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Stories are told in Western papers of the finding in the neighborhood of Hell's Neck, near Carthage, Mo., of a vein of zinc 50 feet thick, and also indications of oil and natural gas.

A DINNER PILL—Many persons suffer excruciating agony after partaking of a hearty dinner. The food partaken of is like a ball of lead upon the stomach, and instead of being a healthy nutriment, it becomes a poison to the system.

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NEW WAX BEANS, NEW ASPARAGUS, NEW CUCUMBERS, NEW TOMATOES, NEW STRAWBERRIES, FINE BANANAS.

Fish Department, FRESH WHITEFISH, FRESH TROUT, FRESH HERBING, FRESH LOBSTERS, FRESH OYSTERS (this morning), BASS EXPECTED.

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An unsatisfactory bicycle, one without a name, a home, or a reputation, is a waste of money. We are sure you'll be satisfied if you were looking around for something better? We want you to "post up" on Dominion. We are sure you'll be satisfied if you were looking around for something better? We want you to "post up" on Dominion. We are sure you'll be satisfied if you were looking around for something better? We want you to "post up" on Dominion.

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FAIR WEATHER. Toronto, March 30—11 p.m.—The pressure is above the normal throughout Canada. Light showers have fallen in Nova Scotia, and light local snow in the Northwest; otherwise the weather is fair everywhere. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Kamloops, 30-50; Edmonton, 6-24; Qu'Appelle, 2 below-20; Winnipeg, 8 below-23; Fort Arthur, 6-23; Parry Sound, 24-32; Toronto, 23-33; Ottawa, 26-40; Montreal, 20-42; Quebec, 20-40; Halifax, 35-38.

Probabilities: Toronto, March 31—1 a.m.—Lower lakes: West to north winds; fair; not much change in temperature. Local Temperatures: The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory yesterday were 37 and 25 above.

Folks That Know

What style in HATS is so no trouble in getting what they want here, and we sell only the sort of HATS that we know will retain their shape and color. Our prices are low enough whether it's one or four dollars.

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If not, you should do so now. It is made of pure malt extract, which makes it easily digested. Delivered in all parts of the city. Phone 818.

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News About Town

A sign of the times—For Rent. Don't make a fool of yourself tomorrow.

Miss Ada Stone, of London, is the guest of Miss Rose Tape, Highgate.

—M. C. Dickson, district passenger agent of the G. T. R., was in the city yesterday.

—Mr. and Mrs. McDermid, of London, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Bonbride, Cortina.

—If you see a purse with a string tied to it on a city street tomorrow, don't try to lift it. If you do, it will not be there.

—John R. Soper, of Detroit, Mich., formerly of this city, died suddenly of apoplexy. Mr. Soper was 33 years of age, and leaves a widow.

—Michael Joseph Kelly, M.D., LL.B., of Brantford, has been nominated by the Bishop of Huron to the seat on the council of the University, vacated by the death of Dr. Egerton Griffin.

—The non-commissioned officers and men attending Wolsley Barracks for the last three months' short course, left for home yesterday, their course being completed. Another course starts next week.

—Major George T. Cooke has returned to Stratford from Wolsley Barracks, where he has been taking a course. He leaves on Friday for Stanley Barracks, Toronto, where he will take a course in equitation.

—Much interest is being taken in the revival services being held in the Methodist Church at Lambeth, conducted by Caldwell brothers, of South London. There are large and interested congregations present each night.

—Last evening a number of young friends from the Wentworth Street Baptist Church called at Mr. and Mrs. Hayward's, 22 Steven street, and gave them a surprise party in honor of Gracie Goldsmith, who has been staying there, and is leaving today for London—Hamilton Spectator.

—As good a test as there is of a motorist's skill is a man who rides about more or less on trolley cars, "is found in his handling of the car when he starts the car there smoothly and gently, and without any falling back whatever. I conclude that he is an artist."

Beginning Saturday, April 2, the Lake Erie and Detroit River Railway will commence to sell between all sta-

The Spring Chapeau.

Your Uncle Joe, in spring chapeau, Sorries from cottage snug, What time the bird whose song is heard, Procures the early bug.

From crest of hill above the rill He calls the baby kine; Your uncle Joe got that chapeau From Spittal and Sabine.

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Three Years Of Good Work.

Trustees of the First Methodist Church Report to the Congregation.

Highly Satisfactory Record of the Building Committee.

Gratifying Statement by the Financial Board—Coupon System in Favor—Immense Sums of Money Raised.

The people of the First Methodist Church rejoiced last night in the possession of their magnificent new building, and expressed their gratitude to the trustees, who have so ably and conscientiously superintended its construction. The congregation had been called together to receive reports of the financial operations of the church from the destruction of the old Queen's Avenue Methodist Church, Feb. 2, 1898, to the present time, and also a statement of the finance committee from May 16, 1897, to Feb. 6, 1898. All the reports were highly satisfactory.

The pastor, Rev. Dr. Daniel, in opening the meeting, explained that it was unusual to call the congregation together for such a purpose. The design was to afford an opportunity for those who desired to ask questions concerning the position of the church. He hoped the meetings would become more popular among the members, as their purpose was known.

Mr. Thomas G. McCormick was called upon to take the chair, and the platform were Messrs. S. McBride, John Green, T. R. Parker, Alexander Geo. Hayes, S. W. Abbott, and A. B. Powell. Mr. McCormick said that but a short time had elapsed since the church held its 99th meeting, and many trustee meetings had also been held. The congregation knew little of their labors, but they could see the results. They were seated in one of the best churches of Methodism in the country.

Members of the building committee had visited the churches of several cities, and they could honestly say that no other church had done anything which was a whole case up to their own porch, there was anything of the kind in the church machinery. They had a good preacher, a good choir, and a good organ.

Mr. S. W. Abbott read the report of the trustees, and Mr. Brice seconded its adoption. The chairman introduced Mr. McBride as the oldest living trustee, one who had been a faithful attendant at the meetings of the building committee, and who also rode a bicycle.

Mr. Brice said that the church had been a buttoning, and looked quite hearty and happy. He spoke highly of the excellent report and complimented Mr. Abbott particularly for the manner in which he had looked after the financial interests.

Discussion was solicited, and Mr. Abbott stated that there were 225 subscribers to the building fund. The largest subscription was \$200, the smallest 50 cents, the average being \$10. The report was adopted.

Mr. R. Parker read the statement of the finance committee, and in moving its adoption pointed out the advantages of the coupon system, which had been in use for the past nine months. The contributions were increased, and came in regularly.

Mr. John Green seconded the motion, and in doing so eulogized Mr. Parker. Replying to questions, Mr. Parker said that about 1,400 adults attended the services every Sunday, and that the average expenses of the church per Sunday were \$157.70, or \$156.65, with the sinking fund added. To meet the expenses every attendant would have to pay 15 cents per Sunday. This total membership of the church was 500, exclusive of the members of Mrs. (Dr.) Eccles' class and the missions. Four hundred families were connected with the church, and the heads of 273 of them had adopted the coupon system. A total of 465 contributors used the coupons, and at the last quarterly meeting the arrears amounted to only \$30. It was highly satisfactory. The reason why some of the members had not adopted the new system was that they did not like innovations. Others feared objections. They might want to pay quarterly or not want their names to be known. Coupon contributors could pay quarterly if they chose, and a number could be used instead of a name.

The reports were as follows: "The trustees, in presenting the report of the financial operations, covering the three years from the destruction of the Queen's Avenue Church until the present time, desire to express their gratitude to the members of the church and congregation, for their loyalty during trying circumstances, and for the very generous response to the call for subscriptions towards our new church buildings, a total of \$32,457 having been subscribed, and \$33,516 already paid.

"The trustees desire to especially thank the members of the Ladies' Aid Society, who, under the presidency of

THE ANGLICAN WOMEN

Proceedings of Their Missionary Gatherings—A Public Meeting in Cronyn Hall.

At 10 a.m. yesterday the second session of the Women's Mission Auxiliary annual meeting was opened. The president, after devotional exercises, introduced the corresponding secretary, Mrs. Montzambert, of Toronto; Mrs. Cross, head of the diocesan house of Toronto; Miss Marsh, formerly diocesan Dorcas secretary, and Mrs. Matieson, of Union Lake mission.

The committee will consider the sending a lady missionary to China. There is \$500 on hand.

Two or three papers and an address by the bishop finished the session. At the afternoon session it was decided that the four diocesan pledges, the Lion's Head mission and the lady missionaries in the Northwest, Japan and Grand River reserve, be continued.

The different branches pledged themselves to raise \$200 for Miss Young, a Japan missionary. Several letters were read from foreign stations.

The Junior branches were marshaled in the hall at 4 o'clock and were addressed by Rev. Mr. Westgate and his lordship the bishop.

In the evening there was a large attendance at Bishop Cronyn's Hall. The bishop presided.

Ven. Archbishop Davis read the treasurer's report, which showed an increase over the past year. The thank offering box collections amounted to \$200.

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KINGSMILLS.

Mr. Samuel Glass and Mrs. McTaggart, have done so nobly in furnishing the church with upwards of \$2,500 have been raised and paid over by them to the treasurer.

"The debt remaining on the church after deducting balance unpaid subscriptions, will be about \$23,000. To carry this with the necessary expenses of the church, and provide a sinking fund of \$1,500 a year, will require increased liberality on the part of our people in their gifts through the coupon envelope system.

"We have great reason to feel thankful to God for the providential way he has led us, and look to the future with hope and courage.

"GEO. DANIEL, M.A., Ph.D., Pastor; "SAMUEL W. ABBOTT, Treasurer."

The assets and liabilities at the date of the destruction by fire of the Queen's Avenue Methodist Church, Feb. 2, 1898, were as follows:

Assets: Amount received from insurance companies \$25,315 00 Cash value, land 7,000 00 Cash value, East London lots 100 00 Total \$32,415 00

Liabilities: Erie mortgage \$5,812 00 Surplus 26,993 00 Total \$32,415 00

Total \$108,005 64 Liabilities, March 1, 1898—Mortgage on church \$20,000 00 Two months' interest on same 237 50 Total \$20,237 50

The finance committee's statement of receipts and expenses from May 16, 1897, to Feb. 6, 1898, is as follows:

Receipts: Coupon fund \$2,770 53 Loose collections 1,135 47 Missions 125 53 Interest 8 65 Estimate for quarter ending May 8, 1898 1,450 00 Total \$5,510 28

Disbursements: Quarterly board expenses printing, postage, etc. 94 10 Parsonage (taxes, interest, insurance, repairs) 192 83 Salaries for 3 months 1,987 50 Sundries (pulpit supply and old accounts) 153 50 Ex-treasurer 428 02 Amount given to the trustee board in lieu of collections, 1,555 84 Estimate of expense for quar-

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