from Montana, and the democrats have no more representatives in the senate than the republicans at present. Vice-president STEVENSON is the man to whom the democrats look in the case of a straight party vote.

The Ram's Horn is one of the most modern christian of all the religious papers, and is one of the leading exponents of true christianity. But it is not above using deceptive advertising methods.

Manufacturers are the life of any community. Nothing else will so rapidly and substantially build up a town and give it population, wealth and influence.

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of a town to club together, erect buildings suitable for general manufacturing purposes, provide them with water or steam power, and offer them for rental or sale; or if there is a good waterpower in the town, improve it and put it in shape for use, if not already developed.

The present Czar was reported, when he came to the throne, to be a weak young man. But he is showing himself to be a better man than his father. It is reported that he intends summoning to St. Petersburg the prominent officials and other personages of all the provinces of the Empire, in order to ascertain the desires and the exact situation of his people.

Cassell's Saturday Journal, in copying articles from American papers, generally makes a few explanatory remarks at the head of the article, either to give its readers some information concerning America, or to explain the joke.

It was Judge WAXEM who said, "A man who can vote and won't vote should be made to vote." This is the theory upon which the Belgian system of voting is based.

The fact is, that Mr. HARTE must have been innocently guilty of plagiarizing the name of his hero and the living exemplification of "what's in a name."

On another page of PROGRESS will be a critique on a book by ELIZABETH ROBINSON SCOVILLE for some time one of the associate editors of the Ladies' Home Journal and author of several books on the care of children.

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Colonel POPE of Hartford has followed the example of Mr. WILMOT of Fredericton, and has won a name that will live with the city by giving it a park.

PLEASURES OF YESTERDAY AND TODAY

Pleasures of Our Winter. Some poets rave about the spring, And of its beauties daily sing; I'll harp upon another string The pleasures of our winter.

Forever, Love, Forever. When we in faithful friendship met, And to our silent hearts The language of love's golden dream

Love's Requiem. Today I read a thousand protestations Of your divine, undying love for me; "Your first and last and only love" forever,

The Intelligent Voter. His great responsibility would keep him up on his feet, And when he went to bed he lay and pondered "Woman's right";

The Captain's Treasure. There was bay upon his forehead, There was glory in his name; He had led his country's cohorts Through the crimson field of fame;

Within Thy Courts. Within thy courts, O calm and still, The place thou dost with glory fill, May we have knowledge of thy will,

Thy boundless grace, great One in Three, Was, is, and evermore shall be, While ages roll eternally, Jehovah, God.

THREE CIVIC OFFICIALS.

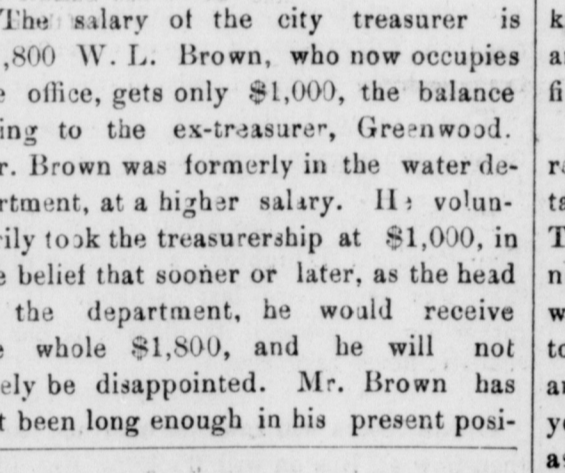
HALIFAX'S HEAVIEST OUTLAY IS WHAT PAYS THEM.

The Mayor's Salary Increased by Perquisites—The Recorder, City Treasurer, City Clerk and Engineer—The New Stipendiary a Success—An Astute Collector.



Chief of Police O'SULLIVAN. police \$28,120, and for the works department \$64,864. Salaries will be proportionately higher the coming year.

The salary of the city treasurer is \$1,800 W. L. Brown, who now occupies the office, gets only \$1,000, the balance going to the ex-treasurer, Greenwood.



F. W. DOANE, City Engineer. tion to enable one to definitely judge what he will be like, but he made a first class record in the water department, and there is little doubt he will be equally efficient in his new sphere of civic labor.

The city clerk is Henry Trenaman, and if any man in the city hall earns his salary that man is Mr. Trenaman.

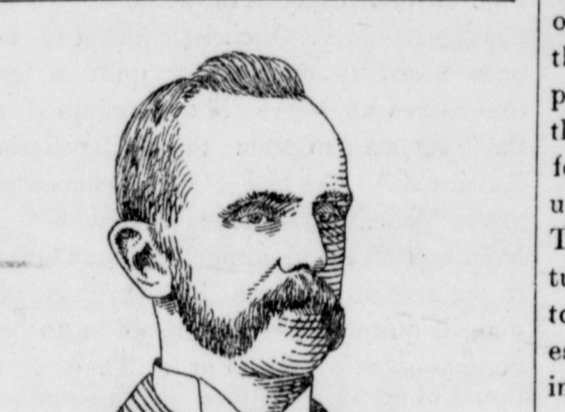
A Good Dividend. At a meeting of the directors of the Hawker Medicine Company (Ltd.) held Thursday January 31st, a dividend of eight per cent for the past year was declared payable 1st March next.

prison, and the infectious diseases hospital, all require his attention, and it does not seem as if the \$1000 per year he receives were any too much money for the work performed.

One of the most responsible positions in the city government is that of stipendiary magistrate, George H. Fielding is the judge who presides in this court of justice, and he gives promise of being the best judge who has ever graced the police court bench.

City engineer F. W. W. Doane is the highest paid official in the city hall, and the coming year will receive a salary of \$2,400.

And another thing in connection, to which timely attention should be directed, is the fact that of the great body of factory operatives which by these removals will be thrown out of employment, a large proportion, and by far the better class of them, are French Canadians who will be forced to return to their old homes in upper Canada and the maritime provinces.



THE PROFESSOR'S RUSE. How He got rid of the Musicians who Bothered Him.

A well-known professor at one of the English Universities was often annoyed by two Italians playing a street-organ before his house.

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NEW ENGLAND COTTON MILLS

A Movement of Them to the South Seems to Have Set In. The movement of New England cotton mills to the south seems to have set in, as witnessed in the announcement that several large corporations of Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Connecticut are about to transfer their plants to Georgia and other southern states.

In the first place this migrating tendency is not mainly due to a desire to get nearer the cotton fields and thus save cost of transportation on raw material—for Egyptian cotton is already being brought to America for about half what it costs to grow the stuff in the United States.

The truth is that these corporations which are taking to themselves wings and flying away are driven out by the arbitrary and unbearable exactions of organized labor, by the hostile legislation and generally unfriendly attitude towards them which has resulted from incessant labor agitation, and by excessive, and in many instances, unjust taxation, all of which has made it impossible for them to compete with mills in the south and elsewhere that pay less taxes and wages, and work more hours, and have no trouble with their help.

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When they turned the corner, the Italians saw the professor with the policemen. It was enough. They were both seized with the sudden desire to see how quickly they could get the organ out of the street.

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To the EDITOR OF PROGRESS—I regret much that I cannot at present comply with Mr. Blackburn's request in your last issue to write a description of my canoeing trip on the Susquehanna.