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SNUBBING NEW YORK.

The New Yorkers' affect not to care, but they are really smarting under the reflection which is imparted in the decision of the Shakespearean players from Stratford-on-Avon not to appear in America's greatest city.

The company appears in Kingston this week, and, therefore, the incident is of more than passing interest.

The company meant to visit New York when it left England, and engagements had been made for a series of performances. There was, says the New York Times, to be a genuine revival of classic plays.

What is more—there have been appeals to the public censor in order that vicious plays may be suppressed. Popular opinion has been strongly evoked or exercised in behalf of questionable performances.

And not a cultured city in which there is a very decided demand for Shakespearean productions. More over this is not the first English company which has cut New York, and demonstrated that it is not necessary to secure its endorsement in order to succeed.

H. J. Pettypiece, of Mount Forest, estimates that if the railways of Ontario were taxed on the same basis as the farm lands, the income would be \$4,500,000 per annum.

SOME NOTABLE EXPERIMENTS.

Joseph Rowntree has established in England, at New Farwick, on the River Ross, a model village, and it should be suggestive of a model life.

Pullman, of palace car fame, was one of them. He founded a town upon unique lines. Every house was designed to afford the occupant comfort. There was ground for cultivation, all the modern utilities, and privileges which must make citizenship very desirable.

At Dayton, Ohio, the Cash Register people made a unique record for their business. Employers and employees worked in the greatest harmony. The buildings that constituted the factory, the homes of the people, and the public benefactions, all served to illustrate how conflicting interests could be reconciled.

Rowntree, despite all this, has established a model village where houses and gardens are provided at a minimum of cost, where rentals are very low, purposely so, and where schools and public buildings, and even entertainments, are provided accord-

ing to a plan which has not been duplicated in England.

The Earswick village school, "we are told," represents the last word in educational machinery, and is one of the best equipped and most attractive public elementary schools in England. With accommodation for 352 children, the building was designed to provide an open-air school without duplicating the class-rooms by verandahs.

How gratifying it is that the selfishness which so generally prevails does not possess every one, and that a Rowntree can be found who will give up of his means and time to experiments of a high-minded and useful character.

Land issue of Britain in a nutshell. The liberal plan—to regulate the land transactions so as to protect the tenants and restrain the landlords. The Tory plan—to suggest that the tenants buy the land, but under such conditions as must place them in the control of the landlords.

A TALK ABOUT QUEEN'S.

The rushees are over—the college rushees which are anticipated with so much anxiety. The young man who begins his college career realizes quite early that there is something afoot which concerns him.

The public exhibition of the freshmen, fully subdued, and decorated with all the colours that an inapt or inexperienced artist may supply, seems like an unnecessary humiliation.

"Silly," some one suggests. Yes, the rush is not intended to be serious or solemn. "Undignified," adds another. Perhaps, but the larks, the episodes, the diversions of the average student are not meant to be impressive. "Educational?" To some extent. It marks the crudeness of that social scale which typifies the beginning of a certain period compared with the culture of its closing days.

After all the gush of the Queen's men is a mild affair, and no one is hurt. The "freshies" are made to understand that they are the inferiors of those who have gone before, and with the initiation lesson over they are bound to be good.

There is another feature of college life that needs attention. Some of the students want to specialize. Some of them are graduates and desire to take the classes that will help them in their professions.

Queen's can fittingly imitate Columbia in this matter. It can, before the session opens, have a bureau and give the young man the information they need. It would do this if the staff were as eager as the professional man to cultivate a clientele.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

By the way, who is responsible for the omission to ratify the Bell Telephone company months ago of what would be required of them? There is a way, a business-like way, of doing everything. Why does the city fail to observe it?

The government has decided, in advance of the actual demand, that a change in the tariff on wheat cannot be made. The western grain growers have decided that it must be made, but, in the opinion of the ministers, the farmers are a negligible quantity.

If there is any law which will enable the city to force the Bell Telephone company to remove its wires from Princess street it should be found and applied. The idea of a corporation, a squatter on a street, undertaking to back or defeat the city, in its improvements, is quite refreshing.

government to request that the law with regard to the taxation of railways be increased. Sir James Whitney was absent—away in the north with his little boy Pyne—and Mr. Foy said he would tell the premier about it. The deputation will not hear of the explosion.

As the Macdonald election, with all its iniquities, never came to trial, so the Chateauguay election will be kept out of the courts, if legal technicalities can do it. The member and some of his allies can, if necessary, go abroad for a year and so avoid service in a suit.

The Montreal Gazette attributes defeat in the Chateauguay election to the liberals' tactics in the last session of parliament. Nonsense. There was as much connection between what was done in parliament last year and what was done in Chateauguay last Saturday as there is generally between Hon. Bob Rogers and the angelic hosts.

Pegoud, the airman, and a man of rare nerve and conduct, is said to have attempted the most difficult feat with the biplane in order to demonstrate what could be done in emergencies. Each movement was a possibility in an accident. The result shows that anything can be done with an air ship if its pilot keeps his head.

As expected, the money of the government, collected from the usual sources and in abundance, was lavishly spent in Chateauguay. It was even forced in handbills on many who did not want it, who have not been accustomed to sell their votes, and has been collected, with affidavits as to the manner in which it was instituted, for use in an election trial.

The whole of \$50,000 is said to have been made out of land sold some years ago to a syndicate of which liberal officials were members. It is possible. But the item is small compared with the \$100,000 odd which one man, a friend of the conservative minister of the interior, made out of one piece of land which he got at a bargain in Prince Albert. The special commission will tell all about it.

PUBLIC OPINION.

Rare Experience. Hamilton Herald. Seldom does the office seek the man in so real a sense as in a certain German state, where the voters are advertising for a fit and proper person to represent them in parliament.

So It Would Seem. Otago Times. New York has dismissed a teacher who was absent to bear a child. It is no doubt unsafe to have teachers who have had practical experience with their own children.

Non-Tippers To Blame. Windsor Record. And now the Dominion Alliance has butted into the Chateauguay election and has endorsed the liberal candidate. If the Alliance really desires Mr. Fisher's election, why, in the name of all reason doesn't it keep quiet?

Kingston Events 25 YEARS AGO.

The home mission committee of the Presbyterian church has granted \$1,167.98 for missions and \$910 for augmentation to Kingston presbytery. W. J. Massey has completed at Sidney, the first silo ever built in Hastings. It will have a capacity of 280 tons.

In Kingston, 332 of every 1,000 deaths are of children under five. This is the smallest rate of any Canadian city for 1887. Kingston also has the credit of 343 per 1,000 of her deaths occurring at ages over sixty.

THE LORDS OF THULE.

The lords of Thule it did not please That Willegis there bishop was; For he was a waggoner's son. And they drew, to do him scorn, Wheels of chalk upon the wall.

And he a Down-Trodden Mortal. "His wife is a business woman all right." "What makes you say that?" "She's installed a time clock in the hall and he has to punch it when he goes out nights and when he gets back."

A Careful Man. "You guarantee pure air?" "Sure thing." "And fish in the brook?" "And fish," declared the farmer. "I guarantee everything except moonlight nights. Can't promise no regular schedule on them."—Pittsburg Post.

His Charms. "They tell me the dog-faced man in the circus is married. Can you imagine a woman loving such a face?" "Oh, I suppose it looks as good to his wife as another woman's brindle bull pup like to her."

No Joke. I haven't any coin to blow. And none on which to draw; But I am mighty glad to know That I'm not Harry Thaw. —Exchange.

Man's Vanities. Every man likes to say that when he was younger he was quite handy with his mitts. Also that he was a devil among the girls.—Archibald Globe.

Wise and : : Otherwise

We always feel sorry for a woman who has an impediment in her speech.

Men are just as sympathetic as women, but they haven't the knack of showing it.

When a married man does anything that is particularly brutal his wife tries to excuse him by saying: "Oh, well, he is only human."

The average married woman is convinced that her husband is the easiest thing in the world to find fault with and the hardest to reform.

Touching Innocence. A Californian has invented a baggage truck with hooks on the handles, to permit it to be carried with its load upstairs on the shoulders of a man. The touching innocence of the inventor, who obviously believes that a baggage-smasher carries trunks, is the most striking thing about this invention.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Trustful Girl. Melvin—Dear, am I the only one you have sat with in this hammock? Melvina—Yes. This is a new hammock.—Judge.

Also Flowers for Flour.



"Isn't Alice soon going to marry Jack?" "I don't know. She says she rates to give up the dollar and a half shows for the ten-cent moving pictures."

His Last Request. Not a sound could be heard in the courtroom. The prisoner had just been condemned to death.

"You have a legal right to express a last wish," said the judge, "and, if it is possible, it will be granted."

The prisoner, who was a barber, gave the judge an appealing look as he replied: "I should like, just once more, to be allowed to shave the district attorney."

Getting Busy. Mrs. Crabshaw—I thought you were going to speak to that young man who has been calling on daughter so long? Crabshaw—I guess it's coming out all right, my dear. The telephone bill this month looks as if there was something doing.—Brooklyn Life.

When Father Carves the Duck. We all look on with anxious eyes, When father carves the duck, And mother almost always sighs, When father carves the duck. Then all of us prepare to rise, And hold our bids before our eyes, And be prepared for some surprise, When father carves the duck.

He braces up and grabs a fork, Whene'er he carves a duck, And won't allow a soul to talk, Until he's carved the duck. The fork is jabbed into the sides, Across the breast the knife he slides, While every careful person hides, From flying chips of duck.

The platter's always sure to slip, When father carves a duck, And how it makes the dishes skip! Potatoes fly amuck! The squash and cabbage leap in space, We get some gravy in our face, And father utters Hindoo grace, Whene'er he carves a duck.

We then have learned to walk around The dining room and pluck From off the window sills and walls Our share of father's duck. While father growls, and blows and jaws, And awears the knife was full of flaws, And mother jeers at him because He couldn't carve a duck.

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Advertisement for F. J. JOHNSON, The Leading Florist, 324 King St. Offers all reasonable cut flowers in stock.

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Advertisement for Farms For Sale. Lists various farm properties with acreage and price. Includes contact information for T. J. LOCKHART.

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