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-F. C. Wolcott, of Utica, N. Y., is visiting his brother-in-law, N. M. Lock-

-Rev. H. T. and Mrs. Leslie, of Win-

sister, Mrs. James Ross, 455 Piccadilly

-A meeting of the London and Middlesex Historical Society will be held in the public library tomorrow

evening. Papers on pioneer days are to

be given by A. H. Lyden and others.

-Rev. S. T. Bartlett, of Napanee.

was in the city over Sunday. He has been on a visit to his mother, Mrs. Bartlett, Maitland street north, who

-George Jeffery, the Caradoc farmer

a narrow escape from serious injury

at the Rectory street crossing of the

Grand Trunk on Saturday. While turn-

Mr. Ehnos, of Fansville, has dispos-

ed of his fine farm to Mr. Porterfield, of Clifford, for \$7,500. He intends retiring to Zurich or London. — Dresden Standard.

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LITTLE GIRL'S DEATH. The death of Miss Nellie Irene Mc Kay, second daughter of Mrs. Hugh McKay, 359 Piccadilly street, took place yesterday. She was a very bright girl, though an invalid almost all her life. She was in her 16th year. VISITOR INJURED.

Mr. Chatterton, manager of the Metropolitan Bank at Petrolea, was in the city on Sunday and in the afternoon drove out to the Kennels. Re-turning home, the horse made a bolt forward and Mr. Chatterton, who was sitting with his back to the horse, was sitting with his back to the horse, was kicked in the side over the lung. Dr. John D. Wilson attended to him and had him removed to Victoria Hospital, where he was reported this morning as getting along very well. Complin, of Walkerton.

FUNERAL OF MISS HOWELL. The funeral of the late Miss Maude Margaret Howell took place yesterday afternoon from her late home 131 Maple street. The service was conducted by Rev. W. G. Howson, and the following were the pallbearers:
Messrs. Charles Turnen Leonard
Rowntree, Charles Jones, Will Hickson, Will Earle and Bert Childs. Interment was made in Mount Pleasant

Cemetery. MISS TREBILCOCK'S FUNERAL. The funeral of the late Miss Matilda Trebilcock took place yesterday afternoon to Mount Pleasant Cemetery, and was attended by many relatives and friends. The services at the house were conducted by Rev. Mr. Salton and Rev J. H. Orme, and at the graveside Rev.
Mr. Salton officiated. The pall-bearers
—all cousins of deceased—were Messrs.
John C. and Harper Trebilcock, James F. and John K. Spry, Robert G. Collins and Ernest Skinner.

WILL BE BIG BANQUET. The Travelers' Club have selected some of the speakers for their big ban-This is the only company with its head office in London. Authorized stock capital, \$500,000. 'Phone 1,611. quet in the city hall on Tuesday, Dec. Londoners Experience a Great noon the thermometer at the South London observatory registered 9 above. 22, among whom will be Lieut.-Col. Head Office-59 Dundas Street, LONDON Thomson, of Cayuga; Sir John Carling, of this city; Mr. J. D. Allan, of Toronto; Mr. W. F. Cockshutt, of Brantford; Senator Thomas is positive-ly harmless and pain-Mr. C. S. Hyman, M. P., Mayor Beck, less. Attended with most satisfactory results in lupus, rodent ulcer, eczema, neural-gla, acne, tubercular gla, acne, tubercular nothing undone and an unusually good Sunday Morning a Biting Storm Biew

programme is promised. epithelornier, etc. etc. DR. PINGEL, HIGGINSON-COMPLIN. Miss May Complin, daughter of Mr. Charles F. Complin, Ridout street. was married on Saturday afternoon to Mr. William Higginson, of Sardis, B. C., by Rev. Lawrence Skey, of Toronto, cousin of the bride. The brides-maid was her sister, Miss Edith Comin, and the groom was attended by Mr. Samuel Stevens, Hawksbury. The

bride was gowned in cream voile over Harry Ranahan, old rose crepe de chine. Among the calculated to improve the tempers of guests present were: Miss Gordon, of mankind. Toronto; Miss Ada Pope, and Miss Frances Macbeth, of this city, Mr. Harvey Skey and Mr. Oliver Complin, both of Toronto, and Mr. Montague DEATH OF MRS. MOIR.

Mrs. Mary Moir, one of the oldest and most respected residents of West London, died at her late residence, 117 Wharncliffe road Sunday. Deceased, who was a native of Ireland, had lived in West London for 60 years, her husband, the late James Moir, having passed away 38 years ago. Mrs. Moir, who was eighty years of age, is survived by four sons — James, of St. Marys, Ont.; Frank, of Los Angeles. Cal.; Dr. Charles, of Louisville, Kentucky, and John, of this city. The funeral takes place on Tuesday morning from her late. Tuesday morning from her late residence, 117 Wharncliffe road, to St. Peter's Cathedral, where there will be a high mass of requiem at 9 o'clock, thence to the Roman Catholic

MRS. VINCENT'S DEATH. Hugh E. Vincent, died yesterday afternoon at her late residence, 76 Waterloo street. The deceased was still, and one of the usual Christmas well-known in Dorchester as well as holiday nights was spoiled to the mer-in the city. Her mother, Mrs. Thes. chants. Connor, and her brother, Charles, survive her at Dorchester, also a brother, Thomas Connor, at Mosley, and —Alex Le Brea, from Sault Ste. one sister, Mrs. James Beacham, of Marie, was remanded for another week Harrietsville, The funeral will take when brought before Squire Lacey on a charge of vagrancy on Saturday.

place tomorrow at 2 p. m. to Dorchester Cemetery.

TO PRISON AS A MARTYR

Says That He Confessed Crime to Save Young Friend.

who threatened to take his life, was guilty to a burglary and was sentenced vice by an intensely penetrating wind, who threatened to take his life, was remanded for another week by Squire Smyth on a charge of insanity on Saturday.

Farmer Irwin of Westmin to the penitentiary and was sentenced and when the people awoke in the morning it was to find the thermometer registering 5.5 degrees above zero, the being returned to jail he told a reporter ground white and wintry, and the real -Farmer Irwin, of Westminster, had that he was not guilty of the crime old winter time in full swing once which he confessed, but that the burging back from the tracks. owing to to go to prison in his friend's place

has a very peculiar character. Until 1890 the percentage of women was less than 15, but now it has increased to 39. This indicates that the immigration has a marked tendency to become permanent.

The Mutual Life onte Saturday evening about six o'clock the firemen were called to a blazing chimney at J. H. Hunt's store, 619 Richmond street. There was no dam-

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From Saturday night at six o'clock to Monday morning, the mercury at the official thermometer dropped 37.5 degrees, and during the same period Londoners, and, in fact, the entire population of Western Ontario, were treated to various samples of weather but ill-

Early Saturday morning snow that was almost sleet began to fall, and about the middle of the afternoon the ter made work in the local yards rasleet turned to rain, accompanied by a wind that, almost drove the wet through waterproof coats, turned umbrellas inside out, and tumbled people the biting blasts. All eastbound trains are like turned to rain, accompanied by the day, and the men on the through trains also suffered more or less from the biting blasts. All eastbound trains are like turned to rain, accompanied by the day, and the men on the through trains also suffered more or less from the biting blasts. All eastbound trains are like turned to rain, accompanied by the day, and the men on the through trains also suffered more or less from the day. against each other, in a most impolite and thoughtless manner. The walking, too, was simply abom-

further irritated by the added discom- from the Tunnel at 10:25, did not arfiture of wet feet. Along Dundas street Saturday after-noon people struggled to attend to the very necessary business which in most households is left for the fag end of the week—that is, the laying in of the coming week's food supply. Other braved the storm and attended the matinee at the theater, and others still.

whose business it is to be out, rain or shine, took their medicine from the ele-ments and suffered greatly. At night the wind and rain contin-ued, the streets were flooded with slush, Mrs. Mary J. Vincent, wife of Mr. and the crowds on the down-town portions. Business in the city was at a stand-

A SUDDEN DROP. At six o'clock Saturday evening the

thermometer at the observatory in South London registered 39 degrees above zero, and this temperature coninued until about midnight, when the rain ceased, and gradually a cold, bit-ing frost set in. Slowly Jack Frost overcame the effects of the day's rain, and bound everything in an icy grip. The sidewalks of the city were soon covered with shining ice, the slush of the streets was frozen hard, and gro-tesque and fantastic figures were traced St. Paul. Minn., Dec. 14.-In the district converted into a powdery snow, that court recently George Grant pleaded was blown into every crack and cre-

lary was committed by a man who had in atmospheric conditions occur, almost As is usual when such sudden changes befriended him. That this man had a every furnace and coal stove in the city the approach of an engine, his rig was struck and slightly damaged. Irwin received nothing worse than a severe shaking up.

wife and children, and knowing he soon was in a pout. It's a trick of stoves and furnaces to act mean on cold mornings, and add to the miserableness of a winter's experience north of the 43rd winter's experience parallel of latitude. Many a man tus-In 30 years 1,391,676 Italians have gone ing and debated with himself whether to the United States. This immigration or not marriage is a failure, between arguments pausing to throw names in

SLIPPERY WALKS.

It taxed to the utmost the consisten-y of churchgoers to attend church on Sunday morning. The walks were fear-fully slippery, and the added incon-venience of the high wind made it a very difficult matter to make one's way to church. Church furnaces, like other furnaces, appeared to be in a pout yes-terday, and many congregations sat and shivered in furs and wraps. Getting on toward noon the temper-

ing, with a continued high wind, and this morning the thermometer registered the coldest of the winter, 1.5 de-

grees above. So sudden was the change that many people were ready to believe the temperature was away below, when, as a matter of fact, it did not even touch

The London Street Railway Company felt the effects of the storm severely. All day Saturday the schedule was topsy-turvy, and many complaints were heard. It was the weather, however, that was to blame, as when the snow was falling it was necessary to keep the big broom in constant operation over the lines.

During a part of Sunday the company also had a car running over their lines to prevent ice forming in the grooves and over the rails, and thereby crippling the service today. In consequence of this Londoners had no fault to find with the street car-system

this morning.

ON THE RAILROADS. The sudden drop in the thermomewere running behind time, owing to the heavy snowstorms in Michigan. No. 4 express, due out of here for the inable, the slush being ankle-deep, and Bridge at 3:32 a. m., did not leave the growing ill-tempers of the day were until 9 o'clock. No. 6, which is due until 9 o'clock. No. 6, which is due

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vas far behind time. The greatest difficulty experienced by westbound trains was with the gale, which blew the day long. The wind was fair in the face of the trains -the result being that it was impossible for them to run anywhere close on schedule time. No. 3, due at 11 o'clock, was 2 hours and 20 minutes behind, and No. 5, due at 6 o'clock,

was considerably late. At one time during Sunday, several westbound freights were stalled at points on the Copetown grade, the climb and the wind being too much Today, No. 4 express did not leave

until 9 o'clock, 5½ hours late, and No. 6 was 1 hour and 10 minutes behind. No. 7 express was 2 hours and 25 minutes late. The troubles of the train crews on the L. H. and B. have commenced.

Much snow has fallen at some on the line, and drifting has resulted in the delay of the trains. This morning the train from the north was 50 minutes late, the appearance of the locomotive indicating that it had some difficulty in making its way through

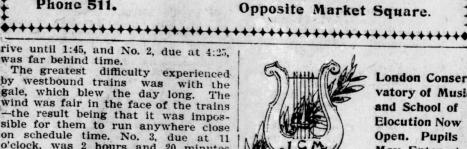
Storms are being experienced on the old main line, between Sarnia and Toronto, and south from Stratford to Paris. Passenger trains out of ford were double-headers. Freight trains were tied up in some instances.

AFTER A WEEK'S ILLNESS

Death at Batlte Creek of Mrs. Jas Threspleton.

The Battle Creek, Mich., Daily Moon, of Saturday, contains the following about the death of Mrs. James Threapleton, daughter of Mr. Charles H. Fewings, of Elmwood avenue, South London:

tack of peritonitis. She had been ill but tress manufacturers, 595 Richmond a week, and her many friends will be street, north. Telephone 997. pained to learn of the sad end



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member. The remains will be taken to her former home at London, Ont., for interment, leaving here on the Grand Trunk at 2 o'clock Monday morning. The family will accompany

"Mrs. Threapleton was the daughter of Charles H. Fewings, a newspaper man, of London, Ont., and was married to James Threapleton in this city in April, 1900, Pev. W. H. Osborne, who is to conduct the funeral services, having united the couple in marriage. They have one little son. Deceased was about 22 years of age. She was a leading spirit among the ladies of the Friday Afternoon Social Club, and had previously arranged to entertain the club at as late a date as recorded afternoon. yesterday afternoon,
"Mrs. Threapleton's father arrived in

the city this morning, but too late to see his daughter in life, his train having been delayed several times on the way. It was caught in a snowdrift at Nichols, but so anxious to see his daughter was Mr. Fewings that he made a short cut across the city in the storm, only to find when he reached the home that she had when he reached the home that she had when he reached the home that she had been dead some hours.

"Her sister (Miss Flossie) was with her during her illness, and many kind friends did all in their power to alleviate her severe sufferings."

Mrs. Threapleton was a warm friend of the late Miss Maud Howell, of Maple street, and a coincidence was that they should die within twenty-four hours of each other.

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Feather cushions, 50 cents each; "Mrs. James Threapleton, of 84 Cherry the pound. Mattresses, springs, iron street, died at her home at 4:30 o'clock beds, large stock of stoves at J. F. this morning, from the effects of an at- Hunt & Sons', feather pillow and mat-

"Brief funeral services will be held at YOU CANNOT be happy while you the home at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon by Rev. W. H. Osborne, rector of St. moves all kinds of corps without points.