

NATURE'S LESSON.

The pink apple blossom is just out of reach, Though you stand on the tips of your toes— A lesson has Nature she wishes to teach, You will learn it before autumn goes.

Strive not for the blossom, nor weep at defeat, But patiently wait for a while— All things come in time—and the moments are fleet, Soon your frown will give place to a smile.

The blossoms will die, but the good fruit will grow, It will ripen in sun and in rain, The weight of the apple will bend the bow low And the waiting will be to your gain.

Seek not the bright buds that will fade in a day, But await the sweet fruit God will send; The buds may be high and be out of your way, While the boughs at the harvest will bend. —Flavel Scott Mimes in May Ladies' Home Journal.

YOUNG MEN'S DEBATING SOCIETY.

The last debate of this society for the present term was held a few evenings ago, when the members met and discussed the question, "would it benefit Canada to be annexed to the United States?" Mr. Edward J. Carrick presided over the meeting. Messrs. Malcolm McLeod and David Fairclough argued in favor of annexation, claiming that it would benefit Canada in many ways.

Messrs. R. E. Mutch, E. C. Nelson and Seymour Young, who believed that Canada should be for the Canadians, and not for the Yankees, handled the annexation theory without gloves. They discussed every phase of the question, and in speeches that would be worthy of parliamentary debaters, proved very clearly that annexation, instead of benefiting Canada, would simply prove her ruin.

As the speakers went on eloquently describing Canada's greatness, her prosperity since 1878, her glorious prospects of one day becoming one of the great nations of the earth, and the loyalty and love of our people for our Queen, who rules over the greatest Empire on earth, they were enthusiastically cheered by the members.

The speakers on the opposite side had spoken despairingly of Canada, but they should not be down hearted over the fact that she is today being scourged by an "epidemic" of grit; we were attacked here a few years ago by small pox "epidemic" but it was wiped out and in a few months time our electors will wipe out a worse "epidemic" from our House of Assembly.

The discussion ended the chairman gave his decision against annexation. A vote of thanks of the meeting was then tendered Mr. Carrick to which he responded in a few well chosen words. The members then gave three hearty cheers each for their President and Vice-President, Messrs. E. C. Nelson and E. J. Carrick, and their Secretary and Treasurer, R. E. Mutch and Seymour Young. A member then proposed "three cheers for the downfall of the Peter's boodle brigade government." This aroused the enthusiasm of the members to its highest pitch, and throwing their hats in the air they sent up cheer after cheer as they thought of the coming election, when our incapable and extravagant rulers will go down before the storm of wrath and indignation that will fall upon them.

Three British cheers were given for the Queen, and the meeting adjourned, the members to meet again at the call of the Executive Committee.

REX.

Earnscliffe, April 30, 1897.

LOSS OF APPETITE. Those who have lost appetite, who have difficulty after eating and who suffer from nervous exhaustion, will derive great benefit by using "Wyeth's Liquid Malt Extract." It produces a relish for food, an excellent digestive agent, and fortifies and strengthens the system.

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MAY MAGAZINES.

Ladies' Home Journal.

The May Ladies' Home Journal uniquely reflects the sentiment and spirit of spring. "In An Old Fashioned Garden" tairly emits the seasons fragrant flavor, as do other contributions in prose and verse. Hon. John Russel Young recalls the notable incidents—fetes, receptions and pageants, etc.—of General Grant's memorable tour of the world, and ex-President Harrison gives highly interesting glimpses of the President's home and home life in an article on "The Domestic Side of the White House"—the concluding one of his admirable series. Edward W. Bok editorially presents the really practical side of the crusade against the slaughter of birds for their plumage, and forcibly protests against the pernicious habit of spitting in public places. A reminiscent article by Mr. Raymond Maude, "My Mother as I Recall Her," gives some delightful glimpses of the personal side of Jenny Lind, especially of her home life.

Herbert D. Ward's serial, "The Burflar Who Moved Paradise," reaches its conclusion, maintaining its quaint humor to the end. Also in the lighter vein are a remarkably well-drawn character sketch, "Old Gabe Carter's Company," and the second of "The Colonel and Me" papers. Dwight L. Mooly, in his Bible Class lesson, writes on "Faith" with characteristic directness. Besides Mrs. S. T. Rorer's most helpful article on cooking and her solution of puzzling household problems are valuable papers on "Travelling with Children in Summer," "Unique Moderate Cost Outings," "Girls' Letters," summer gowns, waists, bodices and parasols, "The Wild Garden and Rockery," and many others brimful of practical wisdom. In brief, the May Journal contemplates directly and practically every feature of home life, and appeals to every member of the household. Among its notable art features are the dainty cover by Howard Pyle, and Alice Barber Stephens' drawing of "The Woman in the Home," the third of her "American Woman" series. By the Curtis Publishing Company, Philadelphia. One dollar per year.

Charity in Judging Character.

Hasty judgment of the actions of others is dangerous and often unjust. We measure too much by some superficial appearance, and condemn hastily, when, if we but knew and understood the motives and reasons, we would warmly approve. We sometimes say of some one, "That pain, sorrow or loss has not deeply affected him." But we do not know. It is like the death of a few of the soldiers in front of a regiment. The broken ranks close up again into the solid phalanx and the loss is not apparent. There may be no disorganization, no surrender, no craving for pity, no display of despair. It is like the calm, dazzling play of the waves warmed by the morning's sun after a night of storm and disaster. There is no sign of the wreck; the tide has carried the debris away far out on the ocean; the treacherous water has swallowed all signs and tokens of the night's awful work. We see only the fairness of the morning, not the suffering of the night. Let us be charitable in our judgment and condemn not when we do not know.—William George Jordan in May Ladies' Home Journal.

"TARIFF CHANGES.—The promptness with which a change of the tariff affects the prices of an article could hardly be more fully or better described than by that of window shades. Before Mr. Foster had replied to Mr. Fielding's speech, even before the Mail and Empire had printed the full text of the schedule, the well-known firm of Menzie, Turner & Company, the king shade cloth manufacturers of the Dominion, had mailed to all dealers in their line from the Atlantic to the Pacific revised prices sufficiently low to prevent the importation of shade goods. It is not yet known what other manufacturers in this line may do, as the above firm claim to have very considerable advantages in their system and appliances used in the manufacture of these goods over that of any competitor in the Dominion; but it necessarily follows that they must do like wise.—Toronto Globe, April 27th."

The above taken from Saturday evening's Patriot is a fair sample of the way grit tauder is prepared. In the first place the firm referred to are not the king of window shade manufacturers by any means. But this is not the point. The reduction referred to is only five cents per dozen on mounted window shades; that is less than one half cent for a complete shade and roller for a window 6ft. by 3ft. Will the Patriot tell us how much cheaper the retailer will make his price in this case as a result of the new free trade tariff recently brought down.

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LOCAL AND OTHER ITEMS

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REGULAR MEETING of Victoria Division to-night.

THE STANLEY has been taken off the Charlottetown-Pictou route.

Y. M. C. A.—The Executive Committee of the Y. M. C. A. will meet in the parlor tonight at 8 o'clock.

ENGINEERS.—Recruit class of Charlottetown Engineers will meet at the armory tonight at 7.30.

H. B. C.—Regular meeting Hillsborough Boating Club this evening a 8 o'clock. All members requested to attend.

THE STEAMER JACQUES CARTIER will leave Pownal Wharf tomorrow, Wednesday and Thursday as usual in the past.

AN ATTRACTION.—Dr. Maloney's Cornet solo will be one of the attractions at the Demorest medal contest tomorrow evening.

THE CURFEW BELL was sounded at nine o'clock on Saturday night. It will be sounded each evening at that hour until the month of November.

A BEAUTIFUL WHEEL.—A very beautiful "Red Bird" Ladies' Racer is on exhibition in Prowse Bros' window. The wheel is very light, weighing less than twenty pounds, and is intended for road use. It is indeed a work of art.

WANT THE SCOTT ACT.—A petition is being circulated for signatures with a view of getting the Scott Act in Kent County, N. B. Nine copies of the petition are in the hands of prominent men in the different parishes. One has already about forty names.—Review.

COMMITTED TO THE EARTH.—Yesterday afternoon all that was mortal of Mr. Charles Moore, one of the most faithful and efficient drivers in the railway employ, was committed to the earth at Georgetown. The funeral procession was one of the largest ever seen there, the turnout of the deceased's friends at that place being supplemented by four carloads from Charlottetown. There were a great many floral offerings including tributes from the Order of Railway Conductors, the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, the Brotherhood of Firemen, and the Order of Trainmen. Mr. Moore resided in Charlottetown for many years, and made hosts of friends. His death is deeply regretted by all who enjoyed his acquaintance.

DRUNKENNESS ABOUT TOWN.—There has been more than usual drunkenness about the city of late. On Saturday evening, in the vicinity of Water Street, a crowd of drunken men caused much annoyance to people in that vicinity, and last night about eleven o'clock the nuisance was repeated by another drunken crowd. Yesterday afternoon a young man was observed going down Great George Street very much under the influence of liquor. There are only a few instances. The drunkenness is not confined to the section of the city to which reference has been made. From other parts of the town similar stories come. It seems that notwithstanding all the talk about the enforcement of the Scott Act intoxicating liquors are sold and drunkenness abounds.

PERSONAL.

Senator Macdonald left for Ottawa this morning.

Dr. S. R. Jenkins has returned from New York.

Dr. Stewart, of Georgetown, is at the Hotel Davies.

Mr. Charles P. Rice, of Montreal, is at the Queen Hotel.

Mr. Eardley Hyndman returned from Montreal on Saturday evening.

Mr. F. W. Hyndman returned from Ottawa on Saturday evening.

Mr. C. F. Gorham, of Halifax, is among the latest arrivals at the Queen Hotel.

Miss Laura Howard left this morning for Boston to resume her musical studies.

Mr. Harry Bayfield, now of Moncton, spent Sunday with his parents and friends.

John Yeo, M. P. spent Sunday at the Hotel Davies. He left for Ottawa this morning.

Mr. Allen Parsons, the well-known commercial traveller, is at the Hotel Davies.

Mr. Emerson Wood, the Christy hat man, arrived here on Saturday evening. He is at the Hotel Davies.

Stipendiary Magistrate Hazard is reported somewhat better to-day, but he is still unable to leave his house.

Hon. B. Rogers, Alberton, was on Saturday sworn in a member of the Executive Council in the place of the late Hon. Alexander Laird.

It is pleasing to learn that Hon. D. Gordon, who was compelled to return to his home in Georgetown on Friday on account of indisposition is better to-day and hopes to be all right again in the course of a day or two.

Dr. and Mrs. Wright, of Auckland, New Zealand, are visiting Hon. Daniel Davies and wife, Charlottetown. They will leave shortly for England to be present at the celebration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

Curtains for the parlor, curtains for the bedroom. The turnover in this section swells by leaps and bounds. Every pair in the fixture, of which there are many hundreds, is the production of this season. There are therefore fresh and up-to-date in design, and having the pure unfilled finish, can be recommended for wear. From 49c to \$1.00 gets a good curtain.—Jas. Paton & Co.

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