THE BURNED SIMPSON BUILDING.

consequently their loss is slight.

The Street Railway Co. have sustained a loss of $500, caused by the falling of walls on trolley wires and the burning of the feeders. No damage was done to the track. The cars will be running as usual this morning.

The World was informed at 5 o'clock yesterday that a few hours would see the work of reinstating the wires completed. The company had seven men and a foreman working as soon as it was safe to do so.

Hampered By the Wires.

At an early stage in the fire the Street Railway Co. cut off their current, and so did the Electric Light Co., leaving the conflagration to do the lighting. Up to this time the wires were intact, but once the Simpson building began to fall, the whole of the electric and telegraph wires, the fire alarm wires and the net work which carries the street railway curves at the corner were broken down, and men handy with pliers began to cut them. The mass of wires had a great deal to do with hindering the firemen getting up their ladders in various places, and it does seem as if the day had arrived when all wires ought to go under ground. They are a positive nuisance at all these fires. The reporters met quite a number of men who had got severe shocks from touching live wires.

The Incandescent Light Co. have no loss to record beyond the slight one caused by loss of custom.

The wires and lamps in the buildings are the property of the owners, whose loss may perhaps amount to $200 in the case of Mr. R. Simpson, $150 in the case of Jamieson and about $100 in the cases of Sutcliffe and Eaton.

The Simpson Building.

Architect Burke said to The World: "The erection of the new Simpson building was commenced on June 1 last year, and completed at the beginning of December, the cost with fixings being over $90,000. The building was composed of six stories, and was about 100 feet high. It had a frontage of 70 feet in Yonge-street and 100 feet in Queen-street west. It was constructed of brick and masonry and steel posts and beams, with wooden joints, encased with a fire-resisting plaster, which was also used on the walls and ceilings throughout. The building was filled with stand pipes for fire protection. I could not on any pretence call it a fireproof building. The plaster used in it would have withstood a small fire, but the intense heat from such a huge conflagration as last night's would crack it, and it would be useless. The building was opened on Dec. 5. The old building on Queen and Yonge-streets had a frontage of 57x70 and 48x157 feet respectively.

Notes.

The Imperial Bank will continue business in the branch at Yonge-Queen streets as usual to-day.

Sparks from the big fire caused a blaze in a Church-street dwelling, and an alarm was rung from Box 51 at 1.45 a.m. Damage slight.

At 2 o'clock Sunday morning Mr. Simpson leased the Eaton building opposite The World office and will commence getting in his stock to-day. He will at once rebuild on the old site.

Between 350 and 400 hands are thrown out of employment, of whom 200 were employed by Simpson and about 75 by Jamieson and 75 by Sutcliffe.

Mr. D. R. Wilkie, cashier of the Imperial Bank, and Mr. Rice, manager of the Queen and Yonge-street branch, stopped with the latter from 1 a.m. until after 4 o'clock.

Whilst the steeple was on fire a pigeon was noticed to fly from the tower. It was clearly seen in the great light, and the people cheered as the bird escaped from what had been its place of refuge.

Mr. Edwin P. Pearson, manager of the Northern Insurance Company, furnished The World with the plan of the city from which the plan published in this paper is sketched.

The Chief of Police, the inspectors, including Inspector Stark, and nearly all the constables remained all night at the fire and did good service.

Mr. Philip Jamieson has opened a temporary office at 358 Queen-street east, where all work will be received, and business transacted.

The Eaton Co. are satisfied that but for their private fire service the flames would have reached their building. They consumed ten ton of coal keeping up the pressure in their mains during the night.

Nightwatchman Burrows, another watchman and the police force sent out telephone messages and hacks for the storekeepers and others and the property owners of the burning buildings, and soon these were all at their respective places of business.

Farley, Simpson's watchman or fireman, was maudlin drunk two hours after the fire began. When Mr. Parsons, the manager, left the store at 11 p.m., he was quite sober. After the fire broke out the police took note of his condition. He sobered up as the fire proceeded.

St. Michael's Hospital was for a time in danger of being burned. Flying embers fell upon the roof, causing it to catch fire. A fireman noticed the peril of the building, and the blaze was quenched before it had attained any great headway. The roof was closely watched all night.

One of the humorous incidents of the fire—at least the public seemed to imagine it so—was the case of a Hebrew citizen in Queen-street, who came rushing out of his front door crying with a loud voice, "Get me an express vago, get me an express vagon!" wherewith to remove his own goods and those of his customers who had left goods with him.

The grounds of the Toronto General Hospital were yesterday strewn with cinders as large as hens' eggs, and with bits of cotton, carpet and oilcloth the size of a hand. The roof of the main building was watched during the progress of the big fire, and burning embers that fell on it were speedily extinguished. Two life-saving nets have been added to the fire protection of the Hospital, also considerable extra hose and some more buckets.

Among the spectators was Hon. N. C. Wallace, just returned from the Peel convention. He wore at the fire a plug hat, a fur collar, turned up, and light spring pants, and was quite a picturesque character as he went about "testing" the firemen and the members of the police force, most of whom seemed to be able to make the necessary fraternal response. Assistant Chief Joe Davis was especially alert in recognizing the G.M.

Ald. McMurrich investigated reports that a fireman had been seen drunk on the street. He ascertained that the drunken man, who was observed by a great many people coming out of church, was named Keaho, and that he had purloined the fireman's hat and coat which he had on. Some of the firemen who heard reports that one of their number was walking around the streets intoxicated followed him, and, overtaking him, took possession of the coat and hat. But for the intervention of Deputy Chief Thompson the man would have received severe treatment from the enraged firemen.

In the course of the fire one of The World young men ran across Ald. George McMurrich, chairman of the Fire and Light Committee, standing in Queen-street watching the Simpson structure burn and taking a sidelong glance at the steeple of old Knox Church as it went up in flames. Knox Church was the church in which Mr. McMurrich was raised and among the founders of which his father was enrolled. Probably Mr. McMurrich also recalled the burning of the former Knox Church, 43 years ago. Just what Mr. McMurrich's thoughts were on this occasion The World does not attempt to say, but certainly he must have thought a great deal over the failure of the city in its organized capacity as a corporation to take to heart the lesson of the conflagrations in the second week of January.

Mr. John K. Niven, stock broker, is a member of Knox Church, and was early on the scene of the fire. While standing on the platform of the church waiting for the sexton to arrive and open the door a large portion of the west wall of the old Simpson building came down with a crash, and some of the debris sstruck Mr. Niven and knocked him senseless to the ground. After lying a few seconds he was picked up, recovered himself and did what he could to protect the church. He was suffering all yesterday from the effects of the shock, and he certainly presents quite a battered appearance.

In the early stage of the fire the drug store of Mr. Love in Yonge-street was opened, and some of the contents removed. Sergt. Seymour of the police force had charge of this portion of Yonge-street, and he put a special man on Wanless' store, next door. This store was full of all kinds of jewelry and silver-plated ware, the most valuable of the former, however, being in the safe. Several excited citizens wished Sergt. Seymour to open the door and let them carry out the silver-plated ware, clocks, etc., but the sergeant, with good judgment, decided otherwise, and the goods are still there in the cases, as left on Saturday night.

No Sunday Paper in Toronto.

Editor World: Another big fire in Toronto. I, like half the population of the city, started for the scene this morning. On the way it was suggested that if we in Toronto had any enterprise there would be a paper published this morning, giving full particulars of the fire. But, said my friend, The World was fined for issuing and selling a Sunday edition a few weeks ago—the morning after The Globe fire. To show you how far behind the times we are I enclose you a copy of to-day's Buffalo Express, received in Toronto at an early hour to-day, giving, as you will see, a column article with full particulars of our fire up to 4 a.m. How long is this sort of thing to continue? Surely if a foreign Sunday paper can be secured in Toronto Sunday morning, why not our own? B. T.

Sunday noon.

Another Fire in the East End.

Early yesterday morning, while the men from Bolton-avenue firehall were busy in the city at the big blaze in Yonge-street, an alarm reached the hall from Box 263 that their services were required in Broadview-avenue. The Kew Beach volunteer brigade, who were keeping watch while their comrades of the city were on duty elsewhere, proceeded to the spot at once. Under the directions of Foreman Sergeant they got to work immediately, and succeeded in extinguishing the flames, which proceeded from an empty cottage just north of Smith-street, built some sixty years since, formerly, if not now, a portion of the Smith estate. The damage amounts to nearly $250. The building was uninsured.

$7000 BLAZE AT MARKHAM.

VanZant's Hardware Store and Coakwell's Harness Shop Gutted.

Markham, Ont., March 3.—At 2.10 Sunday morning fire broke out in the hardware store of VanZant & Co., and had got such headway before discovered that J. Coakwell's harness shop adjoining was also completely destroyed. The explosions of powder were so great that several windows across the street were shattered. Three firemen had a very narrow escape from the flying powder cans. VanZant & Co.'s loss will total about $7000; insurance, $3500. Coakwell's loss on building, $350; insurance, $200. Loss on stock fully covered by insurance.

BY PISTOL AND POISON.

Wellington Parliament, a Consecon Farmer, Commits Suicide.

Consecon, Ont., March 3.—Sunday Wellington Parliament, a respectable farmer, committed suicide by shooting. He arose at 6 o'clock, stating he was going to do the chores. Not returning, search was made and he was found in the machine shed with a bullet wound in his right temple, a revolver and an empty bottle, labelled "laudanum," lying by his side. No inquest will be held.

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TRIPLE TRAGEDY AT VALLEYFIELD

One Man Escapes by Locking Himself in the Vault.

The Paymaster of the Cotton Mills and His Two Clerks Were Making Up the Payrolls When a Discharged Employe Entered and With the Office Revolver Shot Down Two of Them—The Watchman Coming to the Rescue Was the Third Victim.

Valleyfield, Q., March 2.—The bustling little manufacturing town of Valleyfield was last night the scene of a terrible murder, by which the lives of John Loy, a clerk in the employ of the Montreal Cotton Company, and Maxime Leboeuf, the night watchman, were sacrificed at the hand of a discharged employe named V. C. K. Shortis, while Hugh Wilson, another clerk, was wounded and may not recover. The murderer is now in Beauharnois jail, and an inquest is in progress on the bodies of the deceased.

Shortis, who was lately secretary to Mr. Simpson, the manager of the mill, had been discharged for his drinking and irregular habits, and either robbery or revenge prompted his terrible deed. The details of the crime are most sensational,

Picked Up the Paymaster's Revolver

Mr. Lowe, paymaster of the mill, and two clerks had just about finished making up the pay rolls about 11 o'clock. Although Shortis had made threats of violence against Mr. Simpson and others, no steps had been taken to exclude him from the mill premises, and Shortis entered and loitered around the office, while Mr. Lowe was at work. He nonchalantly reached over the counter, picked up Mr. Lowe's loaded revolver, which was lying on his desk, and shot the clerk Wilson, the bullet taking effect in the side.

Shot Through the Heart.

Mr. Loy, a clerk, thinking it was an accident, made for the telephone to call a doctor, but Shortis took deliberate aim and shot Loy through the heart, death being instantaneous.

Mr. Lowe had been attending to Wilson, and a shot aimed at him struck Wilson in the forehead.

Took the $25,000 Into the Vault.

Lowe, seeing how matters were, grabbed the pay boxes, which contained $25,000, and ran into the vault with them, pulling the massive door after him. Shortis then went to the door and said to Lowe to come out, as he did not wish to injure him. Lowe replied that he was locked in and could not get out, though that was not the case, the door being simply shut.

Shortis said, "Give me the combination, Jack, I will let you out."

Mr. Lowe replied, "Just give the knob a sharp turn and it will open."

The murderer did so, and, of course, locked the safe, which was what Mr. Lowe wished.

The Watchman His Next Victim.

Leboeuf, the night watchman, entered at this juncture and was shot dead. Wilson, by a superhuman effort, managed to crawl about 200 yards and touched the electric fire alarm button. Shortis made renewed efforts to enter the vault in which Mr. Lowe was, but in the meantime the firemen entered and overcame the murderer, after a terrible struggle.

The Inquest.

The inquest on the bodies of the victims, Loy and Leboeuf, was held on Saturday and resulted in a verdict in each case that the deceased came to his death at the hands of the prisoner Shortis. The funeral of the victims will take place Monday and will be attended by all the directors of the Cotton Company. At the inquest, at the prompting of reporters, Shortis demanded counsel, but consented to wait for the preliminary trial, which opens Monday, and H. C. St. Pierre, Q.C., has gone out to defend Shortis.

The Prisoner Interviewed.

Shortis was a cigaret and dime novel fiend and had several firearms in his room. Your correspondent had an interview with him at the inquest He was asked if he had any friends in Canada?

"No; I have not," he said.

"How long have you been in Canada?"

"I came over here about two years ago; came over to make my fortune. Nice, kind fortune, is it not? I was born in Waterford, Ireland, and educated in a college there. Am going on 20. In the Cotton Company's employ I was learning the business, and was first with the Globe Cotton Company, and then came here. I got no money for what I did."

"Do you care to speak of last night's occurrences?"

"No, I do not. I do not know what to think. I seem to be just recovering from a nightmare. I have telegraphed for a lawyer, and until he comes I cannot do anything."

The accused seems to take the affair very coolly, and as far as external appearance is concerned does not feel at all the horrible crime of which he stands accused.

Mr. Lowe, who rushed to the vault with Arthur Leboeuf, tells a most graphic story of the shooting. At the vault door Shortis burned paper to try and frighten them out, and remained for some time standing at the door, ready to shoot them if they emerged. I visited the scene with Mr. D. MacMaster, Q.C., who represents the Crown, and Mr. Lowe went over the whole scene for us. By actual test, it was ascertained that he could, as he says, hear in the vault all that transpired.

Wilson may recover.

Bequests to St. Basil's.

The will of John Zeagman of North Toronto has been entered for probate. Deceased left an estate valued at $6175. One hundred dollars is left to the superior priest of St. Basil's for masses. After certain bequests the residue is to be paid to St. Basil's.

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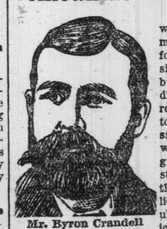

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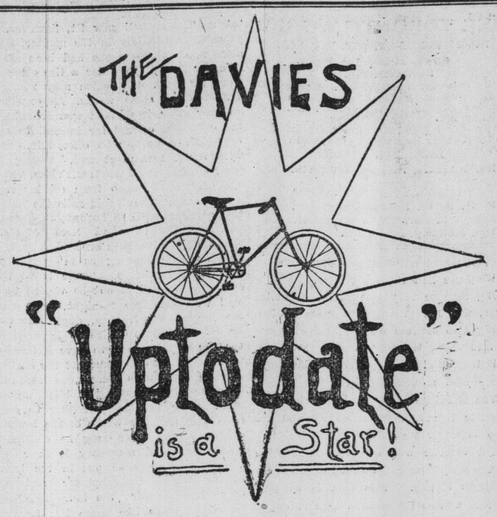

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ANOTHER STRANGE CASE

A WOMAN MYSTERIOUSLY BURNED TO DEATH.

Heavy Insurance on Her Life—Her Husband States That the Furnace Was Too Near the Woodwork and That He Appealed to the Landlord to Have It Changed, Without Effect.

Fire broke out in the house of A. Dick, upholsterer and manufacturer, 226 St. Helen's-avenue, shortly after one o'clock yesterday morning. The fire spread rapidly, and in a short time the building was enveloped in flames.

The occupants of the house at the time were Mr. Dick, his wife and four children. Mrs. Dick was burned to death.

The Dick premises, which rent at $3 per month, were located in a lonely spot at St. Helen's-avenue and Dora-street. When the firemen arrived Dick and his children were outside the house. According to his story the fire originated in the basement and was caused by the furnace, which was set too near the woodwork and evidently took fire on account of being overheated. "We were awakened shortly after 1 o'clock," said Dick, "by the cries of the baby. The house was filled with smoke and I awoke my wife and the three children in the next room and made for the rear of the house, where there appeared to be the least fire. I went first with the children, my wife following me, carrying the lamp. She turned down the stairs and I threw a mattress out of the window and dropped the children to the ground, a distance of about 15 feet, and none of them were hurt. I became alarmed when my wife did not appear below, and not receiving any reply to my repeated calls, crawled on my hands and knees to the stairway, down which she had gone, but could not get down, and escaped from the building by jumping."

After the fire had been subdued the fireman discovered the body of Mrs. Dick lying in the storeroom on the ground floor.

There was not much furniture in the house, owing to the family having rented premises at 1164 College-street, and most of their effects were taken there on Friday, and the family intended taking possession on Saturday. The remains of the dead woman were removed to the Morgue, where an inquest will be held by Coroner Johnson on Monday afternoon.

When the inquest opens some startling developments may transpire. Mrs. Dick's life was insured in the Covenant Mutual Insurance Company for $5000, the policy having been taken out within a year.

Dicks claims that the furnace was too near the woodwork, and that he had repeatedly asked the landlord to remove it, but he declined to do so.

About a year ago Dicks and his wife applied to the Covenant Mutual Insurance Company of Galesburg, Ill., for policies of $5000 each on their lives. Both man and wife seemed entirely in accord and the policies were made in trust for the benefit of the children in each case. After inquiry the agents of the company reported the risks good, Dr. Little examined the applicants on Jan. 19, 1894, and the policies were granted. At the same time the first six months' premiums were paid upon both policies, and in due course the second premium, which would fall due about the middle of 1894, so that the third instalment will be about due at the present time.

On Jan. 22, 1895, Dicks took out an additional policy for $1000 on his own life and paid six months' premium.

When Dicks and his wife applied to the company Dicks seemed to think some explanation necessary for seeking the policies canvassed, and said that he had read some literature of the company, and was pleased with it. He also said that application had been made to another company, which was considering the matter.

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There was something for everybody in The Toronto Sunday World.

Local Jottings.

At the meeting of the Canadian Temperance League in the Pavilion yesterday afternoon a deputation was appointed to appear before the City Council in support of the nine-o'clock bylaw. Mr. John Whyte sang a song entitled "Toronto the Good," referring to the same subject.

The semi-annual election of officers of St. Louis Sanctuary resulted: Rev. F. Ryan, S.J., Director; Rev. F. Tracey, D.D., Honorary President; H. J. Winterberry, President; J. J. Lynch, 1st Vice-President; W. Curtin, 2nd Vice-President; J. L. Bigley, Treasurer; W. Wheeler, Secretary; F. Flannagan, Librarian; R. McManus, J. O'Leary, J. McCandlish, Custodians, were the successful candidates. The Committee of Management is as follows: H. Winterberry, J. Lynch, W. Curtin, J. Bigley, W. Wheeler, J. Harnett, J. Organ.

A sketch of the Career of Cape Colony Rhodes appears in The Toronto Sunday World.

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COMMERCE THE CHAMPIONS.

They Win From the Imperial Bank Team By 16 Goals to 5.

With little ceremony the Bank of Commerce team administered an overwhelming defeat to the Imperial Saturday afternoon in the final game for the league championship. From the start to the finish the Imperials were on the defensive, and at no period were they able to check the rushes of the fleet-footed forwards of the Commerce team, who were always on the puck, and displayed as fine a combined game as has been exhibited in Toronto this year. In the first half the ultimate winners tallied 8 goals, chiefly through the exertion of Macdonald, while the Imperials succeeded in eluding the Commerce defence twice. The last half was a repetition of the first, and consisted of a series of rushes by the Commerce, from which 8 goals resulted. Imperials increased their score by three, and the match ended in a victory for Commerce by 16 goals to 5.

The teams were:

Commerce—McMaster, goal; Hilburn, point; Nourse, cover point; Stevenson, Gordon, Hedley, Macdonald, forwards.

Imperial—Love, goal; Patterson, point; Darrell, cover point; Langtry, Creelman, Kavanagh, Whitely, forwards.

Referee—W. A. K. Kerr.

Ottawa Beaten by the Vics.

Ottawa, March 2.—The Victoria hockey team of Montreal defeated the Ottawas here in Rideau Rink to-night in the senior championship series by 3 to 2. The Victorias were the fastest skaters, and their combination play was more perfect than that of their opponents. The first half ended with the score 1 to 1. Victoria scored the first game in five minutes, and Ottawa the next in 19 minutes. Three minutes after the beginning of the second half Ottawa scored again. The next game was taken by Victoria in 14 minuets, and the same team won the next in five minutes before time was called, thus winning the match. The teams were:

Ottawa (2): Goal, Chittick; point, Pulford; cover, Young; forwards, Kirby, Westwick, Smith, Russell.

Victorias (3): Goal, Jones; point, Henderson; cover, Grant; forwards, Davidson, McDougall, Rankin, Drinkwater.

J. Findlay, Montreal, referee.

Warriner's Team Defeats Whitby C.I.

The Warriner College of Commerce hockey team went to Whitby Saturday and succeeded in giving the Collegiate Institute seven its first defeat. From the start to finish the play was rough and furious and very little science was shown by either team. In the first half the collegians scored one after 20 minutes' hard play. The score remained unchanged until the end of the first half, Miller making some very clever goal stops. When the ice had been scraped, the second half commenced. The Commerce boys were evidently the fresher team, as they kept their opponents' defence very busy. Morrison, after some clever dodging, scored the first goal for Warriner, and about six minutes later Miller made a beautiful long shot, which won the Toronto boys the game. Neither team again scored. The Pickering College students drove to Whitby to cheer for the College of Commerce. Teams:

College of Commerce: Goal, Miller; point, Christie; cover, Robertson; forwards, Miller, Morrison, Ewing, Fensom.

Whitby Collegiate: Goal, Cochrane; point, Campbell; cover, Barnes; forwards, Burnell, Muir, Stewart, Campbell.

Referee—Mr. Warriner.

In the Boys' Hockey League.

In the matches of the hockey league of Church Boys' Brigade played on Saturday St. Cyprus' team defeated St. Simon's and St. John's, Norway, defeated All Saints'.

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Valentine Whipped the Welshman.

London, March 2.—At the Central Hall, Holborn, tonight Arthur Valentine, the English pugilist, was given the decision in his fight with Jem Perry of Cardiff, the latter being disqualified for hugging his opponent in the fifth round. This is Valentine's last fight before his meeting with Lavigne.

No More Winter Racing in Indiana.

Indianapolis, March 2.—The House today passed the bill to prohibit winter racing without a dissenting vote. The period of prohibition in the state is from November to April, and will cut off Roby. It is Governor Matthews' chief measure, intended to prevent further trouble at Roby. It has been passed by the Senate.

Winners on Four Tracks.

Alexander Island—Despair 8 to 5, Canadian 30 to 1, West Side 4 to 5, Forest 1 to 3.

New Orleans—Fabia 5 to 1, Hotspur 2 to 1, Lay On 9 to 2, HiHenry 5 to 2, Tippecanoe even.

East St. Louis—Eli, Republic, Little Eli, Storekeeper, Schuylkill.

Madison—Cerebus, Montana Belle, Tom Karl, John Berkley, Tom Kouch.

The Elms to Reorganize.

The Elm Lacrosse Club will hold their annual meeting on Wednesday next in the Rossin House parlors. At this meeting business of great importance will be discussed. All interested and those wishing to join will be made welcome. This team has greatly developed since their organization, and this year intend to place a team in the C.L.A. This will be the main topic of discussion. The chair will be taken at 8 o'clock.

At Oakland, Cal., on Saturday the wind was too strong for speed. Azotee won the trotting race in three straight heats. Time 2.08 1-2, 2.10 1-4 and 2.10. Flying Jib won the race with Edwards, the bicyclist. Time 2.06.

Representatives from the Yale and Harvard athletic associations met in Springfield Saturday afternoon and decided to hold an inter-collegiate meet at Cambridge May 18.

At the Big Fire.

About 1 o'clock on Sunday morning Mr. J. N. McKendry, proprietor of the big dry goods store near the scene of the fire, was on hand with a staff of clerks. They had the books and a quantity of valuable silks, velvets and other merchandise, put in convenient shape, and at the print entrance ready to place on wagons, which were in waiting at the Albert-street corner. Such steps, however, were unnecessary, although it looked at one time as if the block was doomed. Mr. McKendry had steaming mugs of hot coffee all night for fellow-merchants and others who were engaged around the scene of the disaster, which was much appreciated. The firm will open to-day (bargain day) as usual, when no doubt the crowds of sightseers will pay a visit to their store.

Beethoven Trio Musicale.

The second of the series of musicales announced by the Beethoven Trio will be given in St. George's Hall to-morrow evening. A program of exceptionally attractive chamber music has been provided, and includes a sonata for cello and piano (Rubinstein), by Messrs. Field and Ruth. Signor Pierre Delasco will contribute two vocal selections, including Mrs. Blackstock's charming song, "My Queen." Tickets at Nordheimers' or Gourlay, Winter & Leeming's.