

WIT AND HUMOR.

Some Samples Disclosed to English School Boards.

A COLLECTION OF GOOD THINGS.

Some good specimens of schoolroom humor have been recently collected by Dr. Macnamara, a well-known English educationist, and member of the London Board. Among the results of scripture lessons he gives the following:

A child in writing of Elijah said: "As Elijah went up to heaven he dropped his mantle and Queen Elizabeth walked over it."

Inspector.—Why was Elijah sorry when the Shunamite's son was dead? Lad.—Because he didn't like being left alone with a widow.

At a recent scripture examination the examiner asked the following question in the infants' class: "What was the first thing Noah did when he came out of the ark?" A tiny girl put up her hand, and on being asked said: "Please sir, he buried all the drowned people."

Venerable Archdeacon (Diocesan Inspector).—"Now, my children, I will ask you a few questions in your Catechism. Which of you can tell me two things necessary in Baptism?" "Quite right, water. Water is one thing and what is the other?"

"What! can none of you tell what else is necessary? Well, little girl, girl, what do you say?"

Little girl.—"Please sir, a baby."

Why would David rather be a coo-keeper in the House of the Lord?

Because he could walk about outside while the sermon was being preached.

Moses and the Burnish Bush.—At the close of the lesson on Moses a teacher questioned his pupils to gauge their interest, and among other queries he submitted the following: "Why did Moses take off his shoes before approaching the bush?" Judge his consternation when he received the following reply from a little fellow of eight years: "Please, sir, to warm 'ees feet."

THROES OF COMPOSITION.

Mad Cleverness—in a composition on Man a boy wrote among other things: "Man is the only animal that can strike a light, and also he is the only animal that blows his nose."

Why they punch the Ticket.—In a piece of composition on "A Railway Journey" a girl writes, "You have to get a ticket, which is a piece of paper, and you give it to the man who cuts a hole in it to let you pass through."

Concerning the Pig.—Standard V. Boy.—A pig when living has four legs but when you kill it the butcher says it only has two, because he calls the front legs shoulders and the back legs are called hams. Ham tastes nice, and they boil it to eat at a wedding. The missus sprinkles littlebits of toast on it to make it look pretty.

The Salvation Army (Standard IV).—The Salvation Army is mostly on the street. The women in it cover up all their hair with funny sorts of bonnets that stick out in front to keep the rain off their faces. Sometimes they have names on their hats like sailors. They make a deal of noise and worses two is called captain and lieutenant.

Little Jan's father was visiting London and Christmastide was approaching. He had promised to bring a toy train for his little son as a present from Father Christmas. The day that father was to travel Jan prayed:

"God bless papa, and bring him home safely, and—and—and his luggage."

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A SENATOR'S BEREAVEMENT.

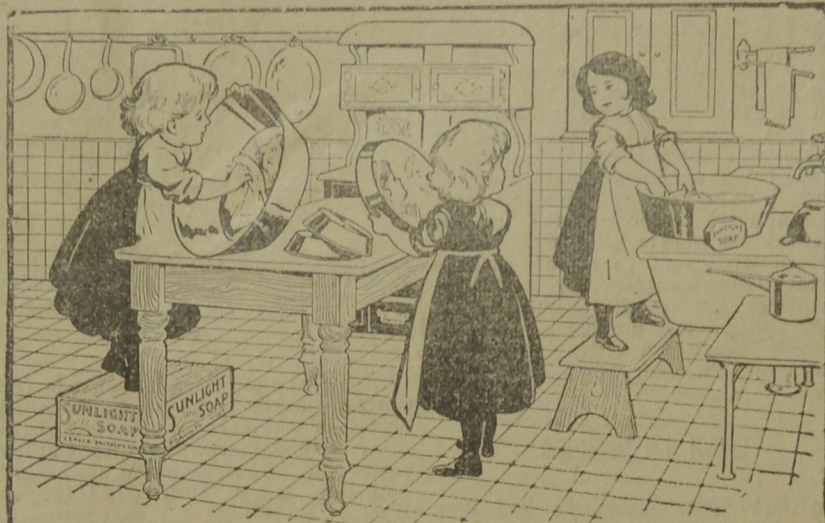
Hon. Geo. A. Cox Loses a Most Effective Helpmeet.

Toronto News: The death of Mrs. George A. Cox, will be a cause of sincere mourning far beyond the circle of her own household. It is not only that she was a good woman and that a family is stricken and a husband bereaved. The world is full of good women, in high places and in low, and death comes as surely and as sorely to the home of poverty as to that of wealth and luxury. But Mrs. Cox was the friend and stay of many charities, and the angel of beneficence in many an obscure household. All her days she was bearing burdens that were not

her own and giving of her strength and cheerfulness to revive hearts that were ready to faint and to brighten homes where sorrow dwelt and suffering was. The friends of her youth she never let wander far from her side, and her rare simplicity of character and gracious demeanor were wholly unaffected by any change of fortune. With a great reserve of intellectual power, and singular equity of mind, she shrank from any active identification with public movements and only those of her own household were permitted to know how wide and catholic were her works of beneficence. She guarded her charities as she guarded the privacy of her own home, and we may not say from how many families her death removes a chief source of comfort and support. It cannot be unfitting to say these few words in simple tribute to a good woman who has gone to rest, and to offer the hand of sympathy to a sorrowing man, whose great place in the world of affairs counts for nothing in comparison with the loss he has now sustained.

FAMINE IN IRELAND.

Montreal, Jan. 24.—Here is direct testimony of the condition of the poor in Ireland: Mr. Jeremiah O'Donohue, merchant in Dublin, who passed through today on his way west, said: "Potato blight has once more ruined crops in the west, and death and disease are now stalking among the famished natives. I have seen whole families on the verge of starvation, not knowing where their next meal is to come from, and scarcely remembering what their last one tasted like. People of this country have never been troubled by famine, I understand, so they may scarcely credit the stories that are coming across the Atlantic from Ireland concerning the absolute want which the people of the greater portion of the western coast are facing. I've seen fathers of families walk between twenty and thirty miles in search of food, and many an Irish mother has denied herself a bite and sup for days at a time in order that her little hoard of meal or potatoes might last longer and so stave off for a little longer the starvation which was staring herself and her children. We Irish are a proud people, as we have every right to be, thank God, and you can depend on it that want is real, otherwise these people would never have knocked at the door of the government begging for relief. The government has at last listened to the situation, and public works, which will afford a measure of relief, are soon to be started, if they have not already begun."



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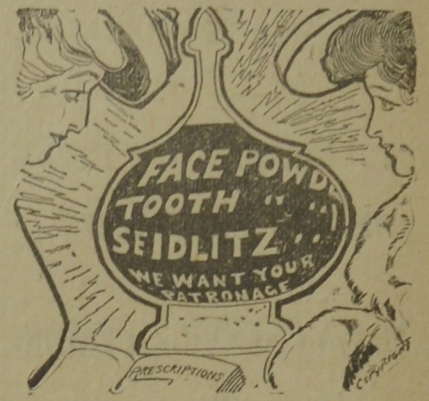
The annual meeting of the North American Fish and Game Protective Association will be held in St. John on Wednesday and Thursday, the 1st and 2nd of February next, in the Board of Trade rooms at 11 a. m. on Wednesday, Feb. 1st. Reports on matters pertaining to fish and game protection are expected from every state and province represented in the membership of the association. A well known New Brunswick sportsman has promised a paper on the big game hunting and the angling of that province; Mr. L. O. Armstrong, of Montreal, one entitled "How best to form public opinion as to the necessity for Fish and Game Protection laws;" an officer of the association will tell of some of the tricks resorted to by violators of the fish and game laws; Mr. Bastard, of Toronto, and Dr. John T. Finnie, of Montreal, have prepared papers upon the differ-

ent phases of the relationship of forestry and forest protection; Mr. H. G. Thomas, fish and game commissioner for Vermont, will take up the subject of the uniformity of laws in connection with seining in Lake Champlain, and the secretary, Mr. E. T. D. Chambers, Quebec, will submit a compendium of the recommendations and resolutions of the association to date.

Hon. L. J. Tweedie, president of the association and premier of New Brunswick, will call the meeting to order, and Mayor White will officially welcome the members to St. John.

The New Brunswick Tourist Association will entertain the members of this association next day, weather permitting, to a drive over the Suspension Bridge and Falls, and a visit will be paid to a C. P. R. steamer of the winter fleet. Later in the day Premier Tweedie will entertain the members to an informal lunch at the Union Club.

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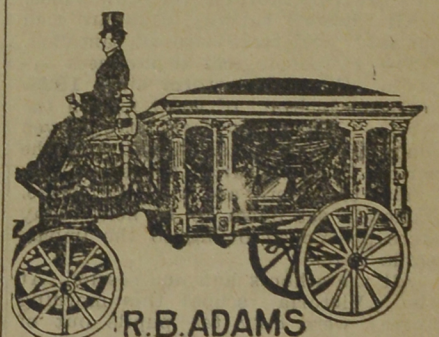
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