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Our finance minister has the Church ill idea-one he enunciated while th conservative government was in power -namely, that "the people think good times are sure so long as the government goes on spending plenty of money." Churchill had been defending the Balfour government which he was then supporting. A few months later he differed with it and transferred his support to the liberal party. Arthur Hawkes had a talk with him before Mr. Churchill returned from South Africa, and learned that he was going to smash Kitchener. Something had happened in the career of the great lake merger by building and putting pleasant. Public men who "fight" commander, and Churchill was going a number of vessels upon the upper to correct it. One can imagine what lakes. It could be none for \$2,it was, seeing that Churchill had been in the war, and that Kitchener deal to do with the manwhich it was conducted. Hawkes sees, in the growth of a hostile sentiment, the end of Churchill's freights. reign as first lord of the admiralty He is antagonizing the people, and the people once aroused will have their way. Spending money profusely upon the navy may be his method of per petuating his power, but it is not the idea that holds in Britain. It did no save the Balfour government, and it will not save the Asquith government Its general policy must commend it to the popular support. Of this fact of finance minister will kindly take notice. His plan of warding off hard times is to spend money lavishly in give employment to the people. To and refining, and it is remarkable in woman to resemble a sweet potato some of them, he means. The masses its character because it is supplied cannot be made prosperous in that at the public expense. Additional

Dr. Anna Howard Shaw, president of the National American Woman Suffrage association, declares that she will refuse to pay an income tax on the ground that taxation without representation is tyranny. And th women who have representation in municipal, or local, affairs, do not seem to care about it. It is only occasionally that some of them wil vote. Some of them do not value the franchise and will not use it under any circumstances

A VERY SPECIAL OCCASION. The commercial travellers, the Sir Knights of the Grip, are to be congratulated upon the success of their annual banquet. It was an occasion of social intercourse and of real in the Treaty of Ghent was signed, endtellectual pleasure. The "drummers," ing the war of 1812, and the fruits whose it is to look up business, to of that treaty, in the progress give direction and effect to the en- prosperity of a hundred years, will terprises of capital and labour, have be illustrated in several ways, and in made a success of their work.

They have and the statement is bridge crossing the Niagara. surprising-brought \$3,000,000 worth of trade so the city during the year, strength and momentum every day. have spent \$75,000 of their salaries And well it might. For centuries the here, and have done this at a con- earth, it is pointed out, has sid rable personal sacrifice. They have soaked with blood. In wars, made kingston prosperous, as one the beginning of history. speaker, the mayor, observed, by an billions of men have died. absence from home of about ten Napoleonic wars alone the months each year.

and song. In the speaking the hon- perished on the battlefields. In the ors were divided between the member for Rouville, Que, and our city lives were sacrificed. member in the federal parliament. These and other appalling facts The Sir Knights of the Grip made are being made impressive by obje strenuous efforts to have Hon. Ru- lessons, and Mr. Bryan has made his dolph Lemieux, and his leader in the contribution to the literature of the dited with having sent his lieutenant States should give at least a battle from the province of Quebec as a spe- field for peace, which means that ten

Whatever the pressure that was approads, or houses for the plied at a season when few public thousands of them, while the annual men like to be away from home Mr. least of a battleship will maintain Lengeux came and performed his al- thousand families in comfort. It is a lotted task delightfully. He was war- cause that appeals to the heart and ranted in assuming that he had made conscience of the average individual, a few friends by his visit, and he and he will hope that the movemen

HARMONIZING THE RACES.

er's spoint of view, the relations be- and more of it. tween the French and English, and the part each had played in building up the cause of the crown in Canada. Exception was taken later to the interpretation of British history, in

FitzGerald, but this did not detrac the evening, which was that of a cultured and eloquent man. And, most ey in Canada. It is the real thing. remarkable, its diction and delivery were perfect. Mr. Nickle made mention of this, and regretted that the English had not among their public men those who could visit Quebec from time to time and speak with the same ease and fluency to the French, and in their own language, as the public men of Quebec were able to do in On-

The thought of our member was that by this interchange of thought the peoples of the two older provinces might understand each other the better, and, (though he did not say it, one felt, as he spoke), that the bogey of bi-lingualism might be effectually laid. Certain it is that when one hears men like Mr. Lemieux speak, a long time. Mercy on us! Can the and especially when he hears them ac knowledge so graciously the gratitude which they feel towards the English for the national advantages they enperceptibly softens.

Canadians reflect always their great, ies guarantee 7 per cent. on their dominating and everlasting loyalty preferred stock and pay dividends of towards the crown of Great Britain, as high as 30 or 40 per cent .. This and they should, and must, be re- is one way of making the consumer garded as one people, with similar tastes, desires and ambitions. The gospel of peace, carried abroad by men of the Lemieux stamp, and en dorsed by men of the Nickle stamp, must go far towards consolidating our people in national plans and pur-

The Grain Growers' Guide wants the ner of the commercial men, lent federal government to break up the spice to the occasion that was very 500,000, which is the computed terest upon the cost of the Welland canal enlargement. The Guide figures that ic. per bushel is taken of the farmers by the increased cost

MUSIC AND PEACE.

"Canadian Night in Buffalo," and unday week, in connection with the Municipal Concert, synchronized into a most remarkable peace demonstration. These municipal concerts, and usually by the Buffalo Municipal Orchestra, have a special interest the people, the plan being to give free, to all who attend them, at stated intervals, music of the highest

interest was inspired by giving to ect, and the Canadians were oured by an event in which . Canadian muste was mostly used, and to the recital of which the Canadians in Buffalo and in the Canadian towns adjacent were invited to participate. Four thousand persons were pre-

The occasion was magnified in its mportance by evidences of the harmontous relations that existed between the United States and Canada, in the music, in the resolutions that were passed respecting the centenary of peace, and by the decision to make it the beginning of a series of preparations for the great peace climax in 1914. On Christmas eve in 1814 one by the dedication of a memorial

There was an abundance of speech nineteenth century alone 14,000,000 American Civil War alone 800,000

ons, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, is cre- times by suggesting that the United

Mr. Nickle, M.P., at the banquet | The gripmen have certainly a grip of the commercial men, last night, ex- upon those who like vivacious and pressed a thought which was deeply delectable banquets. They usually impressive. The audience had listened have a very attractive bill of fare, to a splendid address, one out of the and this year was the best in some common, and defining from the speak- years. Good luck to them, and more

> The "reform the tariff" members o the unionist party are not willing that their fad shall be sidetracked in England, and the forceful language of some of them suggests that another crisis is upon the party. "Dear food" is said to be "still a bogey in England." It is more than a bog-

The Tango was all the rage in England for a while. It was championed by high society, and was said to be tolerated by even the representatives of the crown. But already the fever is over and this new diversion in dancing is dead. It had the shortest of all reigns, and because was "too difficult for general use," to say nothing of its lack of grace.

Why do the Prison Reform Commissioners repeat their warning about the tobacco vending among the guards? There is an alternative of confession and dismissal, of trial and the penitentiary. And if the investigation goes on it will continue for people, who are paying for it all. accept this announcement placidly ?

"The Canadian consumer paid injoy, his attitude towards the French terest, to the extent of \$250,000,000 on watered stock last year," says The Nickle idea is the correct one. Mr. Verville, M.P.. Some companpay for enormous profits. He would wipe out the middle man. But how?

> One appreciates the more the quips of our public men when he sees . a couple of the best of them at play. The courtesies passed between Mr. Lemieux and Mr. Nickle, at the dinas these can do, find pleasure in it and give pleasure to those who hear them.

PUBLIC OPINION

Chinese Fire.

London Advertiser. The sulphur said to exist in natural gas is a fragrant essence compared to the brimstone that is being burned Tin-Pan Alley.

They Come Chap. Montreal Star.

Lord Haldane may consider he is not worth \$50,000 a year, but, after all, we only get twenty senators for Woman's Latest.

Houston Chronicle. Instead of making her look like Music is edifying, and elevating, peach the new-fashioned gowns cause small end down.

Strongly Impressed. Brantford Courier. A child in Kingston has taken to swallowing coins. It has evidently become impressed with the children's saving bank movement.

He Must Be. Port Arthur Chronicle. Sixteen peers are eager to go with the British Antarctic expedition next year. Is Lloyd-George making it so hot for them at home?

Second Look Best. Montreal Mail. The Montreal courts have annulled the marriage of an Ontario coupl who fell in love at first sight. It pays

in the long run to take a second look A Hint Too Late.

Guelph Mercury. A Youngstown man put \$300 in an even, in which his wife baked biscuits a short time after. Foolish man. It he wanted to put his roll of bills where no one would ever have seen why didn't he think of the family

> Can't Eat Boxes. Ottawa Journal

grandfather wanted some grocery store and bought ne up in a cardboard box, wrapped in tissue paper, and labelled in gilt letters as "Malta Wheat," or some thing else—and we pay twice as much, of course. One trouble nowadays is hat we can't eat the trimmir

Kingston Events 25 YEARS AGO.

James Redden and J. D. Thompson course Mr. Ryan has resigned the principalship of the Kingston aca-

Kingston is experiencing some pret-

Won Rhodes Scholarship Snakatoon, Saak., Dec. 30.—John A. Weir, aged twenty, of Saskatoon, eon of Rev. Richard Weir, of Alber-ta, has been awarded the Rhodes fective goxt year.

Something to Encourage Him. "Your son," said the professor, "has een laboring under a misapprehen-

"What!" exclaimed the humble but nonest parent, with joy in his voice You don't mean it?" Mean what?"

"That Bert nas been workin'!"-Anything to Quiet Him. "Baby cried this morning for an

She Refused to Lie. Boreleigh (making a call)-Is Miss Maid-Physically, sir, she is, but

"Why didn't you give it to him?"

Bibber's Benk "Many judge from Bibber's red nose hat he's a heavy drinker, but he's not His nose is like a gas meter." "How so?"

"It registers more than is consumed." Where Joy Lies.



Mrs. Hiart-Don't you feel delighted Sculptor-Not as delighted as when

turn a statue into a meal ticket. Now They Don't Speak. Mrs. Exe-Tom says that in order to be a successful poker player one must be cool, crafty, selfish, deceitful, and have a touch of meanness in one's dis-

Mrs. Wye-I guess that's right. My husband says that your husband nearly always wins.

"Do you think wour wife will appy when she gets the vote?" "I'm afraid she |won't," replied Meekton. "Merely going to the polls and casting a ballot will seem pretty tame compared to organizing these great suffrage demonstrations."-Washington Star.

Some Great Lives, Never relate your misfortune,

There is one thing that can never turn into suffering, and that is the good we have done.-Maeterlinck. Religion is a submission, not an inspiration; an obedience, not an am-

bition of the soul.-Ruskin. course, and while we still trifle eternity is upon us .- Talbot. The trouble with most of us is not that the things we are doing are

bad, but that there are so many greater and better things we might be doing .- W. B. Thorp. Our conversation should

that youth may find therein improvement, women modesty, the aged respect, and men civility.-Saint Guerin. It is not, after all, a question of the quantity of which we do, but the quality of it. God knows of how poor stuff our dreams and deeds are woven; but if it is the best we can give, if we desire with all our hearts what is noble and pure and beautiful and true -or even desire to desire it-He will accept the will and purify the deed .-A. C. Fenson.

ADAGES ON LEARNING. He that was only taught by almself had a fool for his master.-Jonson.

Education is all paint. It does not alter the nature of the wood that is under it. It only improves its appearance a little.-

There are more men ennobled by study than by nature.-Cicero.

There is no harm in being stupid so long as a man does not think himself clever. No good in being clever if a man thinks himself so, for that is a short way to the worst stupidity.-Macdonald.

Men learn while they teach.-

The self educated are marked by stubborn peculiarities.-Dis-

Learning makes a man fit company for himself .-- Young.

Learning maketh young men temperate, is the comfort of old age, standing for wealth with poverty and serving as an ornament to riches.-Cloero.

What sculptor is to a block of marble education is to a human soul.—Addison.

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