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"I am your master!" cried the blacksmith, and the words were as if roared by a lion.

With a leap he landed between the two. Jansky's pistol and Unsgerhop's knife were drawn. Vladimir's right hand closed on Unsgethop's neck. His left shot toward Jansky, and the super-

that terrible grasp. take this! And this!"

their heads together with a crash.

Flinging Jansky from him with a curse, he stooped quickly, seized Unsgethop by the legs and swung him in the rude wooden wall, and the blood chattering teeth, tried to get his pistol caught him round the waist and sent him, as an Indian throws a spear, into motionless with a broken neck.

imir. "You are not injured. You are must get this poor fellow to a priest."

ted him, knowing his voice.

"What is your burden?" cried the short distance east of Knapp's Hotel, priest. "What terrible thing has been done in Tivoloffsky tonight?"

"Nothing much," said Vladimir calmly. "I have killed two wolves."

ITO BE CONTINUED.]

#### POULTRY POINTERS.

When chickens grow very fast, it sometimes causes leg weakness.

Under usual conditions a variety of food is better than any medicine that can be given.

The only safe way of disposing of hours, 8 to 10 a. m., 2 to 4 p. m. and 7 to 9 dead fowls that have died of any contagious disease is to burn them.

Clover contains two elements that are in demand by the hens-nitrogen and lime. It is rich in the elements required for the whites of eggs.

When roup gets into a flock, it invariably leaves some ailment behind, The fowl that has been subject to it is seldom healthy again.

There is no cure for feather pulling except by more labor and time than an ordinary flock is worth. The best plan is to get rid of the guilty fowls as soon as possible.

A hen seldom begins to eat eggshells until she finds one broken or until she influential in determining the with legal solemnity and impartialithrown out into the yard. The safest plan is always to crumble them up fine before feeding.

## Taming the Cheetah In India.

The cheetah is tied in all directions principally from a thick grummet of rope around his loins, while a hood bedstead, and the keepers and their lows. The corporations and the that the methods which favored conmission by starving him and keeping for political subscriptions, and are and searching investigation at Toronthe village street, and for an hour at chises, and with privileges for which exhibition of humbug and evasion. make pretended rushes at him and wave cloths, staves and other articles in his face. He is talked to continually, and women's tongues are believed to be the most effective antisoporifies. No created being could resist the effects of hunger, want of sleep and feminine scolding, and the poor cheetah becomes piteously, abjectly tame.-"Beast and Man In India."

## Tunnel Discomforts.

sights in a neighboring village inhabited by his own species.

out of a subterranean dwelling that a demanded in the public interest rattlesnake had pre-empted, "I see they here that they have in other cities."-Chicago Tribune.

## Notable Paintings.

tinct, yet it was so amazingly small indisposition among the leaders that its surface, so the story goes, could be covered with a grain of corn.

In contradistinction to this the largest painting, exclusive of frescoes and panoramas, is Tintoretto's "Paradise." It is hung in the grand saloon of the doges' palace at Venice and is 84 feet wide and 34 feet high.

Michael Angelo's fresco in the Sistine chapel of the Vatican completely cov-133 feet in length and 43 feet in width. fina' redemption and salvation.

Better Out. "What's this sketch?"

"Oh, that's a little thing I got out of my own head!" "Great Scott! What a lucky thing you got it out!"

The hardest known wood is said to pe cocus wood. It turns the edge of MISS MARGARET GUN, any ax, however well tempered, so it

#### CONDITION OF POLITICS.

Toronto News, Independent. a foundation of sham and fraud,

required. These cannot be got by the voluntary subscriptions of persons who are moved only by the desire for party success. Except there is some issue at stake which appeals strongly to their patriotism, their prejudices, or their personal interests, they recognize no higher duty than to cast their ballots for the party candidate. To such persons citizenship is an impersonal concern, and the maintenance of public morals the business of politicians. They know that Ministers are shamefully underpaid, that elections are expensive, even when honestly conducted, and that the men who pro- be had before the judges, but rather vide the money are likely to be that the enquiry would be conducted character of legislation and fixing the ty, and a judicial finding returned standards of government. But they | When Liberals were fighting corrupsponsibility in the premises. They enced by these fine considerations. turn over the business of the State They cared nothing at all for legal to the ward bosses, the patronage judgments. They understood the mongers, the concession hunters, the pretences of Conservative Ministers attorneys for organized interests, and who sought to escape the inquisitorall the sordid gang who prey upon | ial attentions of Parliamentary comfitted over his head effectually blinds Governments for their private ad- mittees. But in face of this record vantage. The inevitable result fol- they now ask the Province to believe concessionaires are heavily assessed cealment at Ottawa make for wide rewarded with subsidies, with fran- to. There could hardly be a finer the people pay in loss of estate and The people will care no more for the in enforced contributions to corporate judgment of Sir. John Boyd and interests. The necessities of Govern- Chief Justice Falconbridge than for ments lead to dependence upon these bungry and conscienceless groups. citizens. The electors are the judges. Their contributions are used to cor- The Legislature had no other duty

In order to maintain this edifice of

rascality, huge campaign funds are

Taking a situation such as has existed in Ontario since 1898, and progressive government is possible. A cabal of half a dozen members can The prairie dog that had started out bring Ministers to their knees at any to see the world was taking in the moment. A corporation with a few retainers in the Assembly can pretty nearly exact any terms it may choose "Well," he said as he backed hastily to dictate. Measures imperatively must stand aside if powerful private have the same tunnel problem to solve interests so order. The lobbyist is omnipotent. The reformer of abuses is treated as a public nuisance. Ministers are absorbed in the struggle to pacify and conciliate supporters who make impossible demands and Probably the smallest painting ever trade upon the Government's diffimade was the work of the wife of a culties in order to exact concessions Flemish artist. It depicted a mill with for greedy and powerful constituents. the sails bent, the miller mounting the In short, office holding, rather than stairs with a sack of grain on his back. | legislation and administration, be-Upon the terrace where the mill stood | comes the Government's chief conwas a cart and horse, and on the road cern, and party interests prevail over leading to it several peasants were all other considerations. We have shown. The picture was beautifully all the evils of the party system with finished, and every object was very dis- few of its advantages, and a growing the community to engage in public affairs. As the Hon. Edward Blake once said, we have "lowered standards of public virtue, and a death-like apathy in public opinion, a subservient parliament, an autocratic executive, debauched constituencies, and corrupted and corrupt classes."

from the party councils and the certain eclipse of their political ambiindependent vote in the constituen-The dirty business which has en- cies, and hence that they can remain gaged the attention of the Legisla- in public life only upon terms of ture for the last few weeks is the absolute submission to the party natural fruit of the political condi- organization. The last few weeks in intendent of police was powerless in tions which have developed in this the Legislature have furnished a Province. We have run out of the signal example of the overwhelming "Now pray to heaven," cried Vladi- great issues upon which men natur- strength of party feeling. Very mir, "for this hour is to be your last! ally divide, and as a consequence the serious charges were laid against the In this house you killed that poor old meaner elements which trade in poli- Government. If sustained, at least woman who had loved me. Here you tics for personal advantages have one Minister must be driven out of have come to kill the American and obtained a perilous ascendancy in the Parliament, and the whole Admini-Papa Paulpoff. Die like the dogs of public councils. Elections were stration irretrievably damaged. An murder that you are! For your crimes never so expensive, and the need for investigation became necessary, and swollen campaign funds never so according to Liberal tradition and With his muscles of iron he brought great. Men who have been long in teaching, that became the proper public life declare that fifteen or business of the Committee on Privi-"And this!" repeated Vladimir, swing- twenty years ago from \$500 to \$700 leges and Elections. Ever since ing them apart and then together represented the average expenditure Confederation this had been the in each constituency. Now as many course advocated by Liberals in the thousands are spent in many of the Legislature, and in the House of electoral divisions. All the essential Commons. The policy was formally provisions of the election law are ratified at a national Liberal conventhe air. He brought his head against violated with impunity. Canvassers tion a few years ago It was there and committee workers demand and deliberately declared that: "It is the spurted from his mouth. Jansky, with receive payment. Conveyances are ancient and undoubted right of the hired and paid for out of party funds. House of Commons to enquire into aimed at the giant's head, but Vladimir Cash purchase of individual voters is all charges of misconduct in office extensively practiced. The adoption against Ministers of the Crown, and of manhood suffrage and the system the reference of such matters to the corner of the room, where he lay of registration has greatly enlarged Royal Commissions created upon the the area of corruption. The voting advice of the accused is at variance "Come, Papa Paulpoff," ordered Vlad- population of every constituency with the due responsibility of Minicontains an element which regards sters and tends to weaken the authneeded at Tomsk at once. But first I the franchise simply as a commercial ority of the House over the Executive asset. These are the particular con- Government." The Liberal leaders He picked up the bleeding and un- cern of the party agents. Often at Ottawa had proved time and again conscious Denton and set off with him | there is a keen competition for their | that the Parliamentary Committee to a nearby cottage. The priest admit- suffrages. Sometimes they are was an efficient agency for the exbought by each set of party mana- posure of corruption. More than gers. Personation has been develop- once they had refused to follow their ed into an exact science. In many charges when they were referred by cases the contract to personate in- Conservative Governments to Judicvolves the obligation to commit per- ial Commissions. Hence there seemjury. Means are devised for pene- ed no room for doubt that the Ross trating the secrecy of the ballot box Government would send Mr. Gamey's and of ascertaining how each elector charges to Committee, and order a votes. Infinite genius and resource thorough investigation. But a very are employed to gather the fruits of different course was taken. In this corrupt expenditures, and more and desperate crisis in the fortunes of the more our free institutions rest upon Government, it trampled on Liberal professions and traditions, turned to the methods of Conservative Governments under similar critical circumstances, and sent the charges of the member for Manitoulin to a Judicial Commission. Ministers argue boldly in the teeth of the precedents set up by the leaders of Canadian Liberalism. The Liberal contingent in the Legislature, including the Minister more particularly accused, voted solidly to adopt the old Conservative method of evading effective enquiry. Hardly a single Liberal in the con-

> It was hardly pretended that a more thorough investigation would refuse to recognize their direct re- tion at Ottawa they were not influthat of any other two intelligent rupt the electors and demoralize the than to provide the tribunal best fitted to make careful and exhaustive investigation into Mr. Gamey's charges. If in this the tribunal fail-, the Government will stand condemned, and the judiciary will suffer. Strong as are party ties and party prejudices, and ready as the people seem to condone electoral frauds, it has to be remembered that there has been a general faith in the integrity and efficiency of Liberal Government in Ontario. For this much has been tolerated and much forgiven. For this the Liberal party has seemed to have an unending lease of power, But once this confidence is broken down, and once Liberals come to suspect that there is corruption in the Government as well as in the constituencies, the end will not be far away. The shock may even revive independent feeling in the country, show the comfortable and respectable classes that they have serious public duties to discharge, and restore tone and vitality to our institutions. Whatever may be the result of the enquiry before the judges, the policy thus far pursued by the Government admits of only one interpretation 'n the light of the record of Conservative Ministers at Ottawa.

stituencies has raised his voice in

protest against this bold sacrifice of

consistency and of principle.

## Women and Jewels.

Jewels, candy, flowers, man-that is the order of a woman's preferences. Even the higher types of public Jewels form a magnet of mighty ers the vaulted roof, which measures men have come to feel that there is power to the average woman. Even no reward for devotion to ideals, and that greatest of all jewels, health, is This painting delineates the creation of slight appreciation of sterling recti- often ruined in the strenuous efforts man, his fall and the early history of tude in public affairs. They see the to make or save the money to purthe world, with a reference to man's meaner politicians, who serve corpor- chase them. If a woman will risk ations, and organized interests, plot her health to get a coveted gem, then for the corruption of constituencies, let her fortify herself against the inand secure the withdrawal of election siduous consequences of coughs.colds petitions by secret compacts with and bronchial affections by the regu their opponents thrive and triumph. lar use of Dr. Boschee's German and they ask themselves if it is worth Syrup. It will promptly arrest conwhile to struggle for better conditions sumption in its early stages and heal and higher notions of public service. the affected lungs and bronchial tubes They know something of the heart- and drive the dread disease from the lessness and arrogance of the ma- system. It is not a cure-all but it is chine. They know that any failure certain a cure for coughs. colds and to obey the party mandate or any all bronchial troubles. You can get refusal to accept the prescribed con- this reliable remedy at Darlings Drug ditions of service will bring exclusion Store.

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