

## FAITHFUL DOG FOILS THIEVES A LINK BETWEEN BEAST AND BIRD

Twice in a Month Frustrated a Burglary—Calls Master at the Right Time.

Cleveland, Dec. 26. — Charles Combs, a butcher, of No. 114 Main street, has a faithful watch dog which has twice frustrated the plans of burglars. Early yesterday morning it awakened Combs for the second time in a month, and the butcher, arming himself, crept out of a rear door and fired three shots at men who were trying to break into the place. One bullet, it is thought, wounded one of the men.

About 1 o'clock in the morning the men cut a hole in a side window of Combs' house and the slight noise, which they made, aroused the dog. It began to growl and ran to the door of the room where Combs was sleeping. The growling and the scratching of the dog's paws on his door awakened the man.

He heard the burglars taking out the glass, and hastily dressing himself, he ran out the rear door of his house and stepped around to the side of the building. One of the men was just about to enter the window when Combs fired. The first shot there was a cry of pain. Combs fired two more shots and the men ran.

They fled up Main street and were lost in the darkness. Combs watched them retreat and thought he saw one of the men assisting another. He patted his dog, selected a large choice bone for the animal and retired. Yesterday he went to the eighth precinct police station and told the police of the affair.

## BOTH BUY COAL IN GREAT BRITAIN

German Ships Loading for the Baltic Fleet—Japs Got 750,000 Tons.

Cardiff, Wales, Dec. 26.—Several German ships now at the docks loading coal are being watched by government agents, and if their papers are not entirely satisfactory they will be seized, charged with violation of their foreign interests act and contraband of war. Lord Landsdowne's proclamation of last week has caused this vigilant action.

During the current year at least 1-250,000 tons of coal have been shipped from Cardiff for Russian use.

In October orders were given for about 400,000 tons to be delivered between October and January, and new orders are now being negotiated for from 200,000 to 400,000 additional tons.

These orders are split among about a dozen Cardiff firms, and the bulk of the coal is supplied by the Hamburg-American line, which has secured from M. Bockel, the well-known Russian coal contractor, orders for coaling the Baltic fleet.

Although a good deal of secrecy is observed it transpires that coal is being shipped in German steamers from Welsh ports to the following significant destinations: Cebu, Port Said, Dairen, Hong Kong, Colombo, Shanghai, Singapore, Hong Kong and Manila. "Obviously the coal is sold to a Japanese company and shipped to neutral ports."

The British authorities to date have been unable to produce any conclusive evidence that the coal is intended for belligerent purposes.

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## GOOD RESULTS OF DAIRY INSTRUCTION

The Quality of Cheese Made in Ontario This Season Is Above the Average.

Ottawa, Dec. 26. — It is gratifying to the Dairywomen's Associations and the department of agriculture to know that the work of instruction carried on for the benefit of dairy farmers, owners of creameries and factories, and makers, has been productive of such marked results. The quality of cheese throughout the season has been above the average, especially during the latter part of the season, and the percentage of rejections from factories receiving instruction has been far smaller than from those not receiving instruction. The balance in favor of the farmer is about 7 to 1. The proportion of inferior samples of milk among those tested by inspectors during the past summer was about 40 degrees less than last year, and the number of samples tested was much larger than ever before. Another indication of the good work being done is that the proprietors of factories and creameries throughout the Province have during the past summer expended at least \$125,000 in improvements, fully \$40,000 more than the preceding year. The expenditure of such a large amount of money in a season of low prices shows that proprietors have faith in the future of the industry, and are willing to do what they can to insure the production of a first-class article.

It is the intention of the department to pursue the system of instruction more vigorously during the coming season, and with the co-operation of the farmers, the factorymen, and inspectors, we may rest assured that the high standard of cheese will not only be maintained, but that another step in advance will be made.

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Winnipeg, Dec. 26.—A specimen of one of the most peculiar birds known to naturalists is on exhibition in the window of the Scott Furniture Company's store. The bird is the apteryx, or gray kiwi-kiwi, of New Zealand, ranking in interest with the duck-billed platypus of Australia, with which it seems to form the connecting link between the bird and animal kingdom. This specimen is probably the first ever brought to Manitoba, having been secured by Ashley Hine, of this city, who did the mounting.

Though of great interest to naturalists the habits of the apteryx are but little known and it is fast becoming extinct. In fact it but the matter of a few years when it will be classed with the dodo and other birds which have vanished before the march of civilization and changed conditions. The bird is small, being about the size of one of the smaller bitterns.

The most marked peculiarity lies in the fact that instead of feathers it is covered with a thick growth of bristly hairs, and the wings are either entirely missing or merely rudimentary, similar to the toes of the horse or bovine race. The bill and head in shape resemble a snipe, though the former is not so fine and pointed. The nostrils are placed at the very tip of the beak and are said to assist the bird in searching for its food in the mud and some of its native marshes. Being of nocturnal habits little is known of its diet and mode of life. It lives in holes in the ground and is extremely difficult to approach.

## QUEEN OF MODERN PROPHETESSES

Mme. de Thebes May Tour This Country—Palmistry the Craze in Paris.

Paris, Dec. 26.—The very latest fashionable craze at Paris is mediocrity magic, astrology, palmistry and the rest, interspersed with a little spiritualism. Palmistry is for the moment the supreme interest, and Mme. de Thebes is the supreme palmist. "Hand reading parties" are the fashion. The guests sit around a table and Mme. de Thebes or one of her colleagues reads each hand in turn.

"The Japanese are going to carry everything before them. The Countess will live to be a hundred. You will have to go to Vichy if you want to get well. You will be the victim of the automobile accident." Such are the current prophecies or recommendations, and after an hour or two of it the guests get up, declaring Mme. de Thebes to be a goddess, and the evening is over, which the goddess invariably charges.

Only small Mme. de Thebes is the one who has attracted the attention for 20 years, but now that the boom in hand reading is on, that sum does not, of course, suffice to awaken the mysterious powers. I am told that Mme. de Thebes thinks of going to America. It will be interesting to see whether American society will send her packing or prove as glib as the Parisians.

The latest sensation in Paris high society is the taking of the "nude" veil by Mme. de Nettlemer. Being both rich and beautiful, it is generally agreed that only a love affair could have prompted this extreme step. The young lady does not, it is true, enter one of the contemplative orders, where she would pass her life in cloistered silence, but will become a nurse in one of the religious hospitals. She will become, in other words, a "Little Sister of the Poor," which means that she will be their servant, that she will wait upon them and will not presume to sit down to their table, but eat after them—if there is anything left. One can but wonder at the examples of humanity and pity. For pity is the inspiration of such self-abnegation. Very rarely do the rich and happy in this world conceive real sympathy for misfortune, save when such sympathy is a means of social notoriety.

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## CHADWICK HOME FILLED WITH FURS

A Hundred Boxes of Hats, Some of Them to Match Fur Garments.

Cleveland, Dec. 26. — Receiver Nathan Loeser, in a letter this morning that an express company had received the trunk from New York City addressed to Emil Hoover, and on which was the name "Chadwick." The trunk was taken to the residence of D. L. Pine, in Glenview, where young Hoover is making his home.

The receiver immediately took steps to obtain possession of the trunk. Late tonight he refused to say what was in it, but it is supposed to be the trunk which was spirited away from Mrs. Chadwick's apartments in the Holland House in New York.

All that Mr. Loeser would say was: "We were looking for considerable property belonging to Mrs. Chadwick. As to the stuff which disappeared in New York, we have traced it and will secure possession of it immediately. The baggage contains a very valuable mink suit and some jewelry. We have also traced other property which had been pledged in New York, and we will have possession of it also in a short time. Mrs. Chadwick has many furs stored about Cleveland, and these are being turned over to us."

"We made a hurried examination of the contents of the Chadwick house today, and there seems to be any amount of furs there. We found a mink suit, a beautiful sable coat, a fox and mink of very great value, a suit of baby lamb, chinchilla and hats of furs. I should say that there were a hundred boxes of hats, many of them bearing the label of Mme. Louise, the New York milliner, who has a claim against Mrs. Chadwick. This indicates in part how the woman spent her money."

Sheriff Parry will be at the dock in New York when the steamer Pretoria lands her passengers, places Dr. Chadwick under arrest. Prosecutor Keeler had intended to accompany the sheriff to look up certain evidence in the case against the doctor, but he said it would be impossible for him to go now.

It was planned that Emil Hoover, Mrs. Chadwick's son, should go to New York with Sheriff Parry to meet Dr. Chadwick on his arrival. Sheriff Parry offered no objection, but when Emil told his mother of his intention she opposed it.

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## MOCK BATTLE TOO REALISTIC

Several Soldiers Injured With Bayonets in Coliseum at Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 26. — There was a bit of realism in the Boer war at the Coliseum last night that was not on the programme.

A Boer and a British officer, both mounted, engaged in battle in the arena, and soldiers of the opposing forces took sides. In a minute a real battle was on. The officers dismounted and fought on foot at the head of rival detachments. A half dozen soldiers were jabbed with bayonets and struck over the heads with guns. The audience applauded, thinking it all a part of the show, but finally the combatants were separated.

After the performance the two officers went to an alley in the rear of the building and resumed the fight. One is said to have been shot in the shoulder. Every effort was made by employees to keep the matter a secret, but it is learned that James Slade and Albert Adams, soldiers with the Boers, were taken to St. Luke's Hospital. They are there still. No arrests have been made.

Two deserters from the Boer war—two shaggy, long-eared mules—were captured in Evanston and taken back to the show.

How the animals escaped from their stables and succeeded in reaching the north shore suburb without being caught is a mystery, but Policeman Fred Ecklund found them wandering around the streets and succeeded, with the aid of a pan of oats, in enticing them into a lively stable.

**GIRL IN TRENCH HOLDS MEN AT BAY**

Leaps into Post Hole on Her Father's Property—Saves Old Homestead.

Orange, N. J., Dec. 26. — By jumping into a pit dug for the insertion of an electric light pole, a frail young woman here held at bay a gang of laborers of the public works department and prevented them from destroying the appearance of the home in which she was born and which her aged father was too feeble to protect.

The young woman brushed past the grimy men who had dug the hole, and jumping into it, cried:

"You'll have to cover me up with dirt before you can plant that horrid iron here!"

The workers stepped back, astonished, and rested on their spades. The foreman tried coaxing. It failed. He tried to "bluff," but the girl—Miss Laura Gerbert—snapped her fingers at him. He painted a picture of the notoriety she would gain by her act, but she was oblivious to any consequences so long as she could save the appearance of the homestead. Her father watched her from a window and approved.

Finally the foreman was reiterating his futile arguments, the girl's brother, Dr. Herman B. Gerbert, arrived and telephoned for legal advice to City Counsel W. H. Gergert, stating that the corporation, without obvious right, was destroying the sidewalk in front of the house and preparing to erect thereon a tower of electric poles. The counsel could not give an impromptu decision on this point, so Dr. Gerbert went out to the brave woman's assistance.

She was still in the trench. The workmen—some of them foreigners and sorely puzzled at the trend of their usually placid work—were ranged around in a semi-circle, the girl in the center, defying them to throw a shovel full of dirt in, or try to erect the lighting pole.

Finally Dr. Gerbert telephoned to Chief of Police Washer, and two policemen were assigned to the trench. They too, were at a loss to solve the problem, but decided that no harm would come to the girl. Something unpleasant might have happened had a workman thrown a shovel full of dirt in the hole, or otherwise endangered the safety of Miss Gerbert.

After the strange siege had lasted half an hour the workmen began to murmur. They didn't want to stand idle, the girl would not be pacified, and the conditions were becoming so flagrant that they decided to take a hand. The foreman finally drew his men off, and while the police guarded the place the girl was replaced by a flagrant flagrant to the intense delight of the whole neighborhood.

Chief Washer would give no opinion concerning the legality of the police ordinances, nor would the counsel deliver an opinion.

However, opinion, law or ordinance, the pluck of the girl was stronger than any of them, and she won in a most pronounced and abrupt manner. Whereat there was rejoicing in the old home.

**LONDON CLUBS' DARK DAYS**

Are Being Killed by Those That Women Have Organized.

London, Dec. 25.—These are dark days for London clubs, and it is an open secret that many of the best-known institutions are in desperate straits. The average clubman has almost given up ordering expensive wines with his meals, which means a loss of heavy profits. Then there

is the increased comradeship between the sexes to consider. A West End man dines at his club only when he has nowhere else to go. His choice is for the restaurant, music and the pleasant companionship of other people's wives and daughters.

It is not too much to say that besides the Athenaeum and about half a dozen of the political and best social clubs, there is scarcely a club in the West End with a "waiting list." The struggle is to get new members.

Then, too, the spread of women's clubs party responsible for the difficulties of the masculine institutions. Talking over the finances of an old-established club the other day, a former member was asked why he had resigned. His explanation was that his wife had insisted on having her own club. That meant ten guineas a year. "And so," concluded the complainant husband, "I dropped one of my own clubs."

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In the first months of the Russia-Japan war we had a striking example of the necessity for preparation and the early advantage of those who, so to speak, have anticipated their needs.

The number of divorces in Prussia in 1902 was 5,278. The percentage was from twice to ten times as high in Berlin as elsewhere.

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The harbor of Spezia, Italy, is to be improved by dredging about the construction of additional wharves, involving an expenditure of over \$1,000,000.

**WILE MORE** prevalent in winter, when sudden changes in the weather try the strongest constitutions, colds and coughs, and ailments of the throat, are any season. At the first sign of derangement use Bickel's Anti-Consumption Syrup. Instant relief will be experienced, and use of the medicine until the cold disappears will protect the lungs from attack. For anyone with throat or chest weakness it cannot be surpassed.

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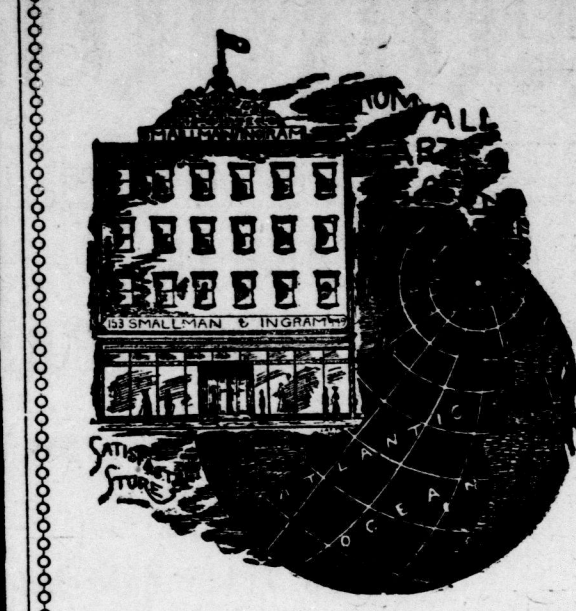
**STEAMERS ARRIVED.**  
Dec. 25.—At New York—Princess Irene, from Genoa; Vaderland, from Antwerp; Oscar II, from Copenhagen.  
At Liverpool—Corinthian, from Copenhagen; Canadian, from Boston; Georgian, from New York.

**A THEORY PROVED.**  
A New Idea Which Means a Great Deal in the Treatment and Cure of Disease.

Dr. Leonhardt, of Lincoln, Neb., the foremost physician of the Western States, has put forward a new theory as to the cause of disease. He says: "There can be no doubt from the evidence at hand that the Stomach is and has always been the first cause of 90 per cent of all the illness of mankind. The failure of the Stomach to digest the food properly results in fermentation and decomposition, and the poisons arising from the food and rotting meat get into the blood and tissue and nerves and breed diseases of every kind."

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He calls it Anti-PHIL. It is sold at 50 cents by all druggists, or the Willson-File Company, Limited, Niagara Falls, Ont. Sole agents for Canada.



THE WEATHER TODAY—Rain or sleet, turning cold.

## After the Great Rush

After the great rush of Christmas Eve we are bound to have many left-overs to dispose of. This announcement had to be written before we were able to determine just how low the prices could be marked, consequently we are unable to give a detailed list of the many Bargains offering. But you can depend upon getting the full worth of your money in every department of the store.

In the rush perhaps many were overlooked who did not overlook you and it now devolves upon you to remember them.

## A NEW YEAR'S GIFT OPENS THE WAY

We will have for today and all next week many remarkable values in goods most suitable for New Year's presents—goods that we will not carry over if we can help it. Do not miss them, even though you should not require them for friends. They will be useful and serviceable for your own use.

All Toys have been marked down to prices that will enable you to secure articles for your children that you fully expected Santa Claus would bring, but which he perhaps misunderstood. Those who yet have Christmas trees and other entertainments to bring on will do well to remember this special opportunity. We desire to clear every Toy in stock this week, as this is a special department that we close as soon as possible after the First of January.

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