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A PARTY ATTACK.

The independent Toronto News, which is often quoted with approval by the Tory newspapers, does not approve of Mr. Borden's attempt to make political capital out of the Japanese trouble in British Columbia. In a recent issue it says editorially: "It is plain that the Conservative politicians are determined to excite the country against the government on account of the sudden influx of Japanese into British Columbia. This was to be expected. But it is not high politics to make a difficult international negotiation the subject of heated partisan debate. Nor is the government particularly blameworthy, so far, at least, as appears from the evidence which has been produced. When Canada of its own motion joined in the imperial treaty with Japan it was understood that the arrangement for the limitation of Japanese immigration would continue in force. The treaty itself had the general sanction of Parliament. Even Mr. Borden and Mr. Foster consented to its adoption. There is only one ground for suspicion. Did the Ottawa government connive at the importation of Japanese by way of the Hawaiian Islands in order to provide labor for Grand Trunk Pacific construction? If it was decided to sanction the importation of labor from Japan, the fact should have been stated and the policy justified on clear grounds of public policy. On the other hand, if this policy was deliberately adopted and carried out in secrecy and intrigue, the government deserves to be censured. This, however, is all speculation. On its record the government has been less favorable to Asiatic immigration than was its Conservative predecessor. It was the Laurier government which imposed the \$500 head tax on Chinese, arranged for the limitation of Japanese immigration, and possibly would have gone still further towards the exclusion of Asiatics if it had not been restrained by Imperial considerations. It is useless to shut your eyes to the fact that if Japan refuses to enter into an agreement for the limitation of immigration under the system of passports, we will confront a difficult situation. Under all the circumstances the government should not be embarrassed by partisan attacks and public feeling excited over a problem which has serious Imperial and international aspects."

CURRENT COMMENT.

Surprising as it may seem, The Herald was mentioned no less than eight times yesterday in the editorial columns of the local Tory organ. The censor must have been out yesterday when the editorials were handed in from the law office upstairs.

Baseball crazy? Sure, and glad of it! Can you blame Detroit? Not if you've got a modicum of health and read the report of Wednesday's game in Philadelphia. Mania? Only healthy one in the Alienist's long list. We're obsessed all right and feel all the better mentally and physically for it, thank you.—Detroit Free Press.

Moncton Transcript: Hon. George E. Foster says that Sir Wilfrid Laurier prefers a Yankee dollar to an English shilling. Supposing it were true, Sir Wilfrid, however, does not favor a Yankee divorce to a Canadian one. Does Mr. Foster think Yankee preferences should be confined to the Tory leaders?

The reception to be tendered to Hon. W. S. Fielding by the Liberals of Nova Scotia will be held in the Empire Rink, at Halifax, on Tuesday evening, October 15th. An energetic committee has the matter in hand and are at work arranging the details of the welcome to the Minister of Finance. Other members of the cabinet will be invited to attend, and if his engagements will permit, it is expected that Sir Wilfrid Laurier will also go to Halifax to join in honoring his colleague.

The brisk October air is luring in to the woods and fields large numbers of men with guns. Most hunters know how to shoot and how to carry the business end of a gun when it is not in use. Unfortunately, many others are like the young lady who, when asked if she danced, "guessed" she didn't, but thought she'd "rather like to try." It is always in order to caution enthusiasts.

lie tyros, and it continues to be the duty of the press to record the failures of these mighty huntersmen to learn wisdom except at the bitter cost of experience.

The full text of the report of the hospital trustees on the recent investigation on charges affecting the management of the institution, is published in another part of this issue and will make interesting reading. The report deals exhaustively and impartially with the whole matter, and the verdict reached appears to be sound and reasonable and quite in harmony with the evidence brought out at the enquiry. If the probing of hospital affairs results in placing the institution in a better position than ever to carry out its mission of mercy in the community, as seems likely to be the case, the efforts of Dr. Atherton and the trustee board will not have been in vain.

USED BIBLE AS CIPHER.

A Verse From Solomon Told of a Marriage Engagement.

When she left her home in the small town to come to New York to take up a special course of study her pet sister was fast reaching the crisis of a love affair. The pet sister was a most winsome young lady and had long kept a goodly train of suitors a-sighing. Was this affair to be the grand affair? The older sister hoped so, for she liked the young man cordially—thought he was just the sort to make a proper brother-in-law.

But the weeks passed, and not a bit of definite news about the progress of the affair did the older sister receive in her city boarding house. She became anxious, Louise, she thought, must not go on recklessly trifling in such important matters.

Then one night about 10 o'clock, just as she was going to bed, came a telegram. The servant brought it up. The elder sister was country girl enough to be thoroughly frightened by the pale manila, black inked envelope. How ominous it looked! At length she gathered courage to open it. This is what she read:

Solomon six three. LOUISE. Solomon six three! Whatever in the world! Oh, why, yes, stupid, it of course meant the Song of Solomon, sixth chapter, third verse! And her cheeks flushed with shame—she had no Bible!

There was a great scurrying about the boarding house to find a copy of the sacred book. The girls were routed out in vain. On all sides the cry arose, "Who's got a Bible?" Just think of the sister trying to sleep that night without knowing what that verse was! It would have been just like a woman, to lie down to pleasant dreams, content to know that she could satisfy her curiosity in the morning—not!

The landlady, good soul, came to the rescue. She was no heathen. She had a Bible. Up to her room with it few the sister and shut the door. Such a turning over of pages by eager, nervous fingers! Solomon six three. She found it, and then she cried "Hurrah!" and laughed, for the verse was:

I am my beloved's, and my beloved is mine.

THE SPECTER SWIMMER.

A Legend of the Sea That Still Appeals to Sailors.

The sailor as a class still holds fast to the superstitions that have been his especial heritage throughout all ages. To him the sea is still peopled with phantoms. Men there are still who sail the sea believing in the power of the Swimmer, men who believe in the Walrus of unholy fame and in the existence of the specter bark Lucy to be seen at any time dodging in and out of the creeks and bays of the South Carolina coast. This is the tale of the Swimmer:

Near Cape Finisterre there lived a fisher maiden in days when the world asked fewer questions than now, and with her lived her fisher sweetheart. On their wedding night, runs the yarn, smugglers came down on their village, a thieving, drunken band. When they left, having done all the damage they could, the fisher maiden's sweetheart had disappeared, whether with them or through them was never known. Instead of pining uselessly, as would most women, she dressed herself in men's clothes and started to find him, dead or alive.

For years she wandered over the earth and ocean, and, though her disguise was penetrated several times and she passed through a host of troubles which vary with each telling, she succeeded in keeping up her hunt. Finally after escaping from an English prison the vessel she was on was lost at sea, and the simple Breton fisherman enshrined her in a legend which has her forever swimming the seas still in search of the man she loved and hailing each craft she hears. A sailor, be he Yankee or Portuguese, matter of fact in all things else or grossly superstitious, believes firmly that if you hear the hail of the Swimmer on a dark night at sea and answer it not woe follows swiftly.

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PRACTICAL HINTS.

How Old Knit Underwear May Be Utilized.

Old knit underwear can be utilized in various ways, especially the woolen. Nice wash and bath cloths can be made from it by crocheting the edges around with tidy yarn. It can also be used in self wringing mops or simply as floor cloths by doubling and stitching with tidy yarn. Save all your salt bags. They not only make nice jelly bags, but several put together and stitched on the machine make good dish cloths or wash cloths. Gloves that will take the place of rubber gloves when working in the garden or washing dishes are made by dipping old gloves into hot linseed oil, which renders them waterproof. Black lace can be freshened to look like new by washing in water into which has been put a little ammonia, then rinsed in strong coffee.

To prevent wooden pails or tubs from shrinking when not in use paint them over with glycerin. To remove mildew soak the article in a weak solution of chloride of lime for a few hours, then rinse in cold water. Faint stains may be removed by pouring boiling water over the article, then washing. Lay in the sunlight articles that have been scorched in ironing and the scorch will disappear. Soak ink stains in sour milk, and should a stain remain rinse in a weak solution of chloride of lime. Soot may easily be swept from carpets by sprinkling lavishly with salt before sweeping. Mix with your stove polish a teaspoonful of pulverized alum to give the stove a brilliant and lasting luster. For a moth preventive and exterminator steep in about eight ounces of strong alcohol for about four days one ounce of gum camphor and one shell of red pepper, strain and sprinkle the clothes or furs and roll in sheets.—House-keeper.

BLOUSE HOLDER.

A Great Convenience For Carrying Lingerie Waists.

The woman who wishes to carry several shirt waists in a suit case without muddling them will find it a great convenience to make this sort of holder

for the delicate lingerie blouses:

First cut two rectangular pieces of cardboard just as large as will fit comfortably in your suit case. Next cut out a piece of tan coutil and a piece of colored sateen, both being just half an inch wider than the length of the cardboard and a full foot longer than the width of the board. If you desire to decorate the top of the cover, stencil one end of the coutil with any bright design and when the dye is quite dry press it with a rather hot iron. Now lay together the right sides of the coutil and the sateen and seam them along three edges, leaving the stenciled end open. Next turn this bag, fit one section of cardboard between the corner and the lining, pushing it against the seamed, far end, and fasten it in place by a row of machine stitching run close to its free edge. Then run a parallel row of stitching just four inches beyond the first and slip in the other board, pressing it against this line of sewing. Turn in the stenciled edges of the coutil and the sateen until they both lie evenly against the cardboard, insert two lined straps of the coutil long enough to reach one and one-half times around the case and finally stitch up this last opening. Sew three or four buttons to these straps very near their starting points and work a strong buttonhole in the pointed end of either belt, for by means of this very simple arrangement you make the case tighter or looser as occasion requires. In the interior sew two sets of narrow satin ribbon, two over either cardboard section, these being used to hold the shirt waists in place inside the case.

A Dog's Jealousy.

Dana is a huge St. Bernard who has his own ideas as to his importance. Whenever he wishes to attract attention he knocks his water pail over and then rolls it around, growling at it and making a great fuss. Then he puts his head in and throws the pail high in the air, batting at it with his paws as it comes down. If this does not have the desired effect he picks up the pail by the handle and takes it into the barn, where the noise is increased by far owing to the wooden floor. This performance is given whenever the horse is petted or when strangers come to the house.

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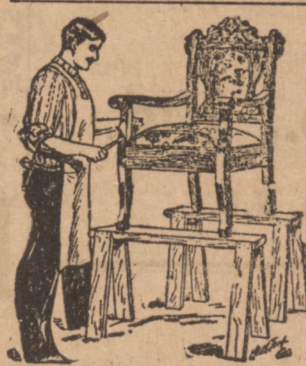
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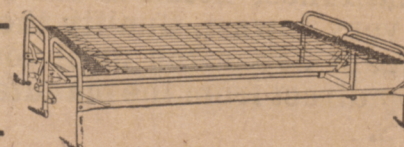
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