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THE USE OF WORDS.

Hamlet, when asked by Polonius what he was reading, replied, "Words, words, words." It is common-place enough to recall that words make up the sum of all that has ever been spoken, written or printed, in all languages, throughout all time. It is equally common-place to say that words are the symbols of ideas and the media of communication between the members of the human family.

And there are so many words! Webster's unabridged dictionary is said to contain 118,000 words, mainly English. Some other languages contain nearly as many. But a very few persons ever avail themselves of more than a fraction of the vast number of words available for their use. It may be said that comparatively few know the actual meaning of more than a small portion of the English vocabulary. Shakespeare, who used more different words than any other writer in our language, and embodied in them more wisdom than any other, turned to account about 15,000 different words. Few others, even of voluminous writers, have made use of half that number. In their common language the masses, the agricultural and working people, utilise but three or four thousand words at most. Many persons of fair intelligence habitually use no more than two thousand different words.

Most persons who think at all and desire to convey their thoughts to others feel constantly their inability to express themselves as they would wish. They fail even to convey precisely what they mean. They give to their hearers either a fuller meaning, or a different one, or one that comes short of what they desire to convey. All suffer from this imperfect power of expression, and frequently those reputed to express themselves with facility and accuracy, feel their limitations more than others. And yet our common language is so full of word symbols, that any one who is acquainted with one half its resources need not want for fitting language in which to clothe his thoughts.

Of course, words without ideas are inert material, and no amount of facility in the use of language will give vitality to mere verbiage without ideas. But we believe with the author of the famous Elegy, that many whose minds have conceived great thoughts, happy fancies and beautiful imagery, have utterly failed to convey them to their fellows in living, breathing form, or in the strength and beauty of their mental conception. Our country church yards do sometimes receive the dust of a "mute inglorious Milton." Such persons lacked the power to convey their thoughts and they died in silence. The Homers, Miltons and Shakespeares, possessed the power of expression and they grooved the minds and memories

of men deep with their thoughts and songs.

The faculty of felicitous expression to which many eminent men owe so much of their fame can be acquired, not by all, but in greater or less measure by many of those who earnestly, studiously and persistently seek to acquire it. Demosthenes was not naturally an orator, yet by persistent effort he attained a marvellous power of persuasive speech that stands out in history as pre-eminent. Tennyson was by no means the greatest thinker of his age, but by a grace and felicity of expression which he acquired he made for himself a place among the immortals. It is not easy to do this; on the contrary it is only by long, arduous and painful effort that the end can be attained. He who would win success in the highest and best use of words must begin young, for this "art is long, and time is fleeting."

But there are at least words enough, if we can but find ideas to give them life and find the right form in which to arrange them. And whosoever can do this need not lack the reward of fame at the last,—nor even the earlier reward of money. The world was never before so willing to reward those who have the thought, fancy, imagination and power, or grace of expression that are demanded. "How forcible are right words," wrote Solomon. And Tennyson, who found a market ready to pay him a guinea a line, or Rudyard Kipling whose contracts are now running at the rate of a dollar a word, afford us recent instances of what may be obtained in the way of immediate compensation.

And now a German ship-building firm has constructed a faster torpedo boat than the famous British boat Turbinia. The best speed made by the new German boat was at the rate of 36 knots or 42.26 miles an hour. So says the Scientific American.

Greater New York is now laying claim to having the longest street in the world. This is effected by renaming the street known as the Boulevard Broadway, extending the present Broadway from Fifty-ninth Street to the city line on the north. This will make Broadway about sixteen miles long. Yonge Street Toronto is, however, a good deal longer than the extended Broadway, as every Ontarian will tell you proudly that it extends from Lake Ontario to Lake Simcoe, a length of fifty miles or more. Of course it extends beyond the bounds of Toronto, but is known as Yonge Street throughout.

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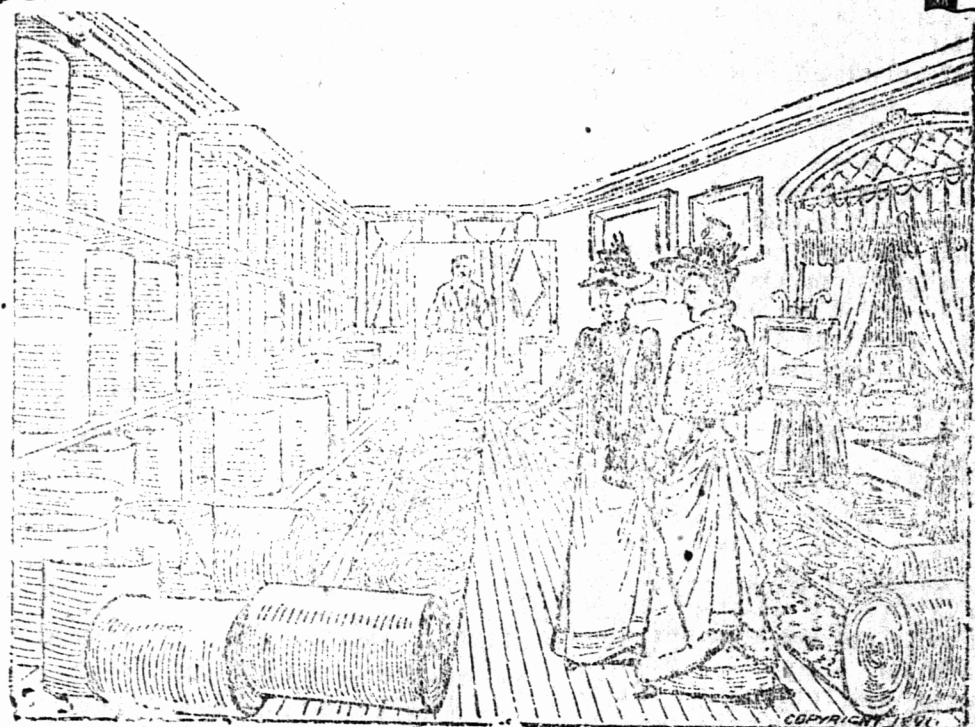
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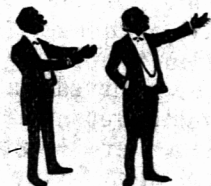
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Provincial Land & Income Tax

FINAL NOTICE.

The last list of persons in arrears for Land and Income Tax is now being prepared for the March term of the County Court.

Persons wishing to save expense should pay at once.

ANGUS McMILLAN,
 Provincial Treasurer.

March 1st, 1899.

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EDITOR'S MAIL.

THE PREVALENCE OF PEACE.

SIR,—Your correspondent "Scotus," whose letter appeared in your issue of recent date, had no occasion to dive into history, or to go so far from home to show that people are yearly losing their fighting protensity. Whoever has attended school when our country was young, must remember how boys used to fight almost daily; some times regular battles between the east and west ends of the district. In our days boys have no more fight in their natures than have now their grandsires.

In former days the most frequent items of local news contained in the press referred to "assault and battery," then a common and stereotyped phrase. Though the population was less than one-third as numerous as at present, there seems to have been more than twenty times as much cracking of skulls. People of our day can scarcely realize how much their forefathers indulged in that species of pastime.

At present the local column is pretty sure to contain an item beginning like this: "A quiet, orderly wedding took place yesterday morning at the home of the bride," etc. In former days the local jottor could seldom make such a statement and be loyal to truth. There were always feuds and old grudges in communities and when one or two hundred neighbors were promiscuously gathered at a wedding, stimulation no sooner reached the fighting point than there was a row. While inside there was revelry and the rhythmical tap of flying feet on the floor, outside in the moonlight there were contention and war. A quiet wedding in those days would be almost a wonder.

Then what shows more conclusively that the dove is out on its mission than the loving tones of the press? Newspapers of old addressed each other in such complimentary terms as "that long eared biped who brayed in the Star" "the brainless idiot who supplies garbage for that rag down the street!" "the hyena who is caged in the Chronicle's sanctum," and much more of that kind. All has since changed and instead of hard words and vile phrases, they address each other as "Our esteemed morning contemporary!" "Our valuable exchange from the west!" "Our excellent friend of the Herald," and other words equally sweet. An era of universal peace is surely coming—it is almost here.

But my dinner hour has more than expired, the boys are in the barn cleaning wheat and there will be little done in my absence.

SCOTUS ALIUS.

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SEALED TENDERS will be received at this Office until noon, on TUESDAY, the 28th Inst., from any person or persons willing to supply the following Buildings, and Ferry Steamers with Coal, viz:—Provincial Building, Court House, Charlottetown; Prince of Wales College, Normal School, Poor House, Queen's County Jail, Hospital for the Insane, and Ferry Steamer; also, Summerside Court House and Jail. Offers will be received for Old Sydney Mine Coal, Acadia Bound, and Nut; also for Intercolonial Round and Nut; also approved Cape Breton Coal. All to be of the best quality, and the ton to contain 2240 lbs. Coal for Public Buildings to be delivered in the Vaults of the various Buildings; and for the Steamer on Prince Street Wharf, when and where required, all to be delivered at the cost of the contractor.

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Tickets 25, 35 and 50 cents. THOS. DRISCOLL, Secretary.

Mch 13

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