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WONDEREUL RESULTS.

Sir.—The towering intellect of Finance Minister Fielding must have been taxed to the utmost limit in the manipulation of the new tariff. It reflects the highest credit on the party of purity and is the unmistakable harbinger of good times. The halls of legislation fairly reek with prosperity and all over the land joy and contentment reign. And the wise, honest and consistent Mr. Laurier did all this. The recent elections in Nova Scotia afforded another element of felicity in the situation. The only source of worryment is the effect upon the clogged abilities of the masses of those giant tides of prosperity that now drip heavily upon the dreamy air. The dim haze that shrouds the misty peaks at morn and dewy eve as the Cabinet Ministers throw open the shutters of their palatial residences to let in the fresh air, is prosperity. "Hail, prosperity! Ethereal mildness, hail!" sings Louis H., for it is a cov sprite, prosperity, and now that it is with us we must treat the guest hospitably. Prosperity is indeed like the faith cure. If you would be healed smother all lurking skepticism and make up your mind you will be cured. Then grasp the medium's hand, and lo! your malady is gone and if it be not gone, the fact is proof that your faith is not strong. We may give our bodies to be burned but if we have not faith we will not be prosperous. This is the point of view from which to look at the grit revised tariff. It is working wonders already. That subtle influence which the poet apostrophises as gentle spring is Laurier's prosperity and under its benign influence the trees will soon be putting on their tender garb of leaves the soft young buds are peeping shyly forth and high in the cerulean blue pipes the lark. From murmuring stream and meadow the same echo trembles. Prosperity is in the dear little nook by the clear running brook, and in the leafy sedge where long-leaved grasses creep, and on the craggy hedge where poppies hang in sleep. Louis H. and William told us that we needed confidence, and there is at this moment great confidence in them. All hail free trade with the United States! All hail the rise in the price of farm products and general prosperity all along the line! Davies told us so.

TRUTH SEEKER.

—Charles Austin Bates in his criticisms remarks that lack of originality is not a fault; but is a great misfortune. The rest of the world is so bored by it. It is astonishing how little real originality there is and how much slavish imitation in this age of discovery. Of course, in a sense there is nothing new. Even Solomon realized that. But there is always the possibility of new combinations of old results to produce new things. And if this combination is a success it will be echoed in a dozen forms before sundown. This is true in business, in literature, in advertising, in art, in every form of human activity. And the fact produces a great weariness of the flesh.

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Dr. Birkett, of Montreal, has succeeded in removing a large thimble from the nose of Miss Annie McDonell, a teacher in the Lancaster, Ont., Public School. Miss McDonell swallowed the thimble when she was a little child, eighteen years ago. Evidently it remained lodged in the passage between the nose and the throat where it was found. It caused her considerable throat trouble for some time past. Surgeons say the case is almost without a parallel.

The New York Sun denounces the Queen's jubilee as secretly intended to resuscitate the monarchical sentiment not only in the British possessions, but in the United States as well, and speaks of her majesty as "an utterly commonplace dwarfed, lethargic type of femininity." Editor Dana's coarseness is on a par with that of the New York police magistrate who, on Grant day, in sentencing one of the sailors of H. M. S. Talbot to jail for three days for drunkenness, remarked, "This is how we get even with the Queen."

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RUBBERNECK BILL'S ADIEU.

He Was a Victim of Habit, and There Was No Hope.

Rubberneck Bill was the terror of Pizen Creek. He was called Rubberneck because he had been informally strung up on several occasions by vigilance committees, yet had each time escaped alive with a neck somewhat elongated, but still serviceable as a conduit for tanglefoot. After he had been lynched the third time his neck was a foot long, and he began to get alarmed.

"See here, Dave," he protested to the leader of the vigilantes the day after his third suspension, "I don't mind being lynched a few times. Somebody's got to be practiced on now an then or Pizen Creek will be gittin dead slow, I know, but I wish you'd patronize some other cuss fer awhile. If this neck stretchin keeps on reg'lar my beauty will be plumb spiled fer sure."

"You better pull yer freight, Bill," the vigilante chief said grimly. "Next time ye go up there'll be sich a charge of lead in yer carkiss that yer neck'll snap like a pipestem."

Bill did not heed the warning, and a week later he was rounded up for stealing a horse and told to say his prayers. He remembered the threat about the lead, and when he saw a dozen of the miners standing around expectantly, guns in hand, he knew that his rubber neck reliance was soon to be punctured for all time.

"If ye've got anything to say, out with it," cried Dave.

"I have, Dave, I have," said Rubberneck Bill. "I've got a speech of solemn warnin to make to the young tenderfoots an others as is yere present. Gimme a chaw of terbacker, Dave. Thanks. Now, what I was a-goin to remark to the young men was for them to beware of habit. This yere habit is a awful thing fer sure. Ye do a thing onct, an it ain't much, but you do it twict or three times, an you feel like you must do it ag'in or bu'st. That's habit, an habit is a thing fer you to beware of. Habit is what has brought me to this yere necktie party. Habit!"

"Hoss stealin," the leader of the vigilantes remarked sententiously, "hoss stealin habit."

"No, not hoss stealin, jest plain habit, dern ye," shouted Rubberneck Bill. "You fellers have got into the habit of hangin me, an I don't suppose there's no way of makin ye swear off, so let 'er go, Dave Barker; let 'er go."—New York Sunday Journal.

Conflicting Emotions.

"Old man, you seem worried."

"Worried is no name for it. Brown is coming around at 4 o'clock to pay me \$15."

"Think he may not come?"

"Oh, he'll come all right, but Jones is due at 4:15 to try to collect \$10 I owe him. Suppose he should get here just as I was being paid by Brown."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Highly Esteemed.

"I used ter think," remarked Meandering Mike, "that I wasn't popular with dumb animals."

"Are ye?" inquired Plodding Pete.

"Tremendously. I met three dogs today, and every one of them thought I was nice enough to eat."—Washington Star.

A Fatal Slip.

First Detective—How did you know he was from Chicago?

Second Detective—By his accent.

First Detective—But you said he did not speak to any one.

Second Detective—I overheard him eating a piece of pie.—Truth.

Boils

It is often difficult to convince people their blood is impure, until dreadful carbuncles, abscesses, boils, scrofula or salt rheum, are painful proof of the fact. It is wisdom now, or when ever there is any indication of

Impure

blood, to take Hood's Sarsaparilla, and prevent such eruptions and suffering.

"I had a dreadful carbuncle abscess, red, fiery, fierce and sore. The doctor attended me over seven weeks. When the abscess broke, the pains were terrible, and I thought I should not live through it. I heard and read so much about Hood's Sarsaparilla, that I decided to take it, and my husband, who was suffering with boils, took it also. It soon purified our

Blood

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PERT PERSONALS.

The Prince of Pless is the third wealthiest man in Prussia, which is a Pleasant position to occupy.—Boston Transcript.

Should one say Prizefighter Bob Hilliard is still acting or Actor Bob Hilliard has resumed prizefighting?—Chicago Tribune.

We hope the presence in London of John Hay, ambassador poet, will not incite Alfred Austin to try again.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Mr. Gladstone is the freshest, liveliest, most thoroughly up to date "back number" existing in the world today.—New York Tribune.

The backbones of King George and President Kruger are entitled to an exchange of the compliments of the season.—New York Journal.

The German emperor seems capable of thanking God for a great harvest and sending him the Order of the Red Eagle in acknowledgment.—London Spectator.

"I should like to experience a sensation utterly new and novel," says the Princess Chimay to a London newspaper. We have it. She should try being respectable.—Cincinnati Commercial-Tribune.

Weyer has succeeded in spending \$128,000,000 for Spain within the last year. He will find just as much difficulty in "pacifying" Spain by and by as he is experiencing now in "pacifying" Cuba.—Chicago Times-Herald.

The rumor that William Waldorf Astor's daughter is to wed a duke is probably a cruel canard. It is not believed Mr. Astor would permit his daughter to marry a person so far beneath her father in social position.—Chicago News.

Mrs. Sadie Gibbons, a New York bride of three weeks, encountered a burglar in her apartments and proceeded to thrust him into insensibility. The affair must be an awful shock to the new husband.—Binghamton Republican.

"The Majority of Women."

The opponents of woman suffrage claim to represent the majority of women. The claim is baseless.

The majority of women are neither suffragists nor remonstrants; they are indifferent. Of those who take any lively interest in the question either way the large majority want to vote. This has been shown year after year by the relative numbers of petitioners and remonstrants. Not only in Massachusetts, but in Maine, New York, Illinois, Iowa—a short, wherever petitions for suffrage and remonstrances against it have been sent in the petitioners have always outnumbered the remonstrants at least five to one, and oftener fifty or a hundred to one. The so called referendum of 1895 merely demonstrated the same thing by an official count.—Boston Woman's Journal.

Almsgiving and Religion.

For many years almsgiving has been regarded by the church as a mere accessory to religion, and too often as a means of promoting attendance at its services and classes. Now time has worked out its revenge, and the people have come to regard services and classes—and, indeed, religion itself so far as they know it—as accessory to almsgiving and as a means of obtaining relief. It would sometimes seem as if the only hope for both lay in an entire divorce between the two.—"Rich and Poor," by Mrs. Bosanquet.

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BARBER POLES.

Modern Styles and Decorations—Some Poles Are of Iron.

They are using in the west to some extent now a barber pole of galvanized iron, which has bands and other ornamental projections and is painted in the same manner as a wooden pole. Another western pole has four upright strips of iron, around which are wound spirally other iron strips, making a latticed pole. The spiral encircling strips are so painted as to form the usual stripes. There is talk now of aluminum barber poles, which would be much more expensive, but would be of extreme durability and could always be sold at so much a pound.

In the east the barber poles used are almost all made of wood, and in fact the barber poles everywhere are principally of wood. The wood commonly used is soft maple.

Barber poles are made in various sizes, but standard full size poles are made 9 and 10 feet in length and from 8 to 12 inches in circumference. They are sometimes made 14 inches in circumference, but that is unusual. There is now in force in this city an ordinance requiring that outside barber poles shall be kept within the stoop line, and that they shall not exceed 5 feet in height. Before the adoption of that ordinance the large pole most commonly used in this city was 10 feet in height and 10 inches in diameter. Since the ordinance came into force there has been here an increased use of door poles and window poles, these being very much slenderer, and in the case of the window poles very much shorter. The door poles stand beside the doorway or entrance. In the case of a basement shop, where the poles would be at the beginning of the steps, and so in sight along the sidewalk, they are placed upright. When placed beside a ground floor doorway, they are slanted outward slightly, so that the top projects beyond the building front. The window poles, which are short little poles with a gilded ball at each end, are fixed at an angle to iron brackets secured to the window casing. A barber is likely to use two door poles, one on either side of the door, and he may use window poles also, so that in this city the number of poles used is greater than ever before, though it may be that their aggregate bulk is no larger than that of the smaller number of larger poles that once stood by the curbstones, or were otherwise conspicuously placed.

There have been made barber poles with spiral stripes simulated by stripes painted diagonally on tapering strips of board. Years ago, too, there were made some barber poles of four strips of board, tapering and nailed together, making an obelisk shaped sign, which was striped in the usual way. But the pole, usually in some simple form, was the common thing, and this developed gradually into the more elaborate pole now commonly used, which is made with perhaps bands or other shapes turned or otherwise fastened upon it, and with greater riches and variety of ornamentation. Pretty much all poles are surmounted by a gilded ball. Other shapes—pear, for instance—have been made for a finish, but the ball is the most popular. With the more elaborate poles, with bands and carvings and panels, and with the spaces of the length more broken up, came more elaborate styles of coloring, and more or less departure from the usual spiral stripes, poles being painted with the conventional colors, but with diamond shapes, and so on. But now, while poles are made as elaborately as ever in shape, there is rather more simplicity of coloring, and the most elaborate of poles are pretty sure to show the spiral striping somewhere, the clear spaces on the pole between the ornamental designs being thus painted.

Less blue is used in stripes than formerly, the stripes being now usually of red and white, and the red generally used is a shade darker than formerly. More gold than ever is now used on the big ornamental poles. Besides, on the tops it is sometimes used in stars and other gilded ornamentation, and there are poles of various sizes made with spiral gold stripes on a black body instead of a white body. These cost more than poles striped in colors, but the use of them is increasing. More black and gold poles are used in the west, where people seem to spend more money on barber poles than in the east. But everywhere the spiral stripes are the barber's symbol, whether they are painted on a pole specially designed for a sign or on a telegraph pole, or, as may sometimes be seen in smaller places, around the trunk of a tree.—New York Sun.

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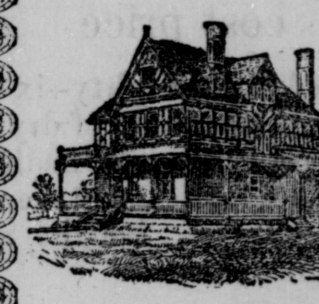
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