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Portugese Ruler and the Ruled at Delegoa Bay.

# RICHEST JEWELS

## Cecil Rhodes' Control of The Diamonds.

### BOER'S POSSIBLE PRIZE

#### Some Facts in Connection With the Vast Mines at Kimberly.

The report of the siege of Kimberly by the Boers suggests the thought that should the British garrison fail to hold its own against the enemy, the Afrikaners might, on taking possession, have a haul so rich as never any army won before. Nobody knows just how much value in the shape of diamonds is kept in store at Kimberly but it is certainly gigantic. Quite possibly it is \$20,000,000 worth.

The yield of the mines is, in times of peace, about 5,000 carats every 24 hours, and the diamonds obtained from the diggings are sent daily, under armed escort, to the company's headquarters and there delivered to the appraisers in

charge. First they are cleaned by boiling them in a mixture of nitric and sulphuric acids, and then they are carefully sorted in respect to size, color and purity. In one room are kept on exhibition stones aggregating 60,000,000 carats, and the spectacle they afford is most striking.

Only a dozen years ago the Kimberly mines were worked as more than 3,000 separate claims, each 31 feet square and separated from one another by narrow roads, for hauling the gem-bearing earth. In 1893, however, Cecil Rhodes brought about a consolidation of all these properties into a single corporation, which now practically monopolizes the diamond production of the world, with a capital of £4,000,000.

As is usual in such cases, the discovery of diamonds in South Africa was purely accidental. A stranger "travelling" through the country stopped over night at a house of a hospitable Dutch farmer, who showed him as curiosities some bright pebbles found by his children, when the latter used as playthings. The visitor suspected that they were diamonds, and, being an honest man, suggested the idea to his host, who, taking them to the nearest city, sold them for a sum sufficient to make him rich for life.

Later on many valuable stones were found in the gravels of Vaal and Gogang rivers, but it was not until 1870 that prospectors came upon the real source of supply from which these accidental gems had been washed out by the streams. Even then only the yellowish surface earth was worked, and when the miners got down to the blue clay, which later proved to be the true matrix of the stones, they imagined that the deposits were exhausted. The Kimberly mines now yield 2,500,000 carats annually, representing a value of £5,000,000 of which two-fifths is clear profit. During the last quarter century they have added to the world's wealth ten tons of diamonds worth £60,000,000, and £120,000,000 after cutting.

In 1894 the Jagerfontein diamond was discovered at one of the Kimberly mines. It weighed 971 carats, or nearly half a pound avoirdupois, and was three inches long, one and one-half inches thick and two and one-half wide. A Kaffir picked it up while he was loading a cart with blue clay, and, concealing it about his person, gave it to the manager directly. In return he received £150 in cash, a horse and a saddle. The stone is valued at £40,000; it is blue-white in color, and faultless except for a very small flaw in the centre. It was presented to the pope by Oom Paul Kruger.

### Doukhobors and Meat.

It is stated that during the coming winter there will be a conference of all the leading men in the Doukhobor colonies to discuss the question of eating meat. It is stated that the Doukhobors have no conscientious objections to eating meat, but that abstaining from eating it was taken up as a sort of penance or vow that was entered into until they should be relieved of their persecutions. It was like a feast ordained in old time to propitiate God and to seek his forgiveness, and secure release from plague or persecution. The Doukhobors have faithfully kept their vow. They are now free from all persecution, and some hold that they are ready to return to eating meat. There is the more reason for this, as in their new homes Providence provides a large quantity of food in this way in the shape of ducks, prairie chickens, fish, rabbits and deer. The outcome of the discussion will be awaited with considerable interest. A report was circulated that the Doukhobors on the Southeastern construction were all eating meat, but an examination shows that only four men out of a hundred will eat animal food.

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**IN ORDER**  
That they may be cheerful, happy and contented, growing stronger and sturdier day by day.

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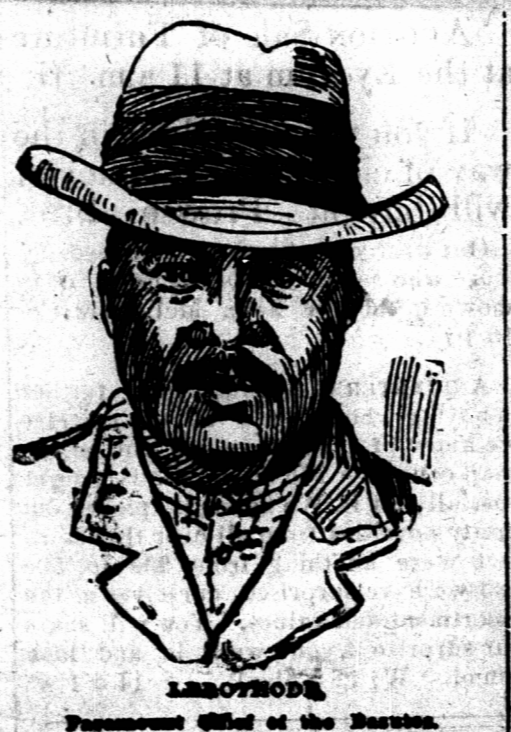
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THE WONDERFUL CHEAP MEN.



Women Students in Russia.

If a Russian woman wishes to study at any of the universities in her own land, etiquette does not allow her to do so until she is married. Not infrequently she goes through the civil ceremony of marriage with a man student whom probably she has never seen before, and this marriage is quite legal, though perhaps the couple may never speak to each other again. On the other hand, if they like each other and they so desire, they are married for life. If they do not, the marriage is dissolved when their university course is finished and they are free to choose some one else. The celebrated mathematician, Sonya Kovalvski, went through the marriage ceremony with a student whom she then saw for the first time, and who afterwards became her husband. The education of women in Russia stands better than in most European countries, owing to the persistent efforts of the Russian women themselves. By 1886 they had managed to get four universities, one medical academy with 500 students, and numerous intermediate schools. There are 700 women physicians in Russia, of whom nearly one-half are employed in the civil service.—Chicago Times-Herald.

### A BRAVE WOMAN.

How a Drunken Husband Was Made a Sober Man by a Determined Wife.

A PATENT LETTER.  
She writes:—"I had for a long time been thinking of trying the Samaria Prescription treatment on my husband for his drinking habits, but I was afraid he would discover that I was giving him medicine, and the thought unnerved me. I hesitated for nearly a week, but one day when he came home very much intoxicated and his week's salary nearly all spent, I threw off all fear and determined to make an effort to save our home from the ruin I saw coming, at all hazards. I sent for four Samaria Prescription and put it in his coffee as directed next morning and watched and prayed for the result. At noon I gave him more and also at supper. He never suspected a thing, and I then boldly kept right on giving it regularly, as I had discovered something that set every nerve in my body tingling with hope and happiness, and I could see a bright future spread out before me—a peaceful, happy home, a share in the good things of life, a contented, loving husband, comforts, and everything else dear to a woman's heart for my husband had told me that whiskey was vile stuff and he was taking a dislike to it. It was only too true, for before I had given him the full course he had stopped drinking altogether, but I kept giving the medicine till it was gone, and then sent for another lot to have on hand if he should relapse, as he had done from his promises before. He never had, and I am writing you this letter to tell you how thankful I am. I honestly believe it will cure the worst cases."  
A pamphlet in plain, sealed envelope, sent free, giving testimonials and full information, with directions how to take or administer Samaria Prescription. Correspondence considered strictly confidential. Address The Samaria Remedy Co., Jordan street, Toronto, Ont.

## THE NEW YORK LETTER.

Nov. 11th, 1899.  
The city is just out of the throes of a State Election, whose issues have been warning the stump-speakers for the past month. It was a great fight. In this city Tammany was on its trial as perhaps never before, and never before has it emerged with such a paralyzing defeat for its opponents. The revelations of the Mazet Committee; an unprecedentedly aggressive canvass; Governor Roosevelt's magnetic personality; Chauncey Depew's magnetic eloquence—all these could not avail to save New York from the claws of the Beast. Tiger Tammany is again triumphant and Richard Croker has once more shown that he is a master of the most wonderful political organization on God's wide world of men.

The Democrats did not lose one city ticket—every Tammany man went in. Among the inglorious slain was Mr. Mazet—the former leader of the Mazet Committee, whose candidacy was really the prominent feature in the campaign. All that human ingenuity and strenuous labor and patient toil could do was done for Mr. Mazet in the 19th district—a district that had sent in a big majority for Governor Roosevelt a year ago, and was fondly looked for to a renewal of its allegiance. But Mazet is not Roosevelt, and there is no use in deifying that his work in "investigating" New York made him thoroughly odious even to people who love "reforms" for its own sake. He was called a "lobster" and a "rubber-neck" and he was despised and neglected of men. With the heroic efforts of powerful friends and in a district Republican in color he could not save himself from a whirlwind of 400 votes.

And the Raine Law Hotels and the indecent stage and the Herald Personals are safe!  
That's the worst. But if New York like the Tiger and his deeds then no one can complain.  
It is so funny, and yet is not at all funny, that people everywhere resent the smallest appearance of coercive reform. It is human nature—and it is equally human mistake—to resent interference by government respecting what they shall eat and drink and where they shall be clothed. New York sits daily weeping, like Rachel, over its polluted Tenderloin its shameless Bowery, its interminable pranks of sin and of shame, its corruption any its waste in high places; and

## RAILROAD.... KIDNEY

A Disease Peculiar to Railroad Men, which is readily Cured by Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills.

Did it ever occur to you that most railroad men die of kidney disease?  
Such is the fact, however, and the disease is known among railroaders as "railroad kidney."  
The first and most marked symptom is a weak, lame and aching back. You may think at first that you are only tired; but as this trouble increases day by day, kidney disease, with all its terrors, is fast claiming you as a victim.  
Mr. Geo. Cummings, for over 20 years engineer on the Grand Trunk running between Toronto and Allandale, says: "The constant duty with my work gave me excessive pains in my back, racking my kidneys. I tried several remedies until I was recommended by my fireman, Mr. Dave Conley, to try Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills. Two boxes have completely cured me and I feel to-day a better man than ever. I recommend them to all my friends."  
Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills, one pill a dose, 25c. a box, at all dealers, or Edmansons, Bates & Co., Toronto.



COLONEL PLUMER, who is reported as having defeated the Boers at Bull.

first production was on Tuesday night of this week. William Gillette does the part of the famous detective in the cast. All the accessories are very fine and the piece is intensely thrilling and entertaining.  
Beautiful chie Miss Held, la petite Parisienne, is promised at the Manhattan soon in her entirely new production called "Papa's Wife." It is expected to be a "thriller" a la Anna, and is awaited with breathless anticipations by Johnnies. And there is, as Weber and Fields would say, an "automobile" in it.  
The variety houses are ringing with a popular song which is, so bewitchingly sweet. Here the chorus:

I'd leave my happy home for you  
00-00 00-00  
You're the nicest man I ever knew;  
Won't you take me and just break me in the business too.  
East side, west side all around the town it is hummed, whistled and strummed in the music-hall of Bowery where visitors get devilish, and under the gay lights of the Tenderloin where visitors get "pi ched." Everywhere I'd Leave Ma Happy Home for You!  
CHORUS:  
I'd leave ma home for you,  
You're the nicest man I ever knew,  
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Won't you take me and just break me in the business too;  
I'd leave ma happy Home for you,  
00-00 00-00.  
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