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TENDS TO DEMORALIZE

The report of the Joint Select Committee of Lotteries and Indecent Advertisements just issued in London contains some matter that is of interest to St. John people at the present time. We quote from a summary of the report:—

"The police experienced a difficulty in dealing with a class of public entertainment which has only recently come into prominence. At the present time there are establishments open to the public without any entrance fee, in which a number of stereoscopic machines containing photographs may be seen on the payments of a penny or a halfpenny. The large majority of these photographs are doubtless of a perfectly harmless nature, but some of them are of an objectionable character, although it would be difficult to describe them as obscene, or even as indecent, within the meaning of the Vagrancy Acts, under which, apparently, it would be necessary to proceed against their owners. The committee are of opinion, from the evidence which they have heard on the subject, that exhibitions of this character are calculated to demoralise the crowds of children and young people which frequent them. The committee are of opinion that the sale and distribution of obscene and indecent articles should be effectually prevented in this country. They recommend that the law should be so amended that in the future prosecutions for offences of this kind should be dealt with summarily."

A RELIGIOUS CONGRESS

The London Standard has the following very interesting article an the Congress on the History of Religions, which was in session last week at Oxford:

"The representatives of various churches and other religious communities have assembled to throw the fullest possible light on the origin and development of the various creeds and cults, including those to which they are themselves devoutly attached. In the several sections every aspect of human belief will be considered in its source and working. 'When I say religion,' said Fielding's famous parson, 'I mean the Protestant religion; and when I say the Protestant religion I mean the religion of the Chuch of England.' The Oxford Congress meets in exactly the contrary spirit. When it says religion it means not only Protestantism and Romanism, but also Buddhism, Brahmanism, Islamism, and the Polytheism of the ancient and the pagan world. This wide and philosophic outlook was worthily indicated in the fine presidential address with which Sir Alfred Lyall, himself a close student of the religious thought of Asia, opened the congress yesterday. In a broad, general survey he compared the attitudes of States and rulers towards the four great organised doctrines which between them control the world. Christianity and Islamism he considers the religious of the west, using that term in a wide sense; Buddhism and Brahmanism are the religious of the east. Between the East and the West Sir Alfred notes this fundamental difference. The former, since the advent of Christianity, at any rate, his seldom been able to keep its politics and its religion distinct. In pre-Christian days it could, and did. Religion in ancient Greece was a matter of philosophy; in ancient Rome a matter of police; the state was only concerned to repress disorder, indecorum, and immorality. But in modern Islam the state and the church are one, so that the Khalif is Pope as well as King, and retains the allegiance of his subjects in the former much more than the latter capacity. In modern Europe, if the connection has never been quite so intimate, it was for many centuries extremely close; and even now there is no great civilised Government, except the United States of America, which treats religion as an absolutely private matter. The politics of Europe have been, and still are, inextricably connected with its religions. In the East, the Buddhist and Brahmanist lands, the case is otherwise. In the great political changes which have passed over Eastern and Southern Asia religion has borne little part, and often none at all. The kings and conquerors have marched their armies, dynasties have risen and fallen, empires have been created and destroyed, and left the temples undisturbed. The East, as in those famous lines of Matthew Arnold, let the blast go by unmoved. 'She heard the legions thunder past,' and went on with her sacrifices and her meditations. The Buddhist wave inundated all India, and then was swept back by the tide of Brahmanism, but the governments and rulers had small share, if any, in either movement. The situation in China is peculiar. It bears a certain analogy to the conditions which prevailed in ancient Rome but with essential differences. The government of the Manchu Emperors affects to hold the balance even between all the polytheisms, regulating, or endeavouring to regulate, them in the interests of civil order and the public morals. The curious position of all, in some respects, is that of British India. Alone among the governments of the East we have relinquished the superintendence of religion as an integral attribute of sovereignty. We have no official connection with any religion, we tolerate all and favour none and place our administrative measures on the sole ground of expediency and efficiency. It is the only possible attitude, though, as Sir Alfred Lyall points out, it is not without its drawbacks, since the Indian Administration 'is sometimes suspected of regarding all religion with cynical indifference, possibly even with hostility.' In the many changes which are passing over the Eastern world the relations of the civil power to the popular faiths are likely to present a problem of which the ultimate solution may offer interesting matter for discussion to some congress on the history of religions in the future."

STOCK GAMBLING

Two members of the New York Stock exchange have been expelled as a result of the disgraceful exhibition of Saturday, August 22, when reckless attempts were made to throw the market into a state of demoralization for ulterior motives. The firm in question had incurred risks not warranted by their slender resources. Commenting on the incident a New York paper insists that the rulers of the exchange should go a step farther. We quote:—

"The rulers of the New York Stock Exchange should not consider that their whole duty has been performed by the explusion of the offending members. The sins of this house have been duly aired and fit punishment meted out, but what of the Stock Exchange's own shortcomings? Is there no room for reformation there? Are the rules as strict as necessity warrants? Can nothing be done to throw additional obstacles in the way of 'wash sales?' Then, again, the unlisted department should be cleaned out. The main reason for not having securities admitted to the listed department is the objection of companies to give the required amount of information to the Exchange. Now no one will argue at this time of day that a corporation has any business to put its securities on the Exchange unless it be prepared to take the public into its confidence regarding its assets, its profits and other matters governing values. The very phrase 'unlisted department of the Stock Exchange' sounds contradictory. The authorities should either be satisfied that a stock is worthy of their patronage, or they should reject it—there should be no temporizing on this very important matter."

WALL STREET AFFECTED

Of Wall Street and the presidential campaign the New York Journal of Commerce says:—

"Fate seems to have decreed that Wall Street shall figure conspicuously in the Presidential campaign. At the outset Wall Street made up its mind to take no active part in the contest, and in order not to be drawn in the political maelstorm large contributions were not tendered to either party. For months the market completely ignored the campaign, but, like a bolt from the blue, came Hearst's charges against Haskell, whose acquaintance Wall Street made some time ago, and these have filled the air with charges and counter-charges regarding what was and what was not done in Wall Street by that gentleman. So far Wall Street has not been found guilty of having sought to corrupt either party by gigantic contributions. The nearest approach to such a charge has been one by the Democrats that the Steel Trust is supporting the Republicans, and another by the Republicans that the Oil Trust is supporting the Democrats. Wall Street's apathy was rudely shaken last week when apprehension over the political situation caused the market to become slightly demoralized; since then active stocks have declined as much as 15 points. It should be added, however, that the political scare was much more manifest than real."

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The schule gangs in at nine,
Little hauds me but tae gang
And fetch the muckle whup;
O, ye sleepy-heidit rogues,
Wull ye wauken up?

Never mother had sic faught,—
No a moment's ease!
Cleed Tam as ye like, at nicht
His breeks are through the knees;
Threed is no for him ava'
It never hauds the grup;
Maun I speak again, ye rogues,
Wull ye wauken up?

Tam, the very last to bed,—
He winna rise ava',
Last to get his books and slate,
Last to roon awa',
Sic a limb for tricks and fun,
Heeds na' what I say;
Rab and Jamie—but thae plagues,
Wull they sleep a' day?

Here they come, the three 'at ance,
Lookin' gleg an' fell,
Hoo they ken their bits o' claes,
Beats me fair to tell.
Wash your wee bit faces clean,
An' here's your bite an' sup,—
Never was mair wiselike bairns
Noo they're waukened up.

There the three are aff at last;
I watch them frae the door—
That Tam, he's at his tricks again,
I coont them by the score.
He's put his fit afore wee Rab,
An' coupit Jamie doon;
Could I lay my han's on him,
I'd make him claw his croon.

Noo to git my work on han',
I'll hae a busy day,
But losh! the house is unco quate
Since they're a' away.
A dizzen times I'll look the clock
When it comes roun' to three,
For cuddlin' doon or waukenin' up
They're dear, dear bairns to me.

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NO ENEMIES.

Gateman (at the musical comedy)—"Don't you want to come back?"

Castleton—"No."

"Well, take this pass check, anyway; you can hand it to some chap on the outside."

"My dear fellow, I haven't an enemy in the world."—Life.

TOO SUSPICIOUS.

"'Rastus," said the man who gives advice, "if you want to prosper in this world, you must go to bed with the chickens."

"Yassir," answered Mr. Pinkley; "I's willin' to go to bed wif 'em, but the folks dat owns chickens ain' sufficiently trustful."—Washington Star.

A HARDENED CRIMINAL.

Wigg (relating experience with burglar)—"The fellow was an amateur all right, for when I pointed my pistol at him he stood petrified with fear."

Wagg—"He did! Then you're mistaken about his being an amateur. If he was petrified, it's clear that he was a hardened criminal."—Boston Transcript.

DEBUTS.

"My daughter," said Mrs. Newcush, proudly, "comes out to-night."

"How strange!" cried Mrs. Kashier. "So does my husband. How long was your daughter in for, may I ask?"—Cleveland Leader.

A JOKE AT DUBLIN.

The signboard which was erected over the entrance of Trinity College, bearing the words "The British Association," was mysteriously mutilated during Thursday night, and those who were early astir yesterday morning were confronted with the sign "The British Ass." Those who perpetrated the joke did their work thoroughly, portion of the blue cloth being neatly cut away. The boarding was subsequently taken down, much to the satisfaction of those who regarded it as an unnecessary disfigurement to the College facade.—Dublin Irish Times.

IMPROBABLE.

Husband (after the theatre)—"Well, how do you like the piece?"

Wife—"Very much. There's only one improbable thing in it. The second act takes place two years after the first, and they have the same domestic."—Pittsburg Observer.

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A CANADIAN NAVY

Toronto, Sept. 18, 1908.

Editor Times

Sir.—I am sending you herewith a copy of the regulations governing the competition for the prize of $400. offered by the Toronto branch of the Navy League for the best essay on the above subject. My committee asks that you will be kind enough to give the matter as much publicity as you can in your columns. In doing so you will much oblige,

Yours very truly,
H. J. WICKHAM.
Hon. Sec.

The Toronto Branch of the Navy League has decided to offer a prize of $400, and invite competition for the best essay on "Shall Canada Have a Navy of Her Own?"

The problem to be solved is how Canada may best participate in the Naval Defence of the Empire without any loss to her present autonomy. It is proposed to print and distribute the prize essay in large quantities throughout the Dominion in order to educate public opinion on this important question.

The rules governing the competition will be forwarded on application to the Hon. Secretary to intending competitors.

The prize is given under the auspices of the Navy League in Canada; the professed objects of which are:

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To press upon public attention the need for a Canadian naval defence force.

To show how Canada can best help the Royal Navy—locally—in time of war.

As "knowledge is power" so want of knowledge is weakness. This league seeks to remedy the prevailing lack of information on naval matters by distributing literature on the subject to its members and the public press, and by promoting the teaching of naval history in schools.

The committee earnestly hope that prominent Canadians will give their cordial support, financial and otherwise, to this undertaking.

Subscriptions towards the prize fund may be sent to D. R. Wilkie, Esq., Imperial Bank of Canada, Toronto, Hon. Treasurer of the Prize Essay Fund, or to H. J. Wickham, Hon. Secretary Prize Essay Committee.

REGULATIONS FOR COMPETITION.

1. The essay should not exceed six thousand words.
2. Essays must be typewritten.
3. Essays must be marked with a nom de plume and accompanied by a sealed envelope, marked on the outside with the nom de plume, and containing in the inside the name and address of the author.
4. The competition is open to all except the actual members of the special prize essay competition committee.
5. Essays should be sent in before 1st January, 1909, to the secretary.

Local members of the special committee are James F. Robertson, president and Beverley R. Armstrong, secretary of the St. John Branch of the Navy League.

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