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LAST NIGHT'S TRAGEDY

The story of Henry F. Heenan, who yesterday took his own life, after vainly seeking among his friends to avert what to his disordered mind was a sentence of death, is the most pathetic narrative presented to the St. John public for many years. But a few days ago he was a respected citizen, a popular musician, and apparently a man in comfortable circumstances. Today he is dead, and a wife and six young children face the world in bitter loneliness and grief. Verily, each heart knoweth its own bitterness.

The lesson of this awful tragedy should not be lost upon young men. It is infinitely better to bear the burden of circumstances, however hard it may be, than to yield to temptation. Only recently a young man in this city began to lend himself the money of his employers, intending to pay it back. But instead his borrowings, never large, became too great for his small income to restore, and he left the city, leaving behind him a wife and children in poverty. His condition and theirs is infinitely worse than if they had suffered temporary hardship rather than that he should use funds not his own.

But in the case that shocked the city last night, all other feelings give way to pity and sorrow, and the most profound sympathy for those so terribly bereaved.

MONEY IN APPLES

New Brunswick captured more prizes than Nova Scotia for apples at the Amherst fair. There can be no further doubt of the fact that this province is making progress in apple culture, and that the soil and climate are thoroughly adapted to fruit raising. The lesson is obvious. New Brunswick should increase as rapidly as possible the acreage devoted to orchards, and raise in large quantities the kinds of fruit that develop most successfully. There is money in fruit. The orchards of this province are close to the winter port, and within easy reach of the British and other markets. There is also a great and growing market in the west, where this province should be able to compete with Ontario. An illustration of what may be done is given by the Toronto News, which says:—

"Ten years ago Norfolk county did not ship one barrel of apples a year. That was before a man with ideas began to apply scientific methods to the growth and marketing of fruit. It was also before the growers formed themselves into a co-operative association for the purchase of supplies and the sale of their produce. This season the Norfolk Apple Growers' Association sent 19,200 barrels to the Canadian West, receiving in return $60,000. This comes of learning how to treat trees, and of knowing where and how to sell their yield. As a result of these successful experiments, enterprising men have taken five, seven and ten-year leases of orchards, formely used as calf pastures. The trees are pruned, sprayed and fertilized, and yield a net profit of $3 per tree. These developments have changed the whole economic aspect of the district. Norfolk county farmers have been transformed from a discouraged, struggling class to successful, confident fruit-growers. All the orchards in the county are well cared for. Outsiders are coming in, buying farms and planting orchards. Land has advanced in value. The whole countryside is increasing in population, capital and wealth, and a similar transformation is being wrought in the neighborhoods of Forest and Ingersoll on the same scientific basis. The benefits of co-operative work are felt by everybody in the district. Buyers have to pay good prices even to fruit-growers who are not members of the association, or they will become members."

Every year sees apples from Nova Scotia and Ontario on the New Brunswick market. Why should a province that can win prizes for apples in competition with another province fail to supply its own needs?

A VITAL PROBLEM

The same problem that has been discussed by Earl Grey and others at Amherst is taken up by Secretary of Agriculture James Wilson of the United States, in his annual report. It is the problem of peopling the abandoned areas of the east. The secretary made an extended trip to New York in October to investigate the agricultural conditions of the state, and returned to Washington greatly impressed with the fact that the run-down agricultural conditions of the state are not the result of poor soils, but rather of depopulation. He is of the opinion that New York State agriculture has a great future and that what it needs is people to work the farms. In speaking of the abandoned farm question the secretary says:

"The United States has been developing for agricultural purposes an area as large as the whole of Europe, while its population is but little larger than that of any one of several European countries. So much has fashion and sentiment had to do with this agricultural development that many of the lands, particularly in the Eastern States, have been practically abandoned, so far as profitable agricultural use is concerned, by the shifting and moving of our agricultural population into new regions in which lands are purported to be cheaper and in which the advertised inducements have been proportionately large. With the rapid extension, also, of our industrial life and the opportunities offered in the past in business and in the professions, the cities have called upon the country for clear brains and vigorous bodies to such an extent that large areas have become so depopulated of active and vigorous minds and bodies that the stock is insufficient to repeople the country districts. The result has been that some of the most fertile lands in our eastern states, some of the most fertile lands in the world, have been left in a condition of practical if not actual abandonment, and the price of provisions has increased for the simple reson that there are not enough people to actually work the soils and to raise the crops necessary to feed the non-producing population of the cities.

"The great problem which faces American agriculture today is the problem of the proper utilization of our soils and the development of our agricultural interests in spite of and in face of the allurements of the cities and the commercial and industrial avocations. It has now become as serious a problem to settle up our eastern states as it has been in the past to settle the west. The first problem of all is to devise means of resettling the lands which have in recent yers been neglected through the mistaken idea that they have become exhausted, but which, it is now clearly apparent, can be brought back to an increasing production through a change in farm management and the infusion of new and active blood into the rural communities."

The expenditure of more money examining the suspension bridge will not assist in bridging the harbor, nor will it carry Mr. Hazen over the weak place.

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The record prices paid for steers and hogs in United States markets, as quoted in today's Times, do not indicate any immediate reduction in the price of meats.

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If in addition to losing her autonomy Finland has to pay a large share of the cost of the Russo-Japanese war, the heel of the opressor will be likely to goad the people to the point of rebellion.

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It is perhaps a great feat when a newspaper (at large expense) hoaxes the people. But when it coolly tells them later (at large expense) that they were hoaxed, they may be disposed to regard the newspaper itself as a hoax.

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The Standard is wasting much valuable space over the attitude of Mr. Hazen toward the harbor bridge. Why not let Mr. Hazen assume the responsibility and say plainly that he is for or against the bridge of which the federal government is ready to pay one third of the cost?

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The tribute to Conductor Sproul at Sussex last evening was well earned by a life of honorable service. His retirement reminds those who remember when he was a sprightly young railway man years ago that they, too, are growing old. May he live many years yet before the gong sounds for the long run.

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If the Montreal Star's London cable is correct, the Canadian Pacific, by the absorption of the Allan line, will become a vastly greater factor in Atlantic transportation. St. John should do all that may reasonably be done to wed the company to this port as its great winter terminus. There are still some matters to be adjusted, and they are of more importance than a squabble about who shall be the city's assessors.

A CHRISTMAS CREED FOR SHOPPERS

(New York World.)

It should not be difficult to comply with the request made of Christmas shoppers by the Consumers' League—to buy early and to send present packages two weeks in advance. To do this involves no self-denial while it will constitute a real act of Christmas charity to the army of overworked salesgirls, delivery clerks, postmen and express and railway employes, on whom Christmas week buying imposes hardships not in keeping with the spirit of the season.

The league's other recommendations are less urgent, but they comprise an excellent Christmas creed for shoppers: "Buy nothing you cannot afford." "Aim to minister to real needs and wishes." "Choose articles of artistic worth or having intrinsic value. "Demand things which have been made and sold under conditions wholesome to the worker."

To carry out these suggestions conscientiously and to invest the exchange of presents with a practical usefulness would do much to redeem the great festival of the church year from the abuses which have grown up about it.

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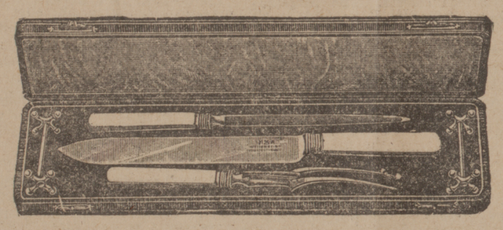
But how can we tell you here of the goodness of our Men's $3.50, $4.00 or $4.50 Shoes—Our Women's $2.50, $3.00 or $3.50 Shoes—Our Boys' and Girls' Shoes at $1.50, $1.75 or $2.00, etc, and do each style any measure of justice?

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We have restored the pride of the man that lied,
But for her that fell have we fashioned hell
With a faith all stern and just—
It was so of old; and no man has told
What our Lord wrote in the dust.

We have sighed betimes of our brothers' crimes
And have bade them be of cheer,
For the flesh is weak, and the soul grown meek
May yet read its title clear,
But we draw away from the one astray,
As the truly righteous must.
She is cursed, indeed!—and we did not read
What our Lord wrote in the dust.

For the men who thieved, and who killed and lied—
Who have slain the woman's soul—
We have worked and prayed, and have seen them made
All clean and all pure and whole.
But we drive her out with a righteous shout
In our Pharisaic trust.
So the man goes free—but we did not see
What our Lord wrote in the dust.
—Chicago Post.

THE LINE DRAWN ON COOK

In the realms of perdition,
Where the Satanites abide,
They often call a meeting
When there's questions to decide.

Old Beelbebub, the leader,
Holds the sceptre and the reins.
And calls aloud for order
'Mid the rattling of the chains.

A long important session
Was held the other night
To decide on certain matters
That have lately come to light.

Among the most important
Entered on the minute book,
Was to welcome back Tom Pepper
And close the door on Cook.
RUBIRD TIPPLING.
St. John, Dec. 9, '09.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

MADE TO ORDER.

That "brevity's the soul of wit,"
At times we think is corking;
That is, we think the saying's fit
When other folks are talking.
—Boston Herald.

BLAMING HIMSELF.

"Did you ever get bunkoed?"
"Once, but I suppose it was my own fault."
"How was it?"
"I gave a preacher $50 for marrying me,"
—Houston Post.

TWISTING IT.

"You say he called me a big sausage?"
"That was evidently what he meant."
"Tell me exactly what he said."
"He said you were thin-skinned."—Houston Post.

PRACTICAL MAID.

He paced the floor for an hour or two,
With hopes that he'd win her hand:
"I'm wearing my heart away for you,"
He warbled to beat the band.
Alas, she gave his feelings a start,
And soon put him to rout,
When she said: "I don't give a fig for your heart—
But you're wearing the carpet out."
—Chicago News.

THE INGLENOOK PHILOSOPHER of Kennebeccasis Bay.

Dont' throw away your identity, Aaron: don't sacrifice your individuality. When I heard you talking with Mrs. Pollard the other day, I fancied that that young prig from the business college has been talking into a gramaphone, and that you had the gramaphone under your vest. Don't do it. Don't try to be anybody but Aaron, and try to make Aaron respected and looked up to because he is himself. Borrowed plumage, mental or physical, deceives no one for long. Men (and women, too) bow to coats and hats and neckties, but if the wearers of those articles have common sense these bows don't afford them much satisfaction.

A few years ago there lived in London a man who was physically the duplicate of Shakespeare as seen in his portraits, but mentally—well, he had never heard of the great dramatist. Earls, lords and dukes stopped their carriages to interview him on the street, but drove on disgusted; for his mind was almost an utter blank. Sculptors and painters hired him to sit for them, and astonished the world with new busts and portraits of the greatest poet. But he had wit enough to know he was an innocent fraud, and was very miserable. Don't be a talking machine, Aaron; don't ape anybody in the world in dress, manners or speech. Be Aaron, and if Aaron sinks out of sight, let him go: he deserves no better fate. W. S. Gilbert imagines himself in the place of the new Shakespeare I have been telling of, and laments his hard fate. I quote—

"At parties where young ladies gaze,
And I attempt to speak my joy,
Hush, pray, some lovely creature says,
The good illusion don't destroy."

"Whene'er I speak, my soul is wrung,
With those or some such whisperings:
'Tis pity that a Shakespeare's tongue
Should say such non-Shakesperian things."

Peter Cooper (born in the city of New York, 1791) mechanic, inventor, manufacturer, millionaire, philanthropist and philosopher, had his double, a man who looked just like him, dressed just like him, and when spoken to answered as Mr. Cooper would be expeteed to answer, except when a contribution was desired, when he said he would "make a note of it," and "give the matter his careful consideration." One time, after a long talk with an old friend of the real Peter Cooper, his pretentions became apparent, and he was soundly thrashed. Aaron, be yourself.

After the death of America's greatest novel writer, his son brought out a crude and impossible story which he declared was the work of his father, and had been found among his papers. Book readers glanced over a few of its pages and threw it aside with a smile. Had the book been brought out as the work of his son, it would have been tolerated for his father's sake, and hopes for better things would have been entertained, but the fraud! Pah! That was too much. Be yourself, Aaron: just Aaron, and nothing else.

Whitehead, K. Co., Dec. 4

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THE SUDDEN DEATH OF JOHN JACKSON

Just as he was ascending the steps of the cathedral yesterday afternoon to pay a last tribute of respect to an old friend, John Jackson, sailmaker, was seized with a weak turn and died as he was being taken to his home in a coach. Mr. Jackson was 84 years of age and for thirty-five years had been an active member of the St. John Fire Department. For fifteen years of that period he was captain of No. 1 Hook and Ladder Company. His sudden death was a great shock to his family and friends for despite his advanced years he had been in the best of health. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson had celebrated their golden wedding on November 27th last, both being in good health and spirits at that time.

Besides his widow the deceased leaves four sons and two daughters to mourn. They are George, of the customs, C. H., King square, and Robert, all of this city, and Samuel, of New York. The funeral will be held from the residence of his son, C. H. Jackson, 7 Hospital street, Saturday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

MORNING NEWS OVER THE WIRES

The big freight steamer W. C. Richardson, of Cleveland, foundered and sank in Lake Erie yesterday, during a gale. Five of the crew perished and the remaining fourteen were rescued by the crew of the steamer William A. Payne.

The board of education of Greater New York has passed a resolution barring football from the public schools after Jan. 1, 1910.

Bishop Stringer, of Kincardine, Ont., has sent a telegram from Circle, Alaska, announcing his arrival there on his way to Dawson. He expects to reach Dawson by December 20.

Fire in the seven-story furniture warehouse, owned by W. B. Sterling; in Winnipeg, resulted in a loss of $20,000.

Mrs. G. W. Ganong, of St. Stephen, fractured her right leg yesterday as a result of a fall.

The coroner's jury at Patten, Maine, yesterday decided that Alphonse Cyr of Grand Falls, whose body was recently found in the woods, was shot by an unknown person, evidence tending to show a hunter mistook him for a deer.

OTHER POLITICAL SWEEPS.

(Kingston Whig.)

Premier McBride's victory in British Columbia is not quite the biggest sweep on record. In 1901, when Premier Murray appealed to the people of Nova Scotia only two Conservatives were returned, and in the present assembly in that province there are only four members in opposition. In Alberta the opposition consists of one Conservative and one Socialist, so that the three Liberals and two Socialists in British Columbia make quite a fair-sized opposition comparatively, though it must be admitted that it is too small for effective work.

Many a politician who wasn't in politics for his health has been known to leave the country for his health.

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SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST LAND REGULATIONS.

ANY person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for the district. Entry by proxy may be made at any agency, on certain conditions, by father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of intending homesteader.

Duties—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres solely owned and occupied by him or by his father, mother, son, daughter, brother, or sister.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter-section alongside his homestead .Price $3.00 per acre. Duties—Must reside six months in each of six years from date of homestead entry (including the time required to earn homestead patent) and cultivate fifty acres extra.

A homesteader who has exhausted his homestead right and cannot obtain a pre-emption may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price $3.00 per acre. Duties—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth $300.00.

W. W. CORY.
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.
N. B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.
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A horse belonging to Michael Weizel, the junk dealer, took fright last night in Gilbert's lane and ran away. The wagon to which it was attached was badly broken. The animal was caught and placed in W. J. Alexander's barn. The driver was thrown out of the wagon but not hurt.

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