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Sir Hiram Maxim, inventor of those terrible agents of destruction, cordite, smokeless powder and the Maxim gun, has just invented a safety device for preventing collisions at sea. The tragic fate of the Titanic moved him to try, and he had reflected only four hours on the problem when it occurred to him that ships could be provided with what might be called a sixth sense, by which they could detect large objects near at hand without the aid of a search-light. This sixth sense, which may be called an "echo" sense, he knew to be possessed by bats.

Bats, nocturnal though they are, have not especially powerful eyes for seeing in the dark. Moreover, in total darkness no creature can see, but a bat in the thick blackness of a cave at midnight can fly about with perfect security; so can a bat that is blind. The sensitive nerves of the face and wings are so arranged as to produce the echo sense, which warns them always of any solid mass near by.

"In many cases, the organ that gives the bat the sixth sense is spread all over its face. In the dizziness, that I despaired of ever getting vampire bat, the organ is on the well. tip of its nose; it stands up in the air and is called the 'shield'; but in most of the small bats which catch insects on the wing, we fined two little leaves, not unlike the wings of the insect that it pursues, standing up just in front of the standing up just in front of the

with the fine nervous network of PIIIs." the entire head and wings, are all closely connected with each other and with the brain. As the bat flies about, the beat of its wings sends out a succession of air-waves or pulsations. These are not rapid enough to constitute sound, but striking against surrounding objects, they are reflected back just as sound or light would be; and these reflected vibrations, received by the sensitive organs so exquisitely arranged, enable the bat to judge the distance of any object by the lapse of time between the departure and return of the air-waves.

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Sir Hiram Maxim, acting on this hint, has invented to warn ships at sea of approaching icebergs, vessels, rocks or fog-veiled shores could be described fully only at considerable length; the unscientific reader will probably understand it quite as well if he is simply told that it is an echo test.

We have all heard of the fabled mouse that saved the lion. In plain truth, his little winged cousin, the flittermouse, may do far more. Some day—who knows?—a greater Titan of the sea than the lost Titanic may owe her safety to a bat.

Christians in India.

The London Times places the number of Christians in India at nearly 4,000,000, of whom 3,547,000 are natives. The total is about one in every 80 of the 315,000,000 living in the great dependency. The Roman Catholic church has the first place, with 1,394,000, an increase of 272,000 in the last decade. The Baptists have grown from 217,000 to 331,000; the Anglicans 304,000 to 332,000; Congregationalists from 37,000 to 134,000; the Presbyterians have increased 120,000, and the Methodists 97,000.

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Grains of Gold.

The virtue of prosperity is temperance; the virtue of adversity is fortitude.—Bacon.

He that falls into sin is a man; that grieves at it a saint; that boasteth of it a devil.—Fuller.

Great men do not play stage tricks with the doctrines of life and death: only little men do that. Ruskin.

The comfort which poor human beings want in such a world as this is not the comfort of ease, but the

comfort of strength.—Kingsley. There is something harder to face than death, and that is the realization of failure and misdirected effort and wrong-doing.—H. G. Wells.

There is an idea abroad among moral people that they should make their neighbors good. One person I have to make good; myself.—R. L. Stevenson.

Nothing is more silly than the pleasure some people take in "speaking their minds." A man of this make will say a rude thing for the mere pleasure of saying it, when an opposite behavior, fully as innocent, might have preserved his friend, or made his fortune .-Steele,

The Weak Spot.

Blobbs-You know disease always attacks the weakest spot.

Slobbs-Do you suppose that is why so many people get a cold in the head?

OUR LETTER FROM TORONTO

WHAT THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY ARE DISCUSSING AT PRESENT TIME.

The Rector of St. Paul's Church—A Canadian Northern Town-Ontario Boy Makes Good-Tight Money.

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Perhaps the most prominent supporter Mr. Cody has at St. Paul's is Honorable S. H. Blake. He has been generous in his money contributions, but Mr. Blake's chief support lies in moral qualities. His combative abilities are well known, and he has done a great deal to make St. Paul's the militant force that it is. At Synod meetings Mr. Blake's appearance is always the signal for an increased interest, and, it may be, for dread on the part of those who may possibly fall foul of him. Being a Wycliffe man, and having his right-hand supporter such a pronounced churchman as Mr. Blake, it can be surmised that Archdeacon Cody is far removed from the Ritualist section of the Anglican Church. So pronounced are his views and so strong is the cleavage on this point that, despite his outstanding abilities, it was impossible for him to be elected to the position of Bishop of Toronto when the seat fell, vacant about five years ago, and the present Bishop elected on that occasion owes his position to a compromise between the contending forces. However, Archdeacon Cody needs no Bishoprio to add to his laurels. He is, perhaps, more highly regarded than he would be in the more exalted position.

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Taking in Leaside.

The latest controversy in civic affairs has been over the question of whether the "paper" town of Leaside is to be annexed to the city or not, the question being as to whether Leaside would be taken in or whether Toronto would be "took in."

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site touching the borders of the corpora-tion of Toronto on its extreme north-east-ern limit. It consists at the moment of farm lands in their pure and undisturbed state. The site is a vast one, containing some 1,200 acres, and the Canadian North-ern declare they propose to establish their shops there, employing perhaps thou-sands of men, and this, with their fam-ilies and the supporting population that will be required, will, it is expected, es-tablish a centre of population of perhaps 25,000 or 30,000 people. But this is all for the future. Meanwhile the first step taken by the Canadian Northern Railway was to ask the city to annex this vacant tract of land.

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What the interests allied with the Canadian Northern Railway probably had in mind was to place the city under the obligation of furnishing civic services such as sewers, sidewalks, streets, water, etc., to the district. This would, of course, relieve the present owners of the town site of a tremendous responsibility. It is stated that annexation, carrying with it as it does the obligation to supply services immediately, adds several dollars a foot value to vacant property, and on this basis the annexation of Leaside would mean several million dollars immediate value to the property of the present owners, who are headed by Sir Donald Mann of the Canadian Northern Railway and Colonel Davidson, who has been intimately associated with the Canadian Northern interests for a number of years.

On the other hand, there are, of course, undoubted advantages to the city in having Leaside annexed at once, in this way only can the city obtain control over franchises and other matters which would be quickly complicated if left to an independent corporation.

An Ontario Boy Out West.

Mr. Arthur Meighen, M.P., an Ontario boy who has made good in the West, has been returning to his haunts of olden days in the role of a legislator and moulder of public opinion. Twenty years ago Arthur Meighen was a school boy in St. Mary's, Perth county. He is now recog-

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There is some revival of the talk of impending reaction in the business world, but it is probable this very talk, continuing for several months, that is keeping away some reversion to duller times. Everybody exercising some caution has no doubt had a decided tendency to keep the situation in hand. If nobody had been on guard there might have been a disaster before this. Financial men do not hesitate to say that there must be a readjustment of real estate values. This dictum, however, the real estate men generally do not accept and can put up a strong argument on behalf of the contention.

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The cloud on the horizon continues to be tight money. Tight money in the Autumn is no unusual thing, but it generally cases up early in the new year. So far there has been little easing up this year. If it does not case up soon there can not help but be some retrenchment or, perhaps, more accurately, a lessening of the pace.

It has frequently been remarked that in 1907 no city on the continent felt the pinch as little as Toronto, largely on account of the new riches flowing into the city from Cobalt mining camp. It is significant that now a new mining camp is just on the eve of its producing stage. One mine in Porcupine is now producing gold at the rate of \$70,000 a week, which figures out to a total of over \$3,500,000 a year. There are, of course, not many mines like this.

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HOW FAR MAN HEARS.

Science Now Busy Determining Human Range of Sound.

In the sense of hearing, numerous problems have interested phychologists, writes Professor A. T. Boffenger in the Strand Magazine. Among these may be mentioned the range of sounds that can be heard by an individual—that is the limit above and below which no sound can be heard.

The solution of these two problems, the determination of the upper and lower limits of sound, has occasioned a great deal of careful work and the construction of many forms of apparatus. For determin-

the Zoological Gardens he would blow it near the ears of the various animals. He adjusted the whistle too high for his own ear to hear, and if the various animals responded to the sound he knew that their upper limit was greater than that of the human ear.

The ordinary human ear can detect a tone whose vibration is at least twenty-five thousand vibrations per second, while the whistle will produce fifty thousand per second. This upper limit varies with the age of the individual to such an extent that, if the upper limit at sixteen years of age were fifty thousand vibrations, at sixty years of age it would be about twenty-five thousand per second.

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