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LOVE AND FEVER

Pity the marital woes of William Mahoney of Chatham. That so ardent a lover should emerge from the fogs and the bleak shores of Newfoundland is in itself a surprising fact and should warm our hearts toward William. That his ardor was not abated by his residence in the reserved and chilling region which even Premier Hazen wooed in vain makes his case the more remarkable. But her name was Rosella and she was a woman. Whether the sweet blush on her rounded cheek was caused by scarlet fever or the sweet propinquity of the compassionate William mattered not. His heart melted and his soul was moved to deeds of heroism. Perhaps there was something in the keen air of the north that braced his nerves, but love has ever laughed at locksmiths, and there were windows in the abode of Rosella. Thus it came about that while the stony-hearted myrmidons of the board of health guarded the doorway Rosella flew out of the window to the waiting arms of her William, leaving the six little pledges of former bliss to await with a truly feverish impatience the return of the bridal party. But, sad to relate, the story does not end with this joyous return. The arm of the law, evaded at the outset, is long and relentless. Perchance it was the part of prudence to quarantine the church and the rectory, and the homes of witnesses of the marriage ceremony, and no quarantine could set bounds to the joy of William and Rosella when they had returned together to their abode; but here enters again the majesty of the law in the person of Magistrate Connors—cold, judicial and sternly inflexible. He bides his time until the quarantine is raised, and then bids William and Rosella, this time emerging from the doorway, to come and stand before him in the halls of justice. Divesting himself of every vestige of sentiment, and disregarding alike the pleading glances of Rosella and the dauntless courage of her William, he delivered sentence. Forty dollars or forty days in jail. And William went to jail. Surely this is not the end. Surely the gentle Rosella will not spend a lonely Christmas, or William languish behind the prison bars. Though their sin be scarlet it was love's high fever in their veins. William's fine should be paid by a sympathetic community and Santa Claus descend upon Rosella and the six.

ARE THE PLANS WORTHLESS?

The Penama Canal continues to be, perhaps, the most widely discussed subject in the United States. This vast enterprise involves such an enormous expenditure that its success is a matter of national concern. The Times quoted the other day some statements made by the New York Journal of Commerce, and these may be supplemented by the following review from the New York Herald:—

"More than four years have passed since the United States took over the Panama Canal enterprise. For more than four years the construction of a transisthmian waterway has been progressing. The money already expended, inclusive of sums paid to the French company and to the Republic of Panama, amounts almost to the original total estimated cost of the undertaking. And now the American people learns with stupefaction that engineers responsible for the work are by no means certain that the plan they are carrying out is the best, or even that it is practicable. If any doubt existed on this score it would be dispelled by the frank declaration made by Mr. Taft, the president-elect, and telegraphed to the Herald, by its special correspondent in Augusta, Ga., that if the criticism of the present plan proves to be well grounded 'there will be no hesitation in altering the plans.' That the criticism is well grounded appears to be proved not only theoretically by the disapproval of the present plan by the world's greatest engineers, but also practically by the collapse of the retaining wall of the great Gatun Dam, one of the essential features of the plan. 'The canal as it is now projected,' said M. Philippe Bunau-Varilla, the eminent French engineer, in an interview published in the Herald on December 12, 'will exist or will not exist according as the Gatun Dam stands or falls.' It has fallen and that fact damns irretrievably the present plan as impracticable. Another authority, Mr. Lindon W. Bates, who does not concur with M. Bunau-Varilla's contention that the only acceptable type of canal is a sea level waterway, agrees completely with his condemnation of the plan now being executed. The canal, he concludes, is being wrongly made on its broad engineering lines. The whole arrangement is fraught with desperate and monstrous dangers of destruction. Additional weight is given to such views by the fact that the present plan is not the one favored by a majority of the international Board of Consulting Engineers, and that it has already been found necessary to modify it in several important particulars. The collapse of the Gatun dam retaining wall reveals the imperative necessity of submitting the entire question of construction to the examination of a competent body of experts, free from prejudice and untrammeled by political alliances. Mr. Taft's declaration, displaying, as it does, the open mind, is a most encouraging sign, and it makes one regret that the project was ever touched by President Roosevelt. It is the latter's fondness for spectacular effects that is responsible for the present muddle. Instead of insisting that the matured views of the most experienced engineers should be followed, Mr. Roosevelt seems to have had no other desire than to 'make the dirt fly,' even though it flew to no purpose. Mr. Taft's judicious and statesmanlike attitude is a most refreshing change from the "bull in a china shop" activity of President Roosevelt. It justifies the belief that he will succeed in bringing order out of the Panama chaos."

EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY

The question of employers' liability is exciting much interest in the United States, and is expected to be made the subject of both federal and state legislation. Thus, Bradstreet's says:—

"Legislation dealing with employers' liability for industrial accidents is among the matters likely to engage the attention of congress, and perhaps of the state legislatures, next year. In his speech at the Civic Federation dinner Mr. Taft said that the matter was one that lay close to his thought. He suggested that if by a reasonable employers' liability act both in the federal and the state jurisdictions we could remove from the courts nine-tenths of the suits brought for the recovery of damages and settle just awards under some provision for arbitration and an administrative but quasi-judicial tribunal, we could help the poor laboring men who suffer the accidents to a quick recovery of needed damages, and apply the familiar rule that he gives twice who gives quickly. Furthermore, if that could be done, not only would a great benefit be conferred on labor on the one hand, but a great burden of litigation would be removed from the courts, thus allowing them to dispose of other judicial business expeditiously. This expression from the president-elect will without doubt produce an effect in congress, where there is no lack of disposition to enact legislation in the interest of labor."

An exchange makes these timely remarks:—"Three days more of Christmas shopping! Do you hear the alarm bells? It is time to act, not talk. The treasures of west and east and all the multifarious products of home factories are here in the well stocked stores. Nothing is lacking that suits the leanest or the fattest purse. Therefore, buy early and buy quickly. Keep your temper amid the store throngs and the overcrowded cars. Carry with you the holiday spirit and you will have more than one day of Christmas."

TREAT FOR SAILORS

Annual Christmas Entertainment in Seamen's Institute Tonight

The annual Christmas entertainment for the sailors will be held this evening at 8 o'clock in the new building, 150 Prince William street. Members, subscribers and friends are invited to be present. The musical programme and comfort bag distribution will be the features of the evening.

All who are making comfort bags or donating socks, mitts or mufflers are asked to send them in or telephone 1104. Parcels of cake or fruit for the refreshment table are to be called for.

WINTER PORT NOTES

Allan line steamship Corsican, now on her way to Liverpool, took a cargo valued at $158,936. She had 37,950 bushels of wheat.

Donaldson line S. S. Salacia, which left Glasgow on the 12th inst. for St. John, returned to that port with machinery disabled, and repairs will take about ten days.

Allan line steamer Tunisian will be the next steamer to come here.

An offer to purchase the city's tramway system for $6,750,000 has been made by a British syndicate to the St. Petersburg municipal council, and it is stated, is likely to be accepted.

Stores open till ten o'clock tonight. St. John, Dec. 23rd, 1908.

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DRESS SLIPPERS	$1.35 to $2.00	ANKLE SUPPORTS	.25
GAITERS	.35 to $1.00	WALKING BOOTS..	$1.50 to $3.50
LEGGINGS	.85 to $1.00	HOUSE SLIPPERS	$1.25 to $1.50
SNOWSHOES..	$3.00	RUBBER BOOTS	$2.00 to $3.25
MOOSE MOCCASINS	$1.25	SNOWSHOES	$3.00
RUBBER BOOTS	$2.00 to $2.50	MOOSE MOCCASINS	$1.25 to $1.50

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A CHRISTMAS PRAYER

By Arthur Stringer.

Oh, is it only childish sight
That in the dreamland of the blue
Still sees the Vision and the Height.
And blindly knows the Dream comes true?

If it is only children now
Who keep this wisdom lost to us
That seek the mocking Where and How
Of stars once soft and tremulous

O Thou who wast a Child and clung
Unto the Dream that never dies,
Keep us, for all our blindness, young,
And make us, like Thy children, wise?
—Hampton's Broadway Magazine.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

IN BAD SHAPE

Tramp—"Will yer give me somethin' to eat Missus? I'm that thirsty I don't know where to sleep tonight!"—Punch.

SO ARE YOU

The professor says that my bathing suit is rather exiguous."

"Is that a compliment?"

"I don't know. I'm going after the dictionary now."—Kansas City Journal.

JUST VACANT

"That house that you finished a few weeks ago is the biggest of the lot," said the real estate agent. "Perhaps that's why it's so hard to find a tenant."

"Yes," answered the builder, it's last but not leased."—Lippincott's Magazine.

THE PROSE OF SUPERSTITION

Venerable Invalid—"Yes, miss, I 'ad sich a bootiful dream last night. I dreamt as 'ow my ole man 'ad come back, and was sittin' beside me, and took my 'and, and stroke and stroke it. Now, Miss, what should you say that betoke?

I should take it as a sign of rain!—Punch

DELIBERATION

The Father—"I learn with sorrow, my son, that you are getting to be what they term quite fast."

The Son—"You shouldn't believe all you hear, dad. I'll introduce you to a man who will tell you another story."

The Father—"And who is he?"

The Son—"My tailor. He says I'm the slowest chap he's got on his books."—Chicago Daily News.

A NOISE IN COURT

Sir Richard Bethell, afterwards Earl Westbury, with a suave voice and a stately manner, nevertheless had a way of bearing down the foe with almost savage wit. Once, in court, he had to follow a barrister who had delivered his remarks in very loud tones. "Now that the noise in court has subsided," murmured Bedell. "I will tell your Honor in two sentences the gist of the case."—Argonaut.

WHAT HARD WORK IS LIKE

Of Pablo Sarasate, the famous violinist, who died at Biarritz, a New York musician said the other day:

"I dined with Sarasate during his last American tour. We talked of success, and he declared that success was due in the main to excessively hard work.

" 'To become a great violinist or a great pianist,' he declared, 'one must have the exaggerated ideas of work that prevail among Scottish farmers.'

"He said that a young boy got a job with a Scottish farmer once.

" 'Ye'll sleep in the barn,' the farmer said, 'and I'll expect ye out in the field ilka morn at foor o'clock.

" 'Very well, sir," said the boy.

"But the first morning he overslept a little, and it was half-past four when he reached the field.

" 'The farmer, leaning on his hoe, gave him a black look.

" 'Where have ye been all the forenoon?" he growled.' "—Washington Star.

PROVINCIAL NEWS

New Brunswick

Improvements sare ttill going on over the N. B. S. Ry. Several crews are at work along the line. Work is being rushed on the bridge at Musquash.

The contractors for the Beaver Harbor wharf are experiencing some difficulty in getting teams to haul logs from Pennfield and other points were the lumber is being cut.

Nova Scotia

An Amherst man named Mullen, an insurance agent, while developing films in his room on Monday, drank a mouthful of nitrate of silver from a glass which was standing on a table beside a glass of water. A physician was quickly summoned and with the aid of an emetic the poison was removed. As the room was necessarily dark, it was easy to mistake one glass for the other.

Captain Hamm, of the schooner Edith, left Halifax on Saturday for Gold River to load lumber for the West Indies. It was at his home that the fatal gun accident occurred on Saturday whereby his little daughter was killed by the weapon in the hands of her eight-year-old brother.

John Casey, a Halifax longshoreman, was almost killed by an infuriated bull at Pier 8, Richmond, on Friday. Casey, in company with fellow-workmen, was unloading cattle from box cars to the Furness liner Kanawha. In one of the cars was a young bull and when Casey attempted to pull the animal out of the car with a rope attached to his horns, it rushed viciously at the laborer, with head lowered. He eluded the onslaught, however, and the bull went crashing into the side of the car, breaking the timber considerably. Casey evaded two more rushes and one of the workmen succeeded in throwing a rope over the bull's forelegs, felling him to the floor. Casey was removed from the car well nigh exhausted, and would have succumbed if the one-sided combat had continued. The bull's leg was broken, and the animal was sold for $41 to Halifax parties, who killed it immediately.

On Saturday a young woman pilfered a few articles from a store at Sydney and on being detected wept and restored the goods. The management of the shop now announce that the next shoplifter will be given into the custody of the police.

The Glace Bay license inspector raided two places on Friday last without much success. A Jew was first visited and a small quantity of liquor was found. In another store which is known to be stocked to capacity, one cask of beer, a dozen bottles of whiskey and a dozen flasks of the same liquid were discovered and seized Evidently the owners were informed of the proposed swoop.

Manager Burchell of the Sydney Cement Co., received on Monday a diploma from the St. John exhibition awarded for display. A gold medal for excellence of product is also due to arrive.

The Amherst Ramblers were out for a practice on Saturday night. Despite rumors to the contrary Chummie Murray was on the ice. Twaddle showed his old ability and a number of new men were tried out including Simpson, Black, Leo White, Ralston, Bell and Staples of Fredericton.

Roy Newell, the young man accused of obtaining money from the Cumberland Coal and Railway Co., was committed for trial by Stipendiary McKenzie at Amherst on Monday. He elected to be tried under the Speedy Trials Act on January 5th.

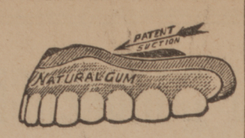
ARREST AT CAMPBELLTON

Campbellton, N. B., Dec. 22—(Special)—A suit of clothes was stolen this evening from the store of Samuel Rosnek here. Chief Crawford was notified and about 9 o'clock he and Policeman Brown arrested Angus Ramsey, in his home, on suspicion of the theft. The clothes were secured.

The funeral of Robert Nelson, who was killed by a mail special train on Saturday, was held here today. A very large number of friends attended. There were seventy carriages in the line.

Thomas Hetherington, of Cody's, was in the city yesterday.

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Lined Horse Blankets, regular price $2.00 .. ..now $1.50
Lined Horse Blankets, regular price $2.25.. .. ..now $1.75
Lined Horse Blankets, regular price $2.50.. .. ..now $2.00

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Rubber Interlined Astrachan Coats, regular price $12.00.. .. .. now $8.50
Rubber Interlined Immitation Buffalo Coats, regular price $13.00..now $9.50
Rubber Interlined Imitation Buffalo Coats, regular price $16.00..now $11.50
One (1) Grey Goat Fur Coat,, size 44 in, regular price $13.00.. .. now $10.50

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PRESENTATION TO FATHER GUERTIN

President of St. Joseph's College Was Presented With Addresses by the Students.

Raymond Kelly, Louis McDonald, Wm. D. Ryan, R. Ritchie, S. Ritchie, H. McDermott, Arthur Allan, Leo Doherty, John Casey, Joseph McMurray, John Nugent and George Flood, St. John students at St. Joseph's, Memramcook, arrived home yesterday for the Christmas vacation. Hector Bellveau, of Fredericton, passed through on his way home, and two professors of English at St. Joseph's—George Baxter, of New York, and George Regan, of Elizabeth (N. J.), also were in the city yesterday on their way to their homes. Classes will be resumed on Jan. 7.

On Monday evening, at a gathering in Lefebvre Memorial Hall, two addresses were presented to Rev. Fr. Guertin, one in French, read by Emile Gaudet, and one in English by W. D. Ryan, of St. John. The latter was in the following terms:

Rev. President:

Each season of the year has for us a certain significance, and betokens joy or sorrow. The wheels of time have made another rotation, and the universe assumes a spirit of peace and harmony, in token of the universal peace which the Messiah brought over two thousand years ago. Christmas, the season of grace and festivity, is here, and our fond expectations are materialized as we prepare for our departure.

Tomorrow many of us will leave these college halls to resume our place in the family circle, which but four short months ago we left with a two-fold feeling—joy and sorrow; joy at thought of coming to a Catholic institution, wherein we propagate true moral ethics; sorrow, to think that we were to be separated from those whom we held so dear. Yet, great as the sacrifice may have seemed, what an object lesson have we been taught since then and this the eve of our departure.

While Caesar came, saw, and conquered, we on the other hand came, saw, and were vanquished. We came, saw, and conquered, mindful only of our petty sacrifices, thinking but little of the rewards accruing to such We saw within its halls men endowed with such talents, which if not consecrated to higher cause, would reap for them worldly honors and riches. We were vanquished for no longer could we boast of self-abnegation, beholding the elevation of those same talents to the sole interests of education, reckoning not on earthly gain.

Though, Rev. President, we are going home tomorrow to join with our parents and friends in praising God for sending us His only Son to open Heaven for us, still we shall not forget our indebtedness to Him also for having placed as our directors, you and the reverend fathers who labor so assiduously under your administration.

We assure you, then, that during our absence, we shall not be unmindful of you, while the angelic choirs are praising with celestial song the God of Hosts, and their Hosannas are wafted Heavenward, we shall ask the Father to safeguard and bless you, with all the graces and favors of a happy and prosperous season.

WM. D. RYAN.

POLICE BY DAY AND THIEVES BY NIGHT?

Report That Shooting of Simcoe Policeman Was Due to Dispute Over Proceeds of Robberies.

Simcoe, Ont., Dec. 22.—The large number of burglaries and house breakings which occurred in the town of Simcoe some time ago is now said to have been the indirect cause of the shooting of Constable Wilkins, of that town, for which offence Chief of Police Malone is to be tried.

There is a story that the wounded policeman at the hospital has confessed to robbing several places in company with Chief Malone, but the latter denies all knowledge of such crimes. Among the robberies that took place shortly before the shooting was $1,000 worth of furs from Fall's shop and $300 worth of furs from Soverens' dry goods store. It is now said that some of the stolen property was recovered at Wilkins' house. Chief Malone comes up for trial Monday.

NOW IT IS EXPLAINED

It is not surprising that some of our people seem to have such hard work to be decent. Just remember, that the first man to dwell upon the earth was no saint. If we can rely upon history he was a liar and a sneak. The first woman kept bad company, and woman-like pried into things that did not concern her. The first child born was a murderer and killed his brother. Our first ancestors were a tough lot, and it is hard to get it out of the blood.—Greenville, Mich. Call.