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THE KING'S SPEECH AN UNUSU

Theatrical

"GAME OF WITS."

That bright and sparkling little comedy, "A Game of Wits," was excellently rendered by the Castle

Square Stock Company at the Grand

pecially adapted to their respective roles. The usual number of good

specialties were given between the

acts. The feature of the evening was Ermane's beautiful and bewildering

butterfly dance. To-night Bronson

Howard's society drama, "Young Mrs. Winthrop," will be the bill. This piece had a run of nearly 300 nights

n New York City, and it is expect-

ed that a very large house will witness the performance.

"USED BY ROYALTY."

Mr. T. H. Estabrooks secured an

excellent advertisement for Red Rose Tea when it was selected for the use of T. R. H., the Duke and Duchess of

Cornwall and York during their re-

cent visit. Its selection is a guaran-

tee of its very superior quality. Red Rose Tea is sold by a number of our

The West Shore Railroad announce

\$10.00 excursion from Suspension

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Books, fancy goods and toys at half price at Dingman's bankrupt

Skates and sleighs in large variety

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This issue will be the largest ever made by a county paper in

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FARMER IN THIS SECTION. Our advertising rates for

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reading matter. As the paper is sent to press on Tuesday night

THE PLANET, Chatham

23rd inst, no copy will be received after noon of that day.

High Degree.

A Shoe of

passage for ten days.

Prospects in South Africa and Many Other Topics.

prorogued yesterday afternoon by royal commission until February 17. Only House of Commons were present when Black Rod summoned the lower House to the House of Lords to hear the King's speech, which was an unusually lengthy recapitulation of public events since January, including the action taken in connection with Venezuela, regarding

which the speech said:-"I regret that the constant complaints which my Government found it necessary to address to the Government of Venezuela in regard to unjustifiable and arbitrary acts against British subjects and property during the last two years have been persistently disregarded and that it has become necessary for my Government, acting in concert with that of his Imperial Majesty the German Emperor, which also has serious causes for complaint against the Republic, to insist on measures of redress."

The speech refers to the conclusion of the South African war, and adds:-"There seems to be every reason to hope that material prosperity greater than any the Transvaal and Orange River Colonies have yet experienced may visit these regions, and that all sections of the population for all sections of the population may live together in friendship for each other and loyalty to the crown."

Paragraphs deal with the postponed coronation, the colonial conference and Colonial Secretary Chamberlain's tour, which, together, are expected to be of the "utmost value, both in respect to their immediate effect and as precedents

in the future." expedition against the Mad Mullah and co-operation of Italy therein, the acceptance by Chili and Argentina of award, boundary Brussels sugar convention, and alliance between Great Brit-"which, I believe, will ain and Japan. be of advantage to both countries and contribute to the maintenance of gen-eral peace in the extreme east."

The Anglo-Chinese treaty is referred to as promising to "secure, not only for this country, but for the commerce of the world, valuable facilities and advantages." The speech closes with a reference to India, where the anxiety regarding another famine has been averted by a plentiful rainfall, and where coronation durbar will be associated with a period of unusual commer cial and financial prosperity.

MRS. GRANT'S FUNERAL.

Arrangements at Washington Are Not Yet Completed.

Washington, Dec. 19.-While the final arrangements for the obsequies of Mrs. Elysses Grant will not be made until after the arrival here of General Grant-and other members of the family to-morrow, it is settled that there will be short religious services in this city, and that the remains will be placed by the side of those of her husband in the temb at Riverside Park, New York. The Secretary of War has directed that all the army officers stationed in New York and vicinity shall attend the ser-vices at the tomb in full dress uniform. At the Grant residence a great number of messages of condolence have been received. The President's aide, Captain William S. Cowles, called to express the sympathy of President and Mrs. Roosevelt. Among the messages of sympathy were despatches from Princess Cantacuzene, the mother in-law of Princess Cantacuzene, the grand-daughter of General and Mrs. Grant; General Hor-ace Porter, Robert T. Lincoln, Andrew Carnegie, Russell Sage, General H. Kydd Donglas, Mrs. George W. Childs, Mrs. Gresham and Mrs. Pullman.

TELEGRAPH BREVITIES. Ex-Mayor E. A. Macdonald of Toronto

The funeral of Rev. Dr. MacVicar took

place at Montreat. Mr. R. G. Macpherson of Vancouver is

the Liberal nominee for the Commons in It is reported that 9,000 Boers are pre-

paring to settle in Colorado, New Mexico Nearly 200 people were killed and 9,000 houses wrecked by the earthquake at Andijan, Asiatic Russia.

German enterprises in Guatemala were damaged to the extent of \$6,250,000 by the volcanic disturbances.

A new seven-cent postage stamp will be. ssued about December 24. It will be useful for registered letters. The Ontario Beekeepers' Association has

decided to form a honey exchange, to manage the selling of the product. The Venezuefan Government has given United States Minister Bowen full power

to effect a settlement with the powers. Hon, John Costigan will introduce a reselution in the Commons at the coming session reaffirming sympathy with the Irish

Farmers of Rathwell district, Man., are sending Mr. Arthur Shepperd to England and Scotland to secure men for next season's work.

Captain Nicholls will be tried at St. John's, Newfoundland, on the charge of casting away a schooner in order to obtain the insurance on the vessel. Montreal shipping agents think that the

increase announced in ocean freights only applies to traffic to Canada, and will not affect eastbound shipments.

At the trial of the Raymonds in To-ronto for having counterfeit bank bills, Mrs. Raymond was acquitted. She is now held on the charge of possessing material for counterfeiting.

The action of Police Magistrate Corbould of Vancouver in imprisoning a number of Japanese immigrants for violation of a Provincial statute that had been disallowed is receiving the attention of

WORLD OF SPORT

THE TRIGGER

The Maple City Gun Club held very successful shoot at their grounds, Riverside Park, yesterday Sweep No. 1.-10 birds.-J. Moore Thos. Nichol 4, Jos. Oldershaw 7,

A. C. McKay 9. Sweep No. 2.-15 birds.-Dr. Fraser 11, L. F. Wilson 11, Wm. Paulucci 8, J. W. Aitken 8, Jos. Oldershaw 7. Sweep No. 3.-15 birds.-Paulucci 6 La Bombarde 6, McKay 14, Fraser 10, Wilson 10, Sweep No. 4.-15 birds.-J. Older-

shaw 12, J. Moore 11, J. Labombarbe 5, A. C. McKay 13, J. Piggott 5. Sweep No. 5.—15 birds.—Fraser 6,

Sweep No. 6.—10 birds.—Moore 9, McKay 9, Aitken 9, Jim Oldershaw 4. Joe Oldershaw 4.

TREATED THEM

Principal and Staff of the Central School | anquet their Managers Last Night.

The teaching sa f of the Central school were very pleasantly entertained by the man gens of the school last night to an coster supper held in Richards' cafe. This supper was given as a recognition of the ex-cellent manner in which the teachers controlled the children in the Opera House upon the billed night of the recent Central school concert. tenchers were all present and a very enjoyable evening was spent.

Speeches of congratulation and praise were given by Dr. R. V. Bray, the chairman of the evening, and Inspector Park. Mr. Plewes spoke of the democratic feeling which exists between trustees and teachers, which tends to bring out in the teachers every sinew of the energy which they

Trustees Bensen, Robertson and Cornish also spoke in eulogistic terms of the faithfulness of the teachers and the splendid results which follow their efforts.

Misses Coltart, McPherson, Mounteer, Green, Birch, Nichol and Schwemler also made short, witty and interesting speeches. A vote of thanks was passed to the trustees by the teachers for their splendid

A number of phonograph selections were given by Mr. Gonne during the

OFFICERS ELECTED

Court Chatham, No. 3488, 1. 0. F. held its annual meeting Wednesday night in the hall over the Gordon Store, and elected officers for 1903, as follows :-

V. C. R.—John Cummings. Fin. Sec y—T. C. Smith.

Secretary and Physician - Dr. R. S. W.-A. D. Westman. J. W .- D. C. Blackburn. S. B.-Jos. Hadley.

J. B .- Fred Goodland. Treas.-Dr. Geo. Musson. Trustees-D. S. Paterson and W. S Brothers Harrington, Dymond and

Wands from Court McGregor, No. 6, made short addresses. Bro. Wands also illustrated the signs of the order. A committee was appointed to meet committee from Court McGregor and arrange for the visit of Bros. Dr. Montague and Rev. Evans Davis in January.

Our large stock of Fancy China Lamps and Glassware bought ex presely for the Xmas trade and marked at low prices will, for the next seven days be sold at a still further reduction of 10 per cent. off all the above goods.

Someone is going to get big bargains, is it U?

Also to per cent. off for cash on Dinner Tea and Chamber sets. That means:

\$5.90 Dinner Sets \$5.31 10.00 " " 9.00 8.00

And the same reduction on all the above goods. Come, compare our prices with any other house in the city. Again

reduce 10 per cent off that. Groceries . . .

Best cleaned Currents New Lemon Peel 15
Select Raisins 10
Good Mixed Candy 7
Dark Sugar, for cooking 3½
3 lbs. New Prune 25 cts.
New Dates 7
Lynch Recon 15 Lunch Bacon Pickles 10 cts. per bottle.

We give 1 lb. Good Baking Powder and a game of P.ug Pong for 50 cts.

THINGS FOR MEN

USEFUL GIFTS SENSIBLE GIFTS **ACCEPTABLE GIFTS**

Christmas is near enough to crowd the store each day with holiday shoppers. We expect ladies to go all round town before coming here, and we expect them to make careful comparisons before spending a cent. Because this is a man's store you're more certain to get here just what gentlemen like, and what they would buy for themselves if they had the chance.

The largest fact in connection with business the next two weeks is that we have

PLENTY OF HELP PLENTY OF GOODS PLENTY OF ENTHUSIASM

The store isn't dull nor will it be at any time. The newest styles and most attractive values are arranged here where people can see at a glance whatever is worth their while. This is the time to make new friends, and we're meeting new faces every day. Our eyes are on the regular trade and the future.

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Gold stamping can be done at The

Planet Office while you wait for it. Santa Claus will find the best as-

sortment of carvers sets, bread knives and silver tea knives at Westman

The Lady's Solid Gold Watch, either Waltham or Elgin movements, VonGunten Bros. are selling at \$14,75 is a wonder. See it!

TAXES

Pay your taxes on or before Dec. 31 and save the percentage to be added January 1, 1903.

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Oreams & Sugars Tea Sets **Meat Dishes** Odd Plates Chocolate Pots Spoon Trays Covered dishes

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