

Sayings of the Week.

Prophets Without Honour.

I HAVE the greatest respect for the Australian artist, but I think he has a somewhat limited field here, for Australians do not buy works of art from their fellow-countrymen as much as they might do.—*Sir T. G. Carmichael, Governor of Victoria.*

The Dickens They Have.

Thousands of men have gone into inns mentioned in Dickens' books and drunk a glass of beer, not because they wanted it, but because they wished to drink his health.—*Mr. W. W. Jacobs.*

Silence is Golden.

I have been called the silent member of this board. We have had many talkative members, but I have noticed that when it came to hard work they were conspicuous by their absence.—*Mr. J. Danks, Wellington Hospital Trustees.*

The Land of the Lost.

It would surprise southern people to visit the North and see the large areas of rich land lying waste and unoccupied. Similar country in any other part of the Dominion would be worth £50 or £60 per acre. Once the central railway runs through to the far North and good roads are assured, settlers will flock into the district.—*Mr. Mander M.P.*

Hoist With Their Own Petard.

To me it seems somewhat rich that the Mount Eden borough, which so far has failed to provide any drainage system whatever, should now complain of want of drainage at the school.—*Mr. C. J. Parr, Chairman Auckland Board of Education.*

Settling a Dispute.

I wish to give every credit to the Government for the progress that has been made with the North Auckland railway so far, and I cheerfully admit that the present Government has done more than any previous Government in the matter of railway construction north of Auckland, but we have had nothing but controversy over the two rival routes, and a commission of experts would be altogether the best way to settle the matter.—*Mr. Gerald Peacock, Chairman Auckland Railways League.*

The Modern Ananias.

Well, my meter says there have passed through it 125,000 gallons in eight months. I'm blown if I'm going to pay it, for I'm not satisfied that the water was used, and that the record is correct.—*Mr. O. Nicholson, Mount Eden Borough Council.*

Boys and Men.

Your boys turn out better than your men. In fact, I consider that this country has been doing very fine work during recent years in the direction of cadet training. The boys seem to have far more healthy attractions to keep them off the streets and to prevent them from cultivating an inclination for idling.—*Captain W. F. Blunt, H.M.S. Pioneer.*

French Polish.

To some the function of the university is to supply a "polish" to the student, in very much the same sense that a finish is imparted to a piece of furniture.—*Professor Kirk, Wellington.*

Fighting for Justice.

The only way to obtain justice is to make the subject of railway construction, expenditure, and management a North y. South issue.—*Mr. R. R. Hunt, Secretary Auckland Railways League.*

Lethargic Auckland.

The lethargy and supineness of the Auckland business men over the question of the North Auckland railway scheme is simply astounding. They do not seem to realise that by taking such an attitude they are losing a most valuable trade and placing it entirely in the hands of Dunedin and Christchurch merchants.—*Mr. A. J. Stathworthy, President Wairoa Railway League.*

The Middle Stump.

At present your bowling is not strong. You have plenty of natural bowlers, but they do not bowl with their heads. Their one idea is to try and bowl "that middle stump," and they keep pegging away, quite oblivious of the fact that there are ten men in the field to support them.—*Mr. W. Armstrong, Captain Australian Eleven.*

Will Swallow Anything.

The Irish are ready to swallow nearly all the Budget in order to keep Government together, but a section of the Government is endeavouring to confuse the issue over the Lords v. the Budget.—*Mr. T. P. O'Connor, London.*

The Polished Corners of the Temple.

Women, as well as men, are responsible for their actions to the civil power, to the law of the Church, to the Great

Grounds for Complaint.

You must have better wickets if you want to improve the standard of your play. You have the men—Reese, Sims and Siedeberg, for instance, who would be in the first flight in Australia if they had the advantage of good wickets to play on. I don't want to cast reflections upon anybody, but I think your grounds are not properly prepared. There is no reason whatever why, with proper preparation, you should not have as good grounds in New Zealand as anywhere in the world. There is nothing whatever to prevent it. When you have them your cricket will go ahead.—*Mr. W. Armstrong, Captain Australian Eleven.*

The Modern Trinity.

The conviction was growing that philosophy, science, and theology must work together in the cause of truth.—*Rev. G. W. Thatcher, Warden Camden College, Sydney.*

More Labour Legislation.

Whilst I am in Australia I intend to pay especial attention to their labour legislation. It is stated that some portions of it might very well be adopted here. There is, for instance, the question of the Wages Board. I will make

ture not otherwise enumerated," 25 per cent.—*Mr. T. Gray, Wellington Chamber of Commerce.*

The Skin of the Wild Ass.

Cabinet Ministers had skins equally with Peers, and were as anxious to save them.—*Mr. Halfour.*

Invisible and Invaluable.

It's all right to talk about our navy being a big one, and a first-class Power, but we know it to be false. We have a navy invincible in peace, but invisible in war. Our navy strength should be supplemented with a merchant marine.—*Dr. John Wesley Hill, Metropolitan Temple, New York.*

A Good Time Coming.

Twelve months ago members of the board said there was a good time coming. The board is, however, no better off, and they still say, "There's a good time coming, boys; wait a little longer." The whole affairs of the board require looking into, and the committee that has been appointed will have its work cut out.—*Mr. J. W. McEwan, Wellington Harbour Board.*



AUSTRALIAN LABOUR TROUBLES—AS SEEN BY THE CONSERVATIVE PRESS.

Case A.: Too old to be employed at the minimum wage. Case B.: An Improver. Case C.: A non-unionist (very desperate class). Case D.: A master who from charitable motives gave work under minimum wage (highly dangerous). Case E.: A master who tried to obey all the laws, and was driven mad in attempting to decide which of two contradictory Industrial awards he was to obey (criminal lunatic).

Creator. They have exactly similar responsibilities to those we have. They ought, therefore, to possess the same rights and privileges as men possess. I know of no sufficient reason why they should not exercise similar public and church privileges as men possess. They are the equals of men in intelligence, in education, in religious aspirations. We seek their assistance in providing the temporalities of the Church; we ought in common justice to give them the right to join with us in the effective management of those temporalities.—*Mr. W. B. Scandrett, Invercargill.*

Grace Before Fares.

Passengers pay their fares with a better grace if asked quietly and civilly than they do when a conductor roars out "Fares!"—*Mr. W. S. Hoschden, N.M., Wellington.*

Worth Striving For.

Lord Kitchener said that if our men were trained as they ought to be trained, under his or some similar scheme, New Zealand would then have a force that might cope with a highly-trained and disciplined force that might be sent against the Dominion from any part of the world. Is not any self-sacrifice worth while if it justifies an opinion like that?—*Lord Plunket.*

a point of getting information on this and other points from those who are actively engaged in connection with the working of the labour laws there.—*Ron. J. A. Millar.*

What is a Dental Chair?

Dental chairs had formerly been imported as "manufactures of iron with some other material," the rate being 20 per cent., but the Minister had decided that they should be classed as "furni-

Merely An Adjunct.

In certain cases children sent out to homes are treated almost as employees, engaged for the purpose of increasing the revenue. I have heard of children who were looked upon as an "adjunct," whose condition was almost that of white slavery. Parental responsibilities ought not to be treated lightly.—*Mr. Davies, Wellington and Waikato Charitable Aid Board.*

Womanly Strength and Beauty

The woman who is really beautiful is the woman who is well. The languid, nervous style of beauty once so popular with fiction writers is no longer in favour, either in books or in daily life. The beauty of to-day eats heartily and sleeps well, and trusts to nature to paint its roses in her cheeks. No medicine is better adapted to women's needs than

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