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DEATHS.

KIRKWOOD—On the 24th inst., at his son's residence, 18 Lewis street, St. Lawrence ward, Archibald Kirkwood, aged 77 years 9 months. Funeral will leave the above address at 2 o'clock to-morrow afternoon. Friends and acquaintances will please accept this intimation.

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LOVELL—At Buffalo, N.Y., suddenly, on 24th december, inst., John Lovell (late of Lovell Brothers publishers), aged 37 years. Funeral from his late residence, No. 261 Simcoe street, on Sunday, 27th inst., at 3 p.m.

PRETTY—Amy Caroline, the youngest daughter of John and Frances Pretty. Funeral 2 p.m. on Sunday.

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KING MILAN'S LIFE THREATENED.

Startling Lack of Discipline in the Army of Servia.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—A correspondent of the Post, who visited the Servian lines, reports that a startling lack of discipline was shown by the army, and that an outbreak among the troops is not at all improbable. The life of King Milan, the correspondent adds, is constantly threatened.

A portion of the Bulgarian army has returned from the front and entered Sofia. Triumphal arches had been erected in the streets through which the troops passed, and the victorious soldiers were enthusiastically welcomed by the people.

Defeat of the French Government.

PARIS, Dec. 25.—Vote on the Tonquin credit is virtually a defeat of the government, twenty-four conservatives, who would have opposed the credit, having been deprived of their seats. A cabinet council has been summoned for tomorrow. The ministers will perhaps retain their portfolios until after the meeting of congress to elect a president of the republic.

A Year of Jubilee.

ROME, Dec. 25.—The pope gave a Christmas reception to-day to the cardinals in Rome. He complained of the present trying position of the pope in Rome, and said it would ever be so until Rome was given back to the vatican. His holiness in an encyclical letter proclaims 1886 a year of jubilee.

A Railway in the Congo.

LONDON, Dec. 25.—A contract has been signed granting a concession for a railway from the Upper to the Lower Congo to the Manchester Congo railway company. The first issue of the company's stock will be £1,000,000, for which subscriptions will be opened at an early date.

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CHRISTMAS DAY SPORTS.

SOME INTERESTING DOG RACES AT EGLINTON.

An Amateur Moose Hunter's Experience—The Chess Championship—A Famous Trotting Mare Poisoned.

CHICAGO, Dec. 25.—The game to night in the balk-line billiard tournament was between Vignaux and Slosson, and was played before an assemblage of scarcely one hundred people. There was no betting to speak of, as offers of 10 to 7 on Vignaux found no takers. The game opened tamely, Vignaux requiring seven innings to reach 103, against six for Slosson. A run of thirty five in the ninth innings brought Slosson's total to 144, six less than Vignaux. The Chicagoan took the lead in the eleventh innings with a run of twenty, in the course of which he rather roughly ordered Vignaux away from the table, as the Parisian was standing directly in front of him watching his play very intently. Vignaux obeyed, but glared angrily as he did so, and two innings later got his revenge with a run of thirty-one, which gave him the lead once more. Nevertheless the game was horribly slow and uninteresting, Vignaux having made but 202 points in an hour and a quarter. The billiards on both sides were rough, neither player seeming to have any life in him. Vignaux managed to wake up in the twenty-second innings for a run of 85, and the call was: Vignaux 276, Slosson 234. Vignaux reached 400 in the twenty-fifth innings, Slosson having 277 points. Shortly after Slosson warmed up and put in a run of 73, and the score was 417 to 366 in the Frenchman's favor. The game was tremendously dull for the next nine innings. Slosson loomed in the fortieth inning, and by some spirited playing put together 53 more.

Vignaux in his forty first innings realized 40 points. He complained that it was impossible to play with the balls as they were heavy on one side and would jump when hit hard. Slosson, however, managed to hit them very well for a run of 56 in the forty-third innings, which gave him the lead. The game of the next few innings was remarkably close, the men leading alternately.

Vignaux passed to his last string in the fifty-fourth innings with a run of 36, and finally won the game. Score: Vignaux 800; average 13 10 61; highest run 88. Slosson 710, average 11 10-60, highest run 72.

The Trials and Tribulations of Amateur Moose Hunters.

The big bull moose now hanging up in front of Mallon & Co.'s stall in St. Lawrence market weighed 950 pounds, live weight, not that much dressed, as we inadvertently stated yesterday. It is not yet skinned, but will be very shortly, we suppose. Part of the meat has been spoken for by prominant citizens; the skin when stuffed, also the gigantic horns, will grace the Canadian section of the Indian and Colonial exhibition in London next summer.

Mallon & Co. got the moose through Mr. Wm. Ryan, on Front street. The following letter to Mr. Ryan, dated Brockville, Dec. 17, tells he hunters' story:

The two moose were shot on November 22d by the foremen and one of the men in the employment of Messrs. Pattee & Perley, lumbermen of Ottawa, on their limits near Chalk river, and near the Petewawa road, about 30 miles from Pembroke. They came upon four of them after tracking them for hours, and shot the two bull moose in a very dense thicket. It took about ten shots to kill them. They then took out the inside and cleaned them and singed some of the hair on them to keep off the wolves, which were very numerous in that vicinity; we could hear them every night at the shanty. Myself and Mr. McCraney went out three expecting to get a chance at the other two, but owing to the crust on the snow, although we tramped a great many miles, we could not get near them. To get the two moose out of the woods was very laborious work; it took seven men and a span of horses from noon until 9 o'clock at night to get them to the Petawawa road, and then to the shanty, from where we brought them to Brockville. I don't think I want any more moose hunting. It is the work of the sturdy backwoods huntsman or Indian, who are at home in the wilds of Canada, and who can make their bed in the snow at night and take up the track in the morning; that is about the only way that moose can be shot.

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The grea contest for the chess championship of the world between J. H. Zukertort champion of Great Britain, and William Steinitz, the best chess player in America, will begin in New York next Tuesday. Play will be continued until either player has won four games. The contestants will then proceed to St. Louis, where they will play a like number of games under similar conditions. The final struggle will take place at New Orleans. Ten games must be won by either player before the stake money can be awarded. The winner of the match wins $4200—$4000 stake money and $1200 for expenses. In the total score of personal encounters Steinitz claims to be fully five games ahead.

Mr. W. L. Simmons's famous trotting mare Early Dawn (2.21½) died at Lexington, Ky., on the 23d inst. An autopsy revealed the fact that she was poisoned with arsenic. After winning a valuable stake at Lexington she was taken to Chicago, where she won a 5-year old stake. She was then taken to St. Louis, where she was taken sick, but started in a race won by Mr. McKerran's mare Elvira. Early Dawn never recovered, but went into a decline. She was a great mare, having won a $10,000 stake at New York last year, defeating in the first heat a large field of horses. Her winnings aggregate $15,000 in two years. She was sired by George Wilkes, dam Lady Frank, by Mambrino Star, second dam the famous Lady Franklin. She was valued at $25,000. Mr. Simmons refused $15,000 for her.

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A Real Estate Agent Defaults for a Hundred Thousand and Comes Northward.

CLINTON, Mo., Dec. 25.—Silas E. Cheek, a prominent real estate loan agent here, is said to be a defaulter for over $100,000. The utmost confidence had been placed in his integrity until lately and the banks had given him credit far beyond his means and honored his drafts for large amounts. About two weeks ago F. C. Nichols of Bridgeport, Conn., arrived in Clinton to look after a mortgage on the property belonging to O. B. Jones. He discovered the name on the mortgage to be fictitious and the mortgage a forgery. Cheek had forged the name of the recorder to the bogus mortgage and had defrauded him out of $7300. To save himself Cheek gave a deed of trust on his property for the amount and the same day gave another deed of trust to save some friends who had advanced him money. He then left for Canada and has not been heard from since.

A CHRISTMAS TREE BLAZE.

Forty Persons Injured but None Very Seriously.

CHICAGO, Dec. 25.—A huge Christmas tree bearing all kinds of gifts for the patients and attendants at the county hospital and lavishly illuminated with wax candles caught fire to-day while a hundred or more people were closely about it. The small room was densely packed and "Santa Claus" was forcing his way through the crowd to the tree to distribute the gifts. Suddenly a wreath of colored paper caught fire from a candle and almost instantly the entire tree and its contents were a pyramid of flame. The garments of those next to the tree caught fire and everyone of them after tracking them for hours, and shot the two bull moose in a very dense thicket. It took about ten shots to kill them. They then took out the inside and cleaned them and singed some of the hair on them to keep off the wolves, which were very numerous in that vicinity; we could hear them every night at the shanty. Myself and Mr. McCraney went out three expecting to get a chance at the other two, but owing to the crust on the snow, although we tramped a great many miles, we could not get near them. To get the two moose out of the woods was very laborious work; it took seven men and a span of horses from noon until 9 o'clock at night to get them to the Petawawa road, and then to the shanty, from where we brought them to Brockville. I don't think I want any more moose hunting. It is the work of the sturdy backwoods huntsman or Indian, who are at home in the wilds of Canada, and who can make their bed in the snow at night and take up the track in the morning; that is about the only way that moose can be shot.

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THE STATE OF TRADE.

Bradstreet's Weekly Report of Business—A Decrease in the Number of Failures.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.—Special telegrams to Bradstreet's from leading trade centres this week report the dulness in wholesale lines customary at this season. There are some exceptions, notably at St. Louis, where the distribution of dry goods is as full and firm as it has been of late. Throughout a good portion of the northwest, also, notably in Iowa, the movement of merchandise has likewise been large. At Chicago arrangements have been made by bankers for an active and increased business during the remainder of the winter. The general merchandise markets there exhibit the lack of animation generally observed at this time. Prices of leading staples are firm, and the general belief appears to be that prices are likely to advance shortly after the opening of the new year. At the east there is less doing in wholesale departments. There is, however, a very general steadiness in most staple lines.

At Boston the confidence in a favorable prospect for the latter portion of the winter is marked. The distribution of dry goods from eastern cities is as quiet as expected. Commission houses are doing rather more than jobbers. There is reported to be a fair movement in brown cottons on export orders. The domestic consumption is moderate. Raw wool is as firm as ever. The demand is fairly active for low and medium grades as of late, but there is also some request for the finer fleeces. No weakness is noted anywhere in the list.

The movement of groceries has been restricted. Dairy products are improved and higher. The wheat market has been dull, and prices tend downward. Increased quantity afloat, visible supply and (prospectively) foreign stocks combined with speculative selling at home, are responsible therefor. There is still a conspicuous absence of foreign demand. In the northwest the larger millers are now credited with being long of wheat. In any event wheat at Minneapolis and Chicago has been well held. Indian corn is in limited export demand, but is freely offered. Oats are dull and lower. Hog products have been weak and lower, but on a slightly improved inquiry both at home and abroad have been a little firmer. Pig iron is strongly held and prices are unchanged, though an advance at the east of $1 per ton within a week or so would not be surprising. Hardware and implements have been held more firmly for slight advances, owing to the strength in iron.

There have been twenty-four fewer business failures in the United States reported to Bradstreet's this week (five days) than last, 193 against 217; and 402 fewer this year to date than during a like portion of 1884, or 10 964 against 11,366.

A SAD CHRISTMAS.

Nanticoke's Melancholy Recollection of the Entombed Twenty-six.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Dec. 25.—Nanticoke never witnessed a sadder Christmas. The festive gatherings in household and church were overshadowed by the prevailing gloom and sorrow. None could forget the terrible fate of the twenty-six men and boys buried 200 feet below ground in the dark chambers of the fatal slope. After further discussion and consultation by the engineers to-day, the company finally decided to sink a new shaft from the surface at a point directly above where the bodies are supposed to be. This shaft will be about 175 feet deep, and it will take from four to six weeks to complete, even with the most rapid work. Excavating of the blocked gangway from the foot of the slope goes steadily forward, but it is a very slow process, and months will elapse before the mine is cleared. Prayers were offered this morning in every church throughout the Wyoming valley for the unfortunate men.

A few people still profess to believe that there is life in the mine, and that if the men can be reached in a day or two some of them can be rescued. This belief is based on past experience. The Sugar Notch accident is cited as proving that men may live entombed a long period and still suffer but little. The hope that has been and is being entertained by the people of Nanticoke is that the miners who had been at work in the breasts of an elevation of 45 feet from the gangway may, after the water subsided and the sand had become fastened solidly in the main opening, have wandered to the gangway and come across a mule, upon whose flesh they could obtain subsistence, and that in this way life might possibly be preserved for two or three weeks.

Would be Appreciated Here.

From the Montreal Star.

Among the things which might be done, and which it would pay to do in Montreal, is the preparation of eatables at our markets for the table. At Covent Garden in London, or at Quincy market in Boston, vegetables are sold washed, scraped and ready for the pot. Here carrots, turnips and so on are presented at the stalls just as they left mother earth, barring that they may have since wilted. So with meat and poultry. Few butchers notch their meats with a view to adapting to gridiron or roastpan; and poultry is rarely offered well picked and cleaned.

Invitingness is an element in price if our butchers and hucksters but knew it. Cleansing and preparation for the table can be more cheaply done wholesale by a dealer than retail by buyers. So well understood is this in England, that not only are berries sold picked and ready for the table, but the time honored elements of plum pudding, raisins, and currants, are quite commonly to be had stemmed and cleansed for their immediate dough.

OUR OWN COUNTRY.

Items of General Interest Received by Mail and Wire.

A board of trade has been organized at Ottawa.

"Mick" Shanagy of Barrie has been appointed inspector of inland revenue.

At Acton, Geo. Robinson, has been fined $100 for a second violation of the Scott act.

There are ten cases of smallpox in McNab township, Lanark county. There have been two deaths.

Boys skating on Carroll's pond near Ingersoll found an infant frozen stiff, rolled up in a bundle of rags.

Mrs. McPhee, aged 109 years, died in Oro, Simcoe county, the other day. Up to the day of her death she was able to assist in the housework and was free from pain or ache.

Rev. Joshua Fraser has been deposed from the ministry by the Kingston presbytery. A resolution passed the presbytery disapproving of the appointment of an additional professor in Knox college.

It was announced in town yesterday that the Ontario government intends to issue liquor licenses here next year. We hope such is the case, as it will keep our taxes down, and prevent a lot of perjury.—Peterboro' Times.

A scheme is on foot for the completion of St. Peter's cathedral, Montreal. All the priests ordained by Mgr. Fabre since Archbishop Bourget resigned his seat have entered into a league to make the bishop a rich present, to be raffled for at the grand bazaar for the benefit of the cathedral next summer.

There was a warm discussion at the last meeting of the Woodstock, Ont., town council. Mayor Grant called Councillor Muir a sneaking cur, a liar, the dirty tool of a clique, and declared that he should be in convicts' clothes. Mr. Muir returned in kind, closing the discussion with "You're a liar. You are not in order, and if you don't sit down I'll knock you down. I'll smash your mouth." Mr. Muir's argument appears to have been the most effective, for right there the unseemly scene ended.

HONORING THE FESTIVAL

THE TRADITIONS OF CHRISTMAS CONSECRATED AND CELEBRATED.

A Quiet Day in the City—Absence of the Sweet Sleigh Bells—Remembering the Poor and the Unfortunate—Incidents of the Day.

The greatest festival known to the Christian world was celebrated in an appropriate manner yesterday by the good people of Toronto. It is with the utmost pleasure that The World chronicles the fact that on all sides could be seen ample indications of peace, plenty and contentment. Those who are possessed of an abundance of our material wants nobly responded to the needs of their brethren who are less fortunate. Everyone seemed to be happy and thankful. The day passed off in an extremely quiet way, and nothing occurred of an untoward nature to cast a cloud over the sacred fireside or the city as a whole.

Christmas, like every other holiday, has its own peculiarities, and people have their own opinions as to how it should be honored. One important feature to be considered is the weather. We in Canada have learned to associate with Christmas the merry jingle of sleigh-bells, streets full of rosy-cheeked maids and matrons, and a big turn-out of gallants in their best midwinter attire. Many were the regrets expressed at the absence of sleighing. The day was on the raw side, and the wind was rather of an assertive nature, making it if anything unfit for outside pleasure. This diction of the weather-clerk had the effect of filling the churches where religious services were held with large congregations. There is certainly no falling off in the inclination to go to church on Christmas, or in the number of places of worship where the custom obtains. These are the Anglican, Roman Catholic and Methodist bodies.

"And the greatest of all these is charity." In this respect Christmas is a welcome day—one that is looked forward to with pleasure by the inmates of our places of charity and correction. The Christmas scenes in these institutions have so often been described in the daily papers that they are as familiar to our citizens as the chimes of St. James. Yesterday was no exception to former occasions, and the hundreds of unfortunates who occupy these places were made as happy as a bountiful dinner of good things could make them.

Presentation to Mr. and Mrs. Holderness.

The Christmas of 1885 will long be remembered with pleasure by the guests at the Albion hotel. Just before dinner it could plainly be seen that something unusual was on the tapis, and that something was nothing less than a presentation, on behalf of the guests, to Mr. and Mrs. Holderness, the popular host and hostess of that well-known hostelry. The presentation consisted of a handsome illuminated address (signed on behalf of the donors by Mr. Robert Wilson and Mr. J. J. Wright), and two elegant and costly easy chairs, one for Mrs. Holderness and one for Mr. Holderness. The address was couched in the most kindly language, expressive of the many favors the guests were recipients of at the hands of the host and hostess. The genial John responded in his happiest manner on behalf of himself and Mrs. Holderness. The whole company was then invited to the ample dining-room, where one of the most tempting of Christmas dinners was in waiting. With many wishes for long life and happiness to the lady and gent ensan of the house, the jovial company did good service with their knives and forks. It was a very pleasant affair throughout.

How the Germans Celebrated Christmas.

Sons, daughters and lovers of The Fatherland assembled in Union hall last night in large numbers. The Toronto Leidenkranz held their regular annual Christmas festival. Children were present in scores and the heart of each was gladdened by a Christmas box. The feature of the evening was the production of a German comedy in one act entitled Monsieur Hercules. The club sang several part songs in good style. President Theo. Braun made a short speech in which he said that the society was in a flourishing condition and increasing in members steadily. After the program, dancing was commenced and continued to a late hour. The club intends producing some German play once a month.

Concerts at the Gardens.

Two concerts were given in the pavilion by the Toronto Quartet club, assisted by Mrs. Bradley, James Fax and a carol club under the direction of Mr. Warrington. At the afternoon performance, in which the Quartet club did not take part, the attendance was very slim. Some of the familiar carols were well rendered, and the solos of Mrs. Bradley and Mr. Warrington were much appreciated. Mr. Fax created a good deal of merriment by his comic singing and unique costumes. The members of the club were attired in the costumes of olden times. Mr. Carl Martens was the accompanist.

Carols.

Clow's baron of beef proved very palatable to the callers at the Colborne street restaurant.

Host McConnell was at home at Headquarters. His wine and cake were relished by many