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THE BILL WITHDRAWN

The tension is broken. Obstructive tactics have proved too much for Remedial William and he has gone to his rest. Let us hope it will be a long one. There are, occasionally, monstrosities born into this world that are not capable of properly performing the function of life, and so long as they remain living must exist upon the bounty of their fellowmen. Should the accoucheur decide that the enormity must live mankind is obliged by the laws of our country to maintain it. In the case of this bill the abnormal object is there, and the great question before the government physicians has been, "Will we kill, or fondle?" Physicians Tupper, Foster et al, say it must live; physicians Sproule, McNeill, et al, say it is for the advantage of all concerned that it be put out of the way. This has been done temporarily and the country is taking a breathing spell from the sickening flood of irrelevant twaddle that has been necessary, as the only avilable weapon to decapitate it. What the country now wants is a distinct disavowal from the government of any intention to resurrect this obnoxious measure at any future time. We desire to avoid the muck hole in which incautious legislators have placed us and to get back upon the firm ground of commercial prosperity and national progress which has been the supreme object of the Conservative party under the two great statesmen who have recently passed away. Such scenes as we have just witnessed are a sad commentary on the mutability of principles as well as man. They prove that principles and great aims may be forgotten in the wild rush of ambition and desire for power, and that this is as true of a government as of an individual. Has the lesson been learned in time to save the party at the coming election? The answer lies largely with the government in its decision as to whether or not the Remedial Bill will be made an issue.

For the past few days the House of Commons has been cleaning up necessary business, and the members will all reach their homes this week. Elections will probably be held the first or second week in June.

Big fleas have other fleas
Upon their backs to bite them;
And those fleas have other fleas,
And so ad infinitum.

The Shelburne Economist credits the above beautiful classic to a spring poet and says it was published in a paper "in this section of the province." The Economist should not thus make light of and misquote the productions of one of the greatest poets who ever lived. It was no less a person that Jonathan Swift to whom this sentiment should be credited, and the correct quotation is as follows:

So, naturalists observe, a flea
Has smaller fleas that on him prey;
And those have smaller still to bite 'em,
And so proceed ad infinitum.

The Armenian horrors are still drummed into our ears. What is the matter with Christendom, anyway, that it cannot force the Christian powers to act for the protection of these Armenians, without leaving their succor to individual effort? Lord Salisbury has advised that time be given for the Sultan to control his recalcitrant subjects. If he should be granted sufficient time for that it is probable there will be no Armenians to succor, because it has now become clear that it is by the Sultan's own connivance and instigation that these poor people are being destroyed. This terrible affair will be handed down to posterity as the prime horror of the nineteenth century.

The attention of the world will no doubt shortly be called to another British conquest and expansion of territory in South Africa. There is great activity in the British war department and uprisings of natives in the coveted territory will supply the necessary apology for Great Britain to step in and teach these people the lessons of nineteenth century enlightenment. It is extremely interesting reading to the student of history to follow the footsteps of the great nation under which we happily live, for the past half century, in her course of colonization and expansion. This has almost wholly been directed towards Africa and the countries of the far East. As one writer points out, Britain to day controls every important gateway in the world. She has planted her flag at the gates of China, where, on the Island of Hong Kong, has arisen one of the most wonderful cities of to-day; she "protects" several of the Malayan native states; she owns Burmah and India; she has "interests" in Siam; the Straits settlements are centres of British commerce. Her greatest rival is Russia, who is swooping down upon China from the north and closing in upon England's interests across the whole north of the great Asiatic continent. It is here that Greek will probably meet Greek in the near future. Public men are watching the movement of affairs in the far East with extreme interest, believing that events will place there the centre of political agitation that will upset empires and uncrown kings. Africa is only a by-play to fill in the time until the great trans-Siberian railway is completed and Vladivostok, or possibly the Corean peninsula, hears the roar of Russian military trains. It is a gratification to believe that Britain is prepared in every way to meet any emergency that may arise.

Huron and Ontario Railway.

The Act to incorporate the Huron and Ontario Railway Co. is now law, having passed the Dominion Senate. The main line and two belt lines will be 300 miles in length and the charter is for the largest Electric Railway scheme in existence up to date. The Government had decided at the instance of Sir Oliver Mowat, to acknowledge the sole jurisdiction of the Ontario Legislature in the matter of Electric Railway to be operated solely within Ontario.

The bill for the Huron and Ontario Railway was up before the Railway Committee four different times before it was finally reported to the House, and each time the Minster of Railways declared the policy of the Government to be adverse to chartering not only this, but all similar schemes. Dr. Rolston who was promoting the bill before the Committee had it adjourned from time to time and applied himself diligently to lobbying with a view of procuring for it sufficient support to secure its final success and it is gratifying to know that it has at last been assented to by the Government. The necessity for the Railway is shown by the fact that, every mile of the route (from Shelburne to Flesherton alone excepted) is now covered by 'stages," so slow and out of harmony with this age of progress and rapid and luxurious means of travel from place to place. Those stages carry both passengers and mails, and the people served by them complain of the delay in getting their mails in this slow and old-fashioned way, compared with the service enjoyed by the people on lines of railway. The Dr. represented to the Committee that as a means of affording the Government a more economical and expeditious method of carrying the mails, it might well be called a railway for the general advantage of Canada, and as such within the jurisdiction and deserving of a charter from the Government. Drs. Sproule and Landerkin, Messrs. Cargill, McMullen, M. C. Cameron, Wm. Smith, and Masson, (now judge) and Senator McKendry, ably supported the bill by voice, vote and influence. The Dr. also received uniform courtesy and generous and unanimous support from the French gentlemen in committee.

The promotors will at once set to work to secure the consent of the municipalties to the use of the highways, get out by-laws, organize permanent directors, who will issue stock and place the same on the market, and it is hoped that the contract for construction will shortly be taken over by Messrs. Miller Bros., of New York, who financed the T. H. & B., now in operation.—Shelburne Free Press.

Port Law.

From our own Correspondent.

We are glad to announce that the sale of Mr. R. J. McKee was a grand success, as the weather was all that could have been desired and the stock, and in fact everything, was in first class shape, and the prices realized we consider were good for this year. We are sorry to lose R. J. and wife as they were good neighbors, but we heartily wish them success in their new home, wherever that may be.

We are glad to announce that spring has once more come with all its splendour and we do not think we ever saw the grass so far advanced before at this season of the year, and never was it more welcome in this locality by both man and beast.

Horse clipping and wood bees seem to be the order of the day during the past week, but the merry notes of the plough boy can be distinctly heard.

We noticed Mr. George Thompson, councillor, out on foot one day last week repairing the damages done to the roads by the recent floods. He seems to be kept very busy, as we never remember seeing so much damage done by water in the locality before.

The fall wheat in this section of country has stood the winter well and promises to be a fair crop.

The farmers of this section of country seem to be of the opinion that they will have to plough up most all of the ground seeded down by them last year, as the drought of last summer seems to have killed almost all of the young clover.

Master Walter and Miss Jane Hemphill, of Flesherton Station, were visiting with their grandma, Mrs. Hemphill, of this section, during the past week.

Miss Bella Thompson, of Port Law, was visiting her sister, Mrs. Ben Hargrave, of Osprey, during the past week.

Mr. Walter Simmons has hired Master John Thistlewaite for the summer.

Quite a number of the young men of this locality are intending going up to the Sault this spring in search of work, as wages seem to be low and work scarce in these parts.

The people of this vicinity are now beginning to appreciate the full value of their new postoffice, as they get their mails more regular without travelling a distance of six or seven miles over the bad roads.

Sugar making is almost a thing of the past for this year. Those who went into it claim a very small profit as the season was not a good one.

We are sorry to note that Mrs. Northmore is at present very sick with la grippe.

Death has again claimed one of the old pioneers of Wareham, namely Mr. Jonathan Irish, whose remains were entered at the Mount Zion burying ground on Friday last.

Last Thursday morning a most distressing occurrence took place in the adjoining township of Derby. For some months past the eldest daughter of Mr. S. Connell, a young woman of about 20 years of age, has shown indications of being unbalanced mentally, said to be the result of illness. Though acting strangely, it was not considered that her condition was dangerous until a short time ago, when it was decided that a constant watch was advisable. Night after night her father sat up with her. Wearied with constant watching on the morning in question, the watcher fell asleep for a few minutes only to be aroused by the piercing screams of the young woman. It was discovered that she had taken the lamp-burner off and had emptied the coal oil over her clothing and then set fire to them. In an instant the situation was taken in and the father sprang to put out the blaze, and only succeeded after both victim and rescuer were seriously burned. Mr. Connell's wounds are principally on the arms and face, his whiskers, hair and eyebrows being singed off, while the burns on his arms are terrible. Medical aid was summond and the injuries carefully dressed. The deepest sympathy is expressed for Mr. Connell in his double affliction.—Times.

EQUAL RIGHTS HOUSE

Kash is King

A great many farmers at the present time are at a loss to know how they are going to make the farming pay. They have no guarantee of high prices for either stock or produce of any kind they may have to dispose of. There must be a change made, and that before long. One of the great draw backs to our country is the CREDIT SYSTEM and until business is done on a cash basis we need not expect to hear anything else but the cry of hard times. This store does not encourage credit which is easily seen by the large number of shrewd cash buyers that patronize us. We are marking all new goods coming in at cash prices and intend to make credit stores hustle. Butter will be bought by us according to quality. Our aim is to encourage good butter making.

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For sale cheap, on easy terms that comfortable residence on Mary St. Flesherton, containing 8 rooms and wood shed, with hard and soft water pumps, both under cover, beautiful garden and orchard also well finished stable and drive house 28 x 24 ft. Apply to J. E. MOORE, Furniture dealer.

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FARMERS, ATTENTION

IMPROVE YOUR STOCK.

I have had grand success with my bull, Lord Balco, as a stock getter. On account of hard times I have decided to run him at $1.00 per cow for 1896 payable Jan. 1st 1897. If not paied on or before that date 25 cts. extra will be charged.

FOR SALE,— I have also for sale a young thoroughbred bull, which took first prize at Flesherton and Markdale fairs sired by Lord Balco, dam Laday Clenmore, one of the best milking cows that ever came into this country
ARTHUR JOHNSTON, Vandeleur P. O

FARMERS, READ THIS!

"King Pin"

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By Knickerbocker 200, the sire of ten in the 2.30 list, and the sire of the dam of Alar 2.11, Chronos 2.12½ and eleven others. This shows that his stock is breeding on and in the very front ranks.

Knickerbocker is by the king of sires, Hambletonian 10

King Pin's dam is Topsey by Kentucky Prince 2420, sire of Guy, 2.09¾, Eloise, 2.15, and over thirty others in the list, second dam by Forest King 1754, the sire of Lady Basset, 3.20½, and others, and Forest King is by that great sire, Mambrino Patchen 58, sire of 25 in the list, and sire of the dams of 112 fast performers, including Ralph Wilkes, 2.06¾. King Pin's dam, Topsy, is in the great brood mare list, being the dam of Zerland, 2.25. King Pin is 5 years old, a beautiful dark bay 16½ hands high, and weighs 1300. He is a horse of great style, quality, and a grand actor, and can now, without training, show a 2.40 gait. He has great substance, strong build, the make up of a sire, the speed to transmit and the breeding and blood lines to make him prepotent, and not only a sire of race horses but a sire of **elegant carriage and saddle horses** with grand knee and hock action, and large enough for all kinds of farm work.

This young stallion was imported by me last winter, did a large business last season, and is a sure foal getter. His service fee will be within reach of every farmer. See small bills later.

The principal stands for season of '96 will be: Priceville, at or near Hopeville, Proton Station, South-east Artemesia, Wareham, McIntyre, Maxwell, Eugenia Falls, Flesherton and home stable, Markdale.

J. E. MARSH,
15My Markdale, Ont

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