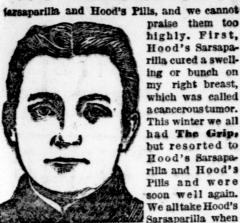
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IN SPORTING CIRCLES.

Capron, of Galt, First in the Billiard Tournament in Montreal.

THE MONTREAL TOURNEY. MONTRAL, Dec. 22-The big billiard tournament, which has been in progress here for two weeks, ended tonight, and James W. Capron, of Galt, champion of Canada, came out victorious, winning first money; Spurk Watson, of St. Albans, is second; Geo. Sutton, of Toronto, third; Max Thomas, of Montreal, fourth; and Jakes, of Cobourg, fifth.

George Sutton, of Toronto, ex-champion billiard player of Canada, being dissatisfied with his defeat by Capron in the tournament just closed has challenged the Galt man to another game. THE WHEEL.

SPOKES. The London Bicycle Club's members are requested to wear their uniforms for club run Christmas morning. The start will be made at 10:30 sharp and Capt. McCormick expects to greet a large number of the boys in line, as this will positively be the last club run of 1894.

CRAZED BY DRINK.

The Terrible Deed of a Railway Laborer.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 23 .- A Canadian Pacific Railway laborer named George Frederick Ashwood while crazed with drink yesterday morning shot his wife and two children while they were asleep in bed. The wife and one child are dead and the other child cannot live.

Ashwood's two young sons escaped and called on neighbors for help. Ashwood then ran out of the house and attempted to commit snicide by shooting himself, but only succeeded in inflicting scalp wounds. He then threw himself in front of a tram car, but it was stopped in time to save him from being crushed to death.

POPULAR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

Flowers and plants are becoming more popular for Christmas presents every year. They are always welcome, with their cheery bloom and dainty fragrance, bringing with them into the chill of winter memories of the pleasant days of summer. An AD-VERTISER reporter spent a short time in Gammage's during the rush of business on Saturday, and received ocular proof of the growing popularity of flowers and plants as presents. The pretty little violet, probably, has the lead in public estimation, but the rose and sweet-scented carnation follow close as general favorites. The first in many years), and the lily has arrived to stay until after Easter. Mr. Gammage has a distinct novelty in celluloid ferneries in blue, pink and white, with gold decora-tions. An abundant supply of holly is also on hand for holiday decorations. Telephone 90.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

-Extra street car service was put on Dundas street Saturday. Traffic was heavy.

-St. Andrew's Society wishes to return thanks to the promotors of the charity concert for St. Andrew's share of the proceeds. It netted the society \$15.

-Dr. Ross, of the London Asylum staff' leaves today for Brockville, where he will occupy the position of assistant superintendent of the new asylum. The removal of Dr. Ross will be regretted by many Londoners and the entire staff of the asylum, among whom the doctor was a great favorite. Dr. Ross will be succeeded here by Dr. Frank Beemer, of Hamilton.

-Gertrude Sifton, a little girl 10 years of age, while riding to school at Byron on horseback Friday morning, was badly injured. It seems that a young man named Evans was directly behind her with a team and heavy wagon. The little girl by some means fell off her horse to the hard gravel road, and before Evans could slacken his horses both wheels of his wagon had run over her body, passing over the region of the chest. The extent of her injuries are not yet known, but it is thought she will

-Assistant General Passenger Agent Beil, of the Grand Trunk Railway, passed through the city yesterday on his way east from Chicago, where he has been for the past ten days attending a meeting held with the western lines concerning emigrant business, Mr. Bell states that with reference to Pacific coast rates, which recently have been discussed, nothing definite has as yet been decided on. The western lines and Canadian Pacific failed to agree on several matters, and that the former were not by any means prepared to concede without further consideration, including westbound emigrant traffic.

-The Order of the Good Shepherd of St. John's Church gave a very pleasant entertainment in the school house on Thursday evening in aid of the poor of the parish. Miss O'Keefe, of Strathroy, gave a brilliant execution of several difficult numbers. Her "Laughing Song" convulsed the audience with laughter. Miss Evans and Miss McMillen were also in excellent voice and sang with pleasing effect. Mr. Cox and Mr. Macklin in their readings were very funny, as was also Miss Pitcher's recitation. Nothing need be said about Mr. Forsythe and Mr. Stockwell, who are always well received. The instrumental numbers by Misses Walsh and Hobbins were well rendered.

-The Conservatory of Music and School of Elocution, gave the following programme at its weekly rehearsal Saturday:

Overture-Figures Hochzeit (two pianes)

Cradle song. Miss Nellie Butler.

Miss Steele.

Overture—Coriolan (two pianos)...Beethoven
Misses Proudfoot, Steele; Messrs,
Lawrason, Barron.

Invitation a la Dance......Weber-Tausig
Mr. Barron.

An Old Resident Dead.

Mr. George Potter, of No. 8 Bathurst street, died at his residence on Saturday at the advanced age of 86 years. Mr. Potter was a native of Devonshire, England, and 40 years ago he came to London. He has been a continuous resident ever since, part of the time being engaged azalea has made its appearance (the earliest in the furniture business on the south side of Dundas street, near Wellington. Mr. Potter had lived a retired life for about twenty years. He leaves a widow and three children-Mrs. William Jury, 689 Colborne street; Mrs. William Quick, of Strathroy, and Charles Potter, 274 Thames street, city. Deceased was a member of Queen's Avenue Methodist Church for many years.

Work for the Firemen.

A faulty grate in an upstair room in the house of George Stuart, 28 Picton street, nearly caused a serious fire yesterday morning. By some means part of the fire in the grate dropped through the floor and set fire to the ratters between the floor and the ceiling. It was in a hard spot to reach, and the damage to the ceiling and floor made in getting at the fire was greater than the loss by the fire itself. The companies were early on hand and put out the flames before they could spread. The place is owned by a man named Marshall, living near Goderich. The damage amounts

to \$25 and is covered by insurance. The steam in the boiler at Simon's cigar factory, situated on Queen's avenue, behind the postoffice, was allowed to blow off into the sewer at closing-up time on Saturday evening. The steam ascended the conductor pipe, and appearing at the roof caused passers by to conclude that the building was on fire. The brigade was called out, but of course was not needed.

Serious Runaway Accident. A runaway accident, which may result in the death of a little boy, 2 years of age, occurred yesterday afternoon. Shortly after l o'clock a young man, whose name could not be learned, hired a horee at Ardell's livery. He drove to the house of a friend on Piccadilly street, and instead of tying the horse, got a small boy to hold the lines. The animal was rather spirited, and becoming frightened, it broke away from the youth. Down to Richmond it went at a lively gate, and then turned south. As it reached Albert street Wm. Clark. who resides at the corner of Waterloo and Grosvenor streets, was crossing the road together with his wife and 2-year-old son, William Edgar. The little fellow was toddling a few feet in advance when Mr. Clark, seeing that he was in danger, reached out to draw him back. It was too late, however. Willie was struck by the horse and was thrown clear across the road. Mr. and Mrs. Clark were both knocked down. Their injuries, however, of us stand up and say 'For these undeconsisted of only a few slight bruises, and they were soon to the rescue of their son. | thankful.' Now I want to appeal to those Willie was picked up and Dr. Jento summoned. It was found that the child was -I don't mean those who are rich suffering from severe internal injuries, besides a long cut on the head which required the insertion of sixteen stitches. Very little hope is held out for the child's | who desires to do right and to stand by the

A Few Snaps.

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or candidate. I simply plead for purityfor righteousness-because I believe God's word that "righteousness exalteth nation, but sin is a reproach to any people." The preacher concluded this part of his discourse with an exhortation to his hearers to show their faith by their works. "It were better not to vote at all, he said, "than for one whose life (not his promises) is not the pledge of righteous administration."

COLBORNE STREET METHODIST.

Rev. Mr. Rigsby based his remarks on Acts vi., 3, 5-"Wherefore brethren look out from among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and of faith, whom we may appoint on this business. And the saying pleased the whole multi-

Mr. Rigsby said that if good reputation, wisdom, discretion and tact were qualities needed in the narrow circle of the church, they were equally requisite in the management of the general business of the community. "London may not be as bad as New York, or Toronto, or Montreal, but the wise adage may be applied, 'Prevention is better than cure.' I consider that man a dastard who attacks another character without cause; and I have no disposition to be personal in my remarks, but am safe in saying that many of the citizens of London are not satisthat the business of this city is being wisely managed, nor am I convinced that the murmuring is unfounded. I am quite well aware that everything man touches partakes of his fallibility and that human weakness shows itself both publicly and privately. I have no sympathy with a union externally of church and state, but I have the strongest faith that Jesus Christ is to reign in this world both in human hearts and lives and in human governments. If he is to "break in pieces the oppressor" and "judge the poor and needy" in righteousness, he is to do it through my agency and yours, as a spring can rise no higher than its source. To have righteousness in public affairs we must have rightcourness in the individual. Citizens should see that those for whom they vote represent them properly and that they enjoy deservedly the reputation of being not only honest, but capable men. A man whose principal qualification for office is the ability to make promises, or to "set them up for the boys," does not deserve the votes of thoughtful Christian men or women. Further, what kind of an object lesson do parents present to their children when they permit men of no moral character to manage school affairs, or aid them to become aldermen in their ward? In too many cases the barroom and the corner grocery have manipulated municipal affairs. Let the churches assert their right to be heard. We may not do as was done in old and new Englandmake church attendance a qualification for

citizenship or official position: but we can demand that any man, who wants our votes must have a good reputation. I am well aware that sometimes an honest public servant may be placed under a cloud, as ex-Mayor Fleming has been in Toronto, partly through misapprehension and partly through the opposition of designing men, but he has proved, as others have done and ever will, that "if a man's way please the Lord he will make even his enemies be at peace with him," and, more than that, if he be honest and true, God "will bring forth his righteousness as the light and his judgment as the noonday." I think it only just that so

far as faithful men serve our city in the mayor's chair or in the position of aldermen they should receive a generous meed of praise. Most persons in public positions receive "more kicks than half-pence," and while we blame officialdom, remember who are their makers, and that we share their responsibity. No man, or woman either, should shirk the responsibility of voting, but it is not necessary in this matter that our right hand should know what our left hand doeth. We should claim the privilege

of keeping our own counsel save as duty points us to public activity for any man or measure. "I speak unto wise men; judge ye what I say." QUEEN'S AVENUE METHODIST.

"It is not my purpose," said Rev. J. W. Annis, of Queen's Avenue Methodist Church, in the course of a sermon on municipal politics Sunday night, "to look to the past; neither to commend or to condemn any of the municipal affairs in this city, for this year, or other years. You know them better than I do; you know where praise cught to be given, where blame ought to rest. But I will ask you this, you good men, when have you ever gone to the council or to anyone connected with it when they have done conspicuously the right thing and said: 'Now, I am glad you did that; I stand with you'? When have you ever gone to them in the midst of trial and doubt, and said, 'Now stand for the right and we will stand with you'? But as I say, I do not desire to say anything about the council at all. Their record is before you. You know it better than I do. It is not the past, it is the future which I want to touch on. You look out broadly on the cities of the world. Does Jesus Christ govern the cities? To ask the

question is to answer it." After referring to the municipal corruption in New York the preacher continued to say: "And that was because good men stood aloof and let the slums run the city. I have not a good word to say of the thieves and rogues who are the officials of that city, but I say it served New York right, and in Toronto if there have been thieves and villains in their city council it has served Toronto right. And I say if we have no scandals in London then may all served mercies, oh Lord, make us truly of you who represent the better class nor those who are in society, nor in the social world, nor those who are technically members of the church-but to every man truth, who is honest and upright and pure. You look on, too many of you, and stand

loof from municipal politics.' Solid oak rockers, 90 cents; solid oak or The preacher urged good men to lay walnut tables, \$1; card tables, \$1 50; plat- aside all excuses and take an interest in municipal affairs. He decried the intro-Florentine, \$3 50, cannot be got elsewhere duction of politics into civic government unless it was understood and above board. Then he thought the city was over-governed, but said the solution was for a statesman, not a preacher. Mr. H. R. McDonald sang two baritone solos in an excellent voice.

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SURPRISED HIS CONGREGATION,

Rev. M. P. Talling to Resign His Pastorate

After Nearly Five Years' Service for St. James' Presbyterian Church -Progress of the Church During that Time.

The congregation of St. James' Presbyterian Church received an intimation from the pastor last night which created a great surprise and gave cause for general regret. Mr. Talling had preached an excellent sermon on "Municipal Reform," and as he arose to pronounce the benediction stated that he had a few words to say. Mr. Talling then announced that it was his intention to resign the pastorate of St. James, which he only did, however, with sorrow. He had been in the charge four and a half years, and during that time had received the hearty co-operation of the congregation in every department.

Mr. Talling gave a brief review of the church's growth since he assumed the charge. The membership was then 150, but now it was over 250. A Christian Endeavor Society, a Woman's Foreign Missionary Society and a Mission Band had been organized, and the work carried on by them had increased rapidly, until this year a larger sum was contributed for mission purposes than for any previous year. A lecture hall had also been erected at a cost of \$1,000, the manse had been refitted, and new furnaces had been placed in the

church, necessitating a considerable outlay. Referring to the financial affairs of the church Mr. Talling stated that when he came there was a floating debt of \$400 (beside the mortgage), which had been wiped out. The alterations and extensions increased the mortgage about \$2,000, making it \$7,000 in all, which was a very heavy burden. The receipts were not sufficient to meet the expenditures, and he had decided to resign. It was with great reluctance, however, that he did so, as during his pastorate he had worked in perfect harmony with his people. Mr. Talling was very much touched

during his remarks, but no more so than the congregation, who had not the slightest inkling of their beloved pastor's intention. Mr. Talling was met by many of the members after the service, and he was urged by several to reconsider his decision.

Death of a Missionary.

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 .- A dispatch has been received here by the board of foreign missions of the Presbyterian Church, from Batanga, West Africa, announcing the death in that region of the Rev. A. G. Flood, a well-known missionary explorer connected with the board. No particulars of the death of Dr. Flood accompanied the dispatch.

Boy Burned to Death.

PORT ELGIN, Ont., Dec. 23 .- Last night fire started in a frame dwelling, a mile out from the town, owned by D. Wildfang and occupied by Mr. Moore, totally destroyed the building and contents. The 7-year-old son of Mr. Moore, who slept up stairs, was burned to a crisp, and a ounger child very badly burned, fatally. Money loss about \$600.

Fired Into a School-Four Fatalities. BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 22.—Near Brundage on Friday, Wilton Bowden, 18 years old, fired a shotgun through a window in Pearville schoolhouse. A panic followed, teachers and pupils bleeding and screaming, running over each other. Four pupils were fatally wounded. Bowden claims the shooting was accidental, but it is not believed.

Our Monocular Boodler.

All countries, as you know, have their Greece had her Ajax, New York had her Tweed, and Canada has her Caron. (Loud cheers and laughter.) Whether that illustrious gentleman at any time in his earlier career was or was not an attentive student of the works of Dr. Watts I cannot say; but I confess that when I listened to Sir Adolphe Caron on that occasion he brought to my mind a rather celebrated stanza which must have been quite familiar to most of you in your young days: 'Tis the voice of the boodler, I hear him main

tain I have boodled before, I would boodle again, (Loud laughter and cheers.) Though he was careful to explain that if the Parliament of Canada would only give him a nice little effective gerrymander in the Province of Quebec similar to that which we have so long enjoyed in Ontario, he would not be under the necessity of boodling at all. (Hear, hear.)-[Cartwright at the Toronto Liberal banquet.

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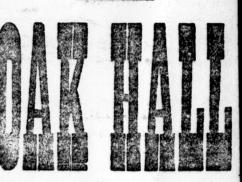
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