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**NOT SOLOMON'S SONG
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A Pastor Says a Political Critic Penned Famous Poem to Expose the Profrigate of the Israelitish King.

St. Louis, Oct. 12.—That the Song of Solomon was not written by Solomon at all, but was a political campaign document penned by some skillful poet of the time, with the object of exposing the profrigate of the Israelitish king, was the startling declaration of Rev. W. L. Biting, pastor of the Second Baptist church, in an address before the Baptist Ministerial Association.

Assailing the generally-accepted new idea that the song was written by Solomon and refers to the mystical marriage of the Church and Christ, Dr. Biting argued that it is beautiful love story, aimed to rebuke the evils rampant at Solomon's court, and was written by a political critic. This critic, said the pastor, shows the plaintive sorrow of a Shulamite woman of Northern Palestine crying for her beloved, and trying to escape the attempted enforced luxury of court life for the sake of her mountains and shepherd lover.

Taking this most obscure book of the Bible, in the 5,000 words of which the name of God does not appear, and whose place has been the cause of bitter controversy, Dr. Biting gave it as his view that the book was the work of some northern poet the tenth century B.C.; that its aim was to make Solomon and his home odious to the people of Northern Palestine, and that it was the forerunner of the division of the kingdom.

"It was written," said the doctor, "to expose the profrigate monarch, Solomon, you remember, had 700 wives and 300 concubines. The age was voluptuous. The king set a bad example. The story tries to show the black background of his lustful life. It was written to show that in the mountains there still was such a thing as pure, incorruptible human love."

"The whole story converges on the question of monogamy, as ordained in Eden, and was intended to rebuke the lustful orientalism into which Solomon's court had fallen. The family life had been debauched and a social condition was exposed that had drained the resources of the land. It is the true, inflexible love of one woman for one man as proof against the assault of passion and of position that is held up to praise."

CANADA SETS THE PACE.

Change Wrought By the Liberal Government—New Canada.

Sir Richard Cartwright in Toronto. What the government is entitled to credit for more than anything else, perhaps, is the very high position which Canada has attained in 1908 as compared with the position Canada occupied in 1896. (Cheers.) For that the government is entitled to credit, for that Sir Wilfrid Laurier is very greatly entitled to credit. Those of you who remember, as I do, what position Canada occupied in 1896, who know, as I know, how entirely Canada was regarded both at St. James' and Washington as a mere negligible quantity, how little regard was paid to our opinion on any subject, will appreciate fully and entirely the altered position of things now. Canada in 1896 was thoroughly a negligible quantity. How stands the case to-day? Why, Canada sets the pace! To-day the example of Canada is followed. To-day at noon of Canada is quoted. To-day at this very moment no British treaty affecting the interests of Canada can be made with any other country without the consent of Canada. (Cheers.) To-day they admit that our progress is phenomenal. To-day wherever you go you will hear in the best informed circles high commendation of the attempts which Canada has been making to solve difficult social problems. To-day we know that the way in which Canada has dealt with the somewhat difficult question of maintaining law and order in a huge and sparsely settled country has excited the admiration of every man who has visited us from other countries. To-day princes of the highest rank cross the Atlantic to be present at Canadian festivities. To-day it is not too much to say Canada is the observed of all observers throughout the British empire. It is not too much to say that to-day the difficulty is not to establish a record for Canada, but the difficulty will be to live up to the records we have already established. I have said that there are these three great facts which stand out prominently: That from 1896 to 1908 the increase of our population has quadrupled the increase which took place in Canada during the eighteen years of conservative administration; that during our twelve years the increase has been sixfold of what occurred over their period of eighteen years, and I have hardly any figures which would enable me to state accurately what the difference, arithmetically considered, would be between the position of Canada in 1896 and 1908. Let us be modest and say that we were only one hundred fold better off in the eyes of the world in 1908 than we were in 1896.

From Bad To Worse.
Toronto Telegram.
Toronto's Board of Education seems to be utterly unable to efficiently transact any sort of business and needs schooling a greater deal than the children whose educational destinies are in its incompetent and spendthrift hands.
The climax of extravagant impudence was reached, yesterday, when the school management committee decided to add a \$1,000 office to the burdens of the taxpayers.
How much 'more reckless throwing of public money away are the taxpayers of this city going to tolerate at the hands of a board that does not seem to value the city's money at all? The spectacle of an unnecessary \$3,600 medical health office being created, and too many doctors on the board getting ready to "wrestle for the job," should start a public protest that will sound loud enough to reach even the dull, cold ear of the Toronto Board of Education.

Dyeing and cleaning. My Valet.

SURE OF RE-ELECTION.

News of Federal Campaign—Liberal Swing of Victory.

Ottawa Free Press.
From all parts of the country come reports from independent sources indicating as clearly as it is possible to indicate that the Laurier government is going to be again returned to power.

It is probably too much to hope that Sir Wilfrid will continue to have a majority of sixty-five in the house, but there is ample evidence that it will be at least thirty.

In another column to-day we print reviews of the situation in Nova Scotia and Quebec, that are worth careful perusal. They show that the conservatives have a fighting chance of making only small gains.

The other day we published a similar review from New Brunswick, pointing out that the opposition is leaning on a broken reed when it expects to benefit from the last provincial elections. As was stated by the Free Press the day after those elections, the issues were peculiarly local, the people being aroused over a highway bill. Liberal newspapers which then opposed the government are, in this election, supporting the Laurier candidates, and in one case a liberal journal is fighting a conservative candidate whom it helped to elect to the provincial house.

The advices from the west—with the exception of British Columbia, where the Oriental question has set up a condition of antagonism to the government simply because it is the government—are all most encouraging. The country west of the great lakes will give Laurier a comfortable majority.

In Ontario there are going to be losses and gains on both sides, and the probability is that, numerically, neither will be any better off as the result of the coming elections.

Of course some rash enthusiasts like

HARLOWE HAPPENINGS.

Avery's Political Meeting—A Disastrous Fire.

Harlowe, Oct. 9.—The political meeting held by Mr. Avery, in the school-house, on Wednesday evening, was fairly attended. A large number of our voters think that Mr. Avery is just the man. Mr. Avery is registered at the Royal, while visiting our town.

Mr. and Mrs. Tyner, Miss Tyner and Mr. Tait, Marlbank, were the guests of Mrs. John Gray on Monday. H. Neal left for Canoe Lake, on Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. E. Wood and daughter, Pearl, are spending a few days at his sister's, Mrs. Peterson's, Arden. Mr. and Mrs. F. Gray have returned from a few days' visit at Tweed. Mr. Pettiford, Cloyne, was a visitor at L. Whiteman's on Sunday last. One of our young ladies captured a fine coon on Saturday evening last, although it is somewhat out of the coon season. Miss M. Peterson, Northbrooke, visited at Rev. Mr. Sherman's. Mr. and Mrs. T. Thompson received word on Saturday last, of the illness of their son, Ezra, in the hospital in Kingston. He went to Watertown, a while ago, but was taken ill with bronchitis, and got as far as Kingston on his way home. W. Scott made a trip to Northbrooke on Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. G. Wheeler, Parry Road, are visiting their daughter at "Cozy Nook."

Mr. and Mrs. J. Gray and children spent Sunday last at his father's, Rev. Mr. Sherman held the annual missionary service in the Holiness Movement church, Sunday evening last. H. Colquhoun, Calgary, Alta., was here a few days of this week at W. Scott's. It is quite a while since Harry visited our place, and his many friends were glad to see him looking so well. Miss L. Miller has gone to Tweed for a few weeks. N. Mills spent Sunday last at his father's at Flinton. Miss M. Thompson is visiting at P. Peterson's, North-



"Eddie" Redway, As "Alan," and Francis Merrifield As "Jane" in "Babes In Toyland," Grand Opera House, Oct. 17th.

George Taylor are predicting the defeat of the government; but the object is apparent and the unliability of the predictions made evident by the exaggeration that is indulged in. Collier's Weekly remarks that money counts—and that the betting in this election is all in favor of the return of the government.

In Toronto, the backbone of Torydom, it is conceded that the Borden forces cannot succeed this time, and the only question discussed is: What will be Laurier's majority?

British suffragists are preparing a demonstration of 60,000 at the House of Commons, to-day. "We shall get into the house," Mrs. Drummond declared, "how remains to be seen."

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brooke. Mrs. A. Palmateer was the guest of Mrs. S. Wheeler, Elmisdale, on Saturday last. J. Miller and E. Huffman, Fernleigh, visited at J. Miller's, on Sunday and Monday last. Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs and little son, James spent Monday at J. Black's, Arden. The Harlowe fair which was held on Monday, was quite well patronized, and is reported the best ever held here. A number of the Harlowe people attended Arden fair on Tuesday. Some of the farmers have finished their potato digging and report a poor crop. Mrs. J. White and daughters Alice and Annie, leave to-morrow for a three weeks' visit with friends at Holloway and Belleville. Mrs. J. Gray received word of the illness of her mother, Mrs. Smith, Arloch, who has been removed to Kingston General Hospital. One of the most disastrous fires that ever occurred in Harlowe took place last Saturday morning, when our cheese factory was destroyed. The fire started about four o'clock. Proprietor Gibbs, who is also the cheese maker, and who lives only about three rods from the factory, was awakened by the roaring of the fire, but when he got there nothing could be saved. Many farmers rushed to the scene, but could do nothing to save the building as it was too far gone. One of the patrons had not received his money for August cheese yet and it was in the factory, so Mr. Gibbs broke open the door and endeavored to get the money and the factory books, but the smoke drove him back, and so all went up in flames. There were fifty-nine cheese destroyed. For the first time in several months, the cheese was not shipped that week, owing to the fact that Mr. Critchley had not delivered the cheese boxes. The insurance will not cover much over half of the loss. Most of the patrons are now sending their milk to Cloyne factory. We hope that Mr. Gibbs or Mr. Black (the former owns the factory), will erect another factory soon.

A Wise Finance.
London Advertiser.
Mr. Fielding must plead guilty to the charge of spending more money than any other finance minister, but he has had more money to spend, thanks to his skillful financing and the progress of the country. Mr. Foster spent borrowed money; Mr. Fielding has not had to borrow. In private affairs, which one would be termed the spendthrift?

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