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BEFORE THE PEOPLE. The independent party will be before the people as the nominees of a great party next week and then, perhaps those who have endeavored by every possible means to balk the efforts of the citizens to obtain justice for themselves and their native place will come to the conclusion that the men who are supporting them are in earnest.

They are not depending upon the funds of any great party to carry on the contest. They have but little enough money for actual expenses but what they have comes from the pockets of private individuals and not as the subscription of any rich manufacturer or contractor.

THE CHURCH DEBT. It is astonishing how many entertainments are gotten up in the run of a year to help raise the debt on some church or other. They point to what every thoughtful person must consider a deplorable state of affairs.

In a New York police court a day or two ago the presiding magistrate informed a policeman that he was a disgrace to the force, and really the circumstances which prompted the remark seemed to justify the strong language used.

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first instance is brought about by the desire of one church to keep pace with another in grandeur and style. The means used towards paying of a debt are not always good. As for instance at a recent fair where a large amount of money was raised for this purpose...

When money has been extorted from an individual almost against his will, at any rate reluctantly, can it truthfully be called "giving to the Lord;" it would seem that a gift should be given voluntarily in order to be considered in that light. How then shall the church be regarded in the light of the means that have been resorted to pay for them.

If it were utterly impossible to hold services outside a costly church this question might be answered in the affirmative, but Christ's example proves the contrary. Be content with the plain unpretentious house of prayer till the necessary money is in hand; raise the money before laying the corner stone, build accordingly, and pay as you go and you will help exert an influence that is very much needed.

PROTECTION NECESSARY. The bicycle has inflicted many injuries on the rights of mankind and this is especially true in regard to the most time honored and respected of jokes. A country's jokes like its army are guaranteed in quality and excellence. The bald headed man, the servant girls brother on the police force, the mother-in-law, the policeman, seeking office the summer girl, and other permanent institutions that have grown up with the country must be protected at any cost.

The Americans are rather an ungrateful nation after all. The treatment which the free gift of the people of France has received at the hands of the government has been very shabby indeed. The BARTHOLOMEW statue cost 1,000,000 francs which was raised by subscription in France.

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is said to have been dreadful. Next morning when the young lady told her story she was dismissed with an apology from the magistrate who also gave the policeman a little home talk on his officiousness. Other cities besides New York have policemen who think the more arrests they make the higher they will stand in favor with their superiors.

Spurred by the offers of heavy rewards, or the fascination of the field, science has long been at work on the mysteries of aerial navigation. That the question would ultimately be solved no one has for a long time doubted. Details of some successful experiments by the distinguished scientist Prof. S. P. LANGLEY have lately been given. The aerodrome or flying machine he has used is built of steel and propelled by a steam engine and no less an authority than ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL has given his signature to the statement that "no one could have witnessed these experiments without being convinced that the practicability of mechanical flight had been demonstrated."

Nowadays everything is blamed on the bicycle, from a runaway marriage to a stagnation in the gum and cigarette market. Certain it is that in many cities it has closed theatres, the management declaring that everybody is wheel mad and there is no demand for indoor amusements. The young man who formerly was wont to put on a stiffly starched shirt, high collar, patent leather boots and tight gloves and take his girl to the theatre, now gets on the inside of a sweater, knee pants, comfortable shoes and takes the same girl for a long spin.

The Time Miranda Died. That is just like Simon Fogle. When the talk was going round, And we'd ask if he remembered some one famous sight or sound, Some great happening, death or wedding, or some odd occasion time, Or some family feud's quick flaming into hate almost sublime; Then he'd drop his gray head lower, seem perhaps to see or hear, Something far before he'd answer: "I-it must have been—the year—"

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VERSES OF YESTERDAY AND TODAY. Buttercups and violets, O buttercups and violets, By summer wood and stream; Make room for me my daisy pet, To lie by you and dream. To dream where dreamy waters flow, In languor to the sea; My true love's golden dream we know, So sweet to you and me.

My days is dippin' in the west, 'Tis gloamin' 'twixt me noo, I hear the south of Jordan's wave, That I maun travel thro'; But 'tis na' Jordan's wave I fear, Nor tremble at the strid, For 'tis this sunnier o' hearts, This leavin' wean and wife.

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Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report. Royal Baking Powder ABSOLUTELY PURE

CANADA'S RESOURCES. Its Unlimited Natural Wealth—Its Vast Extent—Its Future Destiny. Regarding the Dominion of Canada from a material standpoint, her progress during the past three decades has been wonderful—in fact, phenomenal.

The basis of this remarkably progressive change is found in the establishment of railroads and other lines of travel and the consequent increase of facilities for the dissemination of knowledge of Canada's soil, areas, climate and resources.

The braced atmosphere of Canada is as well adapted to the growth of a robust and hearty race as any of these countries, and there is no reason for supposing that the Anglo-Saxon stock degenerates under a cool climate for wintry skies.

Turning away from the Dominion's material resources for an instant and considering it from an artistic standpoint, one stands amazed at the mightiness and beauty of nature's work. The traveler in search of the picturesque is more than rewarded for his coming, for no grander scenery can be found on this planet.

only be called out after a sufficient time had elapsed to enable warning to be given to the members who live in the remotest districts of Canada.

At an interval of fourteen years London has again heard the pianist D'Albert, whose nationality is so great a puzzle. He has a French name and was born in Scotland. His mother was English, and his father, a well-known dancing master was the son of a Captain of French artillery and of a German mother, whose ancestors were Russian!

At Darlington recently a minister's little daughter was attending her first church service. She had never seen her father in the pulpit before, and on his entrance there, her presence of mind forsok her, and she piped out, in a voice expressive of recognition:—"Why, there's papa up there in that box!"

There is a Boy I Can Trust. We once visited a public school. At recess a little fellow came up and spoke to the teacher. As he turned to go down the platform, the master said: "That boy is a boy I can trust. He never failed me." We followed him with our eyes and looked at him when he took his seat after recess. He had a fine, open manly face.

Mr. G. E. Fenety's Book, The Life and Times of Hon. Joseph Howe will come from the hands of the binder in a few days and be placed in the hands of agents and dealers. The volume is one of about 400 pages and is interesting from cover to cover.

Looking For a Stray Wife. HALIFAX, June 10.—John Rogers, a citizen of an eastern village in this province is privately advertising for information as to the whereabouts of his wife, who suddenly left her home some days ago. The husband has an idea that his spouse went to Boston, but he is not sure.

Westwood for Sale. WESTWOOD, the very beautiful residence of Mr. Walter Bradnee, is advertised for sale elsewhere in this issue. The handsome and well cultivated grounds, the commodious residence and fine buildings make of this an ideal home.

Comforts of an Oil Stove. The great comforts of an Oil Stove are readily appreciated by those who have used this very convenient Article during the Summer Season as it will do the ordinary work of a family Cooking Range.

The Grey Nuns Convent, Hull, P. Q., has selected and purchased a Pratte Parol for the use of its advanced pupils. Chairs Reseated, Cane, Splint, Perforated by Duval, 17 Waterloo St. est.