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Mrs. Eddy's Health.

The truth about Mrs. Eddy, the founder of Christian Science, has been given in *Human Life* by Sibyl Wilbur O'Brien, the woman correspondent who was one of the deputation of journalists who invaded her home at Concord a month ago.

The origin of the recent outburst is not given. But the *New York World*, in a series of letters from special correspondents, represented that the author of *Science and Health* was dying of malignant cancer, that she was being persecuted in drives about the city in order to keep the facts from the people, and that her secretary was plotting to have Mrs. Eddy's wealth of millions transferred to himself.

Such was the commotion these letters produced that Mrs. Eddy was prevailed upon to give audience to the reporters for the *New York* and *Boston* papers, and Miss O'Brien was elected to ask certain questions on behalf of the company and herself. Miss O'Brien directly contradicts the allegations of the *World*, on this occasion, that Mrs. Eddy publicly presented herself, that she answered only three of the four questions, and that she was assisted out of the house to her carriage, the whole scene inferentially giving to the *World* evidence in support of its statements.

Miss O'Brien says she saw Mrs. Eddy at her desk before the interview, saw her walk about the house, and realized that she was well, though absorbed in study and resenting any unwelcome and unnecessary intrusion upon her meditations. She gives out the information which so many desire respecting what is to be done when Mrs. Eddy passes away, and she must do in time and ere long.

Mrs. Eddy, it is added, will not have a successor. "The Church," says Miss O'Brien, "is now governed by a board of trustees. Its pastor is Mrs. Eddy's book, 'Science and Health,' and in the event of her death things will continue unchanged, save for the enormous sum of loss her death will mean to the large number of followers."

Stress Of English Parties.

The *Brookline* correspondent who misjudged the position of the Whig on the education bill, has probably discovered his error by this time. The Whig has been reading public opinion as the *Brookline* correspondent in the English magazines, and it has endeavored to present the facts without fear, favour or affection.

The question of religion does not affect the Anglicans, and the fight is not one between the representatives of that church, merely, and the government. The lords spiritual are Anglicans, but they do not represent all the religious forces that are at work in this educational campaign.

By the way, the attitude of the Marquis of Lansdowne on the education bill is not very philosophical. He says the upper house will not contest or challenge the labour disputes bill, because it was before the people in the last election and was practically approved by them. Was the education bill not before the people, also, in substance? The opposition in the last parliament resisted the passage of the Balfour bill, and the liberal party pledged itself, if elected, to repeal this bill and substitute for it one which embodied in essence, the views of those who now support it.

There may be an early appeal to the people, as to the differences between the commons and the lords in regard to the education bill, and for this purpose the commons may repeal the bill as it was originally, or with some slight amendments. Before such a contingency occurs, however, there will be an opportunity for the lords to reconsider its action, and there are indications of compromise and concession.

Grading Of Society.

The *Ottawa Journal* has done a public service in rebuking the social spirit that would establish dividing lines between the people arbitrarily. Our contemporary gave place in the society column to the name of a woman who was the wife merely of a commercial traveller, and against this there was a vigorous protest. The writer did not expect, perhaps, that her letter would be published, but when an individual undertakes to put distinguishing marks upon the people it is as well that she should be known. Her plea was that the commercial traveller's wife might be all right in "her own circle," that "no one

doubted her integrity," but that "she is hardly among the elite."

Who are the elite? The Century dictionary has many meanings for the word "elite," but that which seems to be the most appropriate is this: "The best part, as elite of society."

So that the "elite" represent the choicest members of the community. Some method of selection is involved, and it is not defined. In Ottawa the vice royal invitation list may in some measure indicate those who are the elite at the capital, but even then there is the inference that some one does the selecting.

In New York some years ago society became feebly and wonderfully mixed, and the worries of it went on until Ward Macallister prepared his list of the four hundred. It would have troubled him to justify the proceeding which brought some people within the charmed circle and put others outside of it. It would have distressed him to account for even his own elevation, seeing that he was without blue blood and an unlimited bank account. He was excused any errors or indiscretions in his work, however, as some recasting of society was deemed to be necessary and nothing better than his was at hand.

It follows that in every community there is the grading of people, socially, according to some given plan. The only question is, whose plan is it? And what are its distinguishing characteristics?

The Spectator's Plain Talk.

Mr. Whitney, in the statement which he handed out on the morning after the East Hamilton election, called attention to the fact that while the vote in the general election was a fraction less than 6,000 in the by-election it was only a fraction over 5,500.

The premier could have gone further with his analysis and said that in the general election there was a registration of voters so that the lists were up-to-date, whereas in the by-election there was not this registration, and no one can tell how many electors were disfranchised in consequence. Still more for the by-election in Kingston, so soon after the general election, this registration of voters was deemed very necessary and important, and the public interest in it was indicated by the fact that 1,600 names were added and of persons who were pronounced competent and eligible to vote.

This suggests an inference that, is exceedingly reasonable. It is this: That if 1,600 names were registered in Kingston, in East Hamilton, with about 3,000 more voters, the registrations would have numbered about 2,500, and many of these would have been voters for the first time. The further deduction follows—that with later lists the condemnation of the government would have been more severe, and it would have been infinitely more painful for Mr. Whitney to acknowledge the fact.

There is a desire on the part of the conservative papers to minimize the result of this by-election. The *Toronto Telegram*, whose mixed metaphors is its peculiar characteristic, has it that the government has not suffered a defeat. The *News* regards the election of Mr. Stubbins as a "victory" for labour rather than a defeat for Mr. Whitney. But the *Spectator*, published on the spot and with a perfect knowledge of all the conditions, makes this honest confession: "Besides the strike and its accompaniments there were other things that made for the defeat of Mr. Scott. The reason labor contract was made the chief issue of the campaign, and the government's act in this case being indefensible. The labor candidate made much capital out of it."

"The school business, too, was the cause of much dissatisfaction in Hamilton, and there were those who, otherwise would have voted for the government candidate, determined to show their dissatisfaction with the manner in which Hamilton has been treated by the educational department by voting against the government, or by refusing to vote at all."

"In summing up the causes for the defeat of the government candidate, it would be unfair to omit the fact that most of the appointments made in Hamilton by the government since it came into power have not been at all satisfactory to the liberal-conservative party."

"The conservative party in Hamilton has suffered defeat—the first defeat in a long time. But if this defeat has the effect of directing the attention of the government to the fact that there are some places in Ontario outside of Toronto, the defeat will, in the end, be a gain for the liberal-conservative party at large."

That is plain talk, and it ought to have effect in the government offices in Toronto.

Editorial Notes.

Hon. Dr. Pym now says that (though he talked of a technical school for Hamilton he "made no promise."

What? Is he hedging already?

Hon. Mr. Ross is regarded as a likely successor to Mr. Kerr in the senate. Like the late George Brown, he would bring life and energy and usefulness to the red chamber.

The *Ambitious City* does not take kindly to the proposed "technical school." The *Spectator* says the proposal has "a gold brick appearance," and that it will not suit the people.

The *Telegram* refers to those who

put politics into the hospital scheme in Toronto, to which liberals were liberally subscribing, as "party line bigots." They are thus properly labelled.

Japan must be contemplating the subjugation of the world. She has eight warships of the Dreadnought type under construction and can put an enlarged army of 750,000 men in the field.

In the Hamilton by-election the deputy returning officers were all conservatives, and nominated by the party. And when this was referred to in Toronto, before Col. Denison, as a practice he was horrified!

Dr. Pym held back his announcement regarding the technical school in Hamilton so as not to affect the by-election. And now he is told that the announcement, such as it is, would have made very little difference anyway.

Hamilton has been saddled with an expense of \$6,000 for military protection on account of the street railway strike. The mayor is held responsible for this alleged "waste of public money." The soldiers were held in Hamilton long after the riot was over.

The hospital board in Toronto has made the appointment of an architect for its new building a political issue, and the *Toronto Telegram* is disgusted. The taint of partisanship is regarded as an evil which is to be greatly deplored.

The Georgian Bay ship canal is referred to in the *Montreal Star* correspondent as "a thing of the near future." All right. If the thing can be financed let it go ahead. Over half a million dollars have been spent in the surveys so far, and the government is not spending the public money for nothing.

Mr. Roosevelt ordered that the simplified spelling should be used in the public schools. But in his message to congress, a story that occupies twenty-five columns in the papers, there were not enough letters and space secured to total four lines. The president or his amanuensis must have forgotten about the general order.

Hon. Mr. Hanna says that when the legislature meets an announcement will be made on the prison contract question which will be acceptable to the labour men. That means that the contract will be cancelled. Nothing else will do, and if the lesson of December 4th in East Hamilton is not sufficient it can be repeated.

Spirit Of The Press.

Which Is Best?

Syracuse Post-Standard.
Harvard has a football surplus of \$28,000 in money, but Yale has a surplus in touchdowns.

Always Crazy.

Buffalo Times.
A Chicago despatch says Prophet Hoyt is insane. The prevailing opinion is that he has been insane for years.

Little Chaps Nowhere.

Hamilton Herald.
That Wall Street attempt to batter down the reputation of the Cobalt Nipissing mines ought to reveal to small shareholders how helpless they are in the hands of the big operators.

A Timely Warning!

Montreal Star.
The party in charge of the annual column of "Christmas Gifts That Men Will Like" would oblige several thousand men by cutting out all reference to neckties and cigars this year.

Cain's Experience.

Toronto Star.
It has been stated in parliament that bribery is sheer waste of money. This substantially was the experience of Cain, who tried to bribe the Almighty with a special kind of sacrifice, and failed.

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Toronto Globe.
Mr. Foster complains because the new tariff does not show the trend of future changes. The trouble with Mr. Foster's tariff was that it was all trend and changes. Mr. Fielding's is designed to secure stability.

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The contract for the erection of an extension to the House of Commons' side of the parliament buildings has been awarded to Messrs. Macgillivray & Lobbie, Ottawa, at \$235,000.

The Toronto and London regulars brought to Hamilton two weeks ago, when the street car riots got beyond the control of the local police, have left for home.

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After a long discussion, the French chamber of deputies, on Friday, by a majority of 180, voted in favor of the state buying the western railway system.

Premier Ward, of New Zealand, has announced that the sum of the eastern races will no longer find refuge in the colony.

The Central unemployed body, London, has received from Ontario an offer of work for four hundred single men.

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Rev. Dr. Isaac Murray, one of the fathers of the Presbyterian church, died at New Glasgow, N.S.

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Delast, Dec. 8.—An extraordinary hoax has just been perpetrated at Ballymena, County Antrim.

Some time ago placards were posted throughout the neighborhood declaring that the war office authorities were purchasers of cats in unlimited numbers. The announcement set forth that barracks at home and abroad were overrun with rats, which not only destroyed the soldiers' rations and clothing, but even attacked their boots. Half a crown a head was offered for every suitable cat, and it was announced that a war office official would attend at the next Ballymena fair to purchase the animals.

Thereupon commenced a wonderful hunt throughout the district. The cats had a lively time, and so had the small boys. Many captures were made, and in some cases were deposited to make room for the captured animals, and cellars and outhouses were filled in anticipation of fair day. Many an old woman wept for a vanished pet.

When the eventful day came cats took the prominent position usually occupied by pigs. Carloads of them were driven into the town, and a sham look-out was kept for the war office official. There were all sorts and conditions of cats, all ages and many breeds, but the number failed to put in an appearance. The people are now looking for the perpetrator of the hoax.

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