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Because thou art my own, Canada my land. More fortile fields and ampler plains In other realms may be. And grander streams than those which bee

Thy waters to the sea; But yot, great handlwork of God, Thou'rt loveliest to me, Canada my land. More glorious records may adorn

The annals of the past Than those which tell the rise and growth Of thy dominion vast; But I am proudest of the land In which my lot is cast, Canada my land.

Names more illustrious may form Another people's boast Than those which shine like beaconlights O'er thee from coast to coast; But, land of memorable names, I honor thee the most,

Canada my land.

My father's ashes lie;

By every dearest tie:

I cheerfully would die.

Beneath thy green or snow-clad sod

Thou hast my all, to thee I'm bound

- W. M. MacKeracher in Montreal Witness

Select Family Reading.

Spoiled by Office.

"TY wife, she don't think I'd orter

pitched, piping voice, Mrs. Charles peered

through the panels of the Japanese screen

that concealed her desk and chair in the

bay window alcove of her husband's office,

and saw a tall lean, sunburned young man

with one brawny shoulder braced awkward-

ly against the casing of the outer door as

he looked down in awestuck admiration at

the lawyer whose pen was rapidly filling in

the various counts of complaint in a writ.

"She says I'd better stick to farmin'

She says I shall lose more in the long run

than I shell make, but anybody hadn't

always orter be on the make, hed they?

"Certainly, and the bitizens of a county

should cheerfully serve their turn in filling

should be no volgar scramble for office

"Jes' so. I must remember that to tel

Mari. It may reconcile her to havin' me

"Your legitimate duties will not often

take you from the farm, and I fancy you

company or to go idling about to magnify

"Wasl, I guess not. I've allus stuck ter

hum pretty close, and I don't know as I

shall like sheriffin' at all. You'll bey ter

tell me what ter do. I don't know no

more how to sarve a writ than that lettle

The little animal, recognizing the word

dog, wagged his short tail, and the young

stump tail dog over there do."

are too well settled to be led astray by bad

"Ah! How is that?"

And there has to be sheriffe."

gone some er the time."

the offices prescribed by law.

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abe a sheriff."

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> farmer, laughing a little, gave his attention PROPRIETOR as the man of law unfolded the document. explained it and gave explicit directions to the newly made-officer. "Who is he?" came from a voice in the

your office."

alcove as soon as the door was closed. "Stephen Staples," was the reply "You know his farm, over in Staples"

"Where we called for a drink of mil once when we were driving? His wife is one of the old fashioned homespun kind, a She never was unruly. An one of the men mouth to feed, but another source of staple of the community, you told her that day, and her voice sounds like distant thunder."

"Jes' so," laughed Squire Charles comical imitation of his client, and the matter was dropped for that time. At intervals the sheriff came to the office or the lawyer mentioned seeing bim

here and there. "Steve Staples can's be doing much farming," he would say. "I'm afraid a poor sheriff is spoiling a good farmer." "Staples has a new suit. I hardly knew him when I met him in the city to-day.

He evidently enjoys his little journeys in the world." Next it was, "Staples is wearing tan colored shoes," and later at court time: "Staples is sporting a high hat and a cane. He strikes an atttitude like Judge Coleman and the uninitiated might take him for a

member of the legal profession." "I wonder what his wife thinks of it remarked Mrs. Charles. The question was answered by that good woman in person several months later. She came into the office with her husband early one mideummer morning. They both looked neat and businesslike in gingbam and denim, but it was Staples who piped excusingly : "Come in a burry :

didn't fix up." "The clothes he wore before he took up sheriffin' are good enough to wear when he rides with me," said his wife in low, heavy ground tones. "They are as good as can afford, and, best of all, they are paid for. The things he had to mortgage the farm to buy I don't take no stock in myself-I don't."

"Has it come to that?" asked Squire Charles in surprise. "Jes' so," piped Staples. "I'll tell you how 'twas. We've come to get the papers

"Who are you going to mortgage it to?" asked the lawyer to gain time, for he would not for the world have had his wife miss hearing the story. oOh, Mrs. Staples here-she's go

it to sheriff around on unless I have "That is all proper," said the man o law. "Oh, here's my wife! You'd be pleased to meet Mrs. Staples again, my dear. Now let us hear about these per-

"Yes, I've got money, but he won't get

"Was!, 'twas this way," said the farmer who had left his chair and braced his shoulder against the door frame in the old way, where he could look down upon the desk : "All slong there seemed to be a good many things to call me away from

in her low, heavy voice. "Was!, I didn't go no more than the other fellers I was getting soquainted with

"He made up arrants !" put in his wife

different from them."

"You'd always been different from 'em in the way that you had owned your farm an had money in the bank an staid ter hum an minded your own business while they was a livin' on their wits or their oredit."

"Well, I never'd hed my fling, as you stopped forward and said; "Any lights, might say, an' when I went a-sheriffin' I sir ?" got acquainted, an there ain't no gettin' away from it. I did buy new clothes an' a new hat an' a new hoss an' a buggy an' all the fixin's."

an' a gold ring, jest as true as you live, an' kid gloves-drivin' gloves he called 'eman' he driv' in 'em no doubt, for he rid an' he rid, carryin' them fallers he had got in all day, and at what time she was going politics convention a year ago an' left the o'clock. hay all down. A rain blew up-I told him I felt in my bones that 'twas comin'-an' it rained, an' it rained, an' when he got here." home the hay was spiled. He got it in, but 'twas musty, an the critters wouldn't eat it, an' cum winter he hed ter buy hay. He was so ashamed he wouldn't buy it in bed." around hum, fer never before since the Lord set 'em apart into families did a Staples ever buy hay. So he drove twelve miles to the city an' got baled hay an' brought it hum in ther night an' hid it in | you ?" the haymow an' fed it out to the cows in the barn. Waal, come spring there was dunnin' letters comin' in every day, for not only hed he spent all he had laid by in the bank, but he'd got trusted besides. After awhile a city man he owed for his black up an' sell him Betty, the best cow in the penny barn ! I tell you that struck me spunky,

"Didn't say very much?" echoed poor Staples, bracing his shoulder anew. "Twan't nothing but kersheriff, kersheriff, kersheriff, from morning till night.'

"Waal, you came near being kersheriffed yourself when that man came after you that driv' off Bet to pay for a buzz beetle tailed coat, razor toed yaller shoes, a cane an' a plug hat. Why, he even had his to get sixpence; and he always does." 'linen,' he called it, done up at a laundry !" "He did make rapid progress," .laughed

"Progress! I thought so when them men came an' said Bet had got tu-ber-colo-sis. I said I didn't know what kind of tubers they had been given' her. She hadn't had nothin' on the farm but potatoes an' carrote, an' they agreed with her well enough. Then he said we must have the herd inconlated, an' I said we'd all been vaccinated, an' I guessed that would do for the cows an' all. So we asked for." awod till Staples dressed up an' hitched her back one night an' put her on some clean straw in the sheep shed, so the other

critters shouldn't ketch it

in any of their newfangled talk. 'She's pizened or else she's a-swallowed something,' I said, an' they kept up their talk about prosecutin' us for sellin' a cow that hadn't been tested, an' I said we'd been a testin' her milk an' cream for years, but all the talk didn't save the cow. She died "Then I set up that she should be out open, an one o' the men said, as pompous as a big dictionary: 'Very well. We'll have a post mortem examination, my good | The Osages, therefore, are very fond of woman: I said I didn't feel jest then as if large families, and it is to the material I was anybody's very good woman, but I interest of every Indian to have as many wanted that cow out open, post mortem or children as possible. In this case each rail mortem, It didn't matter which to me. new child does not represent another said, kinder laughin': 'We will proceed income. The father, on pay day, collects with the autospy, an I said I din't care from the Government paymaster the what kind of Topsy they proceeded with, money coming to his family, and this often she was black enough to be a Topsy or a amounts to a considerable sum. The Dinah. I knew what they meant, but I Indian has never fully realized the value didn't mean to let them know it. So they of money—it comes too easily. When he baled hay wire a foot long. That poor old | "traders," and he settles his accounts becritter, starvin' on baled hay, had hanked down an' swellowed that wire, an' it had

tangeled around an' punched through her internal machinery tryin' to digest itself till is had twisted poor old Betty's heart he makes remarkable and ludicrous purall up so it couldn't beat no longer." "Well, then they cannot prosecute you for keeping an infected herd?" "No, but the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals might for keepin' milk cows on iron wire. But now they threaten to prosecute for damages and thing he fancied, until he had accumulated veterinaries an' experts an' so on. So now f you will make the papers given' me

a deed of the farm, I'll give him money to pay up an' settle up all these ker sheriffin "ille, but this has got to end it." "But your sherriff fees," said the lawyer, "Will they not help to pay part of the

lawyer took up his pen :

and I hain't never got no pay for sarvin' Mr. Indian comes to town in style, with that, but there can't nobody say I hain't his squaw beside him on the ceat, and the are taking up the temperance quest'on dressed up an lived up to the diguity of the "That little stub toiled dog is doin' the

same." growled the woman; he's got a ribbon tied round his neck." And the auditors laughed till the little dog barked in sympathy and Stephen City Star. Staples piped: "Jes' so! Jes' so!"-Springfield, Mass., Republican. SURPRISED THE CONGREGATION

be safe. During the long sermon, they got dressed her, inquiring her reason for in front of the pulpit and said; "Please, John Ruskin," she frankly answered. the clergyman gazed at them over his "No, indeed," she replied. "If I had spectacles; then he understood and said: | would have deemed it one of the greatest

GOOD IMITATION. country, and, seeing a lot of sheep and he led her up to the house, entering, bade lambs for the first time, she exclaimed: his guest to follow, which she readily did. "Oh, mamma, just look at the cute little | On marched the stranger into the drawingsuppe, and they're such good imitations, room; then, placing his back to the fire too. They squeak just like my toy lamb place, a familiar attitude, he exclaimed, to and have got the same kind of hair on."

Modesty in your discourse will give a

FAITH FOR A SIXPENCE.

I was walking along the streets of London one cold and wet night with a despouding friend, trying to cheer him, and longing to see a spark of hope kindled in his heart. In our walk we arrived at Victoria Station. While talking together a little child

"No, Topsy," I replied, "I don't want any.; I don't emoke." "O, but please, sir, do buy a box!" she persisted in a pleading tone.

"The fixin's was a gold watch an' chain "No, no ; run away Topsy," I continued "I have no use for lights." But still she persisted. At last, seeing her earnestness, I asked her what she did

with around. He went off with 'em to a home, for it was then nearly helf past ten "O," she replied, "I go to school in the day, and after four o'clock I come out

> "But why do not your father and mother take care of you?" I asked. "Father has run away, and mother is ill "And what do you come out here for?

> "But you don't slways take sixpence, do "Yes, I do, sir." "But you won't get sixpence to-night." "Yes, I shall sir."

taken sixpence."

"Well, how much have you now?" She sterned inclined not to let me know; but I said : "Come, Topsy, you must tell beetle winged tailcoat an' his big silk hat me all about it." So, half afraid, she drew his way to the front to see the cause of the come dunnin' an' said be'd take up with a some coppers from a pocket in her cotton cow for family use, an' what did he do but dress and counted out threepence-half-"Well, now, you will never get sixpence

but I didn't say nothin' or not so very to-night," I said. "O yes, sir, she answered, "I shall always take home sixpence." "Now, Topsy, tell me what makes you so

> sure of getting sixpence." For some time she would not answer but after a little pressing she said: "Because, before I come out I kneel down by mother's bed and say the Lord's Prayer : and mother says our Father will help 'me "O, but I thought you said your father

had run away. "Don't you know, sir," she simply asked, "that we have a Father in heaven ?" "Yes; but you don't mean to say He | way. Of course when they get off they hears about a sixpence?" "Yes, He does, sir; and He will send me

"Well, if I were to give you twopencebalfpenny, what would you do?" "Why, sir, I should run home to mother, because my Father had given me all I

"It is needless to say that the twopenceup an' drove off with them. Day an' halfpenny was speedily produced, and night he was gone for two or three weeks, snitably acknowledged by the little one, an I thought I should hev a went crazy. who merrily tripped home. I turned to Farm work sufferin', old Betty a-dyin' my friend, who all this time had stood by an I said she should be brought home. So without saying a word; our glances met, you have got your lesson." We forthwith separated-I to my bachelor chambers; he I went out to see her an' didn't believe faith of a little child .- John Shrimpton, in

The Christian. AN INDIAN'S GLASS WAGGON. The Osages as a people are the richest on earth. From the interest on the money which the United States Government bor-

rowed from them as a nation, and from the rental of their grass lands, the Osages -men women, and children-collect about eighty dollars each every three months. cause he will shortly need credit again

until pay day comes around once more. With the money be has left he buye anything that takes his fanoy, and sometimes chases. An Osage who had missed pay day until he had accumulated riobes beyoud his most avaricious dreams went to Coffeyville, in Southern Kansas, one day, with his pockets bulging with money. He shopped around in the stores, buying everya larger load than his pony could carry. He was wandering along the street, wondering how he would transport it to his home, when he saw a large black wagon with glass sides standing in front of a store. He looked at it wistfully for some

time, examined the horses and harness, and wagged his head in an appreciative "Fees !" echord the woman contemp- way. The undertaker, for a joke named a nonely, and the man added humbly as the price. The Indian went into his pockets, counted out the money, mounted the box "I never have had but one case-that of the hearse, and drove away before the writ you instructed me about, you know; undertaker could remonstrate. "And now

INTRODUCED TO RUSKIN.

Two little folks went to church alone. a woman seated on a campstool making a abstainers, while men, brilliant, capable, It was only around the corner from their sketch of the house, and with a courteous talented, who are moderate drinkers, fail. home, and their mamma knew they would grace which is intensely his own he adtired, and the older one, supposing that the choosing the house in question for her rules held good in church led her sister up subject. "It is the house of the famous may we go home now." Much surprised, "Have you met Ruskin ?" she was asked. "Certainly, my children;" and the two priviliges of my life." Then, madam, if toddled out, while the congregation smiled. you care to follow me I will show him to you." In a twinkling the stool and easel

were packed up, and the artist followed the Fanule, aged five, was visiting in the guide. To her surprise and gratification, the amezement of his companion: "Now what do you think of Ruskin ?"

SOUSA GIVES A LESSON IN ORGAN

John Philip Sousa bas an intense dielike for the mutilation of his musical compositions. To hear one of his marches played out of tune or time not only sets his teeth on edge, but provokes his anger beyond his power of resistance. Not long ago he came down from his home in Yonkers on the Hudson to New York City, and in front of the Grand Central etation he heard an organ grinder playing the "Washington Post March." He was turning the wheel with the utmost clowness and extreme irregularity. It sounded like a funeral

GRINDING.

Sousa stood it as long as he could and then rushed across the street and exclaimed: "That's not the way to play that Don't do it any more. It's awfol." "How should I play ?" said the grinder,

impassively. "Faster, Faster." "Ab !"

"Yes. This way. Let me show you," and he took the crank into his hands and and turned it with so much spirit and vigor that he soon had a crowd around him, "Thank you sir," replied the organist "I come out here and stay till I have bowing profoundly,

The next day Sousa came to town on the same train and found the same organ grinder in the same place playing the "Washington Post March" just as he had been taught the day before, but with much greater success. Murmuring and evidently awe-striken spectators were dozens deep circled around the musician. Sousa forced excitement. He found it. On the organ was a large canvas sign reading:

"The Washington Post March," Composed by John Philip Sousa, Played by a

Pupil of Sones. Mr. Sousa has not given any more music essons to strangers.

PAINFULLY SLOW.

"The women of Cleveland as a general thing are painfully slow in getting on and off the street cars-especially off," said an intelligent motor conductor the other day. "They seem to lose all their agility as soon as they put foot on a car step. They pull themselves up as if they were hoisting tons, and they let themselves down the same invariably turn their faces toward the rear of the car, thus insuring a bard full if the motor should happen to start. I don't mean the elderly ladies of all ages. And it's no use to say "Step lively, please," to business !" them-they're bound to take their time.

If the heavens fell it couldn't harry some "I had an amusing experience with one of these aggravatingly slow ladies the other day. I was collecting fares on a crowded platform when the bell rang. I signaled the motorman and a moment later leaned out to see if the passenger had slighted. All I saw was a rather stont, middle aged woman on the lower step, with her back | ponding Secretary, Mrs. Mary Wiley, to the curb and a hand grasping each handto be led into hope and brightness by the rail. I jumped down and ran to her, and putting my hand under one arm lifted her hastily into the car, and epringing up after Alice Saunby, the previous Recording

> "As I looked at the stout woman I saw that her face was crimson, and that she place. was scowling at me in a most dreadful "Young man she screeched, what do

" Roffianly conduct, ma'am ?" I cchoed. "I don't understand you, ma'am." "She slmost exploded. "What do you mean,', she oried, "by throwing me back into this car when I was

you mean by your ruffiably conduct?"

trying to get off.?" "You see, she was so slow that I hadn't been able to tell which way she was going." THE BEST CHRISTMAS GIFT OF

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> NECESSARY PRECAUTION. "What a fine looking little boy." exclaimed the good natured woman to her and cotton and wool or mixed materials. traveling acquaintance. "How old is he ?" "You're not connected with the railroad frome and artistic colors suitable for the are you?" asked the suspicious mother. "Certainly not."

"Not in any capacity whatever ?"

gets out of hearing and I'll tell you."

"Well, just wait until the conductor

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"THEY SAY." Have you heard of the terrible family "They," And the dreadful venomous things they say? Why, half the gossip under the sun, If you trace it back, you'll find begun In that wretched House of "They."

A numerous family, so I am told, And its genealogical tree is old; For ever since Adam and Eve began To build up the curious race of man, Has existed the House of "They." Gossip mongers and sproaders of lies, Borrid people whom all despise !-And let the best of us now and then Repeat queer tales about women and men,

And quote the House of "They."

They live like tords and never labor, A "They's" one task is to watch his neighbor, And tell his business and private affairs; To the world at large they are so wers of tares-These folks in the House of "They." It is wholly usoloss to follow a "They" With a whip or a gun, for he slips away And into his house, where you cannot go, It'is looked and bolted and guarded so-

This horrible House of "They." Though you cannot got in, yet they get out, And spread their villainous tales about; Of all the rascals under the sun Who have come to punishment, never one Belonged to the House of "They."

-Ella Wheeler Wilcox. _____ AN ESSAY ON POETRY.

Here is a Georgia boy's composition on Postry:' "A poem is a thing which has chymes at ho last end. A poem also has feet, but some poems don't stand steady on 'em. Posts mostly has long hair, because times are hard, and it's obeaper to let it grow. Poets used to live in a garrent on a crust of bread-when the baker would credit 'em Now they live on the ground floor, where they can escape easy when the bailiff is after 'em. My father says poetry makes the world better, but my mother says it ain't the kind he writes. Poets have a monument when they die, as people want to weigh em' down so's they can't come

back."-Atlanta Constitution. THEOLD LADY'S OBITUARY

"I want you to write me an obituary on he old lady," said the rural subscriber to

"Borry to hear of your lose." "Well, I'm not kickin ag'in providence!" "Oh, of course ! Well how old was she?" "She never did tall."

"Of a retiring disposition, was she?"

"No, eir; she was mightly in evidence

at all times I' "Well, my friend, what on earth am I to "Oh, just say that she wuz took away by Providence, an Providence knows its.

W. C. T. U. OFFICERS.

Guerri, Nov. 2 .- The delegates to the Provincial Woman's Christian Temperance Union this morning elected their officers. With one exception all the old officers were re-elected. They are:-President, Mrs. May R. Thornley, Loudon; Vice-President, Mrs. Jennie Cavers, Galt; Corres-Richmond Hill; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Gordon Wright, London ; Treasurer, Miss Jennie MacArthur, Cornwall. Mrs. Secretary, was unable to serve for another

year, and Mrs. Wright was elected in her

THE BOER WAR. Mr. B. B. Bigger, Toronto, editor of the Canadian Journal of Fabrics, has published in pamphelet form his articles on "Tho Boer War, its Causes, and its Interest to Canadians, with a Glossary of Cape Duich and Kaffir Terme," which are running through the Canadian Magazine. Price 10 cents. Mr. Biggar lived in South Africa for some years, and he is therefore fully competent to supply the exact information needed to satisfy the coriosity of all Canadians at this important and eventfu

NO BASIS OF ARCREEMENT. "Your church, I am informed," said the man who was in search of information, "takes care of its preachers when they become too old for active service." "It does," replied the man who had the formation to give out.

"At what ago is it usually considered

"It is hard to tell. There is frequently

difference of thirty years between the

estimate of the congregation and that of

"This room," he said, "is rather close."

comewhat pointedly.

"That's not all that's close," she returned

Then he recalled that she had brought

up the subject of ice cream soda three

times in the last then minutes and he had

they ought to go on the retired list?'

HER GENTLE HINT.

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