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ROAST BY A STUDENT
 FOR THOSE WHO ARE CRYING DOWN THE ROOSTER.

Seven Hours' Sleep is Enough for Any Man—Chloroform is Suggested for the Rooster's Enemies.

Kingston, May 17.—(To the Editor): Before the last feather is torn from the graceful tail of the unfortunate rooster, and he is led to the block by the army of "crowing hens," who have been scratching in your valuable space of late, I beg the privilege of expressing my sympathy for the poor bird and absolute impatience with the selfish individuals who would eliminate fresh eggs and an occasional chicken from the humble fare of the hard-working man who dares to keep a pen of fowl, with eggs selling at twenty to sixty cents a dozen and chicken comparatively "cheap."

The only argument I have seen used by the tormentors of the rooster is "danger to the public health"; but with such beautiful large yards as the average householder in Kingston enjoys, I cannot see that the health of the community is jeopardized.

It has been stated that the midnight crowing disturbs the student and the invalid. In this connection I might say that as a fourth year student and one who has lived in various sections, I have yet to meet this famous line of "bread-to-crows" and he disturbed in either sleep or study, and if a fellow-student told me his powers of concentration have reached such a low water mark as this, I would advise him to sell his books and return to the farm.

As for the invalid—I believe authorities agree that the average sleep required by man is seven hours in twenty-four. I wonder how much more our friends enjoy? When one sleeps all day, is it any wonder they hear every footfall of the most cautious mouse that visits their neighborhood at night; and they attribute their "restlessness" to the rooster, because he happens to clear his throat during the wee small hours.

If with the falling of the cock's head we would incidentally be rid of the chronic grouches to whom we have been listening lately, I would say for heaven's sake kill the roosters. But no, these poor things must whine and find fault in their nature. When the rooster is extinct it will be the croaking frog, the cricket, the robin's early morning song, the clock in the church tower, or on the mantle, and after all these had been silent, he may discover his own heart disturbs him in its beating.

I agree with one of your recent correspondents, that these people are a menace to the welfare of the community, and further, that the influence of these chronic neurasthenics is responsible for the stagnation which has existed in Kingston in the past. Their segregation would doubtless be a step in the right direction, but I would suggest the treatment recommended, I believe, by Oaler, for men over a certain age, e.g., "chloroform." Many men at eighty are leading citizens, and by no means a burden to society, but just as soon as a person exhibits symptoms as have been demonstrated in certain writings on this "foul" crusade, it is most assuredly high time to push the chloroform regardless of age, sex or beauty.—WILLIAM J. SCOTT.

Bernhardt and Rejane Together.

Just as the entry of Sarah Bernhardt into vaudeville a year or two ago, put the seal of professional approval on that branch of the theatrical business, so her concession to the moving picture people has aroused extraordinary interest in the possibilities of the cinematograph.

The pictures taken of Bernhardt and her company in "Camille," and those of Rejane and her company in "Mme. Sans-Gene," have created something of a furor in Paris and in London.

The manager in the English metropolitan paid ten thousand dollars for the privilege of running them in his house.

The Canadian tour is a limited one, and special efforts have been made to ensure its success. With new machines that eliminate flicking and expert operators, the results attained are likely to surprise all who see them here, at the Grand next Tuesday, and Wednesday evenings and Wednesday matinee.

Woman's Sad Plight.

A woman, who attended the sale of unclaimed goods, in the customs department, was in a sad plight, this afternoon. She purchased two pairs of shoes, and when she opened the parcel found that each shoe was for the right foot. The shoes had, evidently, been sent through the customs, as a sample.

To "Willie" Glenn's Memory.

The flag for which the late William Glenn collected the money has arrived at the general hospital and will be used for the first time on May 24th. "Willie" Glenn was engaged in collecting the money when he took ill and passed away, and so the flag will be placed on the building in his honor.

Smithers on Way to Montreal.

New York, May 17.—Chairman Smithers, of the Grand Trunk, arrived here, to-day, and proceeded immediately to Montreal to announce the successor to the late president, C. M. Hays. He refused to be interviewed.

Hard Ripe Tomatoes.

Boston head lettuce, chives, cucumbers, young carrots, beets, cabbages, spinach, water cress, asparagus, mint, green peppers, etc., Carnovsky's.

Steamer Cornwall Arrives.

The steamer Cornwall arrived at Garden Island Thursday, from Sorci, Quebec, where she has been fitted up as a wrecking steamer.

Kingston and Ottawa.

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WAS A KINGSTONIAN
DAVID PURTELL FOUND DEAD
IN TORONTO.

Remains Will be Brought to This City for Interment—Relatives in Kingston Were Notified on Thursday Evening.

The man found dead in Toronto, on Tuesday morning, has been identified as a Kingstonian, in the person of David PurteLL, aged about forty-five years, and a son of James PurteLL, of Kingston.

Mystery surrounds the circumstances concerning PurteLL's death. His body was found, at the corner of Carlaw avenue and Gerrard street, near a barbed wire fence. It is believed that he fell getting over the fence.

Deceased was a piano finisher by trade, and worked in Kingston for years. He left the city a short time ago, and had been working in western Ontario.

Deceased is survived by his father, and four brothers, William, John, James, and Michael, all of this city.

The remains will be brought here from Toronto, and the funeral will take place on Saturday morning, from the home of his wife, Michael PurteLL, corner of Montreal and John street.

Although the body was found on Tuesday morning, relatives in this city were not notified until Thursday evening.

GIRLS KEPT IN CAGES TILL THEY'RE BRIDES.
 Clergyman Tells of a Custom that is Followed by Some of the Natives of New Britain.

The Rev. George Brown, D.D., who has passed many years of his life in the South Sea Islands, endeavoring to stamp out polygamy and cannibalism among the natives, says in some parts of New Britain the natives have a custom of placing young women in strict seclusion before marriage, by imprisoning them in cages for several years until they reach a marriageable age. Dr. Brown, says the London Globe, describes how on one occasion he inspected a number of these human cages.

"The cage is quite clean," he says, "and contains nothing but a few short lengths of bamboo for holding water. There was only room for a girl to sit or lie down in a crouched position on the bamboo platform, and when the doors are shut it must be nearly or quite dark inside. They are never allowed to come out except once a day to bathe in a dish of wooden bowl placed close to each cage. They are placed in the cages when quite young, and must remain there until their marriage."

BURGLARS STILL BUSY.
 Entered Store of Miss Maud Dutton, on Princess Street.

Burglars are still busy. Thursday night some person or persons secured an entrance to the store of Miss Maud Dutton, Princess street, but evidently were frightened away, as all that was missing was twenty-five cents in copper, left in the till, and two pairs of Oxford. A number of umbrellas in the store were thrown on the floor.

Entrance was secured to the store by removing a pane of glass in a window at the rear, in the same way as entrance was secured to the store of Mayor F. J. Hoag on Friday night.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.
 What Happened a Quarter of a Century Ago.

Black marble discovered on Grindstone Island.

A horse belonging to "A" Battery killed in a runaway.

A man tried to throw a large Newfoundland dog, with a stone around his neck, into the water at Swift's wharf, in order to drown the animal. The dog dragged the man in with him and he was nearly drowned.

Prayer offered for rain in the Anglican churches.

The Bishop of Niagara here to hold confirmation.

A Transient Baseball Team.

The city now has within its bounds what might be called a transient baseball team, that of the construction men working on the new tank shop at the locomotive company. A number of these men who have come to the city lately for this job, have thrown ball before, and have asked for a practice game with the C.L.C.'s. The game will be played Friday evening if the ground permits.

Called Steamer Back.

The steamer Island Wanderer was called back to Folger's wharf after it had left for Cape Vincent Friday afternoon. The boat had gotten by Swift's wharf and the steamer Althea signalled her to come back as she had a quantity of cream aboard for the Cape.

14th Regiment Parade.

The 14th Regiment will assemble for its first battalion parade of the season, Friday evening. Owing to the recent nearly thirty hours' rain, the regiment will drill in the armouries, but may march out.

Are They Really?

Ottawa Journal.

The cost of living is still going up, according to a report by the Department of Labor, yet somehow there is more contentment in Canada than there used to be. Folk are better off.

Low a Pessimist.

Galt Refractor.

Bonar Law has shown himself a pessimist—a most surprising role for any native Canadian to play.

Tennessee Strawberries.

Large boxes, 30c; small boxes, 12 1/2c. at Carnovsky's, "on the corner."

No man seems to think it's up to him to be as good as he thinks the others ought to be.

THERE IS VIVID LIFE
 BETWEEN MAN'S DEATH AND THE JUDGMENT DAY.

Says Rev. Dr. Paterson Smyth, of Montreal, Who Advocates Prayers for the Dead.

Much interest was aroused among the ministers of Montreal by the address given before the Ministerial Association by Rev. Dr. Paterson Smyth, pastor of St. George's, in which he strongly advocated prayers for the dead.

"Death and Afterwards" was the subject of the address. Dr. Paterson Smyth declared that the "I," the self, in every one of us, of which we were so conscious, was in this life only at the beginning of its career. This earthly life was most important, for its acts made habits, habits made character, and character made destiny. After this life came the next stage—the "near-hereafter," he called it—the stage before the judgment. And after this the "far-hereafter," at the second coming of our Lord.

What we called death, he said, was really birth into the next stage of life, just as the death of the caterpillar was the birth of the butterfly.

A Vivid, Active Life.

"The waiting life before the judgment is not an unconscious sleep, which is an idea one sometimes hears of—but a real, vivid, active life into which our dear ones are gone. This sleep theory is condemned as a heresy by the early church, and declared by our reformers to be contrary to scripture. It is a life so vivid that our Lord's spirit is said to have been quickened, made more alive, as he passed in. So vivid that the men of the old world could listen to His teaching. So vivid that Moses and Elias—those eager, impetuous leaders—in that wondrous life could not be held by its bonds, but broke through to stand on the mountain with Christ a thousand years after death. So vivid that Lazarus (whom our Lord describes as in Abraham's bosom) is depicted as living a full, clear, intelligent life; and Dives is suffering and thinking about his five brothers on earth.

"Do you want further proof? Look at our Lord and the thief on the cross. The two men had been hanging together, dying on the cross, just about to get through the veil to the world beyond. The poor thief did not know what was beyond that veil—darkness, insensibility, stupor, oblivion. The only one on earth who did know hung beside him. And when the poor dying man turned with the words, "Lord, remember me when Thou comest in Thy kingdom." He promptly replied, "I do you shall be with me." If anyone knew, surely he knew. If it meant anything, it meant "There shall be no oblivion, no unconscious slumber. Tonight, when our dead bodies lie here upon the cross, you and I shall live and know each other as the two men who hung dying together on Calvary."

Beyond the Grave.

After dealing fully with the mystery of death itself, the speaker in thought followed the departed to the other side of the grave, quoting from scripture to show first that it was a vivid conscious life into which the departed had gone; that he remembered clearly the old life and the old home, the old comrades and the old scenes on earth, and that he had taken with him all the treasures of mind and soul which by God's grace he had won on earth.

Then came the fascinating discussion of recognition in the unseen world, of growth and purification, and finally the great article of the creed, the communion of saints, which

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