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WESTERN ONTARIO.

BRANT.

James K. a farmer living near Scotland, was the victim of a runaway accident in Brantford on Saturday and was dangerously wounded.

ELGIN.

The big drygoods house of James Robertson, St. Thomas, will continue business, the creditors taking 70 cents on the dollar cash or 100 cents at twelve months. The assets are \$81,000; the liabilities \$55,000.

Mrs. P. A. O'Neil, Hiawatha street, St. Thomas, is one of two claimants as next of kin to an estate of \$400,000 or \$500,000 in California. Some 50 years ago her brother, Henry C. Bythe, went to California and amassed a great fortune. On his death it devolved to his only son, Thos. H. Bythe, who died about six years ago without issue. Next of kin have been advertised for, and a gentleman in Colorado, noticing the advertisement, sent a newspaper containing it to Mrs. O'Neil. Her brother, James Bythe, of Chatham, and she are the next to kin, being uncle and aunt of the last owner of the estate. Mr. Bythe is now in California looking after the interests of himself and Mrs. O'Neil, who had not heard from her brother in California for some years before his death.

Benjamin Berry, son of Capt. Berry, Port Stanley, was married the other day to Miss Mary Gameau, daughter of Capt. Gameau, Detroit.

ESSEX.

The will of the late James McKellar, of Windsor, was probated Saturday. The estate is valued at \$150,000, largely in real estate. Most of it is left to Mrs. McKellar, who is named as executrix.

Daniel Teetzel, living on Lowry avenue, Windsor, died very suddenly on Friday of heart disease. His body was taken to Yale, Mich.

The Chatham Presbytery have named Magistrate Bartlett, of Windsor, as a delegate to the General Assembly that meets in St. John, N.B., in June.

LAMBTON.

Wm. Backers, a prominent citizen of Oil Springs, died on Thursday. He was chief of police there for several years.

MIDDLESEX.

An Epworth League of Christian Endeavor has been organized in Bryn Mawr.

The following are the officers elected for the ensuing term: President, John C. Robson; vice-presidents, I. department of Christian Endeavor, A. Grant; 2, department of religious work, Thomas Nicholson; 3, department of literary work, Ida Burns; secretary, Robt. M. Robson; treasurer, Jas. Bayliffe.

The boy Duncan Stuart, of Belmont, charged with indecent assault, has been found guilty by Judge Hughes, and remanded for sentence.

OXFORD.

W. E. Walrond was elected councillor for St. David's ward, Woodstock, over J. D. Tindall, on Friday. The vote was 146 to 80.

The Roman Catholic Church in Woodstock held a big bazaar recently, and prizes were awarded on the lottery plan. It is now said the affair was a violation of the Lottery Act, but it is claimed permission to hold it was granted by Sir John Thompson, as the prizes did not exceed \$50 in value.

Wm. Cooper died at Woodstock on Thursday, aged 94 years. Deceased was born in Cambridgeshire, England, and emigrated to Canada in 1836. He formerly lived in Blenheim township, where he occupied a farm for a number of years. He went to Woodstock in December, 1892, and remained with Mrs. Hayward until the last. He had five sons and three daughters, all married.

There is a case of smallpox at Carrie's Crossing, near Woodstock. The victim is named Hopkins, who just came from Chicago, and it is a very bad case. Precautions have been taken to prevent the disease from spreading.

Judge Finkle gave an important decision at a sitting of the Division Court at Woodstock. It was in an action of McIntosh & Griffiths vs. Coyne & Co., drygoods merchants, of Ingersoll. Defendants made an assignment on Dec. 21 last to Geo. Hayes, of London, but the plaintiffs alleged that they had not assigned the accounts, and a garnishee summons was issued. The assignment of Coyne & Co. to his Honor held to be illegal, consequently creditors are free to issue executions against Mary M. Coyne, who was the company in the firm. The assignment was made by Isaac Coyne, her husband, under a general power of attorney given in 1887; but the court held that this authority did not give Isaac Coyne power to assign, therefore there has practically been no assignment in the eyes of the law. Mr. Ellis, of Ingersoll, was to give the creditors 50 cents on the dollar to save himself from accommodation paper, but Mr. Ellis subsequently failed, and Mr. Coyne has since been running the business in the assignee's name.

Fish on a Big Spree.

TIFFIN, Ohio., March 17.—Considerable excitement was created along the Sandusky River north of this city yesterday by the effect upon the fish in that stream of 425 barrels of spoiled beer, which was turned into the stream from Hubach's brewery. The beer was ruined by the recent natural gas explosion in the brewery, and was turned into the river. The beer seemed to collect just above the dam and had an intoxicating effect upon the fish, which were seen sporting themselves in a lively and hilarious manner. A number of the fish were easily captured.

Telling A. P. A. Secrets.

QUINCY, Ill., March 17.—Wm. Lock, who has held the office of city marshal for the past four years, was defeated at the Democratic primaries Tuesday by Matthew Reagan, a Catholic, and now Lock is waging war against the A. P. A. in which he was a member. He has been talking freely against the order since the primary election, telling the names of many of those who are members, giving away the signs and also the manner in which members are initiated into the order. Although he is a Democrat, he says that the members of the order here are all Republicans. He believes that it was his connection with the order that defeated him Tuesday.

A Senator's Wife Sued.

SAUK CENTRE, Minn., March 17.—Central Minnesota was yesterday treated to the biggest sensation in its history through the filing of a suit for \$20,000 against Mrs. Wilhelmina Keller, wife of Henry Keller, Senator for Stearns county for the past eight years, by Mrs. Mary Kroessen, wife of Louis Kroessen, of this place, the charge being the serious one that Mrs. Keller had alienated the affections of Mr. Kroessen. It is alleged that Mrs. Keller's influence over the recreant husband has been so great for several months that Mrs. Kroessen has been largely without his society and comfort. The Senator was indignant over Mrs. Kroessen's complaint, and said it was evidently drawn to extort money from him. He said he would bring the matter before the grand jury, and that he would have a few people in the penitentiary in the next three months.

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MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC.

Marie Wainwright on Saturday—Crosby Smith To-Night—"My Colleen" on Wednesday.

MARIE WAINWRIGHT. Miss Marie Wainwright, a handsome woman and an accomplished actress, paid London a visit Saturday after an absence of several years. Two performances were given to fair houses, and both displayed Miss Wainwright in diverse roles, which were assumed with equal brilliancy. Tom Taylor's comedy, "An Unequal Match," was presented at the matinee with the full strength of the company. Miss Wainwright enacts the noble-minded girl of humble birth who marries a rich artist and retains her sweet simplicity and natural manners amid the formal and affected surroundings of society to the annoyance of her husband who wishes her to become "the woman of the world." She learns the ways of the world and practices them so rigidly on her husband that he pleads for a return to her former artlessness, and she throws aside the mask to their mutual happiness. Miss Wainwright either as the warm-hearted gushing girl or the satirical self-conscious woman was powerful and true. In Augustin Daly's dramatic version of Wilkie Collins' great romance "Man and Wife," which was the evening attraction, the actress had scope for her remarkable emotional powers. Her apparent store of nervous vitality impressed one with a sense of latent force and gave virility to a role, that of the injured innocent, which might have been uninteresting in the hands of a less gifted person. She has no set mannerisms, which are often a false effort at individuality, but is the embodiment of grace. Her liquid voice and distinct enunciation are delights in themselves. Miss Wainwright is not content to shine by making darkness around her. Her company is a capital one. The work of Nathaniel Hartwig as the villain in "Man and Wife" was superb, and Barton Hill, the leading man, sketched the perfidious and facetious Sir Patrick with skillful strokes. The troupe numbers fourteen, and there is not a weak spot apparent. The staging was adequate, and Miss Wainwright's costumes, set off by a beautiful figure, were pleasant studies for the ladies.

GROSSMITH TO-NIGHT. To-night at the Grand Opera House Londoners will have the opportunity of hearing Mr. George Grossmith, the funniest of all men, the wittiest of the witty—by long odds—the greatest humorist and musical entertainer in the world. It is impossible to describe Mr. Grossmith's performance on paper, he must be seen to be understood at all, and since it has been found that comic without him this will be his last appearance in America for some years at least. Grossmith and a Steinway grand piano—that is all there is—what more could be desired? It is simply wonderful, his drollery, his mimicry, his keen-edged wit and then his songs—who but Grossmith himself could sing them. To hear Grossmith sing a Grossmithian song is alone worth the price of admission. Those who can possibly attend to-night's performance should by all means do so. Prices 25 cents, 50 cents, 75 cents and \$1. There are, it is understood, some very good seats left.

"MY COLLEEN." James A. Hearn's domestic Irish drama, "My Colleen," written for the comedian, vocalist and dancer, Tony Farrell, is one of the successful attractions of the season. It is a well-constructed and natural comedy in which pathetic and comic phases of Irish nature are beautifully blended. "My Colleen" will be put on with all the scenery of the original production and a most capable company, headed by Mr. Farrell and a remarkably precocious child actress, Baby Clare. The Chicago Times says of its recent production in that city: "Another week will be devoted to 'My Colleen.' This Irish comedy has made a far better impression on the general theater-going public than any Irish play that has been produced in Chicago in years." It will be seen here at the Grand Wednesday evening. Seats now on sale.

THE COLUMBIAN MINSTRELS. The A. G. Field Columbian Minstrel's will visit the city soon. The name A. G. Field is synonymous with chaste and pure minstrelsy and the company is complete to the most minute detail. In addition to the large minstrel company are Napier and Marzetta, a trio of European acrobats, dancers and pantomimists, who will appear at every performance. The famous Magnani family of five people, classical musicians, are also with the Field minstrels, which will appear at the Grand Opera House, matinee and night, Friday, March 23.

"PAUL JONES" SELLING DRYGOODS.

The Fair of Bridgeport Fleeting to Buy of the Globe-Trotter.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., March 17.—"Paul Jones," the globe-trotter, is here in a dry-goods store, where he is well paid to sell articles he knows very little about. There is a great rush to take advantage of his innocence. He has been selling false wire fronts, believing them to be contrivances for baking Boston beans. He has fitted corsets w.o.g side up, and invariably turns his face away in spreading out long silkon hose.

He tells his customers that Bridgeport gives him smaller marks than the case of Boston, and they seem to believe him. He has sold a large number of photographs of himself attired in the paper suit with which he started out. Other storekeepers are trying to secure him. From the way money is pouring in he remarks that it does not look like hard times here.

Died in the Church Vestibule.

NEW YORK, March 17.—Mrs. Agnes Rose, of No. 153 East Eighty-fourth street, died suddenly of heart disease in the vestibule of St. Lawrence's Catholic Church yesterday. Mrs. Rose, feeling ill, had left her seat to go out into the open air. She reached the vestibule and dropped to the floor.

Father McKinnon, rector of the church, and Father McConnon, an assistant, hurried to the woman's side, administering the last sacrament of the Church before she expired.

Don'ts.

Do not say "thee speaks bad grammar," but "he speaks poor English." Do not "I am real ill," but "I am really ill." Do not begin all remarks with an exclamation such as "Well!" "Say!" "Oh!" Not a "free pass," but a "pass"; not "new beginners," but "beginners"; not "elevated up," but "elevated."

Not "I am through dinner," but "I have finished dinner."

Not "it is tasty," but "it is tasteful." Not "light complected," but "light complexioned."

Not "he don't come to see me," but "he doesn't come to see me."

Not "who are you going with," but "whom are you going with?"—[Roseleaf.]

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