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The night before Christmas everybody is for good roads.

And those who live by blood and fron shall perish by blood and iron.

question now arises: Santa Claus roll the Christmas stockings?

It is difficult to set the world to rights when everybody is clamoring for his "rights."

A scientist claims that respiration is an evidence of character. The breath often is.

Insurance against bandits is the latest. However, the victim generally is fully covered.

ser will marry again. The woman must be crazy also. About the only difference between

It is reported that the former kai-

a hobby and a job is that you get paid for the job.

If the nations disarm, somebody can make a fortune by buying the surplus swivel chairs.

Of all glad words that are now ck, the gladdest are these: "Enosed please find cheque."

A wife is usually inclined to skeptical when her husband says she own, with power to deal with her looks well in last year's suit.

Job" should not be surprised if he strong in the hearts of Ulstermen, is stepped upon by a hustler.

of year when the Christmas tree of the boundary between the two

A naturalist says that all Nature that have already been solved detests decayed vegetation. This is dealing with the Irish question, and specially true of the dead-beat.

salesman trims the consumer.

inside a Great Wall, entirely surrounded by spheres of influence.

Lloyd Georeg believes that he has passed one more crisis in Ireland. But there may be others in the bush.

fill be fine to put over one holiday

Well the munition makers can turn to the making of automobiles

Our idea of an optimist is a man enough this year to pay the tax on last year's income.

Some the our United States friends are Irish patriots because they love the green, and some because they love the long green.

Fifty per cent, of college girls be come, spinsters, says a professor. Whether it is a dreadful fate depends on the point of view.

By royal proclamation England will devote three and one half days the is a three-cornered one, so that to the celebration of Christmas. is evidently the intention to have

is definitely settled.

IRELAND AT PEACE.

the great interest which was taken Woodstock labour man, was other barrier to face that called for 19th. skillful navigation. Now he has suc- The Drury government is taking

Letters to the Editor are published similar to that of Canada. The cre- enter the riding on behalf of the U. whole of the greatest Empire the on and other leaders of the Ontario world has ever seen. That Ireland Tory party. The stage is therefore should have broken away altogether all set for a strenuous campaign, its new status, Ireland will have al- quantity, although the U.F.O. man most complete automony, and will enters the field as the favourite. In be left free to work out her own sal- the federal election the Progressive

The future of the country now lies Only twelve more days to dread entirely in the hands of the Irish the neckties you will get at Christ- people. With a constitution of their own, with their own policies regarding finance, tariff and defence, the Will leaders of Ireland have a splendid opportunity to show that they were really fitted for the tasks which they sought in their demands for absolute freedom. The sole safeguard left, that of empowering the British navy to have control over Irish ports, gives Great Britain the protection which was felt to be necessary, and the necessity for which was behind the persistent refusal of the British parliament to grant a full measure of freedom to Ireland. Altogether, the solution seems to be a happy one, for it gives the people of Ireland more than they originally ask- the Old Woman of Princess Street. ed for, and gives them the power to rule themselves as they wish to be

The problem of Ulster is one which has yet to be solved. Under the new regime, Ulster can either remain within the Irish Free State or stay out of it, as she desires. Before one month passes, Ulster must decide whether to go in with South of Ireland and make a unit country, or whether she will revert to the status which existed before the settlement was reached, that he having a separate parliament of her own affairs, independent of the rest of Ireland. It is probable that, with The man who "lies down on the the fear of the Sinn Fein majority was, with freedom to rule herself. We are fast arriving at the time in which case, the ticklish question sections of Ireland will have to be settled. But greater problems than the Empire can now look forward to seeing Ireland advance in step with China: A densely populated area the rest of the Dominions and col monious era of peace and prosper-

> A PROVINCIAL BYE-ELECTION. With the federal general election

the bankers can't celebrate by clos- tre in the first bye-election in Ont- fused to make it public, either on ario since the Drury government the bulletin or otherwise. came into power, that in the north riding of Oxford, where a vacancy in the legislature was caused by the without lowering their batting aver- death of John A. Calder, the sitting member, in June last. This election will come as a test of strength of the Drury government, for North Oxford, with a rural vote of 9,000 and an urban vote of about 6,500, is a typical Ontario constituency, and the result should show, fairly well, just how the government stands with the people after its two years of power. The former member was a Liberal, and Oxford North is a traditional Liberal stronghold, having the reputation of never having returned anything but a Liberal to the federal or provincial house since representative government began in Canada, but the present bat-

It the old tradition may be shattered. In the nominations, which place this week, three men nominated. They were David M. have a hard time following its con-Lloyd George is coming to, the Ross, U.F.O., W.W. Day, Liberal, flicting arguments; they surely can Washington conference. As he is no and Homer B. Neely, who is running have no faith in its opinions or in onger a young man, he has decided as an independent Conservative, its news columns. Our esteemed not to wait until the Irish question The first two are farmers, and the contemporary is one of those who do

contest promises to be a close one, Tuesday was a memorable day in with the Conservative securing the more ways than one, for in addition large vote in the city, and the other to seeing the overwhelming defeat two about equal, and the two farmof the discredited Meighen govern- ers having the bulk of the rural ment, it also saw a settlement of the vote. In the last election, in 1919, troubles in Ireland, after a long per- the Liberal member was the only od of warfare and strife. Owing to farmer in the field. John Scott, a in the election campaign, the Irish joint U.F.O.-Labour candidate, and settlement was relegated to a place while he led the way in the city, he in the background of the new events secured a very light vote in the counof the day, but it is certain that it ty, with the result that he came last. was an event of much importance The Conservative on that occasion and great significance to the whole was also a city man, and his coun-British Empire. In the first place, try vote was very small. Since then, Lloyd George deserves the congratu- however, the strength of the U.F.O. lations of the whole Empire for his and U.F.W.O. organizations has masterly handling of a very difficult more than doubled, about three- There's lots of high-class music in the and trying situation. Many times fifths of their members being former during the course of the negotiations Liberals and two-fifths former Cona breakown was threatened, but with servatives. All these factors lend an splendid tact and diplomacy he guid- air of uncertainty to the contest, ed the ship of state past the break- which is to be a short but keen one, eman A. GuildEditor and ers, and came out again with an- as the voting takes place on Dec.

ties in the way, and although the tically all of the cabinet ministers nearest town to get their mail. concessions which had to be made are to take an active part in the One year, delivered in city\$6.00 were perhaps a little greater than fight. Meetings have already been One year, if paid in advance ...\$5.00 were at first intended, it was worth arranged at which Premier Drury, One year, to United States3.00 while to make them rather than Hon. Manning Doherty, Hon. Peter year, by mail, cash\$1.50 have the negotiations break down Smith, Hon. H. C. Nixon, Hon. W. E. Have you thought of any good New-year, if not paid in advance \$1.50 completely and warfare start once Raney, Hon. F. C. Biggs, Hon. Harry Year's resolutions for January first? Mills and Hon. Beniah Bowman are Under its new constitution Ire- to speak, and Miss Agnes McPhail, land will assume a status somewhat Canada's first woman M.P., is also to ation of a new "Irish Free State" F.O. candidate. On the Liberal side farther in advance of what was ex- Liberal members of the legislature pected, means another addition to are to speak in the campaign, and Just take a chance with the shimmy the chain of free nations which go the Conservative expects to have the together to form the unbreakable support of the Hon. Howard Ferguswas, of course, unthinkable, but with with the result an entirely uncertain candidate finished 425 votes behind the Liberal, who was elected, but on that occasion the Liberal was a city man, and secured a lead of two thousand votes in the city of Woodstock, so that the farmer in the provincial fight has a more even chance come. than did his colleague in the federal contest. This election will be watched with keen interest all over the province, on account of its being Drury's first test of strength since becoming premier, and, as Kingston is also faced with a provincial byeelection in the near future, this city will be more than usually interested in the fight.

> BLOWING HOT AND COLD. The election has had, as the Whig predicted, a most baneful effect on She has lost her poise completely. She is now, more than ever-if that were possible-all things to all men. It's really funny to try and follow her arguments, since she contradicts herself so often. Take case in point:

On Saturday the Standard devoted a great deal of space on its front page to an explanation of the ballot box incident at the Mowat hospital. It featured the deputy returning officer's story of how he came close the poll some three hours more before the time specified in the election act and to make known the result of the voting. Not a thing wrong about this, of course-merely "a technical error," but one that "in no way effected the result or prethat Ulster will decide to stay as she judiced either side," bless your heart, no! The Standard does not tell its readers, however, that early in the afternoon Mr. W. A. Mitchell, chief returning officer, visited the hospital and warned the deputy on duty there that the ballot box was not to be opened under any circumstances until six o'clock. Neither did it tell its readers that when, early in the afternoon this same offionies towards a new and more har- cer, disobeying his explicit instructions, opened the box and counted the ballots, he lost no time in betaking himself to the Standard offices and announcing the result. That result was immediately posted on the bulletin windows. The deputy next We are for the naval holiday. It now a thing of the past, interest in visited the Whig office, and tendered as the chief feature, and I'll show you things political will for a time cen- the same information. The Whig re- a thousand persons interested in figures

> And now let us introduce to our gentle readers a shining example of -doing right. the Standard's consistency. On the back page of its same Sat-

urday issue it published an article under the heading: "Reed's Election Likely Protested." On grounds? Because, it declares, that according to reports "one polling name. booth was closed at two o'clock in the afternoon and was not again opened." But does the Standard defend this action, as it defended a like case when giving publicity to its front page article on the same day? O no, not at all! This violation of the election act, when done on behalf of the Conservative candidate, was quite all right. In fact, to use its own words: "The opinion is that there is good ground for a

tion of the election." The readers of the Standard must

protest, and the probable invalida-

KINGDOM IS WITHIN:-Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold the kingdom of God is within you .-

know what its left hand is doing. And that left hand does do some funny, funny things.

ALONG LIFE'S DETOUR

BY SAM HILL

Real Melody.

And highbrows they can tell you

Is the jinkle of the dollar in my

With the Multitude. Have you finished your Christmas shopping yet? What! Haven't start. ed? Oh, well, neither have we. Have you thought of any good New-

We're Gonna Learn To Dance It P. D. Q. "Most young men would rather em-

within the Empire, while a little about half a dozen of the prominent if you're anxious to embrace the girls

'Old-fashioned Grandma

just can't find modesty anywhere these days. Now, when I was-" "Flippant Flapper-"Here's a Dictionary, Grandma. You can still find it there, among obsolete words."

Entertainment" is Good For Pie Social,

(Leo Cor. (Jackson, O.,) Herald) evening, December 2. Everybody wel

Short, Sad Poems Marriage Vows. Married rows. Divorce pow-wows.

"To Prevent Accidenta." A superplump lady was hurrying (even as a well-loaded truck hurries) along the crowded sidewalk, when her stop. A man directly in the rear of "For the love of Mike, Madame

ion't you know enough to your hand when you are going to stop?" he exclaimed angrily as he de-Fool Questions

G. S. M. asks: "What kind of an

Farm Notes.

(From Owen County Democrat)

More Personal Liberty. The hunter now is far afield. A-chasing frightened rabbits. But even there the Volstead law Keeps tab upon his babits. -Cincinnati Enquirer.

To stalk the startled rabbit I No longer am a-wishing: hey've even killed the pleasure that I used to have in fishing. -Newark (Ohio) Advocate.

And That's That.

The Professor of Literature and the rofessor of Mathematics were arguing over the popularity of their respective branches of study.

"There are more people interested in good reading and good books than in figures," declared the Profesor of Lit-

"Oh, I don't know," replied the Proessor of Mathematics." You stage the ery best lecure you can get on literary ubjects and next door I'll put on a to every one you can show interested in

Daily Sentence Sermon. Never be afraid to take a chance

News of the Names Club. We can't help but wonder if Dell' Gulley of Owenton, Ky., doesn't have

Boss Gee lives at Weliston, Ohio, re- snee if he is bound to scrap, gadports G. N. M. Gee! What a funny zooks! Disarmament's a noble plan,

You owe me ten, you know you do: I need the coin most terribly. A hundred times I've written you, Old pal, why don't you answer me;

Walt Mason THE POET PHILOSOPHER

HERE'S HOPING.

I hope the nations may decide to junk the implements of might, and rattled scamp! So we must scrap un scrap the battleships that ride the worthy hates as well as battleships waters, spoiling for a fight; for such and guns, throw them forever from an outcome we have cried since this our gates with broken lances, tons on great confab loomed in sight. The tons; and then for us the Great Peace great world war has dene its worst, waits, to last while there are stars latter is a Woodstock lawyer. The not believe in letting its right hand smarts; for peace we hunger and we but still remains its wounds and and suns.



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thirst, for long calm years of useful !

arts: but if we'd have it men must

first scrap evil passions in their

hearts. Oh, we may sink our ships

at sea, and turn our swords to prun-

ing hooks, and mold our shotguns so

they'll be acceptable as shepherds'

crooks, but man will find a snicker-

well worth the highest statemen's

while, but it must be an also-ran,

and carnage still must be in style,

until we rid the heart of man of hat-

red, jealousy and guile. If he can't

have a battleship with which to soak

the measly foe, he'll heave a boulder

from his hip and haply lay a dozen

low, or he will let the arrows zip on

deadly errands from a bow. If he

can't send out poison gas, or train

big guns on yonder camp, he'll take

a ragged pane of glass, or brain the

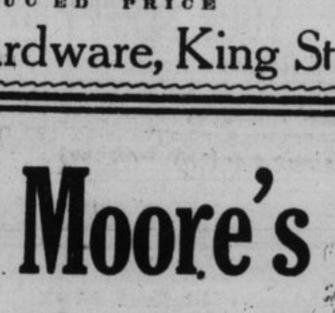
foeman with a lamp; I hate to say

it, but ales, he's just that sort of

ley Cars, Engines, Pucks, Sleeping Dolls, China Dolls, Unbreakable Dolls, 'KIDDIES' Sweepers, Shovels, Sleighs, Skooters, Blackboards, Games, Sewing Sets.

MOORE'S TOYLAND

-WALT MASON. I reacy, ended his life.





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