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First Sign of Baldness

[Denver Post.] As age creeps upon us we try to stay

young, And frisky as long as we can, And show to the world by both action and tongue

We yet are a mighty good man. We laugh at gray hairs as no token of

But look in the mirror appalled As we find we are facing that worrying stage When a fellow begins to get bald.

It fastens a look of care in the eyes, It anchors a dread in the soul, For here is a feature we cannot dis-

A skating rink up on the poll.

The fiend of anxiety tortures the brain, Our taste for enjoyment is palled, Our pleasure is tinged with the color of pain

When a fellow begins to get bald.

We blow in our money for tonics and We try all the lotions in sight,

But ev'ry preventive we plaster on To hasten the hair in its flight,

ist's etairs, Experts into council are called,

But every day adds to the burden of When a fellow begins to get bald.

We sit away back at the naughty disof tights at the high-kicking show,

Through fear that our friends may inwe've hit the old bald-headed row. At night our once pleasant, delectable

dreams By visions of wigs are enthralled. When waking the brain with keen misery teems

When a fellow begins to get bald. Whenever we meet lady friends on the

We blush while uplifting our hat,

And though they may smile us a greeting most sweet,
We know they have got us down pat. We seem to care little when to our re-

In the realms of the blest we are For half of the pleasure of living seems

When a fellow begins to get bald.

SPECIAL NOTICES

We have just opened out a fine line of furniture coverings, imported direct from England. All the latest shades and designs. You should see them. At Trafford's, 95 to 97 King street.

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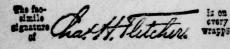
W. F. BROCKENSHIRE, East End Gallery, is still making those beautiful cabinet photographs at \$2 per dozen. 6661/2 Dundas street.

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That all persons wish to be healthy is a fact. That all persons are not healthy is a fact; but that both men and women, by exercise, may overcome in a great measure their predisposition to disease is also a fact. Use the Whitely Exerciser few minutes each day and gain health and strength. Suftable for men, women and children.

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GENERALLY FAIR -- COLDER TONIGHT.

Toronto, Dec. 26-11 p.m.-A depression of considerable energy is centered tonight over Lake Superior, traveling quickly eastward. It is now drawing southerly and southwesterly gales over the lake region. A decided fall in temperature has occurred over Manitoba, but no very high pressure exists in the Northwest. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 44-48; Kamloops, 30-32; Edmonton, 28-30; Winnipeg, 6 below-32; Port Arthur, 12-32; Parry Sound, 1 below-30; Toronto, 14-33; Ottawa, 6 below-14; Montreal, 2-18; Quebec, 4 below-10; Halifax, 24-32.

Probabilities: Toronto, Dec. 27-1 a.m. -Lower lakes: Strong winds and gales, southerly, shifting to westerly and northwesterly; generally fair; light local snow, becoming considerably local snow, be colder at night.

Local temperatures: The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory on Monday, Dec. 26, were: Highest, 31 above; lowest, 13

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London Adbertiser.

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-Mr. George A. Reid, of Brantford, spent Christmas with friends here. -Miss Lynn R. Hambly is spending her Christmas vacation with Mrs. O. Rowan, at Guelph.

-Mrs. George T. Mann and family, and Mr. Walter Mann, of this city, spent Christmas at their homes in Brantford. -Mr. and Mrs. John Walmsley and

W. P. Walmsley, of this city, were guests of Mr. John Bickle, at Wood--Messrs. James Kelleher and James

Hevey, of Sault Ste. Marie, two former Londoners, are renewing old acquaintances around the city. -Miss Maggie Canary and Miss K.

Lorna Taylor, of Hamilton, who have been spending a few months here, have returned to their homes.

-B. S. Murray, route agent of the western division of the Canadian Express Company, is absent on a business trip to Eastern Michigan. -Mr. J. S. Armitage and wife, of

Paris, together with his prother, wife and family, of British Columbia, are enjoying a family reunion at 785 King

-Rev. Alex. Langford, D.D., Orangeville, formerly of this city, has accepted the invitation of the First Methodist Church, Owen Sound, to become its pastor.

-Mrs. Saunders, of Oxford street, who was badly injured by a runaway horse on Richmond street north on Wednesday last, has been removed to St. Joseph's Hospital.

-Damage to the extent of \$50 was done by a fire in a sand house on the G. T. R., near Rectory street, between 1 and 2 o'clock yesterday morning. The cause of the fire is unknown. -Messrs. F. C. Wheeler and C. D.

Johnston, city, received from Mr. Jolly Bennet, Glasgow, Scotland, yesterday, each a beautiful greenhart fishing pole and a pigskin fish-hook wallet. poles are particularly well finished,

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Left of our expensive Christmas neckwear and some elegant new patterns which came too late for the Christmas trade, worth up to \$1 50 each, selling this week at 50c.

BOUGHNER, See Our Window

and were manufactured expressly for Mr. Bennet by a firm in Gaelic Head,

-Rodney Mercury: Mr. Stewart Pat-terson, who has acted as agent for Nexon Bros. in this locality for some time, has been promoted, and made a general agent, with headquarters at London.

-Detroit Free Press: B. H. Rothwell left last night for London, Ont., to attend his mother, who is very low. His father is also very ill, and it is not thought that either will survive. Mr. Rothwell has many friends in

- Mr. Wm. Loughrey, harness-maker, and his wife, after a residence in this city of 44 years, have decided to leave next spring to spend the remainder of their days with their sons, William A. and Frank C., plumbers of Amherst, Nova Scotia.

-The office staff and drivers of the Dominion Express Company presented Mr. Harry P. Sharpe, local agent with a valuable meerschaum pipe. A heavy gold terrule and a gold top on the bowl added to the richness of the gift. Mr. Sharpe made a happy reply. He is one of the most popular agents the company employs.

-The management of the Canadian Express Company report this Christmas trade as being a record-breaker. Every official and employe of tre London agency was on duty almost continuously from Thursday morning until Saturday night, together with extra assistance, the handling of traffic not being marred by a hinch of any kind.

-Mr. Geo. H. Williams, jun., who died in Buffalo a few days ago from injuries received in a fall from a bi-cycle was a son of the late Geo. H. Williams, sen., of this city. The remains were brought to this city and interred in Woodland Cemetery yes-terday. The bereaved mother and brothers, who live at 345 Thames street, have the sympathy of many friend their sad affliction.

CHRISTMAS IN LONDON. The holiday was quietly spent by the citizens generally. The skating rinks afforded the most popular amusement, and both afternoon and evening were very largely patronized. Evening and matinee performances at the Grand Opera House were also largely attended. "Open house" was held at the Y. M. C. A., and nearly 1,000 people visited Association Hall during the day. Aside from these attractions, there was little but the nominations to bring peo-I e out of their homes, and the streets were somewhat desented. The police

had very little to do. EXTENSION OF LINES.

The Canadian Express Company have just completed contracts with the Tilsonburg, Lake Erie and Pacific Railway, giving them access to points east of Tilsonburg, Eden, Staffordville, Vienna and Port Burwell; also the Detroit and River St. Clair, running east from Mount Clemens, Mich., and touch-ing New Baltimore, Anchorville, Fair Haven, Algonac, Pearl Beach, Roberts' Landing and Point Duchene, with ter-minus at Marine City, one of the most important centers in that part of Michigan. None of these points have ever been served by rail until the introduction of the above line, just now completing a regular passenger train service. By these contracts the Canadian Express Company have still further increased their usefulness, and have given the manufacturing and mercantile interests and public generally connection with practically every point in the United States and Canada as well as added some very valuable territory to their western divi-

HIRED WEBSTER FOR A WEEK. Of course Webster was in demand by those who could afford to pay for his services, says the Boston Herald. A sharp Nantucket man is said to have got the better of the great defender of the Constitution in an amus-

ing way, however.

He had a small case which was to be tried at Nantucket one week in June, and he posted to Webster's office in great haste. It was a contest with a neighbor over a matter of considerable local interest, and his pride as a litigant, was at stake. He told Webster the particulars, and asked what would charge to conduct the case. 'Why," said Webster, "you can't afford to hire me. I should have to down there the whole week, and my fee would be more than the whole case is worth. I couldn't go down there for less than \$1,000. I could try every case on the docket as well as one, and

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delicious to the taste but necesdelicious to the taste but necessary to the health. The salt extracted from the juices of pure fruits is the basis of Abbey's Effervescent Salt.

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60 cents a large bettle. Trial size
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Tom Smith's English Crackers

These Bon-Bons contain picture puzzles, fancy paper caps, with new and original love mottoes, Scotch caps, bagpipes and a variety of grotesque head-dresses, etc. dresses, etc.

Just the thing to create amusement and fun for the little ones on New Year's night. Prices from

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******* Your Appetite

Should be good, and it will be good, if you take care what you eat. Eureka Bread insures a good appetite. It is made from flour which contains all the nutritious and vitalizing substance of the wheat. Try a sample loaf.

THE PARNELL-DEAN STEAM BAKING COMPANY,

75 Bruce Street. Telephone 929. case would take my time for the entire week, anyway, for I'd have to be on hand."

"All right, then, Mr.Webster," quick-ly responded the Nantucketer. "Here's your \$1,000. You come down, and I'll fix it so you can try every case."

Webster was so amused over this proposition that he kept his word. He

spent the entire week in Nantucket, and appeared on one side or the other in every case that came up for hear-ing. The shrewed Nantucketer hired Daniel out to all his friends who were in litigation, and received in return about \$1,500, so that he got Webster's services, for absolutely nothing, and made a good profit to boot.

AUSTRIA'S EMPEROR

A Tribute to Francis Joseph-Growth Toward Liberalism.

It is the rarest kind of tribute to personal strength that Francis Joseph should stand out after these 50 troublous years as the one point of agreement that is common to all his peo-Much of his authority is due to the great tragedies of his life; much also to the racial wrangling and cliques that by a process of exhaustion have lifted the monarchy above party politics into a position of determinating influence; but more to the character of the emperor itself. It was man years before the real nature of that character could make itself known. Education and surroundings had made Francis Joseph a bigot and an autocrat. The collapse of the Hungarian revolt was followed by ten years of pitiless reac-tion. The church and the army were summoned to make German authority, the German language and the German bureaucracy paramount among 30,-000,000 aliens of Slav, Ural-Altaic and Latin extraction. Such an attempt spelt absolutism in its crudest form. The Austrian Empire of forty years ago was in all its essentials a medie-

val state. of the French and Prussian wars, constitutionalism took the place of autocracy, and the "principle of nationality" was partly admitted. Her old rights of self-government were restored to Hungary, and the Austrian Empire converted it into the dual monarchy. The great sacrifice once made, other reforms came more easily. Austria has grown towards liberalism since 1860 with a rapidity that no other country has equaled .- Harper's Weekly.

The Proposed Monument to Teoumseh in Victoria Park.



A Few Words About Dying.

The dying year naturally turns our thoughts to that great dissolution which is the fate of every son of man. Vast masses of humanity regard it with abhorrence, and even those whom hope bids look for greater bliss beyond draw back and hesitate to share the hidden joys. And yet this should not be. The all-wise Mother Nature, with watchful care, ushers us through the portals of this vale without an ache or pain, and it is but logical to suppose that she is not less kind at our departure hence, and that we pass away in tranquil peace. And science, too, gives sweet assent. The pains of death are not physical. Oft mental pains abound, as one looks back over a mis-spent life, on ill-gotten wealth, the spoliation of neighbors and injustice done the seak. When our time comes—as come it must, to young and old alike-and we stand gazing at the farther shore, we will not wish to leave to our children gold and lands, rubies and houses. Rather would we leave to them those principles of honor and virtue which are the only inheritance to be valued. To posterity we will leave the "Spot" Cigar. And we feel assured that the excellence of that celebrated manufacture and the high grade of the material will justify us in using, with reference to the "Spot," those words of the Roman poet, Horatius Flaccus: "Exegi monumentum aere perennius."

Why will you allow a Cough to lacerate your throat or lungs and run the risk of filling a consumptive's grave, when, by the timely use of Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup, the pain can be allayed and the danger avoided? This syrup is pleasant to the taste, and unsurpassed for relieving, healing and curing all affections of the throat and lungs, coughs, colds,

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orange, green.

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GOFFERED CHIFFONS-Rose, brown, cerise, white and black, purple and black, pink and black, heliotrope,

moss, cream, lemon. BUZZARD RUFFLES. OSTRICH RUFFLES.

WHAT WE BELIEVE THE BEST IN THE WORLD....

Wertheimer's Ladies' Gloves All merchants would like to have them. Some merchants have tried very hard to get them. But the only house in London that has them is Kingsmill's.

Perfect in Fit. Perfect in Finish. Perfect in Wear-Ladies' 2-clasp Gloves, tan, navy, white, pearl \$.75 Ladies 2-clasp Czarina, embroidered in white, black, tan, oxblood, new blue and green..... 1.10 Ladies' 2-clasp Royal, tan, ox-blood, gray, me, fawn, white, black 1.50 Ladies' 2-clasp Monarch, white, black, ox-blood, new tan, blue... 1.65 Ladies' 2-clasp Reindeer, tan, gray...... 1.65 Ladies' Tan and Black Suede Gloves..... 1.00 Ladies' Derby Gloves, Paris points, tan, ox-blood. 1.50 Gentlemen's Derby Gloves, Paris points, tan, ox-blood...... 150 High-class Novelties in the finest quality pale mushroom tints and oyster shades..... 2.00 Ladies' Silk Mitts, wool lined, 6oc, 65c...... 1.25 Full line of Ladies' Evening Gloves, in suede and glace.

SEEING THE POINT. The following story is told of a Philadelphia millionaire who has been dead some years. A young man came

to him one day and asked pecuniary aid to start him in business. "Do you drink?" asked the million-"Once in a while."

"Stop it! Stop it for a year, and then come and see me." The young man broke off the habit at once, and at the end of the year came to see the millionaire again. "Do you smoke?" asked the success-

"Now and then." "Stop it! Stop it for a year, and then come and see me again.

The young man went home and

broke away from the habit. It took his some time, but finally he worried through the year, and presented him-"Do you chew?" asked the philan-

"Yes, I do," was the desperate re-"Stop it! Stop it for a year; then The young man stopped chewing, but he never went back again. When asked by his anxious friends why he he replied that he knew exactly the man was driving at. "He'd have told me that now that I have stopped drinking and smoking and chewing that I must have saved enough to start

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myself in business. And I have."

THE LORD MAYOR'S BANQUET. Hawthorne, the American author, in describing his attendance at some public banquets in England, has this to say of one given by the lord mayor of London:

which I never met with at any other public dinner was the presence of la-He does not tell us what they did or said, but confines himself to the gastronomic features of the banquet. He

"One very pleasant characteristic

"There fell to my lot three delectable things-a red mullett, a plate of mushrooms, exquisitely stewed, and part of

a ptarmigan.' And then the lord mayor passed the loving cup, and it is easy guessing the delight of Hawthorne at seeing that dignified and ancient custom for the

first time.
At the head of civic banquets stands the inaugural entertainment at the Guildhall on Nov. 9, to which the wives and daughters are invited and at which the lady mayoress presides. A masculine description of this yearly banquet, which is provided for by the government, says that it is the most "vague, aristocratic, unsatisfactory and un-comfortable of all the public banquets given within the sound of Bow Bells." Query. Because women are present? Be that so or not, that particular banquet interests all London. At 11 the women retire to the ballroom and a scene of noise and gormandizing ensues, and it is early next day when the last banqueter departs.

Persiatic Plant Food restores drooping, weakly plants: