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Are added to your veins by taking one of Dr. Campbell's Red Blood Forming Capsuloids with each meal three times daily. This is the only Natural Iron Medicine known. It is the Natural Iron extracted from Bullock's Blood.

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She objects to paying 42 cents per pound. She writes us: "I have taken six boxes of your Capsuloids and have gained only six pounds, as they cost me $2.50.

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We hope she may gain 60 lbs this time. She gained six pounds for $2.50 and added to her veins TWO OUNCES OF BLOOD DAILY.

Do you want to gain six pounds and a lot of fresh, red Blood? You can do so by taking Dr. Campbell's Capsuloids—the only Natural Iron Medicine, taken from Fresh Blood of healthy young Bullocks, and agrees with the weakest stomach.

Tuberculosis Never Develops

When the Blood is Rich. To restore the system to its normal condition, you must restore to the Blood its Natural Iron. DR. CAMPBELL'S RED BLOOD FORMING CAPSULOIDS will do this and is all you require to CURE you of any disease having its origin in the Blood.

Capsuloids are sold at 50c a box or 6 boxes for $2.50) by J. P. Lamb & Son, Athens, or sent on receipt of price from The Canadian Branch.

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Are Being Freed by the Thousands Under the Benign Influence of South American Rheumatic Cure.

"I was a slave to rheumatism in a very acute form for over a year, I could not attend to my business. The pain in my limbs was intense. I tried South American Rheumatic Cure. After ...e one bottle I was so greatly bene...ed ...ing it and to-day ...three bottles, I am ... F. G. Cole, Grain ...ton, Ont. Sold by ...

ROCKPORT.

MONDAY, Jan. 10.—Miss Emma Connolly of Caintown was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Seaman last week.

Mr. Wes. Foley of Lansdowne has rented the store now occupied by J. F. Fitzsimmons, and will take possession shortly.

Mr. Jas. Dixon of Lansdowne called on friends in this place last Friday.

Lyman Patterson and Del. Andress left for Algonquin last Wednesday to visit friends in that place.

Quite a number from the Mallorytown and Caintown divisions Sons of Temperance paid a visit to the local lodge last Friday night, and according to all reports they spent a very pleasant evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Albin Guilds of Andressburg were the guests of Mrs. M. D. Seaman last Friday.

A dance was given in Lear's hall last Friday night to a small assemblage.

The intended excursion to Escott last Wednesday night did not materialize, owing to the stormy weather.

BAFFLED THE DOCTORS.

But No Power to Resist the Healing Tide —South American Kidney Cure Never Fails

"For fifteen years I was racked by severe kidney troubles. For weeks at a time I was unable to go about so so severe were the pains in my side. All remedies failed me and my case baffled physicians. I was induced to try South American Kidney Cure. It worked like magic, and in a very short while the pai... left me, my strength returned, ... V. Matthews, ...d by J. P. Lam...

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO ABOUT IT?

Editor Reporter:

SIR,—Knowing the great interest you have ever taken in the welfare and prosperity of the village of Athens, I take the liberty to ask a small space in the columns of your paper, to bring before your readers the position of one of the most useful and morally beneficent institutions in our village, viz: the Public Library. By a change in the law the library, as at present constituted, has been deprived of its chief support—the Government grant. Under the present law no grant is made except to free libraries and reading rooms. The law gives the power to municipal councils to take over Public or Mechanics' Institute Libraries and establish them as Free Public Libraries and reading rooms for the whole of the ratepayers. This has been done in a great number of cases, the councils feeling that the money necessary for their support is well expended. The Athens Mechanics' Institute Library if something is not soon done will be closed, the books removed, and an important agency established here for the betterment of the people lost. Are the people of the progressive village of Athens willing that this should take place, when a small sum from the ratepayers will prevent it? The Directors are anxious to continue the good work which the Library has been doing in the past, but under the changed conditions of the law are unable to do so, unless they receive the hearty support of the people. The Directors are desirous of extending its usefulness by making it and a Public Reading Room free to every citizen of the village. From what I know of the enterprize of the people, I think there would be no dissent from the proposition that the council take over the library and make it and a Public Reading Room free

I was requested at a meeting of the Directors held last evening, to ask for tenders for providing suitable rooms, fuel, light and attendance. I will cheerfully give any information necessary to all parties wishing to tender for the above.

Thanking you, Mr. Editor, for your kindness in giving me space to mention these facts and to call attention to the present condition of our Institute, I am yours sincerely,

WM. WRIGHT, Pres.

Athens, Jan. 19, 1898.

DELTA

MONDAY, Jan. 17.—Mrs. Wm. Dargavel of Newboro, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Stearns Ransom, for the past week.

A load from here attended the carnival at Elgin on Friday last and report it the best of the season.

An old and esteemed resident of Daytown, has passed away to the silent majority, in the person of Wm. Campbell, aged 75; a staunch Conservative. The funeral was held in the Baptist church on Sunday, Rev. J. Puttenham officiating. The remains were placed in the vault.

Rev. J. Puttenham and wife have returned after a three weeks' visit with friends in Ready.

Mr. Burns of Westport, has opened up a grocery and feed store and also a first-class livery. We wish him success.

Mrs. J. McDonald of Lansdowne has returned home after spending three weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. Murphy.

The Farmers' Institute meeting is to be held on Thursday, 20th. The principal speakers are Mr. A. f. Brown of Picton and Mr. R. Rennie of Milliken.

There was a wedding at the Methodist parsonage on Wednesday last, the contracting parties being Mr. Will Taylor and Miss Watts, both of Harlem. We wish them long and happy lives.

There was seen on our streets a Lilac in full bloom on Sunday last.

Professor Beal of Brockville is going to hold a musical convention in Delta on February 15, 16, 17, and 18. Everybody should attend as it is going to be the event of the season.

WASHBURN'S.

MONDAY JAN. 17,—Mrs. Kelly is still alive but very low.

Welt Earl had a bee drawing saw logs to the mill to build a silo next summer.

William Wright's oldest child had the misfortune to injure his knee and is laid up for several days, under the care of a doctor.

Miss Elizabeth Scott, who is keeping house for Mr. Joseph Moulton, is confined to bed with a heavy cold under the care of a doctor.

Wm. Hollingsworth has been engaged as foreman on the farm of Mrs. Levi Stevens for thewinter.

Mrs Scena Washburn, Soperton, is visiting relatives in this section.

Mr. Thos. Berney has made a sale of six cutters in this community this season. He is an excellent salesman.

Mr. Follest, our popular and efficient mechanic, has been confined to his bed for a few days.

Some very rude persons have placed Mr. Geo. Livingston's cutter on the peak of his barn.

Mrs. Betsy Curtis is domiciled with her daughter, Mrs. John Loverin.

Mr. Beaumont Rilance, Chelsea, Que., is rusticating on the farm of his uncle, Lewis Washburn.

Master Leonard Wright, son of Wm Wright, is seriously ill. He complained of a thistle in his knee, from which he suffered intense pain. Dr. Harte was summoned who on examination found the knee bone to have been bruised and that there were symptoms of blood poison. At last reports he was slightly improving.

Wanted—a few bushels of oats on Reporter account at this office.

Ex-Mayor Cope of Vancouver, B. C. before leaving for the Yukon, insured himself for $5,000 in the London Accident and Guarantee Company. He met death by drowning in a lake on Skaguay trail, and though affidavits were presented by eye-witnesses the company refused to pay the widow. Suit has been commenced. Mr. Cope was a brother of Mrs. Kerr of Greenbush.

W. G. McLaughlin has opened up a hair cutting and shaving parlor over R. J. Seymour's grocery, where he will be pleased to have calls from his old customers and those wanting a job done in his line. 3i

LOCAL SUMMARY.

ATHENS AND NEIGHBORING LOCALITIES BRIEFLY WRITTEN UP.

Events as Seen by Our Knight of the Pencil.—Local Announcement Boiled Right Down.

The Counties Council meets on the 25th inst.

Hay sold for $9 per ton in Brockville on Friday.

Mrs. Melvin Trickey is very ill with an affection of the lungs.

Mr. Levi Marshall of Lyn was a Reporter caller this week.

Mr. J. C. Eaton, of the tuning department of the Conservatory of Music, Kingston, was in town this week.

An Algonquin correspondent says: The school children speak in glowing terms of their new teacher, Miss E. Derbyshire.

J. B. Foley has a farm of 100 acres, situated near Unionville fair grounds, for sale or rent on reasonable terms. Glen Buell P. O.

Remember Mr J. L. Gallagher's sale of household furniture, which takes place at his residence, Reid street. Athens, on Saturday next at 1 p. m.

Wilson & Son, butchers, will keep a supply of Oysters (selects) direct from the Baltimore beds, for sale at lowest prices. 2m.

Meetings in connection with the Brockville Farmers' Institute are announced as follows:—Addison, Friday Jan. 21; Mallorytown, Saturday, Jan. 22; Fairfield East Monday' Jan. 24. There will be two sessions each day at 2 p. m. and 7.30 p. m.

The Rev. Wm. Wright will preach at evensong, next Sunday, in Christ church, Athens, on "The Book of Common Prayer, its Scripturalness and its Conservatism." The general public invited. All seats free.

Mrs. David Sly, Elgin, will offer for sale by public auction (subject to a reserve bid) her house and lot, on Thursday Jan. 27th, at 2 p. m. Terms made known on day of sale. R. G. Murphy, auctioneer.

Dr. Lane of Mallorytown appeared in Brockville police court last week charged with having assaulted Mr. W. I. Mallory and wife at the close of an entertainment held in that town recently. He was called upon to pay a fine and costs amounting to $16.

A commission has been issued to I. C. Alguire, Esq., to take evidence on behalf of a former Athens lady who is trying to secure damages to the amount of $50,000 from Chicago Street Railway Company for damage said to have been sustained by her, owing to the negligence of the employees of the company. The taking of evidence is in progress this week.

The Athens Citizens' Band have decided to give a minstrel performance in Mallorytown on the evening of Thurs. 27th inst. Their entertainment here was unexceptionable and gave unbounded satisfaction to the large audience present. All their songs are up to date, and the people of Mallorytown and vicinity may rely upon a first-class programme, free from coarseness of any kind, being presented.

Mr. A. E. Kincaid of Walnut, Iowa, in renewing his subscription to the Reporter, says: "We have had a pleasant winter so far, but very little snow. Eight to twelve inches of snow would be a heavy fall of snow for this section of country. I see one of your boys every few days—Dr. Clifford Giles who is located seven miles from this place, in the next town joining us on the east. He is getting along nicely and building up a good practice."

Miss Nellie Towriss, adopted daughter of Mr. Bennett Towriss, and Mr. Willie Allen were married last Wednesday. Mr. Allen is a wealthy young farmer, son of Thos. Allen, one of the most highly respected and prosperous farmers of the town of Hammond, St. Lawrence Co., N. Y., whose beautiful home is situated on the picturesque shore of Chippewa Bay, opposite Cedar island, where a grand reception was held on last Thursday night. Seventy guests were present.

Mr. Milton Mansel, Temperance Lake, has paved part of his excellent dairy stable with cedar blocks, which are cut 8 inches long, placed on end, and take the place of a floor for the cattle to stand on. Blocks may be of any size. It they average nine inches in diameter, 100 blocks will pave 75 surface feet. So it will be seen that it will take a surprising lot of cedar to do a large stable; but in this done it will out wear several plank floors, especially if at the first it is well covered with fine gravel, free from sand. To this he has added the best bale I have seen. The animal don't realize that it is confined. Each one also has a compact manger, all of which would do credit to any dairy in the country.

Annual Report.

ATHENS, Jan. 15, 1898.

Mr. Editor:

DEAR SIR,—I again present the annual report of our poultry for the benefit of my brother farmers who do not think it pays. For the twelve months of the year 1897 our 50 hens, besides the loss of time hatching and raising about sixty chickents, of which I have no account, they laid 549 dozen of eggs which averaged about 10 cents per dozen, totaling $55,37. The average of each hen was 132 eggs. Cash return, $1.11 for each hen. As to the cost of feeding, I cannot say, as we raised the feed and did not measure it. On former years when I purchased the grain, prices were higher than at the present time, and it then cost about 55 cents per hen.

While there are many farmers who do not think it pays, there are many others who think themselves too big to fuss around the barn with a few hens, and leave them to take care of themselves as best they can. In many places we notice a marked improvement in providing better winter quarters, which is one of the three things necessary to make poultry pay, namely: a good laying breed provided with good comfortable quarters, plenty of good egg-producing food and clear water. The highest price obtained was 18 cents, the lowest 8 cents; the best month was March, 79 dozen. If any of your readers can show as good or better returns we would like to hear from them.

E. C. BULFORD.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cawley spent last week with friends in Brockville.

The Athens rink, under the management of Mr. J. Mulvena, opened on Tuesday evening with a good attendance.

Our Lady of the Snows and Jack Frost have produced within the last week an infinite number and variety of fine landscape views.

We are sorry to hear that Mrs. E. A. Thornhill is on the sick list, having been confined to the house for two weeks with bronchitis.

Mr. H. S. Moffatt of Irish Creek has been appointed clerk of the Township of Wolford, in place of Mr. K. Weir, resigned.

Boils, pimples and eruptions, scrofula salt rheum and all other manifestations of impure blood are cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Mr. A. Patterson, Brockville, was in Athens yesterday. His brother, Howard, has been confined to his bed by illness since Sunday last.

Mr. Emmerson Moulton and Mr. Henry Morris of Ingersoll are the guests of their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Morris, and family of M. T. street.

Miss Minnie Morris, who taught two years in Warburton, has been engaged to teach the Sheldon's school for this year. We wish her good success.

Messrs. I. & P. Wiltse have in stock a number of boys' long boots and boys' overcoats which they will sell cheap and take wood in payment.

S. Y. Bullis will pay the highest price for ash, elm, and basswood logs. Must be free from knots and shakes and cut 12 feet long, to be delivered at his sawmill near the station. 2m

For Sale—a good driving horse. 10 years old, sound, kind, and quite speedy; also harness, cutter, buggy, robes, and lap rugs. Will be sold at a bargain in a lump or separately. Apply to A. James, Athens.

A meeting for the organization of a prohibition campaign for the municipality of the Rear of Yonge, Escott and Athens, will be held in Arnold's Hall, Athens, on Saturday next, Jan 22nd, at 3 p. m. All persons interested in temperance work are cordially invited to attend.

On Tuesday evening John Martin was returning to Lyndhurst from the Kendrick woods, where he had been working, and was shortening his trip by crossing the lake when he broke through the ice and was drowned. A man who was with him conveyed the news to Lyndhurst.

Mrs Hugh Miller died at her home, Magnetawan, on Thursday the 6th leaving to mourn her loss a husband and nine children. Her sister, Mrs. C. H. Elliott of Athens, was with her during the last days of her illness. The deceased, who was a daughter of the late Thomas Hayes, was well known and highly esteemed in Athens, where she was born and resided until about twenty two years ago.

Mr. Thos. Earl, Temperance Lake, is preparing to build a large barn, including an extensive double silo, next spring. His Esra is a persevering young man. He has cut and delivered 150 logs at McIntosh Mills to furnish lumber for the above building. He got up winter and summer wood, sawed ready for the stove, besides drawing a quantity of wood to Brockville. This is a good record. He has made good use of the snow up to date and will continue to do so as long as it lasts.

Wood and Lumber Wanted.

Persons having ash, basswood, maple or hemlock lumber, either dry or green, and wishing to exchange the same for furniture, please call at once. Those having logs, please come in before getting them cut. Athough the Christmas trade reduced my stock, it is again complete and prices are low. Farm produce also taken.—T. G. Stevens, Athens, Ont. 3i

Rear Yonge & Escott Council.

The Council elected for 1898 met at town hall, Athens, on Monday, 17th, at 11 o'clock, when Thos. Moulton, reeve, E. J. Rowsom, Jas. K. Redmond, W. C. Hayes, and Jas. W. Wiltse, councillors, made and subscribed to the declarations and qualifications of office

The by-law for appointment of township officers received three readings and was passed, filled as follows: R. E. Cornell, clerk, salary. $75; John F. Yates and Albert Morris, auditors; Dr. Giles, medical health officer; H. C. Phillips, sanitary inspector; A. W. Kelly, assessor, salary, $40; Irwin Wiltse, treasurer, salary, $25; A. W. Johnston, Munsell Brown, Andrew Henderson (for 3, 2 and 1 years respectively) members of the local board of health; H. C. Phillips, caretaker of the town hall, salary, $15; Dr. Giles, high school trustee.

B. Loverin's tender for the printing for $35 was accepted.

Orders were given on the treasurer as follows: H. C. Phillips, to purchase wood for town hall, $6; the hospital for sick children, Toronto, $5; Albert Morris, overcharge on taxes, 1897, $1.47.

Council adjourned until Monday, February 21st, at one o'clock, unless sooner called by the reeve.

R. E. CORNELL, Clerk.

HARLEM

MONDAY, Jan. 10.—Mr. Ed. Brown rejoices over the arrival of a daughter.

Mr. Albert Gorman has been spending a couple of weeks at the Kingston dairy school.

Miss Rose Forgie of Smith's Falls has returned home to remain some time with her aunt, Miss Green.

Mrs. Emmon's had a wood-bee last week.

Mr. Robt. Grey returned home, very unexpectedly to his neighboring friends, one day recently, after making an extended visit to parts unknown.

MONDAY, Jan. 17.—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Taylor will move to Harlem in the spring, where Mr. Taylor will take charge of the Smith's Valley cheese factory.

On Friday, the 18th, Mrs. Nichols, a lady of 88 years, left this world of care. Her funeral took place on Sunday morning at Phillipsville. She leaves a large family to mourn her loss.

Mr. John Marks and family leave to-day (Monday) for town.

NEWS TOPICS OF A WEEK.

Important Events in Few Words For Busy Readers.

The Busy World's Happenings Carefully Compiled and Put Into Handy and Attractive Shape For the Readers of Our Paper—A Solid Hour's Enjoyment in Paragraphed Information.

SUICIDES.

Scores of people saw Alfred C. Greenleaf, a bookkeeper out of work in Chicago, jump from the 16th story of the Masonic temple there on Saturday. His body was reduced to pulp.

THE LABOR WORLD.

The operatives of the New England cotton mills were paid for the first time at the reduced rate on Saturday, and it is feared there will be a strike, commencing to-day. The reduction amounts to from 10 to 11 1-9 per cent. and affects over fifty mills.

PURELY PERSONAL.

Frank Magowan's divorce from his first wife has been sustained. This is the Trenton, N.J., man who married Mrs. Barnes, nee Riddell of Toronto.

John J. Overton of Charleston, West Va., aged 100 years, has just been married to Mrs. Mary J. Henderson, and they will at once set up housekeeping.

POLITICS—CANADIAN.

South Renfrew Conservatives have nominated S. J. Dempsey, the county warden, for the Assembly.

Lieut.-Governor Chapleau prorogued the Quebec Legislature on Saturday and assented to 109 bills passed during the session. As his sleigh was approaching the Parliament buildings it upset and His Honor tumbled out but was not hurt.

THE FIRE RECORD.

Cleveland, Ohio, Jan. 17.—The Music Hall, which was built in 1885 at a cost of $60,000, was destroyed by fire.

During a fire at Hamilton an excited Chinaman jumped from an upstair window with a money box in his arms, alighting in the dark on Constable Ford's back.

The investigation into the cause of the London, Eng., fire, shows that the loss was $3,050,000. The jury found that the fire was the work of "some person or persons unknown."

THE AGRICULTURAL WORLD.

The orange crop of Southern California, now being harvested, is in prime condition.

Harvest has commenced in Cuba, and General Blanco reports to Madrid that customs receipts have increased.

Owing to the shortage in the land available for agriculture in New South Wales, the Government is withdrawing 1,000,000 acres leased to pastorals, and is placing farmers upon this land.

THE RELIGIOUS WORLD.

A new Methodist church was opened at Stone Ridge on the Brant Indian reservation.

Herr Sudermann's religious play "Johannes," treating of the life of John the Baptist, was produced Saturday night at Berlin, Stuttgart and Dresden, Germany, and did not prove a success.

Principal Grant has accepted the challenge of Rev. Dr. Lucas to debate the liquor question, the latter to name the date, which must be before the end of the month. The wordy duel is to take place in Kingston.

THE DEAD.

Mayor Templeton of Vancouver died suddenly from an apoplectic stroke.

Michael Quinn died in Kingston aged 83. For 20 years he had been a night watchman.

Rodolph Herzog, a Jew, the leading drygoods retailer on the American plan in Berlin, Germany, is dead.

A private despatch from Thomasville, Ga., states that Commissioner of Patents Butterworth died there.

Mr. David Williamson, an old bachelor and retired farmer, who, with his brother, has been living in Watford Village for many years, dropped dead of heart disease.

J. B. Moreau, a well-known farmer of St. Lambert, Quebec, died on Saturday, aged 65, from pleurisy. His wife died on Wednesday and the doctors say the cause was a broken heart over the loss of her husband.

CASUALTIES.

It is said 300 persons were killed by an earthquake at Amboyna, Malay Archipelago, on Monday last.

A tornado at Fort Smith, Arkansas, caused the loss of 20 lives and a million dollars' worth of property.

The inquest into the City Hall disaster at London has resulted in a verdict that the calamity was purely accidental.

Two townships have been obliterated and hundreds of settlers rendered homeless by bush fires in Victoria, Australia.

The deaths from the plague at Bombay during the past week numbered 450. There were 1,307 deaths during the same period from all causes.

Yesterday the section foreman of the C.P.R. found on the track one mile west of Schaw Station the dead body of a man who had evidently been struck and killed by some train during the night. From papers on his person it seems that he belonged to Tara or neighborhood.

FOR MEN OF WAR.

A despatch from the South of France intimates that the Carlists are very active, and a rising may occur sooner than expected.

Denmark is anxious to obtain from the powers a guarantee of neutrality, but it is said the same is not likely to be granted at present.

Over 300 army officers in Havana will, it is said, plead guilty to having had a hand in the attack on the Havana newspapers the other day.

It is reported that Captain-General Blanco of Cuba has been threatened by Havana mob and is mobilizing the loyal forces to be ready for it.

General Sir William Lockhart, the Commander of the British forces on the Indian frontier, has postponed his journey homeward in the expectation of a settlement with the Afridis.

A tribal war is raging at Tanna, in the New Hebrides, according to advices from Sydney, New South Wales. There has been considerable bloodshed and traders have had much trouble.

There was a fierce riot at Havana on Wednesday and Consul-General Lee reports to his Government at Washington that the mob was getting even with the Americans rather than striking at the Autonomist policy. American citizens had to seek refuge in the U. S. Consulate and Gen. Lee reports that the situation is serious. United States intervention at once was talked of.

POLITICS—FOREIGN.

The French Chamber of Deputies has resumed its sessions. M. Brison was re-elected President of the House.

The last session of the present Prussian Diet was opened at Berlin last week. The speech from the throne announced a budget surplus.

M. Lounet has been elected president of the French Senate. M. Schurer Kestner, who was prominent in the Dreyfus affair, was defeated for the vice-presidency.

The U. S. House Committee on Commerce has favorably reported a bill extending the time for building a bridge over the St. Lawrence River from St. Lawrence County, N.Y.

A bill has been reported favorably from the Committee on Naval Affairs to Congress for the construction of a $260,000 gunboat to patrol the great lakes in the interests of the United States.

The report of the Behring Sea Claims Commission will ask Congress to appropriate, to satisfy the award to British sealers, about $480,000, principal and interest, besides $50,000 in counsel fees and other expenses.

President Sanford B. Dole has left Honolulu for Washington to consult the U. S. Administration about the annexation of the islands to the United States. J. O. Carter will also be in Washington to work against the annexation treaty.

The London Morning Post expresses the opinion that President McKinley is drifting hopelessly and trying to satisfy everybody. The result, it says, is chaos in the Republican camp, and the rapid growth of Bryanism. It further says the Dingley tariff has proved a ridiculous failure.

CRIME AND CRIMINALS.

The Jay suit to recover £15,870 from Lady Sykes was continued at London yesterday.

Young Allison, the murderer of Mrs. Orr, who confessed his crime the other day, has now added that he intended to kill Anthony Orr also.

The French Government has decided to prosecute M. Zola, the novelist, on account of his connection with the Esterhazy-Dreyfus scandal.

P. A. Largy, President of the State Savings Bank of Montana, was shot and killed in his office at Butte. The crime seems to be the outcome of litigation.

Alex. Allison, father of the murderer of Mrs. Orr, is in a precarious condition of health, owing to his son's confession. Mrs. Allison still affirms the boy is innocent.

Anthony Remus, aged 21, was fatally shot by Patrolman C. J. Somerville in Detroit Monday at midnight. It is said the officer had been roughly handled by a gang of young ruffians before firing.

Fireman Charles Meyer of the British steamer Mary Anning, and a fellow fireman named Waesch had a fight and the latter was lost overboard. Meyer was arrested on the vessel reaching New York.

Three men went into Robert Gudgeon's saloon in Chicago and ordered the proprietor to hold up his hands. Gudgeon did not comply and was shot through the head, dying within an hour. No clue to the murderers.

Col. Picquait, who is believed to have brought the charges against Count Esterhazy in Paris, has been arrested and incarcerated in the fortress of Mont Valereau. Count Esterhazy was tried by court-martial and acquitted.

W. C. Nichol, formerly editor of the Hamilton Herald, has been committed for trial at Vancouver, B.C., for criminal libel. He is now editor of the Province, Mr. Stewart Bostock's paper, and wrote some strong remarks about Mr. Templeman and others.

UNCLASSIFIED.

Oil has been struck at a depth of 545 feet at Point Edward Ont.

Sir Julian Pauncefote has called upon Vice-President Hobart, thus ending the question of precedence in favor of the latter.

Miss Helen Gould of New York has given a scholarship of $5,000 to Mount Holyoke College, in memory of her mother, Mrs. Jay Gould.

Edison has, it is said, discovered what he believes to be a new metal, which will do away with the slow and costly process of making malleable iron.

Nine conductors and motormen of the Quebec Electric Railway have been suspended for allowing certain low characters to ride free on the cars.

Hon. Dr. Borden, in the Colonial Institute in London, said the gold output of Nova Scotia during 1897 was greater than that of all British Columbia.

Wanted a Foreign Devil.

The following story is told of the first appearance of a paddle wheel steamer on the Canton river some 40 years ago and of the native attempt to copy her. A junk, of course, was in every way superior to a foreign built ship, and only wanted paddle wheels to completely eclipse this new craft. Accordingly, paddle wheels were fitted to a junk, a funnel put up, and some wood lighted underneath it. When the smoke was coming up freely, the anchor was weighed, the wheels moved slightly, and off the junk started, to the delight of the proud owners.

But their pride was short lived, for a few collisions soon proved to them that the tide alone was responsible for the movement. So the anchor was let down again and the situation discussed. The next step was to put a Chinese joss by the fire, but with no better result. They could not make out why their boat failed to compare favorably with the foreign boat until a wiseacre discovered that a Chinese joss was no good for that business, but it was a foreign devil that they wanted inside.

None of them, however, had any idea how to get one, so they decided that the old fashioned junk was far the best and dismantled their late pet.

Counted the Matches.

Up at Towanda a thrifty housewife bought for 3 cents a box represented to contain exactly 200 matches. When she arrived home, she carefully counted the contents of the box and found that there were only 196 matches in it. Under such circumstances some women would have laughed, some would have cried and still others would have dismissed the subject as of no account. The Towanda housewife was made of different material, however. She took the defaulting box back to the store and compelled the storekeeper to give her a full box. And still there are men who say that women have no capacity for business.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

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SCOTT'S DEAREST WISH.

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It was Sir Walter Scott's dearest wish to found a house which should carry on the traditions of his great ancestors, who were cadets of the Scotts of Harden, now represented by Baron Polwarth. Scott reared Abbotsford at enormous cost, but there his work began and ended. His eldest son, who succeeded to the baronetcy, survived him only 15 years and died in 1847, unmarried, at the Cape, and so the baronetcy became extinct. His second son died at faroff Teheran, also unmarried. So the name of Scott was left to his daughter Charlotte, who married Lockhart, the biographer of Sir Walter. Her son, Walter Scott Lockhart, adopted the name of Scott, but, with all the extraordinary fatality that had overcome his uncles, he, too, died unmarried at the age of 26, and so the estate passed to his sister Charlotte, who married J. R. Hope, Q. C., a member of the Hopetoun family, and he, of course, adopted the name Scott. They had three children, but their only son died in childhood, and once again a woman came to rule. This was Mary Monica.

In 1874 she married Hon. Joseph Constable-Maxwell, third son of Lord Herries, who, as a matter of course, adopted the name Scott. They have had six children, the eldest of whom, Walter Joseph Maxwell-Scott, born in 1875, is in the army. He has two brothers and two sisters living. Mary Josephine, who is married, was born in 1876. Thus it will be seen that the present generation of Scotts have been in turn Lockharts, Hopes and Maxwells. These are all excellent names, with honorable histories behind them, and yet, in strict genealogical sequence, the present generation is very far removed from the author of "Waverley."—London Standard.

Why Birds' Eggs Are Colored.

The why and wherefore of the colors of birds' eggs have been a favorite theme for speculation, from the quaint surmisings of Sir Thomas Browne to the solemn guess work of Shufeldt, in his ten "biological laws explanatory of the variation in color of the shells of the eggs in class aves." Hewitson piously concludes that the beauty of these elegant and often exquisitely attractive objects is intended for the delight of human eyes; hence, as he says, eggs simply white are put out of sight in holes. He also sees in the larger number of eggs laid by game birds a provision by a benevolent providence for the joy of the sportsman and the delectation of the epicure. Next comes a man who assures us that the colors of eggs are due to the influence of their respective surroundings on the imagination of the hen birds—the old story of Jacob's little trick on Laban in the matter of young cattle. This school instances as an example the red blotches prevalent on the eggs of falcons, regarded by it as a record of the bloody experiences of the parents, but it does not explain why the equally rapacious owls produce pure white eggs or the bloodthirsty skuas and shrikes lay greenish ones.—Ernest Ingersoll in Harper's Magazine.

The Retort.

Here is a retort which a "dull student" once made: Professor—You seem to be very dull. When Alexander the Great was your age, he had already conquered the world. Student—Well, you see, he had Aristotle for a teacher.—Chambers' Journal.

Indications of a Jag.

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