taken from the soil have not been merely devoted to the decoration of the fair sex." With exactly the same result.

They then made a third attempt to another position, but the Borderers were again raudy to receive them. The third repulse thoroughly disconcerted the Boers, who galloped

away in a panic. Later, perceiving another kopje, the Boers moved quickly towards it. This kopje was unoccupied, but the Borderers, not to be beaten, raced for the position, and won, occupying the kopje and driving off the Boers. A portion of the latter ultimately occupied a kopje, flanked partially by the Borderers, and facing another kopje held by the Yorkshires. A vigorous fusilby the Yorkshires. A vigorous fusil-lade ensued, the British firing stead-My and accurately and silencing the Boer fire. Meanwhile the Seaforths ordered to reinforce the Yorkshires in case the Boers should be reinforced. The British attack worked around to the right of the kopfe held by the Yorkshires, where the 7th Bat-tery was stationed, the 62nd Battery being placed at a farm near the center of the Borderers' position. A vig-orous shelling, accompanied by a British fusillade, completely.

SILENCED THE BOERS. A company of Yorksnires were sent to clear out the Boers, but the attempt failed, the Boers opening a heavy fire and the British having no cover. The British then again opened a heavy rifle fire which again silenced the Boers. The Boers made several attempts to run, but the Maxims opened upon them effectually, and checked them. The Buffs now worked carefully and cautiously around and got within 150 yards of the Boers. Eighty Boers surrendered, but many, it appears, escaped,

going singly.

Most of the prisoners had just arrived from Ladysmitn. They com-plained of the bad generalship of their leader. Nearly every man carried explosive bullets, and nve British were wounded with these missiles. I have seen the bullets. One Boer carried 50. There is no longer the slightest doubt that the Boers are gradually DISCARDING ALL RULES OF CIV-

ILIZED WARFARE. The other day they poured the con-tents of a Vickers-Maxim gun into an ambulance, which happened, however, to be empty, some 300 yards away from the nearest troops.

The war balloon is doing excellent service. Early this morning it arose to a great height, and discovered in the bed of the river four wagons, which contained ammunition. These were exploded by the British shells an hour afterwards. The balloon observer also discovered a number of horses concealed nearby, and these also received attention from the British

The Gordons are now incorporated in the Highland Brigade, making four kilted regiments. The Highland Light Infantry, who are not kilted, and are a fine body of men re going to join Gen. Smith-Dorrien's brigade.

#### Lord Ava's Death.

Four officers were on a kopje on the feft of Hotchkiss footpath, these being Capt. Fowler, Capt. Lee-Smith, Lord Ava and Lieut. Pakeman. Forty men, made up of Light Horse, Gordons and Rifles, held an advanced topic against a cross-fire poured in by the Dutch at from 15 to 25 yards. At 7 o'clock the front was of about 350 yards, and a Dutchman shot at Capis. Fowler and Lee-Smith, Lord Ava and Lieut. Pakeman. He put a bullet through Fowler's hat and shot Lord and shot Lord Ava through the head, inflicting a mortal wound. According to Lee-Smith, Lord Ava was leaning over a rock, trying to get a shot at a Dutchman, when the one referred to shot him. When hit, Lord Ava said, I'm done, Lee-Smith," and fell. Lord Ava was hit about 5 o'clock, and a few minutes later, reinforcements, Gor-dons and Rifles, came up.

#### SIMULTANEOUSLY

Roberts and Buller May Strike the Final Blow on Majuba Day. London, Feb. 26.—The military critic

of the Morning Leader says: The militia are now arriving at the Cape, and they will be able to release the reguon the lines of communication who can be pushed to Roberts', Clements' and Gateacre's aid. Buller burrows forward, but the enemy around Ladysmith is not yet

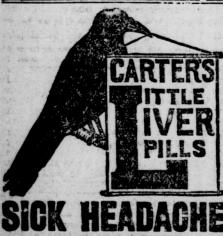
in a hurry to be gone. It is rumored that Buller and Roberts are waiting to strike the final blow simultaneously on Majuba Day.

## CECIL RHODES

Delivers a Remarkable Speech Before the De Beers Company.

Kimberley, Saturday, Feb. 24.—Mr. Cecil Rhodes, presiding at a meeting of the De Beers Company today, delivered a remarkable speech which was received with great enthusiasm. After announcing that the year's profits of the De Beers Company amounted to £2,000,000, he spoke of the chartered companies' transactions with De Beers, and that the shareholders were divided into two classes—imaginative and un-imaginative. The latter, he said, passed their time filling money bags that are dissipated by their offsprings on wine and women and horses. To the latter class he stated that the trans-actions with the Chartered Company had closed satisfactorily, as the De Beers Company owned all the diamonds wherever its charter existed.

To the imaginative he drew an eloquent picture of these mines 100 years hence as mirroring European similar. hence as mirroring European civilizahe said, "felt a glow of satisfaction as they thought that the immense riches "felt a glow of satisfaction as



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Speaking of the war, he considered it a puzzle why it had arisen. The Transvaal and the Free State were not republics, he declared, but oligarchies, and had been long conspiring to seize British South Africa. Each government in the seize British South Africa. ernment was simply a small political gang who humbugged the poor Dutch-men, appealing to their patriotism and dividing their spoils among the coter-ies. The Afrikander had been working twenty years for independent Africa. He said that former President Reitz of the Orange Free State had years and years ago a vow that his only ambition in life was to drive Engonly ambition in life was to drive England out of Africa. After showing how Kimberley had been defended by citizens, of whom 120 were killed or wounded, and thanking Gen. French for his gallant ride, Mr. Rhodes closed brilliantly, asserting: "We have done our duty in preserving and protecting the greatest commercial asset in the world—her majesty's flag." world-her majesty's flag."

#### **NEWS NOTES**

Mr. A. B. Milkes, of Brantford, was killed by falling down stairs.

Daniel Golden, of Ottawa, was suffo-cated by smoke from a small fire in

Mr. William Tudhope, sen., founder of the Tudhope Carriage Company, of Orillia, is dead.

The Marconi system of wireless telegraphy was tried in the British naval maneuvers and proved very success-

Mr. W. V. Pettet, M. P., was nominated for the commons by the independent electors of Prince Edward county.

At Quebec Police Constable Cazes snot and killed his wife after a quarrel arising out of the man's excessive drinking.

The British steamer Torino has arrived at Havana. The Torino was re-ported from Pensacola as having been lost in the storm on Tuesday night.

Loss on stock, \$3,000; on buildings,

Business is at a standstill in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Exports and imports are paralayed awaiting a solu-tion of the American tariff problems. Laboring classes are suffering from the consequent want of work.

Premier Semlin, of British Columbia, has informed Lieut.-Governor Mc-Innes of the defeat of his government. It is probable an attempt will be made to form a coalition government for the remaining two years of the life of the present parliament.

According to the information received at the United States war department from Manila, with the end of the present expedition of Gen. Bates into the two provinces at the extreme southern part of the Island of Luzon, military corrections in the Delivior. military operations in the Philippines

### PRICE OF PAPER

A Combine Has Been Formed to Conon All Lines Ordered at Once.

Montreal, Feb. 26.-The paper manufacturers of the Dominion have formed an association for the control of prices. In common with other manufacturers, they felt the general increase in prices of articles entering into the cost of production, but they were unable to advance their own prices heretofore owing to the absence of union. This difficulty has been overcome. Eighteen out of the 22 paper manufacturers of the Dominion were represented at a meeting in the Windsor, and they agreed upon the basis of an association. The four firms unrepresented, who, however, are small, will, it is expected, also join. The first step of the new association was to order an in-crease of 25 per cent on all lines, news paper, wrapping, note and every other kind of paper, in order to provide against the cutting of prices or other evasion of the agreement. The firm of Jenkins & Hardy, Toronto, were ap-pointed secretary-treasurer. Any disputes will be referred to them, and they will have the power to impose a fine upon any member of the association breaking the agreement. This firm already occupies a similar position with regard to other associations, which have worked satisfactorily. It is therefore expected that the papermakers' combine will be of the iron-

#### DEADLY CROSSING

Carriage Containing Seven Persons Struck by an Express Train-Five Killed

Buffalo, Feb. 25.-A Geneva special to the Buffalo Courier says: Shortly after midnight Saturday the midnight express on the Lehigh Valley Railroad struck a carriage containing seven persons at Tuttle's Crossing, about 25 miles east from Rochester, instantly killing five of the occupants, fatally injuring another, and badly bruising the other. All were members of a family. The dead are: Mrs. Amy Smith, 48 years old; Bert Smith, 23 years old; Miss Miranda Smith, 24 years old; Alec Smith, 14 years old; Catherine Smith,

8 years old.
The injured are: Porter Smith, husband of Mrs. Smith and father of the other victims; Gardner Smith, 21 years

Robert Donnelly, of Glencoe, has bought his brother Patrick's interest in the Donnelly homestead in Bidthe scene of the terrible tragedy of Feb. 4, 1880, and is now

sole owner.

Hugh McCaffrey, of St. Thomas, a native of Middlesex and an employ for twenty years at the M. C. R. shops,

Mrs. (Dr.) Rijnhart, returned missionary from China, will lecture in the Ilderton Methodist Church on Wednes-Miss Edith Sutton left Clandeboye

recently to enter a hospital in North Adams, Mass., to train for a nurse. Before her departure Miss Bessie Jell and Evelyn Simpson, in behalf of the congregation and Sunday school of St. James' Church, presented Miss Sutton with a handsome purse of money.

What promises to be the best enter-taniment ever given in Delaware will take place tomorrow (Tuesday) night in the town hall, under the manage-ment of Corbin brothers and Williamson, London's popular entertainers. Early in the evening a bugle call will be sounded at intervals along the route from London to Delaware.

Over 61,000,000 People Affected -4,000,000 Receiving Relief.

Why the Russians Plan to Seize Herat Did Not Materialize.

About 150 Persons Injured by an Explosion Near Paris-Menelik for Peace.

London, Feb. 26.—The plague in India continues virulent. There were 583 victims in Bombay city during the week ending Feb. 16. With over 61,000,000 of people affected by the famine, and only about 4,000,000 in receipt of relief, India seems in a bad plight. Paris, Feb. 26.—As the result of a fire that broke out yesterday at St. Ouen, a suburb of Paris, in a collection of alcohol and oil stores, a series of explosions occurred, spreading the flames until a block of six immense warehouses were involved in a huge conflagration. A great concourse of spectators had assembled, and approached too near, when suddenly the explosions occurred. A large nmber of people, including some firemen, were A British syndicate has obtained an injured. The last exclosion occurred important concession in the gold mining region of Abyssinia.

injured. The last exclosion occurred at 6 o'clock in the afternoon, when it was thought that all such danger had been averted. Thirty persons were injured by flying debris. The official computation shows that 150 were hurt quite a number seriously. Fortunately the flames did not reach the immense reservoirs of petroleum. The loss is estimated at 2,000,000 francs. RUSSIAN PLAN TO SEIZE HERAT.

London, Feb. 26.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Mail says: Gen. Kuropatkin, Russian minister for war, who is a strong Boer sympathizer, is responsible for all the re-cent movement of Russian troops in the Kushak district. He obtained the approval of the military council for a plan to seize Herat, and he thereupon and postoffice of Anderson & Smith, as that it would be a good time, while ings and stock were totally destroyed.

Loss on stock \$2,000. said, could be done without a hitch. To his surprise, the czar declined to give any countenance to any movement in favor of utilizing Great Britain's difficulties. His majesty said: "It is my intention to maintain the strictist neutrality throughout the war, not-withstanding the display of popular sympathy towards the Boers." This is tantamount to a victory for the Russian foreign office. Count Muraveleff was strongly opposed to the position of Gen. Kuropatkin, whose position is regarded as considerably shaken."

EGYPTIAN OFFICERS PUNISHED. Cairo, Feb. 26.—As a result of the investigation of the court of inquiry, held at Omdurman, in connection with the recent insubordination of two battalions of Soudanese troops, five Egyptian officers have been cashiered and sent as prisoners to Cairo.

FOR PEACE. Marseilles, Feb. 26.-Herr Ilg, King Menelik's chief counselor, arrived from Abyssinia today. He said Menelik's intentions were most pacific, and he desired to live at peace with all neigh-boring powers. Every frontier incident touching Italy or Egypt, he de-cla dent touching Italy or Egypt, he de-cla delther been settled, or was on the way to a friendly arrangement. King Menelik hoped to visit the exposition. The foregoing statement disposes of the sensational stories pub-The foregoing statement lished in certain newspapers to the effect that Menelik was inclined to take advantage of Great Britain's war in South Africa to make a move to-

CANADIAN NAVAL RESERVE. London, Feb. 26.-Negotiations, it is said, are in progress for the formation of a naval reserve in Canada. The difficulty created by the requirements of six months' training in a man-ofwar being one of the conditions of service in the United Kingdom, it is thought, will be overcome. There will be under construction in 1900 seventeen battleships, twenty armored cruisers, a first-class protected cruiser, two second-class protected cruisers, a third-class cruiser, eight sloops, two gunboats, four torpedo boats and twenty-one torpedo boat destroyers.

PACIFIC CABLE PROJECT. London, Feb. 26.-It is understood that the agreement between New South Wales and Victoria and the Eastern Extension Telegraph Company as to the Australian land line concessions, against which Canada and New Zealand protest as hostile to the Pacific cable project, has not yet been signed. The Canadian Government is lodging a strong formal protest with the colonial office, as New Zealand has already done. The colonial office hope in a friendly way to induce New South Wales and Victoria to realize more practically the partnership basis of the Pacific cable compact.

#### EFFACING THE MARKS OF THE FIRE

Loose Walls Being Town Down and Debris Removed-An Accident to Mr. Burnett-Masonic Temple Co.'s

Acting under instructions from the Masonic Temple Company, the firm of Moore & Henry and McBride & Farncombe are each preparing sketches of plans for rebuilding the Temple. The committee will choose between them, and proceed with the work at once. From Near-By Places. It is the company's intention to abolish the mansard roof, and have a fourth story in its place. No provision will be made for the opera house in the new building. Nearly all the other tenants have made arrangements for premises in the new build-

Contractor John Purdom has received an order from the Masonic Temple Company to tear down all loose walls at the ruins and clear away the debris ready for the work of rebuilding. On Saturday a portion of the south wall was torn down. Mr. Purdom said this morning that he did not think it would be necessary to take down the east wall. The high winds yesterday and Saturday were severe tests of the solidity of the walls

left standing. The vaults of the Dominion Loan and Savings Society and of Messrs. Purdom & Purdom have been opened, and the papers therein found to be in

perfect condition. AN ACCIDENT.

While Mr. John Burnett, who is sup-While Mr. John Burnett, who is sup-erintending the pulling down of the Masonic Temple ruins, was engaged on the second floor of the building this morning, he met with a painful acci-dent. A quantity of material which

was thrown down, struck a crooked piece of gas-pipe which was lying near, causing it to spring up and strike Mr. Burnett in the face. Two bad cuts were inflicted, one on the eyelid, requiring four stitches, and another on the cheek-bone. A doctor attended to the injuries, and Mr. Burnett resumed work.

## SUNDAY'S BLIZZARD

A Market Gardener Frozen to Death-Railway Lines in Trouble-Velocity of the Wind.

Buffalo, Feb. 25.—With the evening the storm, which has raged since yes-terday afternoon with a maximum wind velocity of 65 miles from due west, bevelocity of 65 miles from due west, began to die down. The body of a market farmer, supposed to be that of R. R. Jemison, of Eggertsville, was found frozen stiff in a snow drift about a mile north of this city this morning. His shivering horse and empty sleigh found in the lee of a barn caused the search which discovered the body. search which discovered the body.
Toronto, Feb. 26.—The blizzard of

yesterday was the worst of the winter in Toronto, and materially affected the attendance at churches and Sunday schools. In a few hours the tempera-ture fell from moderate almost to zero. Detroit, Feb. 25.—Correspondents throughout the state report the severest storm of the season. In the upper peninsula a blizzard has been rag-ing, street car lines being tied up and railroad trains running away behind schedule time. St. Jospeh reports a fall of 50 degrees in twelve hours with several trains snowbound. It is general all over the state.

#### A LONG CROOKED ROAD.

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ous and incapable, is likely to be ill-natured too. The sweetest temper is ruined by continual sickness.

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world-wide. Miss Lauretta McNees, of Reno (P. O. Nev. writes: "I Box 723), Washoe Co., Nev., writes: "I have discontinued taking the Prescriphave discontinued taking the 'Prescription' and will not take any more (at present). Last month I had no pain at all and worked every day without any inconvenience whatever. It was the first time I never had pain during that period. I cannot say too much for your medicines especially the 'Favorite Prescription' and 'Pleasant Pellets.' I know of a lady who took one bottle of your 'Favorite Prescription' and she says she was not sick like she tion' and she says she was not sick like she was with her first baby. This was her second baby. She thinks it a grand medicine. So do I."

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hausting drain, constipation, painful periods and other annoying troubles," veites mrs. Annie James, of No. 27 Seventh St., Memphis, Shelby Co., Tenn. "Thank God, my health has been fully restored and I can gladly say I am a well woman to-day. I used six or seven bottles of your 'Favorite Prescription,' and also used the lotion which you advised in the 'Common Sense Medical Adviser.'"

"Box wears I had been failing in health."

For years I had been failing in health "For years I had been failing in health and kept getting worse and more nervous all the time," writes Mrs. Annie Dulan, of East Stroudsburg, Monroe Co., Pa. "I doctored with two different doctors and they told me that my system was run down and my nerves were weak. I had ulcers of the uterus which were so painful at times that I was afraid that they must be cancers. Indeed I felt discouraged with the treat-Indeed I felt discouraged with the treat-ment, and did not get any better until my nurse advised me to write to you and I did so.

did so.

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NARROW ESCAPE. Amherstburg, Ont., Feb. 26.-James

. Atkinson, third son of the late Col. John Atkinson, had a very narrow escape from a watery grave on Friday while trying to cross the Detroit River on the ice from Bois Blanc Island to Amherstburg. He was bravely rescued by his companion, Charles Campeau, of Detroit, who caught him as he was sinking for the third time.

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STRIKE ENDED Montreal, Feb. 26.-The Montreal Cotton Company's mills have reopened, and everyone is at work again, a sat-satisfactory arrangement having been arrived at between the striking girls in the spool-room and the management. Over 2,000 workmen who have been idle for several days ere busy again.

A woman who died recently in Clermont county, O., at the age of 98, had taught school for 78 consecutive years.