

At the General Conference of the Little Piddlington Branch of the Grand United National Council of Children of N.Z. Master Jones read a very able paper on the "Economic Independence of Children." The speaker contended that it was jolly infra dig to have to go and ask the Mater for pennies every time a fellow wanted to buy tuck or marbles. Sensitive children would naturally fight shy of meetings with a rebuff, to say nothing of a possible spank. While some parents were easily "managed" as regards money matters, the majority were not. He thought every child should be able to legally claim a portion, say one third, of the parent's income; this would tend to make the child independent and the amount would never be missed by the parent. He hoped this would be made a test question at the next General Elections. (Resolution carried by 999 to 1)



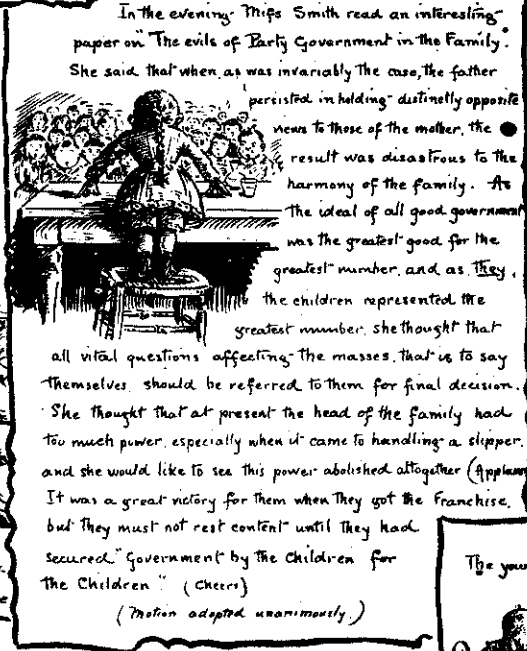
Yes, m'lud; she does her nine knots an hour, and as for her Tonnage, why bless yer heart, she'll carry ME !!!

Good heavens! Seadon! Why was't this boat in 'the Jubilee Naval Review'?



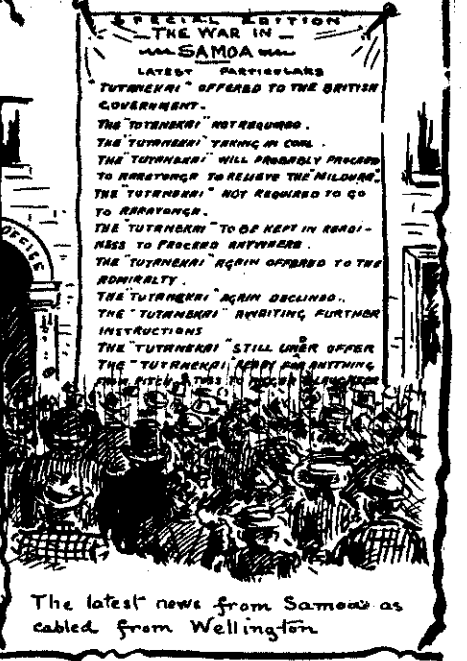
Russell's Round

Captain Russell will fire the first big gun of the anti-sessional campaign before the end of the present month, which will be the signal for oratorical discharge all along the line.



In the evening Miss Smith read an interesting paper on "The evils of Party Government in the Family." She said that when, as was invariably the case, the father persisted in holding distinctly opposite views to those of the mother, the result was disastrous to the harmony of the family. As the ideal of all good government was the greatest good for the greatest number, and as they, the children represented the greatest number, she thought that all vital questions affecting the masses, that is to say themselves, should be referred to them for final decision. She thought that at present the head of the family had too much power, especially when it came to handling a clipper, and she would like to see this power abolished altogether. (Applause) It was a great victory for them when they got the franchise, but they must not rest content until they had secured Government by the Children for the Children. (Cheers)

(Motion adopted unanimously.)



SPECIAL EDITION  
THE WAR IN  
SAMOA  
LATEST PARTICULARS  
TUTUAKAHI OFFERED TO THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT.  
THE TUTUAKAHI NOT REQUIRED.  
THE TUTUAKAHI TAKING IN COUL.  
THE TUTUAKAHI WILL PROBABLY PROCEED TO ARRANGING TO RELIEVE THE NILOHONG.  
THE TUTUAKAHI NOT REQUIRED TO GO TO ARRANGING.  
THE TUTUAKAHI TO BE KEPT IN READINESS TO PROCEED ANYWHERE.  
THE TUTUAKAHI AGAIN OFFERED TO THE ADMIRALTY.  
THE TUTUAKAHI AGAIN DECLINED.  
THE TUTUAKAHI REQUESTING FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS.  
THE TUTUAKAHI STILL UNDER OFFER.  
THE TUTUAKAHI READY FOR ANYTHING.  
THE TUTUAKAHI THIS IS PROBABLY THE LAST.

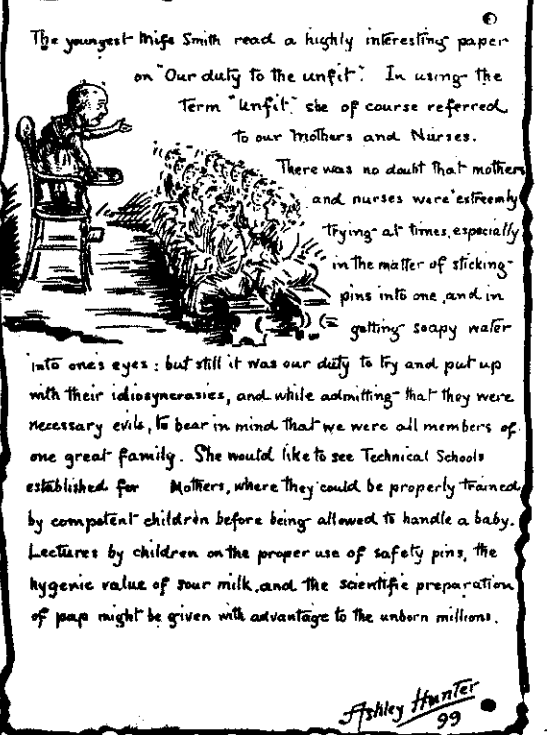
The latest news from Samoa as cabled from Wellington



The McKenzie Lament

The Hon J. McKenzie has left New Zealand for Scotland.

"Courard one another down his innocent nose  
In piteous chase." (Shakespeare)



The youngest Miss Smith read a highly interesting paper on "Our duty to the unfit." In using the term "unfit" she of course referred to our Mothers and Nurses.

There was no doubt that mothers and nurses were extremely trying at times, especially in the matter of sticking pins into one, and in getting soapy water into one's eyes; but still it was our duty to try and put up with their idiosyncrasies, and while admitting that they were necessary evils, to bear in mind that we were all members of one great family. She would like to see Technical Schools established for Mothers, where they could be properly trained by competent children before being allowed to handle a baby. Lectures by children on the proper use of safety pins, the hygienic value of sour milk, and the scientific preparation of pap might be given with advantage to the unborn millions.

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