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and ye Chemist cannot

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Henry Paul is doing well at the London Hospital, where he was operated on for appendicitis. Mr and Mrs. Randall visited Mr. and Mrs. Benson Houston on Sun-

Mr and Mrs. Leslie Tompson and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Allen Christner on Sunday last.

Alcohol

Ayer's Sarsaparilla is not a strong drink. As now made, there is not a drop of alcohol in it.
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MIDDLE ROAD. \

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Sunday. L. A. Pardo is confined to the

restaurant in Merlin.

mr. and Miss Irwin, of Tilbury, Mr. Melotte, of Leamington, visit-were the guests of Nora Bennett on ed at Jos. Bennett's last week.

HOCKTIDE AT HUNGERFORD.

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Wemen.

Describing the quaint old Easter
custom of "Hocktide." which is still
kept up at Hungerford, a correspondent of The Country Gentleman says:
The ceremony begins with the
"macaroni supper." at which macaroni, watercress, and punch are partaken of, among other dishes. But
the great day is "Hocken Tuesday,"
when the high constable and other officials are elected.

First the town crier parades the
streets ringing his bell to awake the
townsfolk to their duties. Then he
goes to the town hall, and from the
balcony he blows a long and loud
blast on a celebrated horn, which was
presented to the town by John o'
Gaunt, when he bestowed 'bertain
privileges upon the town. (There is
also a beantifully carved ebony chair,
only used on state occasions, which
was presented by him). Then follows
the work of electing the constable and
other officials, and when this is done,
a lunch at the chief hotel.

But the most curious part of the
proceedings is the work of the men
called "tutti-men"; they parade the
streets carrying decorated staves.
They have to visit the houses of every
commoner and demand a coin of the
realm from every man and a kiss
from any woman whom they may encounter. They must be allowed to
enter any house and go where they
like! If the "fair sex" object to be
kissed they must find safety in the
streets, for it is only in the houses
that the kiss can be demanded!

The meaning of these strange doings seems to be lost, but perhaps
in some other part of the country
where Hocktide is still observed its
meaning may be known and explained.

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POSTAL REDUCTIONS.

British Newspapers May Now Come to Canada At Lower Rate.

The following announcement was made last week by the Postmaster-General in regard to the new postal rates for newspapers, etc. These are to come into force on May 1st.

"The postage from the United Kingdom to Canada on registered newspapers and on bona-fide magazines and trade journals (published at regular intervals of not more than once



RIGHT HON. SYDNEY BUXTON.

a month) is to be reduced to a rate of a penny per pound on each packet, the charges on packets not exceeding two ounces remaining at a half pentwo ounces remaining at a half penny. The present limit of weight of
five pounds for a packet will be maintained, and certain administrative regulations will be laid down by the
British postoffice. .j.
The accompanying portrait is that
of Right Hon. Sydney Buxton, British Postmaster-General, who has had

much to do with bringing about the

Ireland's Big Show.

To many the great Irish Interna-tional Exhibition, to be opened by the Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland at Her-bert Park, Dublin, on May 4, will doubtless prove an irrisistible addition to the Sixtar Luke's natural attractions to the Sister Isle's natural attractions. The exhibition, which is to cover fifty-two acres of grounds, will be devoted to the entire range of art and commerce, giving, of course, special prominence to the features of purely Irish character. An endless round of mysic, concerts, and novel amusements of nearly every kind will be the fare provided for those on pleasure bent.

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As president, the Marquis of Ormonde has the assistance of an influential committee of vice-presidents, including the Marquis of Waterford, the Earl of Pembroke, the Earl of Meath, the Earl of Drogheda, the Earl of Shaftesbury, the Earl of Bessborough, the Earl of Mayo, the Earl of Shaftesbury, the Earl of Bessborough, the Earl of Mayo, the Earl of Shaftesbury, the Earl of Bessborough, the Earl of Mayo, the Earl of Shaftesbury and chief executive officer is Mr. James Shanks.

Originating at a large and influentially attended meeting of the theonewly-formed Irish Industrial Connewly-formed Irish Industrial Conn

British Drink Bill. British Drink Bill.

Dr. Dawson Burns, writing to The
London Times on "The National
Drink Bill," says that the average per
head expenditure on liquer, which
was £3 15s 111-2d in 1905, was £3
16s 3d in 1906—the actual expenditure being £166.425,911 by a population of 45,659,121.

A Woman's Back

Has many aches and pains caused by weaknesses and falling, or other displacement, of the pelvic organs. Other symptoms of female weakness are frequent headache, dizziness, imaginary specks or dark spots floating before the eyes, gnawing sensation in stomach, dragging or bearing down in lower abdominal or pelvic region, disagreeable drains from pelvic organs, faint spells with general weakness. If any considerable number of the above symptoms are present there is no remedy that with give quicker relief or a more permanent care than Dr. Pierce's Favorite Precuperon, it has a record of over forty years of curea. It is the most potent invigorating tonic and strengthening nervine known to medical science, It is made of the glyceric extracts of native medicinal roots found in our forests and contains not a drop of alcohol or harmful, or habit-forming drugs. Its ingredients are all printed on the bottle-wrapper and at-

nal roots found in our forests and contains not a drop of alcohol or harmful, or habit-forming drugs. Its ingredients are all printed on the bottle-wrapper and attested under oath as correct.

Every ingredient entering into "Favorite Prescription" has the written endorsement of the most eminent medical writers of all the several schools of practice—more valuable than any amount of non-professional testimonials—though the latter are not lacking, having been contributed voluntarily by grateful patients in numbers to exceed the endorsements given to any other medicine extant for the cure of woman's ills.

You cannot afford to accept any medicine of unknown composition as a substitute for this well proven remedy or known composition, even though the dealer may make a little more profit thereby. Your interest in regaining health is paramount to any selfash interest of his and it is an insult to your intelligence for him to try to palm off upon you a substitute. You know what you want and it is his business to supply the article called for.

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A Hard Crack.
"Well," said he, anxious to make up

their quarrel of yesterday, "aren't you curious to know what's in this parcel?'
"Not very," replied his wife indiffer

"Well, it's something for the one I love best in the world." "Ah, I suppose it's those new coffars you said you needed."

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Grocer—Take off trademarks? Smart Boy—That's what I said. Dad's a shoemaker, and he wants to wash his hands. See?

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Max O'Rell's Advice For Keeping

Young. mess, ambition, disco tent and disquietude that make us grow old prematurely by carving wrinkles on our faces. Wrinkles do not appear on faces that have constantly smiled. Smiling is the best possible massage. Contentment is the fountain of youth.

We complain when we ought to be thankful, we weep when we ought to rejoice, we fidget and fret. Instead of smiling, which keeps the cheeks tretched and smooth, we frown, which keeps them contracted and engraves wrinkles on them. Instead of looking at the rosy side of things, which makes the eyes clear and bright, we run afte the eyes clear and oright, we run after the impossible or the unlikely to hap-pen, which makes us look gloomy. In short, I may say that old age is of our own make, for youth is placed at one's disposal forever and ever. The organs of man are like the works of a clock. If they are not used, they

rust. So long as the human machin is kept well oiled and regularly woun

up it goes.

It is activity, it is work, that keeps you young, healthy, cheepful and hap py. It is work—thrice blessed work! that makes you feel that you are not a useless piece of furniture in this world and makes you die with a smile on your face.

Work, work again, work always!

ANNIVERSARY CHARMS.

For Married Lovers Who Celebrate
Each Happy Year.
Breloques, a word properly interpret-

ed trinket or charm, in the form of pretty decorated medals are fashionable in Paris as a present from a hus oand to a wife on the various anniver-saries of their wedding day.

The first anniversary is the cotton wedding day. Secondly comes the pa-per one, and the third is the leather one, so solid that it has to last two years. The next anniversary that has its special attribute is the fifth, one of wood, and yet another gap occurs be-fore the seventh or woolen event.

The tenth anniversary is called d'etain, the tin wedding day, and the twelfth, sole or silk. This is followed by leaps and bounds by the fifteenth or porcelain, the twentieth or crystal and the twenty-fifth or silver wedding day, the one most commonly kept of

Pearls are the appropriate symbol of the thirtieth anniversary and rubies of the fortieth, significant, no doubt, of the prosperity that has attended the hard working husband's efforts in busi-ness. When he takes home to his wife a golden wedding gift, it is to grace the aftieth anniversary of their nup-tials, and should yet another decade find the loving pair still hand in hand it must be a diamond decorated breque with which the husband presents

HOUSEHOLD NOTES.

The washing of comfortables so they will look well is often very trying to the busy housekeeper. Generally only the ends are soiled. If made at home, a piece of the covering about twelve inches wide may be lightly tacked on the ends and removed for laundering when soiled. When washing choose a fair day with a good breeze blowing. Make a lukewarm suds with almost any of the white laundry soaps and put the quilt in. Rub the soiled places lightly between the hands and when clean rinse through several waters. If put through until the water looks per-fectly clear, there will be no danger of streaks, which so often come when of streaks, which so often come when the water settles and spoil the looks of the quilt. A little salt put in the water will set the colors. Hang in a sunny place where the wind will reach it, and it will look like new when dry. Have one long cake tin divided in the

middle. When making cake, put half the quantity in one end of the tin. Add to the remainder spices, raisins, etc., to taste and put into the other end of tin. This saves tim The result will be two kinds of cake.

A useful scrap hag is made from three yard lengths of percale stitched together on three sides with a curtain stick stitched into the top. A slit eight inches long in each outside piece makes inches long in each outside piece massa an opening large enough to hold the scraps, and the inner piece of goods separates light from dark pieces. Large brass rings or heavy tape is best to hang it by.

Bedroom Decorations.

Decorations and hangings for a bedroom should be of the daintiest material both in color and design.

Printed dimity is quite the prettiest

and most inexpensive to use in furnishing a sleeping apartment. Curtains, bedspread, dresser covers and chair cushions may be made of it, though for the latter chintz in the same design is heavier and more desirable.

sirable.

In the properly appointed modern bedroom as little furniture as possible is used. This insures proper sanitary conditions, for the less there is to collect dust the better.

The floor should be either plain varnished wood with a few rugs on it or a denim carpet tacked close to the wall,

Bicarbonate of Soda For Tingling.

A saturated solution of this is useful when from any cause the skin itches unless eczema is present, in which case water should never be applied.

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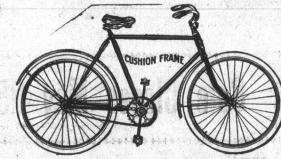
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DISTRICT

Last week Mrs. Peters visited her father, Mr. George, of Dresden, who is very ill.

Wm. Leason sold some fine steers

Will Ackert to steers.

Miss Velma Durance has obtained a situation in London.

Mr. and Mrs. Orvill Grace entertained a number of their friends last

the other day.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo .Bloom were
Chatham visitors last Saturday.

Miss Stella McCutcheon has a new

George Bennett paid a visit to Detroit last week.

Alex. Boyce, of the 13th concession, lost a valuable dog last week.

Miss B. Illman and brother, Allie were Middle Road visitors Sunday.

Warren Jenner and Roy Pardo are visiting in Dover.

Thomas Bennett is slowly recovering.

Thomas Bennett is slowly recovering the state of the house through illness. Mr. and Mrs. Goulett visited at Wm. Gill's last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Scaman visited at Wm. Miller's on Sunday.

A number of young people enjoyed the taffy pull given by Mr. and Mrs. English last week.

Olen Bennett intends to close his restaurant in Merlin.

WHEN YOU ASK FOR

INSIST ON RECEIVING IT.

BEAR LINE.

urday and Sunday of last week.
Wedding bells are ringing.
Our school is re-opened under the
management of Miss McGuire, of - 5 8 James Payne's barn was struck by James Payne's barn was struck by lightning on Monday of last week. Considerable damage was done by it. Quite a number from here attended the anniversary at the Bay on Sunday, when the Rev. A. T. Brown, of Dutton, preached both morning and evening. Monday night was a disappointment to many, on account of the rain.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Payne and Mr. and Mrs. W. Bishop attended the birthday party of Mrs. A. E. Bragg at her home, Chatham Township, on Monday, where a most enjoyable time was spent.

Ir. and Mrs. E. Hind on Sunday. ship, on Monday, where a most en-The wheat is looking much better joyable time was spent.

since the rain. J. Bishop is still buying hogs. Geo. Krieger was in the city Satnot their own weakness. ESTABLISHED 1873 THE STANDARD BANK

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