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MR. H. W. MILLER'S CRITICISM

In last week's Review, Mr. H. H. Miller uses up a column of valuable space to criticise Mr. Ball's first speech in the Dominion Parliament. Without spending any time in referring to his line of attack, we may say that Mr. Miller, after his seven or eight years' experience in parliamentary life, shows very poor taste in referring to the maiden speech of the man who defeated him honorably at the election in September 1911. For some reason, the world seems to admire a fighter, but the world we believe, has equal admiration for the man who gets beaten and takes his medicine like a man. We are not going to belittle Mr. Miller in any way; we have admired him for a number of years, and at the time of his defeat fifteen months ago, we didn't rejoice at his downfall. We rejoiced at the overthrow of reciprocity, and Mr. Miller knows quite well that Conservatives alone were not responsible for the great political avalanche that hurled him and his party from power. The question which resulted in the downfall of the Liberal party was not a popular one, and Liberals, as well as Conservatives, united to defeat it. There is no doubt about this, and for Sir Wilfrid Laurier, H. H. Miller, and others members of the Liberal party to keep up the cry as they are doing is not at all to their credit. They were beaten, and why not submit gracefully to the will of the majority?

BETTER PROTECTION NEEDED

For the past few weeks, The Chronicle has endeavored to call attention to some things that need immediate attention. We make no apologies for remarks made about the danger both to life and property of moving picture shows that do not comply fully with the requirements of the law. We endeavored by making comparisons with accidents in other places what might be expected to happen here under similar mishaps. We are all thankful that no calamities have yet to be recorded, and we sincerely hope the press will wait a long time before being called on to report a blood-curdling account of the loss of human life, either by fire, or a stampede following an alarm of danger. We feel it a duty to point out danger, and we think it is not only the duty of the press but the duty of everyone who looks to the safety and well-being of the community to give a warning voice against any possible or probable danger, either to human life or property. Only a few nights ago we attended an entertainment in the town hall. Every seat from front to rear was literally packed on the occasion. Seats were placed in the aisles, and the passage at the only entrance to the building was blocked by many who were forced to stand during the whole entertainment. Under such conditions, it requires no great stretch of imagination to picture the result in case of a fire or any alarm that would cause a general stampede for safety. There is only one way to get in or out, and should an alarm be sounded the great rush would certainly be all in the direction of that one exit. Those near the door would stand no better chance than those in the front of the hall; the strong, in the mad rush for safety, would trample down the weak. Some, in going down the stairway, if not before, would stumble or fall in the rushing throng, and there is no doubt whatever but many human lives would be sacrificed in the excitement.

We are not an alarmist, and it is true that up to the present time there have been no accidents to record. The same record can be given of other places, but the awful scene came when it wasn't looked for. Should it ever come in Durham it will come just as suddenly, and then the wise ones will add insult to injury in telling what they long expected. For some time, and even yet, there were many who disliked to attend crowded meetings in the hall. They feared the building was not strong enough to stand the heavy load. Investigations of the structure have been made, however, and all were assured that the building was perfectly safe in regard to its strength. It may be so. We presume it is, but in case of any alarm that would result in a rush there is certainly

much reason for fear. To remedy this, there should be something done to make the place safe. There should be additional exits ready for use in case of necessity, and these exits should be so placed that all would find them readily, and be able to escape with reduced likelihood of danger. In speaking a couple of weeks ago of need for more safety in the Star Theatre, it seems we were in error in saying there was no exit at the rear. We have been informed since then that there is a back door. We understood there wasn't at the time or we would not have said so. We are quite sure, however, we saw no sign to tell where it is, and we believe there are many others who attend that know nothing of its existence. We don't know now whether the back way of escape opens inward or outward; if inward, it is not according to requirements, and the change should be made, not only for the safety of the patrons, but for the safety of the proprietor, should anything happen.

The murder of Mrs. Henry Love, of Flesherton Station, on Monday night, must have caused much excitement in the little village when the tragedy was discovered. Her husband, as most readers of the daily press know, was arrested on Friday for the crime, and is now in Owen Sound jail awaiting his trial. Many things in connection with the scene of the murder caused a feeling of suspicion in the minds of outsiders who knew nothing of the husband or the fourteen year old son. The citizens of the village, many of them at least, according to report, think that Love is innocent of the crime. He and his wife seemed to live together agreeably, and there appears to be no motive for the murder. The father and son both claimed to have seen the murdered woman up to eight or nine o'clock on Tuesday morning, but not afterward. The body was not discovered till after midnight Thursday morning. On Tuesday and most of Wednesday there was apparently no anxiety on the part of father or son regarding the missing woman. Mr. Gibson Collinson intimated about midnight Wednesday that the neighbors would search the house the following day. Shortly after this, the dead remains were discovered by the husband in a remote corner of a newly excavated cellar. Coroner Bibby was at once notified, a jury was empanelled, the remains examined and a post-mortem made. On Friday, Inspector Reburn, of the Provincial Police Department, was on the scene. The son, Arnold, was examined, and in the course of the examination he stated that he had not seen his mother on Tuesday morning, nor had he met the tramp to whom he formerly referred. He said also that his father had concocted this story and advised him to tell it. On this the Inspector ordered the arrest of Love, who in turn claimed that the boy's story to the Inspector was not true. On Saturday an autopsy was held, when it was decided that the wounds had been made by a knife, instead of some other instrument, as at first thought. The funeral took place on Sunday, and was very largely attended. During the very impressive service in the little Orange Hall, the flooring showed signs of weakening, and for a brief time there was considerable excitement. The remains were interred in Flesherton cemetery. Following the statement of Love as he left for the jail that he had no money to engage a lawyer to defend him, the many friends who saw him off at the station have clubbed together and engaged W. H. Wright of Wright, McDonald and Telford, of Owen Sound, to defend him. Many are in sympathy with the prisoner and believe him innocent of the crime. At this juncture, no decision can be arrived at, and whatever public opinion may be regarding his guilt or innocence, we shall simply have to await developments.

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DEAFNESS CANNOT BE CURED by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed, you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever: nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness caused by Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free. F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

FEARS THE FRIGATE BIRD.

The Booby Even Catches Fish to Feed His Merciless Master.

The booby bird never leaves the broad seas, where his harsh cry is heard from the Hebrides to the Faroes and from the cliffs of Scotland to the coast of Norway. He revels in the storms and screams above the roar of the sea. The booby has green feet, yellow eyes and a defiant head covered with a yellow cap. Each of its wings is three feet long and its beak is so stiff and so strong that it fears no enemy but the frigate bird.

The frigate bird is the terror of the birds of the sea, though he ignores all but the booby. Owing to the breadth of his wings, the frigate cannot fly; he is forced to remain in the air. But as he cannot get fish in the air and as he requires fish for his nourishment he presses the booby into his service. When hungry he swoops down upon the booby and gives it a vigorous thrust in the throat. Then the booby's mouth opens and the fish caught in it drops out. The frigate has only to give one peck at the booby's throat to get his dinner. It happens occasionally that the booby attacked by the frigate has nothing in its mouth. When the frigate pecks in vain he belabors his slave with his beak and drives him, bruised and terrified, into the sea to catch fish.—Harper's Weekly.

COLORS IN FLAMES.

And Why Candle or Lamp Light Appears White to the Eye.

There is a relation between the color of flame and the energy of the combustion causing it. The more vigorous and complete the combustion the higher the refrangibility of the light. A flame burning in a tardy and restricted way emits rays that are red. When burning in a more complete and effective manner the emitted rays change to violet.

The flame of a candle or a lamp consists of a series of eccentric luminous shells surrounding a central dark core. These shells of flame emit light of different colors, the innermost one—that in direct contact with the dark core—being red and having a temperature of exactly 977 degrees F. Upon this and in their proper order of refrangibility are shells of light which are orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet.

The reason that such a flame does not appear to us as a nest of cones of different colored light is this: When we look upon such a flame all of the rays issuing from the different layers or strata of concentric luminous shells are received by the retina of the eye at one and the same time. This can only impress with the sensation of neutral or white light.

The Nine In the Calendar.

The figure 9, which came into the calendar on Jan. 1, 1889, will stay with us 111 years from that date, or until Dec. 31, 1999. No other figure has ever had such a long consecutive run, and the 9 itself has only once before been in a race which lasted over a century—that in which it continuously figured from Jan. 1, 889, until Dec. 31, 999, a period of 111 years. The figures 3 and 7 occasionally fall into odd combinations, but neither of them has ever yet served for a longer period than a hundred consecutive years in our calendar since the present mode of calculating time was established. It is also clear that from their relative positions among the numerals it is an impossibility for either of them to appear in date reckonings continuously for a longer period than a century.

Nation With No Language.

The Swiss, alone of all the peoples of the world, may, in a sense, be said to possess no language, a fact that is all the more remarkable in the light that theirs is the most intense patriotism of any. About 75 per cent of the population speak German, while the remainder divide four other languages among them, mainly French and Italian, these tongues varying, as a rule, according to the proximity of the people to the country whose language they speak. Public documents and notices are printed in both French and German. In the Swiss parliament the members make their speeches either in French or German, for nearly all the members understand both these languages.—New York Press.

England's Motto.

"Dieu et Mon Droit"—"God and My Country"—the royal motto of England, was the parole of the day given by Richard I. (of the lion heart) to his army at the battle of Gisors, in France, on the 20th of September, 1198, when the French army was signally defeated. Dieu et mon droit appears to have been first assumed as a motto by Henry VI. (1422-1461). Semper Idem—"Always the Same"—was one of the mottoes of Queen Elizabeth; also adopted by Queens Mary and Anne.—Exchange.

A Substitute.

"Pardon me, gentlemen," said the individual who had just moved into the little town as he entered the grocery store, "but is there a chicken raiser here?"

"Why don't you take an ax?" asked the village Tallyrand. "A razor will lose its edge if you use it on a chicken." Judge

Knew What She Was Doing.

Nell Oh, Jack I wish you could have seen MIB this afternoon. She breathly threw herself at Jack Wright. Jack Ah, well, she knew he was a good catch.

To know the disease is the commencement of the cure Don Quixote.

"IMPOSSIBLE TO HELP MY KIDNEYS"

Until I Used "Fruit-a-tives" Worlds Greatest Kidney Cure

Practically everybody in Toronto knows Professor J. F. Davis. For years, the elite of that city has taken lessons from Prof. Davis in the art of Dancing and Deportment. His constant activity gradually weakened his kidneys, which calamity threatened to make him an invalid. But read Prof. Davis' letter—

563 CHURCH ST., TORONTO, ONT. DECEMBER 29th, 1911. "I want to say that "Fruit-a-tives" is my only medicine, and has been for the past five years. Previous to that, I had been troubled with Rheumatism and Kidney Disease, and had taken many remedies without satisfactory results. Noticing the advertisements of "Fruit-a-tives" I adopted this treatment altogether, and as everyone knows, I am now—and have been since taking "Fruit-a-tives"—enjoying the best of health". J. F. DAVIS.

If Rheumatism or Kidney Trouble is making you miserable, take "Fruit-a-tives" and get well. 50c a box, 6 for \$2.50, trial size, 25c. At all dealers or sent on receipt of price by Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa.

ONTARIO INVESTORS LOSE SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS.

On December 10th, the Farmers' Club of Glenelg Centre, met in the township hall. On account of the bad weather, only a small number were present. Amongst the number were Mr. H. C. Duff, and Mr. Gilfillan, of Markdale. After the business was finished, President Binnie gave a short talk on "Boost Ontario." He urged that all men should invest their money locally and not send it to the west. This would improve conditions where the investor could see what his money was doing. Boost, don't knock, was the motto advised.

Mr. H. C. Duff told of the work of the Grey County Board of Agriculture, and of the Department's office in Markdale. One of the good things was to instill new life into the Farmers' Clubs of the county. Another was the saving of \$700 to the county. It came about thus: The Board asked for \$300 to put on an exhibit of apples at the Flower, Fruit and Honey Show in Toronto. The council refused. When the county councillors' Salary By-law was brought up for its second reading, some of the men said that if the county could not afford to be advertised to the extent of \$300, it could not afford to pay the councillors an extra salary of \$1 per day. The by-law was defeated.

Recently the bee-keepers of the county have organized to stamp out bee diseases, increase the markets and improve conditions generally in the county. School fairs are to be put on in the township of Egremont, and drainage demonstrations are to be given in Proton township. Much of the work has been planned and if there is any trouble on your farm write to Mr. Duff and he will help you to straighten it out.

Mr. Gilfillan, in a few words, urged farmers to boost Grey county. He stated that during the first six months of the present year his office had sent \$175,000.00 to the west for investment. He also said that he knew of a town in the west in which had been invested \$60,000 of Ontario money. The town went to pieces, and it was all lost.

Songs were sung by President Binnie. A euchre party proved enjoyable, the winners being Miss O'Neill and Mr. Duncan Dunbar. The next meeting will be held on Friday, December 27th, when the officers for 1913 will be elected. "The West" will be discussed by the members who were out there this year.

When you have a bilious attack give Chamberlain's Tablets a trial. They are excellent. For sale by all dealers.

THE GUESSING CONTEST FIVE DOLLARS TO THE WINNER

The person making the nearest guess to the number of beans in a bottle to be seen in our office will get a Five Dollar Bill, if paid up to the end of 1913.

One guess will be allowed for every 25 cents paid. Subscribers may pay as far ahead as they desire, and get a guess for every quarter paid.

Only one prize will be given, but if two or more make equally good guesses the money will be divided equally.

Contest opens Saturday morning, November 30th, and closes at 6 o'clock, Saturday evening, December 25.

The winner will be announced in issue of January 2nd, 1912.

Subscribers paying for others will be allowed a guess for every 25c. paid in.

Broken beans will not be counted.

It costs nothing. Try it.

YOU ARE GOING TO BUY SOME CHRISTMAS PRESENTS Within the next few days. If we are both fortunate we are going to sell them to you. Brushes, Perfumes, Manicures, Mirrors, Toilet Cases, Stationery, Bibles and Hymn Books, Purse Mouth Organs, Pipes and Cigars Have taken complete possession of our store and will have full sway for the holiday season. Before you make a Christmas purchase elsewhere this season come in and see our stock. Everything is up-to-date and of the highest quality and you know the reputation we have for being The Quality Druggist GUNS DRUG STORE DURHAM - - - Ontario (G.T.R. Town Ticket Agent)

Christmas Goods In the Leading Hardware Store. In Durham you will find a number of articles very suitable for Christmas Presents. In Silverware we have Water Pitchers, Fern Dishes, Butter Dishes, Pickle Dishes, Biscuit Jars, Sugar Bowls, Fruit Dishes, Gravy Bowls, Card Receivers, Fruit Spoons, Cold Meat Forks, Pie Knives, Knives and Forks, Table, Desert and Tea Spoons, etc. We have a very nice line of Lamps. Our Fancy Stand Lamps are worthy of inspection, ranging in price from \$1.50 to \$8.50. Our Nettle Lamps are second to none and our Bedroom Lamps are cheaper than the cheapest. Now we have secured a great variety of Mechanical Toys for the children. Donot delay buying as they are moving fast. Hand Sleighs, Skates, Gramophones, Electric Light Lamps, and other articles to numerous to mention. W. BLACK

THE DURHAM FOUNDRY Iron and Brass Castings and general Repairing. Feed boilers, Steam fitters supplies, Engines and Threshers, Sash and Doors, Planing and General Wood Work. SMITH BROS., - DURHAM, ONT.

Big Millinery REDUCTION SALE Beginning Friday and Saturday November 8th and 9th We have a number of trimmed and untrimmed hats, that we will sell regardless of cost. For Matron's Misses and Children. MISS L. McAULIFFE Successor to Miss Dick. Lambton Street, Durham.

FOURTH LINE, A. & G. Everything is again beautifully carpeted—except the road. We are sorry to report the illness of Mrs. Jas. Fletcher sr., and hope to hear of her speedy recovery. Mr. Henry Patterson is attending the jury at Owen Sound this week. Rev. J. A. Leece, of Priceville, made a few pastoral calls in this vicinity last week. Mr. Ed. Sullivan returned last week, after an extended visit to the western provinces. Miss B. Harrow, of Buffalo, is a guest at the parental home for over the holidays. Mr. Tom Fletcher and bride, of Port Law, visited the former's mother a few days recently. Mr. Edgar Patterson and sister Reta, attended the concert at Durham Road on Friday evening. We understand Mr. D. Whittaker is moving into his handsome new residence this week. Have you renewed your subscription? MARKET REPORT DURHAM, Dec. 4 1912 Fall Wheat \$ 95 to \$ Spring Wheat 90 to Milling Oats 38 to Feed Oats 34 to Peas 90 to Barley 50 to Hay 10 to 24 to Butter 27 to Eggs 1.00 to Potatoes, per bag 5 to Flour, per cwt. 2.70 to Oatmeal, per sack 2.75 to Chop, per cwt 1.35 to Live Hogs, per cwt. 7.00 to Hides, per lb. 10 to Sheepskins 30 to Wool 20 to Tallow 5 to Lard 11 to Turkeys 18 to Geese 11 to Ducks 11 to Chickens 10 to Fowl 8 to