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Daily Whig.

WHAT IS IN SIGHT.
In picturesque language the Vancouver Province tells of coming events. It says: With electrical energy delivered at his door by Niagara power, the life of an Ontario farmer will be one sweet dream. The grindstone will revolve on its own axis without manual stimulation, and the hum of the treadle sewing machine will be heard as the woodless range cooks the evening meal. The lawn mower will make its morning rounds unassisted, while the farmer sits in the coping tower of his barn manipulating the switchboard that marks the passing of the hired man.

WAS SIR JOHN LOYAL?
Some of our conservative friends profess to be greatly alarmed lest the adoption of the proposed reciprocity agreement should lead to the annexation of Canada to the United States and the disruption of the British empire, remarks the Woodstock Sentinel-Review. The strange thing is that during all the time the conservatives were in power at Ottawa no conservative ever made the discovery that reciprocity meant annexation. The so-called national policy was designed to bring about either a reciprocity of trade or a reciprocity of tariff, and Sir John A. Macdonald boasted to the last that he and his party had done more than anyone else in their endeavor to bring about reciprocity of trade. Was Sir John A. Macdonald a disguised rebel seeking in an underhand way to bring about the annexation of Canada and the disruption of the British empire? And if he was, what was the matter with the eyes of the loyal conservatives of the country that they failed to see under the mask? How is it that reciprocity appears dangerous and disloyal only when it is the work of a liberal government?

IT IS A GREAT RELIEF.
Pastor Russell takes the pains to send round to the press a circular giving all the assurance that he never said the world is coming to an end in 1915. An enthusiastic street evangelist is credited with starting the report which Pastor Russell denies. That good man declares that the world will always stand, for it says in Ecclesiastes, "the earth abideth for ever."

With this comfort lodged in the soul we may view without alarm Pastor Russell's admitted forecast of the return of Israel to Palestine, as a nation, in that same fateful 1915. It is lovely to note how the wise preacher gravely rebukes the street man who, he himself, solemnly figures out the years from the fall of Jerusalem in B.C. 606, and says that 1915 bring the "roll of years up to 2520, though he neglects to disclose the significance of that total.

But in 1915, Pastor Russell being prophet, there will be great trouble on the ushering in of the new dispensation, the reign of righteousness, which is to last 1,000 years. The street preacher misunderstood the fact and confounded that trouble in getting the millennium started with such a tremendous event as the burning up of all the world, even including Tammany Hall, no doubt.

We fear that Kaiser William, of Prussia and Germany, has more than Pastor Russell of the knowledge that enables one to speak with confidence about things to come to pass in Palestine and the Euphrates valley in the next few years, says the Buffalo, N.Y., Times. It seems safer to predict German interference to stop the erection of a new nation in that part of the world than to imagine neglect of intervention. Perhaps the pastor counts on a miracle to discomfit the kaiser. There may be a mistake in that calculation for the kaiser holds himself to be the Lord's anointed.

In the midst of counter plans and dreams of futurity one may still cling with satisfaction to the doctrine of Pastor Russell that the world will not burn up in, three or four years, much as it may deserve that fate. It will be a great disappointment if he proves to be mistaken.

COUNTY AUDIT SYSTEM.
Some time ago the Whig referred to the faulty auditing which was being done in some of the townships of this district, and advocated the plan of having all the books, and of every municipality in Frontenac, examined and reported upon by the county auditor. Let us emphasize that thought. The councils are under obligation to see that the business of the people is conducted carefully and accurately, and a guarantee of this is given when the work is committed to men of

whose competency there can be no question. The offices of collector and treasurer should not be occupied by men who are favourites with the council, or who will perform the tasks assigned to them for the lowest available sum. They should go to the men who are competent for the service and give the assurance, on their record, that they will meet every requirement satisfactory.

And the county councils should adopt business methods in all they do. Frontenac has a board of audit. It passes upon the accounts which come before it, and satisfies itself, as far as possible, that these accounts are correct. At the same time it would appreciate such a venture as the audit department of the city exacts. Kingston has an audit by-law which was adopted some years ago, when a permanent auditor was appointed. The by-law provides, that every item of expenditure should be properly authorized. Wherever possible competition is required. Tenders are invited and when one is accepted, usually the lowest, it is referred to the auditor for his guidance in the checking of accounts. The order book is open to the auditor at all times, and so are the minute books of the committees, and no account can be passed, under this audit by-law, which has not been contracted by council or committee.

This means that no official can order goods or supplies, or assume any liability in the name of the municipality. This means that everything that is wanted for public use, must be requisitioned for in a certain way, and that only when the requisition has been approved by the council or committee can it be acted upon. Of course here are exceptions, but they can be amended or anticipated and so provided for. Now if such a system works well in the city it should work well in the county. And seeing that the county council has as members some of our best business men it is not remarkable that they have not urged a course in county business methods which would represent a better audit of accounts.

EDITORIAL NOTES.
According to the courts' judgment a rickie cannot get a rickie's worth of red under the Nickle act.

If we can trade with the Americans on the tune of \$200,000,000 worth of goods yearly, as we now do, without anger of annexation, cannot we take it \$300,000,000 without danger?

The Victoria Colonist, strongly conservative, declines to lend itself to disloyalty cry with Messrs. Borden and company have endeavored to brown the real issues raised by the reciprocity agreement.

Ex-President Eliot, of Harvard, is to be regarded as aging when he gets on advising that every family consist of eight children, five to survive. Since he has but one of his own his argument may be taken for a dream on its part.

No practical interest in Great Britain is menaced. Mr. Fielding explained in the Ottawa House of Commons that the articles mentioned in the agreement are not generally dealt in between Canada and Great Britain. Imperial preference is not endangered.

College professors are generally raising scares about the exhaustion of oil, oils, timber and other natural products. They figure out a time when an increased population will tarve to death. But here is a cheerful and welcome prophet, Dr. Jacob I. Hollander, professor of economics at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, who predicts that a day will come when "poverty will be as obsolete as slavery."

Three Cream Away.
She was a city bride who had never before taken a hand in housekeeping, and knew but little about things in the kitchen. A few mornings ago she got after the milkman.

"What's the matter with your milk?" she said, with great vehemence.
"I don't know," he replied. "What do you find wrong with it?"
"Well," she said, "every morning it is covered with a nasty yellow scum."
"And what do you do with the scum?"
"Why, I skim it off, of course, and throw it in the garbage can."—Farmers' Guide.

Few men are inclined to let well enough alone when they see something better within reach.

The Man On Watch.

To the French-Canadians, of Ottawa, who are raising a racket because Bishop Fallon is going to attend at the enthronement of Archbishop Gauthier, the Lampan would commend the parting words of his grace to the people of St. Mary's cathedral, on Tuesday evening—"Love ye one another." Because Bishop Fallon takes a star against French schools in Ontario, is no reason why the French-Canadian leaders in Ottawa should not do honor to Archbishop Gauthier when he is enthroned, next week. The Lampan thinks their threatened action is childish. Let them honor their new archbishop, and afterwards fight the other prelates. The Lampan understands that the French-Canadians are everywhere being organized for a fight for French schools in Ontario.

What is Frontenac's high constable doing about that hockey riot at Glenburnie, on Saturday last, the Lampan would like to know. The names of the guilty parties are known, and they should be given a lesson. Township hockey will not prosper with a lot of rowdy-followers. The Lampan advises the hockey league to swear in a few constables to attend its matches in the future, and have no more bloodshed in the dear old 'glen.

There will be fun, indeed, the Lampan thinks, if Mayor Graham starts in to wake up the police force. His worship has rubbed up against the police before, but lost, as he had to pay a fine for violating a by-law, but there are others who were in the same 'box. However, if the mayor, who is now a police commissioner, could urge the peelers to gather in a few of the rowdies about whom complaints are continually made, he would be doing a public service. The Lampan wishes the courts of justice in this town were doing good work, notwithstanding criticisms. If they were instructed, they would, doubtless, do more. His eyes are probably not as good as those of "Civis" who gives the peelers a raking-over, for he does not see any brass buttons on the coats of the "bobbies." It must have been a fireman that "Civis" mistook for a policeman.

The Lampan gets disgusted with that small section of people who are over-er crying about being burdened with taxes. The kickers, he finds, are generally the people who can well afford to pay. The poor man is not heard crying out about high taxes. He says his "tithes like a man and says nothing. The poor man is never seen before the courts of justice begging to have his assessment reduced. Not on our life, says the Lampan. It's the fellow who should not be there who raises the lamentation.

PURCHASING LOGS.

Carleton Place Man Has Made Heavy Bayings.
During the past winter W. A. Nichols has purchased logs quite extensively—ash, hemlock, basswood and pine. From the Dalhousie farmers he secured 10,000, all placed by them on the Mississippi, to come to the mills here by the old-fashioned method of a drive. The cash left up there was more than \$7,000. From the farmers around home he picked up 4,000. Adam Dundas alone contributing 1,000. There was a transfer pine on Mr. John Hunk's farm in Drummond, which for half a century defied alike the hold of the lumberman and the gales from heaven. It fell the other day into the lap of Mr. Nichols. It was, truly, a giant—90 feet in commercial length, and 40 inches at the stump. It produced five logs, fourteen feet long, one log sixteen feet long, and one thirteen. This noble pine, towering high above the surrounding forest, could be seen for many miles, and was a landmark, its jymoal like the fall of a piece of cherished scenery out of the landscape. Mr. Nichols' saw-mill here puts about 100 logs a day into lumber.

How He Made a Sale—Washington Post.
"I am travelling through the country for the express purpose of saving our good women folks," said the agent, as he drove into the yard of one of our farmers. "I have here a soap that makes washing a pleasure."
"You couldn't make my wife see no pleasure in washin' no matter what she used," said the farmer.
"Then I have a cleaner here for pots, pans and kettles that reduces the work to a minimum."
"She wouldn't look at it," said the farmer.
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"She doesn't mind churnin' a bit, likes to, she says."
"Well, here is a chemical for killing weeds. A little of this sprinkled between the rows of your vegetables saves 'good-by' to hoeing. Reduces your labor more than half."
"How much do you get a package?"
"Fifty cents, or 12 for \$5."
"Gimme a dozen," said the farmer, fishing out his wife's butter money."

A Trifle Exclusive.
Boston Herald.
Frederick Townsend Martin, New York's "arbitrer elegantiarum," believes that society should include people of genius no less than people of high birth.

"High birth alone makes a very poor sort of society," said Mr. Martin at a dinner at Delmonico's. "Such a society, relying on exclusiveness alone, becomes more and more stupid, more and more haughty. Finally it reaches the attitude exemplified in the case of the starving royalist countess, living in an attic in the Faubourg St. Germain, who, on being asked to meet a famous poet, answered: "No, thank you. I make it a rule never to be introduced to people I don't know."

Saving on Small Income.
Saving on a small income is a problem at its best. In connection with this form of economy, the thing to lay greatest stress on is to save in the little things, says the Chicago Inter-Ocean. If you have any pet little luxury, unnecessary to your welfare, deny yourself of it, especially if it requires a regular daily expenditure, however slight. If you are a slave to some petty, foolish habit that costs you a nickel a day, and you master this habit by elimination, you will save thirty-five cents a week, or a little more than \$18.20 a year.

Harvey Warner, Napanee, has not gained during the last week. He suffers no pain and taken considerable nourishment, but his physical condition is a little weaker than it was. C. F. Fawcett has been appointed superintendent of the Methodist Sabbath school, Tweed, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of W. S. Gordon.

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HISTORY'S DAWN SAW FIRST USE OF INK.
Harvard Professor Declares He Has Found Ancient Traces of Writing Fluid Made of Lampblack.

New York, Feb. 18.—Contrary to previous belief among antiquarians word comes from Palestine that the use of ink appears to have antedated papyrus or any of the ancient substitutes for paper.

George A. Reiser, assistant professor of Egyptology at Harvard, brought back with him this week, after an absence of six years, news that last summer while excavating in Samaria, once the capital of the northern kingdom of Israel, he found on the floor of one of the palace chambers potsherds on which were messages relating to the payment of taxes written with a reed pen in an ink made of pure carbon or lampblack.

FAMINE CONDITIONS AWFUL.
At Least \$2,000,000 is Required for Adequate Relief Work.

Washington, Feb. 18.—At least \$2,000,000 will be required for the adequate relief of the famine sufferers of China, according to the cable dispatches received by the state department, from American Minister Calhoun, at Peking. This is considered a conservative estimate.

In reply to an enquiry from the American National Red Cross Society as to whether or not money remittances were needed immediately the American consul at Shanghai has cabled the secretary of state that further contributions are needed at once and are warranted by the horrifying conditions.

The Chinese representatives to the Chinese National Assembly have expressed their gratitude to Minister Calhoun for American assistance. The local Chinese officials and missionaries, the minister adds, are co-operating in rendering aid. The southern section of the Tientsin-Hankow railway, which traverses the famine district, is conveying foodstuffs to the stricken people.

As relief works the Chinese government has begun dredging portions of canals, building roadways and constructing branch railways. These are regarded as sensible measures which will result in reducing the probabilities of brigandage.

The Wedding-Ring Finger.
Pittsburg Leader.
The wedding-ring was not always the plain circle of gold nowadays associated with its name. In ancient days it was richly set with gems and worn on the first finger of the right hand. The Christian era brought about the wearing of the wedding-ring on the third finger, and the popular superstition about the "ring finger" says that a vein runs direct from it to the heart. The real reason is probably a religious one. The priest who performed the marriage rite used to put the ring first on the thumb, saying, "In the name of the Father," on the first finger he said, "And of the Son," on the second, "And of the Holy Ghost." When the "Amen" was reached with the third finger the ring was put on to stay.

"Buy Hesterine," at Gibson's. A pretty wedding took place at the residence of the bride's father, Oliver Crouse, North Fredericksburgh, on February 15th, when his daughter, Annie, Toronto, was united in the holy wedlock to Herbert German, of Northport.

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Hidden away in the strong rooms belonging to a certain ancient family of Great Britain are various historic goblets and drinking vessels around which cling stories of much beauty and romance.

These drinking glasses are now usually referred to as "Lucks," and the most interesting of them all is known as the "Luck of Edenhall." Apart from the charming story connected with the "Luck of Edenhall," the glass in itself is a beautiful example known as "Saracenic," belonging to the early part of the fifteenth century. It is enamelled all over with arabesque designs in yellow, blue, white and red, and the superstition that has grown around it renders it probably the most famous drinking glass in the country.

The glass belongs to the ancient house of Musgrave, and the prosperity of the race depends upon the preservation of the goblet. Many centuries ago, runs the tale, the butler went out one night to draw water from St. Cuthbert's well, and was astounded—though apparently in no way frightened—by discovering a company of fairies dancing on the lawn.

He watched them for some time and then went to the well, where he found a cup belonging to the fairies which they had evidently forgotten. The butler immediately grasped the goblet and when asked to give it up he refused.

His refusal brought forth the queen of the fairies who begged him to relinquish the cup, and, on the butler again declining, she uttered these ominous words: "If ever that glass should break or fall the luck of Edenhall."

The butler, on returning to the house, told the story to his master, who thereupon took possession of the cup, which has been carefully preserved.

Another "Luck" is preserved in the strong room of Muncaster castle. It belongs to the middle of the fifteenth century and is said to have been presented to Sir John Pennington by Henry VI after the battle of Hexham in 1463, when the king received the hospitality of Muncaster castle.

The glass—which is in the shape of a bowl—bears a small paneled picture showing the king presenting the goblet which he holds in his left hand. Two fingers of the right hand are raised in benediction as he pronounces the blessings on the ancient family so long as the vessel remains unbroken.

Then there is the "Luck of Burrell Green," which is, however, not a glass at all, but a brass charger of the sixteenth century, one and a quarter feet in diameter. The essential quality of a luck is supposed to be fragility, and so it would be a rather difficult matter for the Burrell Green charger to "fall and break."

But the tradition is nothing if not reasonable, and so it is not surprising by inscribing upon the brass vessel the following couplet: "If this dish be sold or given, Farewell the luck of Burrell Green."
—Tit-Bits.