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DEFECTIVE SCHOOL BOOK.

A Whig representative, interested in steamship accident, turned up a new Ontario school geography and failed to find Father Point upon it. This was a surprise inasmuch as Father Point is not a new and obscure place, but one which is frequently referred to in the telegraphic despatches announcing the coming and going of the passenger steamers. The education department once made a hit by reducing the cost of school readers. Then it went to sleep and has been asleep ever since. The Whig has already called attention to the defective geographies-at least those used in our public schools. It is re markable that the English and American atlases have Father Point marked on them. They are up-todate. Our school books are not.

"The church should not be in polisays one who has been reading the resolutions of church conferences in favour of temperance reform. Why not? The church is preaching morality. That is its mission, and the bar is the menace to morality in every community.

CONCILIATION IN ORDER.

first meeting and elected its officers. the name. Its duty is to conciliate spared by the hurried passing of the parties to a labour trouble, and special act. is called in. The defect of the pro- to probe certain suspicious accounts. posed arbitration is the defeat which ment, and the parties to any differ- tizan of whom even his own party apence respecting wages or terms of em- pears to be now ashamed. ployment are willing to abide by the decisions of the board. There is room in Kingston, and in every other in of the commons because the members dustrial centre, for the operations of did not know the case. A senate an active Board of Conciliation, but committee had gloated over the evi its place must be recognized, and its dence and seen cause for a divorce. service be acceptible to all who may Eventually there will be a divorce have occasion to use it.

C. W. Post, the inventor of several breakfast foods, left a fortune \$20,000,000. How did he manage it ? With printers ink; with advertising. He made use of the papers, the magazines, the covers of his Postum in telling of the wonders of goods, and still there are some people who think that the money put into advertising is lost.

WOMEN AND THEIR RIGHTS.

The women of lowly mien, who want their possessions or rights for the good they may do with them, have an eloquent pleader in the Rev. Mr. Campbell, the pastor of Queen street Methodist church. sermon on Sunday evening, from Numbers xxvii, and dealing with the claims of the daughters of Zelophehad, which claims were acknowledged by God and Moses, gave Mr. Campopportunity to say some things which were in his mind. He is an admirer of women, and of the house had fallen into the hand of zeal and earnestness and ability with which they conduct the business in poor families. Many of these lived which they are interested. He is per- in one room with no proper convensnaded that the social life of the lences. These have, in many cases, people would be the better of wo- been condemned and replaced by men's care and influence; indeeds he apartment houses with sanitary is convinced that if they had a voice equipment. in the direction of our municipal In Liverpool we are told that there. s superior of the men. The

to give them the places they can fill Mr. Campbell says he willing that this change thanks to the opposition of the mere men who constitute the majority.

A preacher in Windsor, J. C. Tolmie by name, gives up the ministry, and a salary of \$3,000 a year, to become the candidate for the legisla-He is a champion of temperance, and is willing to make sacrifices for the cause.

STRIPPED OF THEIR DISGUISE.

G. Howard Ferguson has been properly denounced in the commons, where his report on the Trent Valley canal affairs was read a while ago. He had been appointed by the government to enquire into canal matters, and set locating the scene of the recent out, apparently, to make them as had as possible, and acceptable for the time being, by casual references to some un fortunate conservative offenders.

Mr. Guthrief is to be thanked, by the government and opposition alike, for the exposure he has made of the alleged investigator. The precise nature of his commission is not known, but it was surely never meant that he should distort statements, suppress facts, and refuse evidence which would have had the effect of putting a new face on some matters he discussed Let it be remembered that this is the report for which Mr. Ferguson paid a pretty penny by the Dominion government, the report which, in its wages might be kept low in Dublin. reference to the Peterboro members of parliament, and others, has been indignantly repudiated, the report which Ministers Hughes and Reid declared reflected without cause on the assistant, Hewitt:

n by Mr. Guthrie, from persons referred to by Mr. Ferguson, denying what was said of them by him, and particularly the charge that some moneys, unaccounted for by the superintendent of the canal, kad gone into the treasury of the liberal par- beauty and fair fame of the Irish A Board of Conciliation has been ty. And for this precious document, | nation. formed in the city, at the instance of bristling in every page with untruths, the mayor, and last night it had its Mr. Ferguson was paid a sum which disqualified him as a member of the was no discussion, as to its legislature and exposed him to a penfunctions, but these were implied in alty, the imposition of which he was

It is presumed that these parties will He was the chairman of the Public have made some progress in their ne- Accounts Committee in the last local gotiations, will have gone as far as parliament, and all through the term possible, will have reached a point of that parliament acted in a highwhere a reference to others is in or handed and arbitrary way, refusing der before the Board of Conciliation liberals the opportunity they wanted

He was also the chairman of has attended some of the work at special committee which was appointed tempted under the Lemieux Act. The to investigate Hanna and his corrupt Board of Conciliation can affect or ac- dealing with a certain public contraccomplish nothing unless its members tor. He has been stripped of his disare regarded as men of absolute firm- guise, of what remained of it, by Mr ness, impartiality and sound judg- Guthrie, and stands revealed as a par-

> A divorce case has been cast court. The church does not like but does it like the way that vorces are now granted?

THE SLUMS OF DUBLIN.

The word "sium," whatever its origin may be, is a word of disagreeable associations and suggestions; it tell of congested district, with dirty crowded houses, and wretchedness that is partly a result and partly cause of wretchedness. In a country like Canada there should h no slums, but there are signs. some of our larger cities there are beginnings of the social evils that that the state needs him, as a huntafflict the older land. Some tell us that Montreal can match, in this respect, the worst sights of the old world. We know that in England great efforts have been made in recent years to improve the dreadful PUBLIC OPINION conditions that prevailed.

In London the slum-dwelling was a large old home that had once been the dwelling of wealthy people, but the district had deteriorated and the

and provincial affairs they would be lare, o unsanitary dwellings of Likey have, by the ac-

3,000, and the good work goes on. On the 16th of April last there was debate in the British house of comthat brought into clear light the fact that Ireland has problems that are quite as important as the olitical question of home rule. The Irish members were asking for financial help to deal with this question in Dublin. Lord Robert Cecil declared: The case against Dublin is not that it has slums, but that they are infinately worse than in any other city in the United Kingdom." One quar ter of the population live in one-room tenaments. One of the members for Dublin admitted that there are 0.108 families living in one-room "there are 8,000 people iving six in a room; 5,000 living even in a room; 3,000 living eight in a room; 450 living ten in a room; 176 living eleven in a room and 60 these tenement houses which had been divided the two parts being known as No. 10 Front and No. 10 Block, and in them lived 107 human be-

"In Dublin 259 persons per 1,000 lived in single rooms. In Belfast the number was only 3 per 1,000. We have no means of checking these figures, but they were given on the floor of the house and in presence of the Dublin representatives. Can we wonder at "Larkinism" or even wid er agitation, under such conditions.

Many of these houses are owned by members of the corporation who seem to have been lax in applying the law and altogether remiss in their social duties. No doubt T. P. O'Connor was clever in his description of the unionists as "the new Chritopher Columbus" who had discovered the slums of Ireland, but we all know quite well that the slums of Dublin and other great cities do not need discovering. What needs discovering is the best method dealing with a grave situation. Mr. Burrill set his face against the proposal to give cheap houses so that

One element of difficulty is that some of these people object to be dis turbed and are suspicious of efforts made for their improvement. can make these comments all the superintendent of the canal and his more freely because we sympathize with Irish aspirations towards local A whole sheaf of affidavits was put self-government. But, after all, politcal constitutions are a means end, and the way in which they work depends upon the character of the people. Taking the most sober esti mate the slums of Dublin are evi dently one of the great blots on the So long as they continue to this extent they show that both church and state have failed in their highest duties. Surely it would be a great thing if some of the energy spent in political conflicts and relig ious wrangles could be devoted to in telligent social service.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The president of the Liberal Asso ciation of Ottawa resigns office cause he is not in accord with Mr. Rowell on the temperance question He has three liquor stores.

There was an appropriateness and compliment in Mr. Nickle's request that Ald. Harrison represent him at the Salvation Army memorial meeting. The appointment was generally appreciated.

The Chatham Planet predicts defeat and retirement of Mr. Rowell. He may be defeated, and he can ford to be on a platform such One thing is certain, he will not desert his principles for power.

Church union is not seemingly near as it was some time ago. has suffered through the delays in bringing it about, though the purposes of union are as clear and sential to-day as ever they were.

The progressives of New York state are urging Mr. Roosevelt to give up hunting in the jungles of South Africa, and run for the governorship of the state. He had better not He has been president and he not afford to contest for a smaller office and not get it. It may er of vicious politicians, but have votes, and may kill him before he lines a gun on them.

Same Kind. Toronto Globe The Calgary oil wells are not in same class as gushers with the Cal-

Tax Reform in Toronto. Toronto World.

Mr. Farmer will have strong support in the north-west riding, a trict where the inequalities of the sessor weigh as heavily as anywhere in the city. Poor Policy.

Hamilton Herald.

St., Brooklyn, vaint

an intelligent and patriotic ed the cities last winter with idle men whom the citizens had to support. He is continuing the same policy to-day.

Difference Between Them.

Hamilton Herald. In the debate on the bilt for the reof the Farmers' bank depositors, [] the opposition has the best of the argument, but the government has th

Questioning the How.

Syracuse Post-Standard. The British empire must prepare itself to answer the question: Shall a lady murderer be dismissed from jail because she declines to take her bacon and eggs for breakfast?

But it Won't.

the senate snuff-box is gone—a symbol of the anetdeluvian habits of that assembly-perhaps the senate itself would go next and thus accomplish one patriotic act.

Told to Go.

Exchange. The Parry Sound tories have also told their late representative that he is no longer wanted, and they have chosen W. Joseph Edgar instead. The split in the party seems to be spread-

Kingston Events 25 YEARS AGO.

great anxiety about the crops. First the gale then the frost and then heavy rains, but the country has emerged from it all better than was

Hymns were sung in the Anglican authorized hymn books. The Kingston cricket made a great many engagements with

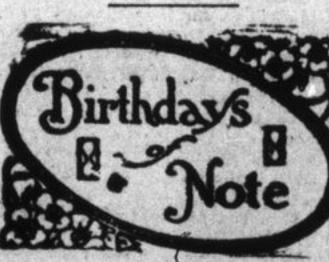
An Inside Story

Canadian Courier. W. F. Nickle, M.P., for Kingston, s being lauded to the skies by the liberal papers. They say he is a hero. "Billy" is entitled to a better fate. To be praised by his enemies and hammered by his friends is the unhappiest experience any member may

pering that "Billy's" condemnation of the Canadian Northern lobby will not hold water. It appears that there is only one real vigorous lobby put up in the House of Commons this year, and that was for a bill which stood in the name of W. F. Nickle, M.P., It provided for the dominion pany operating under provincial char-Welter in Winnipeg, and when it came before the committee of the house, tail, the members heard from several quarters that the company was not worthy of the privilege being extended to it. Hence the bill was thrown out and so reported to the house. Toronto weekly newspaper was large-

ly responsible for the opposition. But Mr. Nickle was not content with that result. He, so the story goes, interviewed cabinet ministers and buttoned-holed members, and the bill was again referred to the committee-a most unusual proceeding. Curiously enough, though the opposition was still as strong as ever, the bill went through, with the proviso that the charter would not issue unshould say so. This was a peculiar decision. Any one can see at a glance that the situation is decidedly unusual and, one might add, unparlia-

Of course, his fellow-members do not desire to be unkind to "Billy' Nickle, who is generous and considerate ninety-nine times out of one hundred. But this "holier than thou attitude got on their nerves a bit, and they are quietly coming to their ow



TUESDAY, JONE NINTH

The Hon. Charles Dalton, father o the black fox industry in Prince Edward island and now member without portfolio of the Mathieson minis try, was born sixty-four years ago today at Tignish, P.E.I. early life a farmer and later a merchant. The story of how he made a fortune out of raising black foxes is one of the most romantic in the annals of modern industry. A litter of foxes came into his possession some years ago as a sort of curiosity Knowing that the pelts of silver black animals were commanding high prices in the fur markets, he determined t experiment in raising the little cres tures in captivity. He worked secretly and after several years of effort be gan to realize extraordinary profits After a time he could no longer con ceal his source of wealth and though he at first refused to sell live animals he was at length compelled to dis pose of them and thus began the general industry of black fox raising Also born to-day:-

F. H. Sexton, principal of the Ngw Scotia Technical College, born Kew Boston, N.H., 1879. A. E. Doucet, civil engineer, born Montreal, 1860.

FIREMAN GETS FORTUNE.

Southern Pacific Employee Willed \$165,000 by Uncle.

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