

EVERYONE IS LOOKING

AT THEM...

and the most of our large stock of pictures will soon be picked out. Make your selection for Christmas now, and have them nicely framed while our stock is full and before the rush comes on. We will put them aside for you until Christmas.

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OVER THE TEACUPS

Hope on, hope ever, by the sudden springing of green fields that nature hid so long. And by the bursts of free, triumphant singing. After long weary months the woods among.

The winter festivities are being ushered in by a round of "teas." Two or three times a week the little white card comes to remind us that on a certain afternoon a pleasant hostess, joy room and a group of friends, wait us. Everyone looks better in furs, and as everyone is sure to know it, the result is cheerful and contented faces. We need something cheerful and enlivening and hopeful these autumn days. Haven't you, too, all of you, watched that red ball of fire sink in almost awful and I am rather frightened to use that word carelessly?

On Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Somerville, assisted by Miss Maude Somerville, entertained a large number of friends at the tea hour.

Smallman was hostess of a tea for married ladies on Monday afternoon. Among the guests was Mrs. Percy Elliot, now the guest of Mrs. Kent. Mrs. Elliot was beautifully gowned in moire antique with lace applique on the bodice. As usual "Waverley" was the scene of a very enjoyable gathering.

Last Saturday afternoon an "At Home" was given by Mrs. John Labatt, of Queen's avenue. Many pretty comments were made on the tea table, where a shower of graceful red carnations rose from a lovely silver chandelier, lights twinkled in amongst the flowers, chifton and smile—all reflected beautifully in the mirrors on each side of the room. The whole house was charmingly decorated, and though there were a number of people, there was no sign of that uncomfortable thing called "a crowd." Miss Labatt, who assisted her mother, wore a dainty black and gray striped gown with five ruffles of white, and white lace applique bodice.

Mrs. Denison, of Wolsey Barracks, gave a tea for about twenty girls last Friday afternoon in honor of her popular young niece and guest, Miss Delamere, daughter of Col. Delamere, of Toronto.

So the "golf dance" is one of those tantalizing "might have been's!" Too bad, isn't it?

Last Saturday afternoon the fair sex hurried down to the football game and cheer our Juniors on to victory. Everyone was terribly enthusiastic, and all the girls appeared to be deeply learned in "tricks" and "off-side." Our hearty congratulations to the heroes!

A wedding in which Londoners will be interested took place in Hamilton on Wednesday afternoon, when Miss Eva Travers Lucas was united in marriage to Mr. Edward Herbert Ambrose, of the law firm of Messrs. Mayburn & Ambrose. The bride has often been a guest here, and Miss Lorna Gibbons was one of the four bridesmaids, the others being the Misses Ambrose and Miss Kennedy of Hamilton. The church was handsomely decorated with chrysanthemums and palms, and the ceremony was beautiful and impressive. The little bride looked girlish and sweet in a tulle of ivory satin over a corset of pleated chiffon, trimmed with flowers of rare rose point Brussels lace, caught up with orange blossoms. Bodice, yoke and sleeves were of white chiffon, trimmed with wavyed chiffon ruffles and over the shoulders a bertha of the same covey lace and orange blossoms. The veil was of lilyon lace, fastened to the hair with a coronet of orange blossoms, caught with a diamond star, the gift of the groom. The bridesmaids wore tunics of cream liberty satin over billowy flowers of a corset-pleated chiffon and strappings having yokes of chiffon and strappings of baby ribbon and cream guipure. They wore black velvet directoire chapeaux, with plumes, and pearl and outline pins, the gift of the groom.

TEA.

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Make your Tea in an earthen pot, use boiling water, let it draw seven minutes.

Buy our 25c or 35c Indian or Ceylon.

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Mr. Paul Ambrose, Dr. Glasco, H. G. Gates, and Irvine Johnson were the ushers. Mrs. Ambrose's going away gown was of old rose cloth, with cloth applique of a lighter shade. The vest of white satin and guipure lace was trimmed with old rose velvet. A toque of the same shade of velvet and feathers, shading to pink, and a handsome sealskin, with ermine vest and collar (as the fashions now dictate a combination of different kinds of fur), completed the costume. Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose will reside (after the honeymoon in the States) at 72 Hannah street, West Hamilton.

On Tuesday evening next the Worshipful Master, officers and members of the Tuscan Lodge will give their annual reception at the Masonic Temple. As usual, it will no doubt prove an enjoyable affair.

The annual exhibition of the Women's Art Club will be held in the spacious rooms above the Public Library next week, opening at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, Nov. 23. Those interested in the lovely things.

"Exquisitely minute, A miracle of design," will have an opportunity of seeing the results of the long summer's work until Saturday evening next. There will be some new exhibitors from Toronto, whose work will no doubt be very interesting, and the dainty exhibits will no doubt draw even a greater crowd than last year.

This afternoon a novel entertainment in the form of a chrysanthemum tea in aid of the children's pavilion of the new hospital will be given by the students of Health College, and is sure to be a success and a very pretty one into the bargain.

GYP.

WESTERN ONTARIO

A railway between Guelph and Goderich is being proposed.

The Bell Telephone Company will install an electric fire alarm system in St. Thomas.

The Lambton Poultry and Pet Stock Show will be held in Petrolia on Dec. 23, 24, 25 and 26.

Mrs. Catherine O'Keefe was run down by a C. P. R. engine in Chatham. She will probably die.

The Owen Sound chair factory recently received an order from Australia for 150,000 chairs.

Three young men of Norwich have been arrested for robbing Lee Cluey's laundry. They have confessed.

A daughter of John O'Neil, of Raleigh township, was kicked in the face by a horse. She was seriously injured.

Thomas Hazzard was working in a sawmill in Woodstock Thursday. It caved in on him. He was nearly killed.

Twenty three thousand five hundred barrels of apples were shipped from Goderich by the G. T. R. this fall.

A manufacturer of upholstered goods in Grand Rapids (Mich.) will locate in Stratford if given a bonus of \$5,000.

James McShane's 100-acre farm, com. Bayham was recently sold to Clayton Wilson, Yarmouth township, for \$1,500.

Wm. Ayres, of Woodstock, got a bullet-hole in the rim of his hat, close to the crown on Sunday evening. He says George Bruce fired a revolver at him, and the police are investigating.

The Star Loan Company has made the following sales of farm property in the last few days: 100 acres, lot 10, com. 25 to 30, to Robert McMillan, \$2,250; 140 acres, lot 10, com. 8, Dunwich, to Mr. Kerr, \$3,300; 200 acres, lot 27, North Talbot road, to Richard Kimble, \$6,500.

The farmers in the neighborhood of Chatham are reaping quite a harvest with turkeys, geese and ducks. Over 3,500 turkeys, geese and ducks were bought and killed by one Chatham firm for shipment to the old country. Seven cents per pound was paid for live turkeys, and from 25 to 50 cents each for ducks and geese.

The chief of police at Ottawa writes that the lady of that city who claimed to identify the body of the murdered tramp found at Forest as her brother, John Kirkwood, has received a letter from the supposed dead man, stating that he is alive and well. The dead man had been identified by Kirkwood's sister by the fact that he had a tattoo on his left arm, a tattoo marks on his arm, and a scar caused by a burn, on his right hand.

Canadian Order of Foresters.

[Assessment System.]

Among the many fraternal societies in the Dominion of Canada, the Canadian Order of Foresters stands at the top as regards finances, having the largest surplus per \$1,000 of risk of any society doing business in this country. The membership now numbers nearly 24,000, and the surplus in the Insurance Fund at the end of September last was \$302,000, and it is increasing at an average of \$11,000 per month. The business of the society is confined to the Dominion, hence the death rate is very low, being only 4.36 per 1,000 of membership in the year 1908, and the average death rate since the organization of the society in 1879 has been only 4.91. The society is adding largely to its membership, new Courts being established in all parts of the Dominion and the old Courts are being strengthened. The insurance premiums are very low, being as follows, payable monthly in advance:

Between the	On	On	On	On
Age of	\$500.	\$1,000.	\$1,500.	\$2,000.
13 to 25.....	35c	60c	90c	\$1.20
25 to 30.....	40c	65c	95c	1.30
30 to 35.....	45c	70c	\$1.05	1.40
35 to 40.....	50c	75c	1.25	1.70
40 to 45.....	55c	\$1.00	1.50	2.00

The Sick Benefit Department, though an optional feature, is very popular among the membership, upwards of 17,000 being enrolled in that department. The benefits are very liberal, considering the low rates charged, which are as follows, payable monthly in advance:

Between 18 and 25 years.....	25 cents
" 25 and 30 years.....	30 cents
" 30 and 35 years.....	35 cents
" 35 and 40 years.....	40 cents
" 40 and 45 years.....	45 cents

For further particulars inquire of any of the Officers or members of the Order, or address

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THE FASHODA SETTLEMENT

Defended by Delcasse, French Minister of Foreign Affairs.

He Favors Conciliation and Arbitration.

Future of Samoa-Italy and Britain Must Be Friendly-Lord Salisbury Improving-Two British Vessels Lost.

London, Nov. 25.—Yesterday in the French Chamber of Deputies, M. Delcasse, minister of foreign affairs, in touching upon the lingering newspaper strictures as to the Fashoda settlement, remarked: "Some papers make it a habit of dwelling upon national humiliation. The government took a decision which it was quite justified in doing, and a subsequent treaty gave France vast territory and consolidated the African empire. The government's full in Europe, and insist that she ought to intervene everywhere. They unceasingly demand territorial aggrandizement, as if we did not have already an immense colonial empire to develop. We shall consult the country's interest, and not seek for popularity. When the government considers where our vital interests lie, and the fact that the population of France increases but little, it comes to the conclusion that it ought rather to devote its efforts to maintaining the acquired rather than seek aggrandizement." Loud cheers followed this statement of policy.

FAVORS CONCILIATION.

"It is," the minister continued, "by endeavoring to smooth difficulties by conciliating interests and by suppressing so far as possible the sources of conflict, that we have maintained the friendship of some and certainly the esteem of all. I am aware that some journals urge an opposite policy—the policy of shaking the fist at all the world, a policy which implies stupefying ignorance, and the shameless exploitation of noblest sentiments. Who does not see that the dignity and safety of the country would be ruined by such an attitude? But you will never tolerate such a policy. Bluster does not mean strength." (Cheers.)

PROBABLE SERIOUS LOSS OF LIFE.

A dispatch from Colonel, Chitt, says that the British ship Dunne (Capt. Winterston), from Barry, June 17, for Junin, was dismasted in a gale, and is supposed to have foundered. Part of the crew have landed at Sandy Point. Search is being made for the remaining members have returned unsuccessful in finding them or the vessel.

Word is received from Bratvator that the British steamer Canada, from Quebec for Sunderland, after drifting since Nov. 19, the day she was abandoned by the captain and crew, has gone ashore near Christiansund, Norway. The vessel is in a difficult position to work upon. The eleven members of the crew who left the Coguet in the second boat when she was abandoned have not been heard of.

ACCIDENT TO MICHAEL DAVITT.

Michael Davitt was thrown from his carriage in a street accident in Dublin Friday and rendered unconscious by the fall. He revived soon after he had been taken to the residence of John Dillon. Although he complains of injuries to the back and head, his physicians do not consider his condition such as to cause alarm.

FINANCE AND CHINA.

Turning to the situation in China, and the recent incidents in Kwang-Chau-Wan Province, the minister reviewed the concessions obtained by other nations, and said France's share had been inferior to Great Britain's, adding: "We took what we think is the most convenient spot, but we have our husband our resources, for effects in our vital interests may render it necessary. Our immense empire and frontier in China ought to keep us from impatient enterprise which might cost us dearly. The partition of China is not imminent. Russia has reached Peking, because she had not met with great success. Our source of influence lies beyond Tonkin. The point of dispute is in a poor province, but what is important to us is that China has undertaken not to yield the neighborhood provinces to the influence of any one power." (The statement was greeted with cheers.) "We must seek to maintain the open door."

MISCHIEF-MAKERS DENOUNCED.

Speaker then denounced "those unscrupulous politicians who exploit the noble sentiments of the country in order to excite public opinion against the government." He recalled the fact that Germany, on the morning of her victories, was obliged to seek an alliance, was obliged to the dreibund, has been drawn closer, and this alliance, which guarantees the present, admits of far-reaching projects in the future, ought to encourage us to persevere in the existing line of policy."

ON THE RIGHT TRACK.

The general opinion in the lobbies was that the speech of M. Delcasse had produced an excellent impression at home and abroad. The anti-Semites and Socialists, applauded. The foreign minister was careful to avoid saying anything calculated to arouse the susceptibilities of any country. An explanation of his allusion to the dual alliance is found in his recent conferences with the Russian foreign minister Count Muraviev, in Paris and St. Petersburg.

ITALY AND BRITAIN.

Menotti and Ricciootti Garibaldi, the sons of the famous Italian patriot, have written to the newspapers, protesting against the demonstration summoned by the Young Garibaldians in favor of the Boers. They declare that Italy must remain the friend of England, who helped her, and particularly the Garibaldians, in the wars that culminated in Italian independence.

SAMOA.

The Berlin correspondent of the London Standard says: All the German sovereigns have congratulated Emperor William and Count Von Buelow upon the conclusion of the Samoan expedition. The future administration of the islands falling to Germany has not yet been determined, but it will be, so far as possible, self-government.

THE KAISER TO THE QUEEN.

RECENT. The Madrid correspondent of the London Standard says: The Spanish ambassador in London has telegraphed

the Spanish government that after the Windsor banquet Emperor William requested him to convey his majesty's thanks to the queen-regent for the welcome given to the German princes and the mission bearing the cross of the Black Eagle for the young king. Empress Augusta and the Queen also expressed their admiration for the ambassador adds, for the fact and queen with which the queen-regent rubs over Spain.

THE QUAKERS AND THE WAR.

London, Nov. 24.—Three of the firms supplying the Queen's gift of chocolate to the soldiers are composed of Quakers. One is a member of the Peace Society, and another never contracts for army supplies, but this is regarded as a private matter, from which no profit will accrue.

SIXTY-SEVEN YEARS OLD.

St. Petersburg, Nov. 24.—The Novoe Vremya today says that Count Muraviev, the minister of foreign affairs, has suggested a revision of the treaty of commerce between Russia and the United States, which was concluded in 1832.

HOW THE REVISED TARIFF WORKS.

Hon. Charles T. Ritchie, president of the Board of Trade, speaking at Croyden, his constituency, said that the British exports to Canada in the three months since June 30 had increased 16 per cent. He added that in the previous year, under a partial operation of the new tariff, the increase was only 11 per cent.

CABLE NOTES.

Advices from Tien-Tsin say that the negotiations of the American syndicate regarding the Hankow-Canton Railway have been brought to a successful termination.

It was announced from Hatfield that the cabinet meeting on Thursday, the 24th, was progressing favorably. Emperor William went out riding yesterday morning, and was afterward photographed with the empress. Their majesties attended the memorial service in honor of the late Princess of Leiningen in the private chapel at Windsor Castle, at which Queen Victoria was also present.

DEPARTMENTS ARE ALLOCATED

Work of the Various Ontario Ministers Is Now Laid Out.

Toronto, Nov. 25.—The allocation of the sub-departments of the different ministers was decided on at the Ontario cabinet meeting on Thursday. Premier Ross was not prepared yesterday to make a detailed announcement of the changes made, but he gave the most important of them.

All public institutions and the hotel licenses will henceforth be under the control of the provincial secretary. Hon. Mr. Stratton, Division courts go to the public works department, being transferred from the treasurer's department. The effect of these changes is to leave the premier free to devote his whole attention to the duties of his position as leader of the government.

Mr. Ross will announce the other minor changes today. It is understood they will include the transference of the immigration department to crown lands, while insurance will go to the attorney-general.

THE SMALL-POX

Several Suspected Cases Reported to Have Developed in Essex.

Toronto, Nov. 25.—A report received yesterday by Dr. Bryce from the provincial board of health inspector in the smallpox district of Essex states that a number of suspected cases have developed the disease. One of the difficulties that have to be met with, he says, is a tendency on the part of physicians to let convalescent patients out too soon. He will, however, take stern measures to maintain a strict quarantine. Circulars have been issued by the provincial board to the health officers throughout the province warning them to be on the lookout for mild cases of smallpox.

IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN

Mr. John Law, of this city, has received the following interesting letter, which explains itself:

No. 41 East Government street, Pensacola, Fla., Nov. 15, 1899.

John Law, London, Canada:

The little booklet, with photographic views of Port Stanley, with compliments of the Lake Erie and Detroit Railway, was duly received, and it is very pretty, and a very nice way of booming what seems to be a fine summer resort, for pleasure-seekers, and I think the most beautiful little Yankee enterprise at the back of it.

By the way, John, that reminds me to ask what has become of the scheme you had on foot some eight or nine years ago, to build a sugar refinery and oil mill for coconuts at Port Stanley, and ship your stuff to and from the West Indies and South America by way of Cleveland, Ohio, and Pensacola, Florida. Now, had you carried out that idea, you would have been the pioneer of a big steamship trade from here, the easiest of access, and the most direct port on the gulf to any point in Central America, South America or the West Indies. Since that time the L. E. & D. R. has built docks and warehouses, the capacity of about 250 or 300 steamers a year. They handled about 125 steamers from here to Europe and the West Indies last year, and our exports in grain, flour, tobacco, cottonseed meal and manufactured stuff amounted to between \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000 last year, and now they are doubling their capacity for handling our goods, and we will soon see a dozen steamers at a time loading for all parts of Europe, but, save Havana, the whole southern country below us is open to trade, such as you can see for yourself. Don't you think, John, you folks up in Ontario, are a little slow to see a point? I remain, yours as ever, CAPT. G. C. HARRIS.

The docks and warehouses referred to are immense buildings, and the largest of their kind in the United States. The dock will be 1,277 feet long by 108 feet wide, and the warehouses, two stories high, 50 feet wide, by 1,202 feet long. The timber required to build this immense structure will total over 5,000,000 feet, or 500 or more carloads of timber and lumber alone. It will have a capacity for housing about 500 carloads of freight. The channel between the docks will be extended 100 feet further out into the bay than at present. Some four miles of railway tracks will also be laid on the docks and surroundings. The foundation of the wharf alone will cost \$125,000. All the timber used in the foundation will be grown on the land. For small vessels there will be a slip 50 feet wide and 672 feet long. The docks and buildings will be lighted by electric light, and several hundred men will be employed in its construction, and the work pushed to completion as fast as possible. The building of the structure will take eight months or a year.

TRUTH IN BULK

Recent Issue of the Star Causes a Sensation Among Its Readers.

EMINENT MEN INVOLVED

Irrefutable Mass of Evidence Gathered by a Canadian Concern Operating in the United States.

(From the Toronto Star.)

Readers of the Star were startled last Saturday to see the names of prominent public men high in the service of the United States printed in connection with indorsements of a Canadian patent remedy. Not only was it surprising that men of such prominence would permit their names to be used, though this was unusual enough, and it speaks volumes for the preparation that such was the case, but that United States senators and congressmen, prominent professional men and United States army officers should be willing to indorse a Canadian remedy is more surprising still. The people on the other side of the border are rather noted as being greater believers in the merits of their own goods than in those of other countries.

Last Saturday the Star published a full page of testimonials in favor of the Canadian preparation, Dodd's Kidney Pills. Each one of these letters was signed by a public man—and an eminent public man—in the United States. Each of these letters was accompanied by a portrait of the writer reproduced from photographs supplied by themselves. Seldom has there been such an exhibition of genuine gratitude to a medicine as that given Dodd's Kidney Pills by these gentlemen. Their names are known all through the States, two of them, at least, throughout the world. Men in the eye of the public, such as these men are, feel very strongly before they allow statements of opinions attached to their names to be published all over the country. They rightly feel a greater responsibility in such matters than ordinary private individuals. A public man has a reputation to sustain, and from long experience considers well before he expresses himself for publication.

There were no traces of hesitation about the letters on that United States History Page in last Saturday's Star, however; all was plain, honest and straightforward. The writers had been cured of kidney diseases by Dodd's Kidney Pills and had the courage and independence to announce the act in plain, outspoken terms. They were not getting anything for it; some people might make slighting remarks about their names being connected with a patent medicine testimonial. But this did not interfere with what they esteemed to be their duty to fellow-sufferers, and but fair to the medicine that cured them. Careless of anything but the facts—that Dodd's Kidney Pills had cured them of kidney diseases where other medicines and treatments had failed—they gave their evidence fairly and honestly for the benefit of others.

It takes a very unselfish man to allow his name to be associated with a patent medicine testimonial—or a man powerfully impressed with the merits of the preparation and unusually grateful for the benefits derived from it. One naturally dislikes having accounts of one's physical defects published broadcast, even though there is a complete cure attached. But there is a stage where ill-health becomes so pronounced that all pride, vanity, reserve—call it what you like—gives way. You are sick and you don't care who knows it. The fact can't be evaded. When a man in this condition, trying remedy after remedy in vain, at last strikes, perhaps quite unexpectedly, a medicine that cures him, he is so genuinely grateful, so filled with the joy of convalescence, that he is ashamed to think of keeping the facts to himself.

Such, no doubt, was the condition of mind of R. A. Wade, the great criminal lawyer of Chicago, whose testimonial appeared on the page under discussion. He it was who defended Pendergast, accused of murdering Carter Harrison, Mayor of Chicago. He is probably the best-known man in his profession in the United States, having been retained in more sensational criminal cases than any other lawyer in America. He was not only cured of kidney disease, but his sight, which, owing to the attacks of that essential feature of kidney disease, uric acid, had been entirely lost, was restored by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Captain Bogardus, champion rifle shot of the world, distinguished veteran of the Civil War, was cured of Bright's Disease by Dodd's Kidney Pills. When it is considered that Bright's Disease used to be incurable, the feeling that prompted Captain Bogardus to give his name and testimonial for the benefit of others will be understood.

Hon. Alva Merrill, of Illinois, was cured of Rheumatism by Dodd's Kidney Pills, and thought enough of the medicine that cured him to recommend it above his own signature. "I heartily indorse Dodd's Kidney Pills," says he, "to anyone with deranged kidneys or rheumatic pain."

Senator Busse, Representative Risum, Captain McComb, Roy Keator, were among those who freely testified to the merits of Dodd's Kidney Pills on the United States History Page, and their pictures appeared last week in the Star. This page is considered the strongest mass of evidence ever printed in favor of a patent medicine in this country.