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Bound in attractive, serviceable covers, and clearly printed on fine paper; books suitable for gifts or for your library; numbers of the most popular writers in these 25c lines. A few of the titles: Last Days of Pompeii, Vanity Fair, Jane Eyre, Edmund Dantes, Shadow of a Crime, The Man in Black, Vicomte de Bragelonne, Home-coming, The Hunchback of Notre Dame, Rollo in London, Rollo in Paris, Rollo in Geneva, Walks from Eden, Idle Thoughts of an Idle Fellow, Thelma, Aunt Diana, By Order of the King, Choice, each 25c
 Also the Pansy and Wedgewood Series, each 25c

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A pretty quaint little basket, containing two fancy bottles (kid-capped and ribbon-trimmed), of perfume: all odors; heliotrope, jockey club, lilac, lily of the valley, etc.; Wednesday, basket and two bottles, complete, for 25c

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25 Nickel Tea Kettles, No. 9, regular \$1.25; Wednesday, each..... 85c
 15 only Nickel Tea Pots, regular 75c; Wednesday, each..... 39c
 2 dozen Nickel Cuspidors, Wednesday, each..... 15c

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Story Cake Tins, round and square in sets, set 25c
 5 dozen Daisy Tea Kettles, Wednesday each 15c
 Sheet Iron Roast Pans, 3 sizes, each, 10c, 15c and 25c
 12 only Savory Roasters, oval, regular \$1.50, Wednesday, each \$1.25

Cold Weather Needs.

Strong Snow Shovels, each 25c
 Children's Snow Shovels, each, 10c and 15c
 Ash Sifters, good ones, each 15c
 Splendid Coal Hods, each 25c
 50 new Japanese Bird Cages, prices up from 75c

See our Christmas showing of Fancy China, Fancy Lamps and Cutlery. The best we ever had.

VISIT OUR BIG TOY DEPARTMENT. **WOODS' FAIR**

POOL OF \$50,000,000.

New York Banks and J. P. Morgan Unite to Aid Money Market.

New York, Dec. 15.—A number of banks of this city, and J. P. Morgan & Co. have formed a pool of \$50,000,000 to lend in the money market, in the event of actual emergency. The pool was organized by George F. Baker, president of the First National Bank. That bank, J. P. Morgan & Co., the National City Bank, the Chase National, the National Bank of Commerce, the Hanover National, the Fourth National, and the Western National, have pledged themselves for \$5,000,000 each. The Corn Exchange Bank agrees to subscribe \$2,500,000 and the Chemical National and the Bank of New York \$1,000,000 each. This measure is really a protective one and it is not apprehended that any of the money will be actually needed. It will be put out, however, should the occasion arise.

Honest Dealings Tell

most effectively in making friends in all vocations. An honest man can always command respect. An honest man can only gain his reputation for integrity by honorable dealings. With articles of commerce the same principle must testify from the genuineness of the component parts that the article may accomplish effectively its purpose. Intended, however, a medicine, then, must a medicine have the stamp of conscientious merit, that it may take and keep the friends of its vocation. Celery King is a remedy of purely vegetable ingredients, which for its resources for Constipation, Stomach and Blood Disorders, Kidney and Liver troubles, has received the sovereign endorsement of the people. We receive scores of testimonials daily. The claim is not made that Celery King is invariably sure; what is advanced is that all its ingredients are of such purity and possess the virtue necessary to make it powerfully efficacious in the most violent and dangerous diseases of the Stomach, Liver, Kidneys and Blood. The testimonials received increase and corroborate our statement.

Murder for Money.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Dec. 15.—Mrs. Robert Garrison, a middle-aged woman, wife of a farmer near Bedford, Barry County, was murdered today by a farm hand. He shot and killed the woman for the supposed purpose of robbery.

Petroleum has been discovered about 40 miles from Tunis.

THE PREMIERS' CONFERENCE

Two Plain Topics to Come Up at Quebec—Premier Ross May Not Go.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 15.—Premier Ross will not be able to attend the conference of provincial premiers opening at Quebec on Thursday. Unless some other provincial minister is sent, Ontario's views will be presented to the conference by a memorandum. There are two main topics to be discussed. The Ontario Government, it is understood, stands by the B. N. A. Act regarding the provincial representation in the Dominion House on the subsidy question, the view here appears to be that the subsidies from the Dominion to the provinces should be based on present populations and not on the population of 1881, as they are at present. The subsidies were fixed at confederation at 80 cents per head of population in 1881, and no change has been made since.

Convalescence

Convalescence is sometimes merely apparent, not real, and especially is this true after such diseases as pneumonia, typhoid fever and the grip. To make it real and rapid, there is no other tonic so highly to be recommended as Hood's Sarsaparilla.

This great medicine cleanses and renews the blood, strengthens all the organs, a function, and restores health. Take Hood's.

Killed by His Son.

Cohoes, N. Y., Dec. 15.—The second death from accidental shooting in this vicinity within four days is that of William Page, aged 36, of Cohoes, shot and almost instantly killed yesterday by his son Frank, aged 21. Another son, Ellisworth Page, had been shooting rabbits, and left the gun standing in the kitchen. Frank put it loaded in the kitchen. Frank put it through the manual of arms. His father came to the doorway and turned just as the gun was discharged, receiving the charge of shot in the back.

Caution Shooting Matches.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 15.—It is notified for the benefit of all concerned that a communication has been received from the High Commissioner for Canada stating that at the annual meeting of the officers of public school cadet corps, held at Eisleigh, England, in July last, it was decided to arrange shooting matches with the cadet corps of public schools in the colonies. Officers commanding corps who wish to compete should notify the adjutant-general, militia headquarters, Ottawa, through the usual channel.

Agricultural machines and implements

are admitted into Turkey free of duty.

A LIVELY FIGHT IN NEW YORK

Between District Attorney Jerome and the "Sports."

MILLIONAIRES' SONS INVOLVED

Members of Banking and Brokers Firms Interested in the Gambling Raids.

New York, Dec. 15.—A lively fight is on between District Attorney Jerome and the men whose houses he and the police raided on Dec. 1 on the ground that gambling was being carried on there. Young men, prominent in social circles, sons of millionaires and themselves members of banking and stock exchange firms are being drawn into the fight, having been summoned to appear before the grand jury tomorrow, when an investigation is to be held into the conduct of Richard Canfield's house. Jesse Lewisohn and A. A. Housman are said to have been served with subpoenas.

Reginald Vanderbilt is not among the number, but it is said that guests at "a birthday party" which wound up in the gambling house one evening last winter have been caught by the subpoena servers.

Jesse Lewisohn is junior member of the firm of Lewisohn Bros., bankers. A. A. Housman is the senior member of the stock exchange brokerage firm of A. A. Housman & Co., with branches in London and Berlin. Attorneys of some of those summoned have advised them not to answer on the ground that the Supreme Court has held that the "immunity" clause in the Inter-State Commerce Act, which is the same as that in the New York code, does not sufficiently cover a man's constitutional rights.

On the other hand, action will be commenced against Police Inspector Brooks, who led the raid on Canfield's, on the ground that he broke in before demanding admission, and Canfield threatens a civil suit against District Attorney Jerome and others for damage alleged to have been done to his house.

Second Deputy Commissioner of Police Piper and Inspector Ladd have been served with subpoenas and in a suit for \$5,054 which Richard Canfield has brought against them and other officials. They are returnable in twenty days. A subpoena also has been issued for District Attorney Jerome, who is at present out of the city. He is named as a joint defendant with Piper and Brooks.

16 FAMILIES IN THE HOUSE

Mother and Two Children Perish in Their Home.

New York, Dec. 15.—Three lives were lost in a tenement house fire in East One Hundred and Twenty-sixth street today. The dead are: Mrs. Mary Bond, 32 years old; Raymond Bond, 7 years; Rose Bond, 3 years old. Edward Bond, the husband and father, 23 years old, was severely burned about the hands and face while trying to save his family, and Helen Bond, 2 years old, was also severely burned about the hands and face.

Letters to the Editor.

THE BARROOM.

To the Editor of The Advertiser: Mr. G. R. Roberts, of the Canadian Baptist, says of the prohibition vote, that a great victory has been gained, and what has been lost has been through the fault of indifferent temperance workers throughout the rural districts. I was one of the organizers in East Middlesex. I found many and greater obstacles than even indifference—the busy season, the impossibility of securing farm help, the cold rains and muddy roads, and nights of Egyptian darkness, meeting after meeting postponed, or sparsely attended, though rain, mud and darkness also a general feeling that the vote was an impossible one, and greatly hindered self-sacrifice. Our own division at Epsom, where there are two hotels, polled the largest vote in East Middlesex—125 for prohibition, 11 against, 1 spoiled ballot and 63 votes unpollled. The vote under adverse conditions gives a clear ring against the tariff legislation. More restriction must follow. The treating custom is one of the mainstays of the bar. No one yet has ventured to suggest an advance movement. I propose to separate the bar from the hotel, and relocate it to the saloon, where drinking can only be sold in business hours, or, in the words given by the liquor vendors, namely, low dives. The bar has given respectability to the hotel. The more certainly detracts from it. Let men who want drink go where only drink is sold, and the lower the dives the less likely will men be tempted to make the dives. The respectability of the bar has gone. Let no legislator for Ontario try to restore it. THOMAS B. SCOTT.

JOTTINGS FROM NEARBY PLACES

MELBOURNE.

Melbourne, Dec. 15.—The event of the season in the social life of Melbourne was the presentation of the four-act drama, "A Noble Curstest," by a company of local amateurs on Friday evening last. The performance was held in the Woodmen Hall, which was well filled. The various characters in the play were well impersonated, the dramatic interest was maintained, and the play was successful in moving the audience to laughter. The cast was as follows: Gerald Weston (known as Jerry) as the tramp, Mr. Ambrose; Col. Matthew Lee (a Southern banker), Mr. W. G. Robinson; James Blackburn (his nephew), Mr. Campbell; Jack Worthington (Blackburn's rival), Mr. R. A. McLeod; Officer, Mr. Bell; Mrs. Lee (wife of the colonel), Miss Evangeline Cooper; France (a disputed possession), Miss Wynne McLeod; Sadie (France's maid, faithful but free), Miss Alma Norsworthy. Music was furnished during the act by the Forest Orchestra, of Canada. The heavy work of the piece fell to Mr. Ambrose, who revealed much dramatic talent. Miss Wynne McLeod was a decided success in her part. Miss Evangeline Cooper acted her part to perfection, and Miss Alma Norsworthy made a splendid maid. Mr.

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The Tillsons are com-in', O-ho, O-ho! The Fads are runnin', They're cold, O-ho!

Ready to cook. Served hot.

Tillson's Oats

Pan-Dried. A Food, not a Fad

ECZEMA, NO CURE, NO PAY.
 Your druggist will refund your money if PAZO OINTMENT fails to cure Ringworm, Tetter, Old Sores, and all skin diseases, 50 cents. If your druggist hasn't it in stock send 50 cents to the Paris Medicine Co., St. Louis, Mo., who also manufacture Laxative Bromo-Quinine the celebrated Cold cure.

J. W. Campbell was a typical villain, and Mr. W. G. Robinson and Mr. R. A. McLeod acted their parts well. The entertainment was given under the auspices of the Melbourne Public Library, and the proceeds amounted to about \$30.

EDUCATION BILL FINALLY PASSED

Received Third Reading in the House of Lords.

MARTINIQUE RIVER DISAPPEARS

Since the Crumbling of Mont Pelée's Cone—Bishop Quigley May Be Promoted.

London, Dec. 15.—The education bill passed its third reading today in the House of Lords.

Paris, Dec. 15.—The French scientific mission to the Island of Martinique has reported to M. Doumergue, minister for the colonies that since the crumbling of the cone of Mont Pelée, the Blanche River has been completely obliterated by lava and that ashes are spreading over the valley of the river to a distance of three miles.

A FRENCH VIEW.

Paris, Dec. 15.—The Venezuelan situation continues to absorb the attention of the public and the press. The Temps today, at the conclusion of a lengthy review of the situation, says: "The time has arrived when the United States should exercise its legitimate moral influence in the western hemisphere by offering mediation, which Venezuela will gladly accept and Germany and Great Britain could not with good grace reject."

MAY SUCCEED BISHOP FEEHAN.

Rome, Dec. 15.—The congregation of the propaganda has decided to propose to the Pope the appointment of Bishop of Pittsburgh, Pa., as co-adjutor Bishop of Pittsburgh.

There was an unusual assemblage of cardinals at the College of the Propaganda to consider the appointments. The Perfect Cardinal Gotti, presided. The only cardinals who are members of the propaganda who were absent were Cardinals Stefano and Stefano and James E. Quigley, of Buffalo, N. Y., as archbishop of Chicago, in succession to the late Archbishop Feehan.

Dense clouds of smoke and showers of red-hot stones are now being thrown up by the Mexican volcano Colima.

AFFECTS LONDON CADETS

They May Enter Shooting Matches by New Bisleigh Plans.

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In some country districts of Ireland it is not unusual to see the owner's name simply chalked on carts and other vehicles in order to comply with legal regulations.

Those Pale Girls

How many pale girls there are! Girls who have the will, but not the power to bring out their vitality. Doctors call it anaemia, which means poor blood. They are thin, delicate and nervous. Their digestion is usually poor, the appetite not all that it should be and they do not even get all the nourishment that is in the food that they do eat. They linger between strength and weakness with no certainty as to what change a day will bring forth.

Scott's Emulsion is for all such girls. The hypophosphites combined with the cod liver oil will tone up the system, give the blood new life, improve the appetite and help digestion. Above all it gives nourishment.

Girls are more liable to anaemia than boys; this is because the blood of women contains fewer red corpuscles, more water and less albumen and salts than the blood of men. Scott's Emulsion seems to be the very thing to discount these differences. It helps all pale, thin girls when nothing else will.

We'll send you a sample free upon request.

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A wealth of seasonable suggestions solves the problem of what to buy for Christmas giving.

Carefully chosen Art Treasures and Dainty Novelties, both artistic and practical, at lowest prices.

Inspect our extensive and elegant assortment tables and you'll be surprised to see the Big Values and Little Prices.

Thousands and thousands of glistening articles twinkle and scintillate in the shelves and show cases, making the scene one of fairy-like enchantment.

It is a study of red, green and blue and glowing brilliancy.

We give a few prices:

A large Cut Glass Bowl for \$ 7 50
 A handsome Cut Glass Water Bottle 6 50
 An artistic Cut Glass Vase 6 00
 A neat Cut Glass Handled Bon Bon 4 00
 A beautiful pair of Cut Glass Salt and Peppers 2 00

A Few Special Reductions in Silverware.

A set composed of 1 Coffee Pot, 1 Tea Pot, 1 Sugar Bowl, 1 Cream Jug, was \$30.00, now reduced to \$23 00
 Another set composed of 1 Tea Pot, 1 Sugar Bowl, 1 Cream Jug, was \$25.00, now 20 00
 A handsome Soup Tureen, was \$18.00, now 14 00
 An artistic Nut Bowl, gold lined, was \$20.00, now 15 00

These are Only a Few of the Christmas Bargains to be had at Our Great Sale.

W. J. REID & CO.,
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Gray Hair Ayer's Hair Vigor does not suddenly turn your gray hair black; but gradually the old color comes back,—all the rich, dark color it used to have. The hair stops falling, too. Better try it. **25c.** All Druggists.