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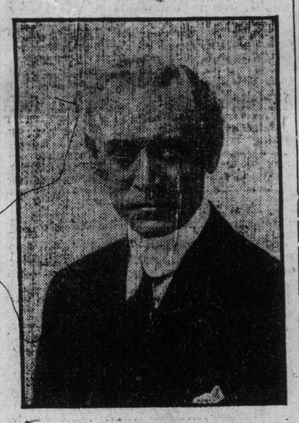
Public Amusements

With the biggest advance sale of the season, Julian Edwards' triumphant comic opera, "The Gay Musician," returns to the Princess Theatre to-night for a week's engagement, with popular-priced matinees on Wednesday and Saturday. All the favorites heard here in September will be in the cast of "The Gay Musician" this evening, while the powerful singing chorus is sure to draw its share of admirers.

To-night, at the Royal Alexandra Theatre, "The Warrens of Virginia," the David Belasco success which enthralled the attention of New York's play-going population for 300 nights, and has since duplicated its triumph in Boston, Philadelphia and the other of the largest cities of the east and middle west, will be given its premiere presentation in Toronto. As



FRANK KEENAN
in "The Warrens of Virginia," Royal Alexandra Week of Jan. 11.

seen here, the production will be identical, down to the smallest detail of stage investiture, with that made at the Belasco theatres in New York. The story will be interpreted by the original cast, practically an "all star" organization, led by Frank Keenan, famous as the originator of the role of Jack Rance in "The Girl of the Golden West," and Charlotte Walker, one of the most talented of American young leading women, and, withal, one of the beauties of the stage. The cast also includes such players as William McVay, Violet Rand, Charles D. Waldron and a dozen others of equal prominence.

"Sergeant Devil McCare," which was written for Andrew Mack and originally produced by him in Philadelphia the past week, playing to crowded houses at every performance, will be the play presented by him at the Grand this week. The piece will be properly staged and costumed, and nothing will be left undone to make this, Mr. Mack's appearance, an event of more than passing interest.

At the Majestic, Barney Gilmore will be seen in "Kidnapped in New York." Havlin & Nicolai have given the production new scenery and costumes for its revival, and many new and up-to-date specialties have been introduced. The cast is an exceptionally well-balanced one.

At Shea's there will be three headliners. The Mirza Golem Troupe of Persian acrobats are spoken of as highly sensational; W. C. Fields is known here for his great comedy juggling, and Agnes Scott and Company have a pleasing offering in "The Wall Between." Others will be Edith Helena, the American soprano; Julius Tannen, up-to-date monologist; Sam Curtis and Company, in "A Session at School"; Maenamees, expert clay modelers, and the kinetograph with new pictures.

The Thorobreds are to open a week's engagement at the Star Theatre to-day with a matinee. To-night, as an extra feature, Harry Gatenby will meet Tom William sin a finish wrestling match. The bout is for a side bet of $100 and a purse of $100. Both men have a great following, and an interesting match should be the outcome. One admission includes both the show and the wrestling match.

The management of the Gayety Theatre will present as the attraction this week "The Lid Lifters" Burlesque Company, and patrons of the house may look forward to an entertainment bristling with novel and entertaining features. The ensemble will be presented in two rollicking burlesques that are full of laughable situations, bright lines and witty hits, charming musical numbers and excellent specialties. They will be found lively in action and there will not be a dull moment from the rise to the fall of the curtain.

The sale of seats for the special benefit concert to be given in the Princess Theatre on Thursday afternoon next, in aid of the Italian sufferers, will open at the Princess Theatre box office to-morrow morning. A program of exceptional merit has been arranged.

The next attraction at the Royal Alexandra, following "The Warrens of Virginia," will be Hilda Spong, who will present her new play, "A Man and His Mate," written for her by H. R. Durant. It is described as a picturesque drama of Mexican life.

Lulu Glaser Ill.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 10.—Lulu Glaser, actress, was attacked by ptomaine poisoning yesterday in he rooms at the Fort Pitt Hotel, and, from 11 o'clock in the morning until 3 o'clock in the afternoon only skilled and persistent medical attention prevented serious results. She will be confined to her room for a couple of weeks.

MEMORIAL SERVICE.

Citizens of Whitby Show Respect for Dead Clergyman.

WHITBY, Jan. 10.—(Special.)—Memorial services for the dead pastor of the Methodist tabernacle, the Rev. D. O. Crossley, filled to overflowing the edifice where for nearly four years past he had ministered. The remains lay in state in front of the chancel rail, which was literally embowered in flowers from various churches where he had been stationed as well as from the tabernacle and its several social and religious organizations. Mayor Downey and many citizens also thus showed their respect and sympathy.

Rev. Robert McCullough of Omemee, president of Bay of Quinte conference, conducted the service. Rev. J. W. Bell, Pickering, offered prayer; Rev. S. T. Tucker, Greenwood, read the scripture lessons 91st Psalm and second Thes. iv. 13 and 18. The choir rendered suitable enthem; then followed brief references to the deceased by Rev. Dr. Abraham of St. Andrew's Church, Whitby; Rev. Mr. Tighe of Whitby Baptist Church; Rev. J. P. Wilson, Lindsay; Rev. H. M. Manning, Peterboro; Rev. E. E. Howard, Myrtle; Rev. W. B. Tucker, Oshawa; Rev. Dr. J. J. Hare, principal Ontario Ladies' College; Rev. Roger Allin, Brooklin; Rev. A. J. Tyrell. Favorite hymns of the deceased were sung at intervals.

All the speakers referred to the manly and unselfish character of Mr. Crossley and to his devotion to the cause of local option as shortening his life in an almost tragic way. The only brother of the deceased, the Rev. H. T. Crossley, the famous revivalist, came on from Lansing, Michigan, where he is holding services. The body leaves by the local at eight to-morrow morning for Toronto and King for interment at the latter place.

Almost Gas Victims.

WOODSTOCK, Jan. 10.—(Special.)—Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Thompson, residing just south of the city, narowly escaped asphyxiation by coal gas last night. When Mrs. Thompson rose she fell over in a faint, and Mr. Thompson was very ill. Gas had escaped from the coal stove near by, the top having been left open. It took two doctors to bring the unfortunate lady around this morning.

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OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

The World will be pleased to receive items, such as engagements, weddings, parties, teas and other news of personal interest, with the names of those present, for this "Society News" column. The items should be endorsed with the name and address of the sender—not for publication, but as a matter of good faith. State whether you prefer them to appear in the Sunday or daily issue.

Last Year's Frocks Made New.

Some very practical advice is given by Vogue to the girl who must manage economically in order to dress well. The fashion paper says:

The attractive fashion of the tucked net or chiffon sleeve has made possible the remodeling of many a frock that otherwise could not have been attempted and in many cases the half-sleeves so lengthened have proved prettier and more becoming than when the waist was new. To make these sleeves in tucks three times the length from shoulder to wrist must be allowed, unless the needle-woman is an adept at piecing, and then she must choose a tuck near the elbow to hide the joining under, for the width of chiffon or net is so great that three pairs of sleeves of medium size (for 30 bust) may be cut from it, if managed "up and down," and the tucks all the same size. A pretty new way of tucking, much used in the imported models, is to graduate the widths, the widest tuck at sleeve top, the narrowest at wrist. When the tucked piece is put in from the half-sleeve, the tucks are all of the same width.

It is also comparatively easy to convert a last year's skirt into a directoire effect, especially if the skirt was voluminous; the only expense is for the material to make the deep hem, that will allow the skirt to be pulled up to a high waist line, and the good pattern required for accurate recutting. In plaited skirts many gores were used against the four or five a directoire skirt needs, so by a little ingenuity in the trimming to cover the seams in the hem put on to lengthen, the remaining breadths can be cut up to the best advantage for this part, the joinings hidden by the braided designs.

One or two clever young women have solved the question of last year's cloth suit doing for this year, by attaching the skirt to the coat (cutting it over into tails) and getting a frock of some soft material on the same shade to wear beneath, trimming the dress with whatever pieces could be conjured from the leftover part of the skirt. The making of so many of the directoire coats with panel tails from below a slightly high-waisted Eton or bolero upper part renders this easily possible, and with a slight change in the trimming, such as braiding in fine soutache at seams and using soutache disc buttons, in place of any of velvet or metal, the altered coat will hardly be recognized, and the accompanying gown will be made quite elaborate by the applied cloth, and removed far from the ordinary.

In choosing a model for the frock, one of the princess order, not too tightly fitted, is safest, for an extreme of any fashion is thus avoided, and the wearer will be confident of remaining "in style" for some time to come. To return to the question of sleeves, a great saving of time results from having the net or chiffon slide plaited with a space between each plait. This made up over a tight-fitting chiffon lining (or of net) will have the appearance of tucking, and is not apt to pull out of place unless put on carelessly and not tacked into place. A row of tiny buttons, covered with the material or satin, down the outside of the arm, holds these plaits nicely, and the buttons are very ornamental as well. Many of the yokes, and also the wrist edges of sleeves, show pipings of silver or gold cloth, or else a slight frill of lace in either metal, even if it appears in no other part of the dress; by borrowing some of these minor points from this year's smartest dresses, those of last season can be made very presentable and often chic in appearance.

Little touches of handwork, so easy for a clever-fingered girl to do, add a great deal to a dress, giving it originality and richness, seldom to be found in the ready made gowns. Such, for instance, as a yoke of net, embroidered in dots or tiny fleur de lis with sleeves to match. Now that plain net yokes are being supplemented in Paris by embroidered nets, this would give a final touch or chic.

Suffragettes Getting Busy.

Female suffrage will be agitated for by the Canadian Suffrage Association in constitutional form before the parliaments of the Dominion and of Ontario next month. Petitions are being circulated, and will be presented in due course.

Several candidates during last year's campaign spoke favorably of the cause, but whether they are willing to ventilate their views in the frigid atmosphere of the legislature or the commons is another matter.

A meeting will be held this week at which the matter will be considered, and several eligible members are meantime understood to be under consideration by the executive of the suffrage association.

An advanced organization representing the sex militant, known as the Women's Political Club, and presided over by Miss Helen Cunningham, will not confine itself to the mild methods regarded as constitutional, but will adopt any means by which the tyrant man can be reduced to equality or even subordination.

The petition to be presented in Queen's Park reads:

To the honorable the legislative assembly of the Province of Ontario in parliament assembled:

The petition of the undersigned of the "Canadian Suffrage Association" humbly sheweth:

That whereas all just government derives its power from the consent of the governed;

And whereas woman is subject to all the laws of the land, being punished for crime, paying taxes on property, and taking her part in the commercial and economic social structure;

Therefore resolved that woman should have the full franchise extended to her on the same basis as that of man.

Wherefore your petitioners humbly pray that your honorable house may be pleased to pass an act fully enfranchising all women, whether married, widowed, or spinster (on the same terms as man), and as in duty bound your petitioners will ever pray.

Broke Thru the Ice.

KINGSTON, Jan. 10.—A lad aged ten named McGee, while skating on the bay at Adolphus town, got on thin ice, broke thru and was drowned.

ECHO CONSOLATRIX.

I said, "She is gone from the grieving earth—
The maiden—spring; in the realms of Dis,
She reigns o'er a world of tears and dearth,
With a homesick heart that yearns for this:
Frozen the meadows, the fields lie bare,
And afar, mid the fragrant dusk of her hair,
The violets dream of the light, in vain.
She is gone!—ah, will she return again?"
A voice breathed low, "Again."

I said, "In this joyless heart of me,
Is a winter chill and comfortless;
I tire of the wall of the wind-swept sea,
My soul is afraid of its loneliness.
Is there a land, as poets tell,
Where beauty and love—as the asphodel
Unchanging—inhale an immortal air?
And my little lad?—shall I find him there?"
The voice made answer: "There!"
Florence Earle Coates in Lippincott's.

In Society.

Mrs. Will Merry of 102 Pembroke-street will receive to-day, and not again this season.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Leckenby, Hamilton, have issued invitations for the wedding of their daughter, Eleanor Maud, to Dr. Emmett Scarlett, on Jan. 20.

The engagement is announced at Cobourg, of Miss Lillian, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Fleming, to W. T. Baird. The marriage is to take place in February.

The engagement is announced of Phillis Ellen, eldest daughter of the late E. F. Clarke and Mrs. Clarke, to John Chapman Ross, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Ross.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ferguson, Blenheim, announce the engagement of their niece, Miss Brooks McArthur, daughter of Mr. J. C. McArthur, Vancouver, B. C., to F. S. Ballachey, Paisley, the marriage to take place in February.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Cox and Mrs. E. Y. Eaton, have gone down to New York for a few days.

Mrs. E. B. Fielding has moved from Spadina-road, and will receive with Mrs. Bonnick in Jarvis-street, to-day.

Miss Martin will receive with her sister, Mrs. Kenneth Wallis, in her new home, 21 Wilson-avenue, on Thursday afternoon, and afterwards on the third Thursday of each month.

Mrs. Harry C. Burgess will receive for the first time since her marriage on Thursday next, at the residence of Mrs. W. Burgess, 19 Marion-street.

Mrs. William Peters, 367 Rusholme-road, will receive to-day, and on the second Monday of each month during the season.

Mrs. R. A. Savigny, 21 Dundonald-street, will not receive until the second Tuesday in February.

Mrs. Doolittle will receive to-day at The Elms, 159 East Bloor-street.

Mrs. James Corcoran, 111 Gore Vale-avenue, will receive on Tuesday.

Miss Dora Howe and Miss Mary Trent are guests of Mrs. O. B. Shortly in Ottawa.

Miss Belle Thompson, 333 Parliament-street, will receive on Tuesday, when Mrs. T. C. McAree will be with her.

Mrs. Harris H. Fudger will not receive again in January, but will receive on the first and second Mondays in February, and on the first Monday in each month afterwards.

Mrs. G. H. Wood, 11 South-drive, is in Clifton Springs, and will not receive to-day, but on the fourth Monday, as formerly.

Mrs. R. J. Goudy, 224 Dufferin-street, will receive on Wednesday next for the first time this season, and on the first and third Thursdays thereafter.

Mrs. Frank Bethel, 433 Palmerston-boulevard (formerly of Dunn-avenue), will receive on Friday, the 15th, and afterwards on the third Friday in the month.

Mrs. John A. Tory of 17 Elm-avenue, Rosedale (formerly of Detroit), will receive for the first time since coming to Toronto, on Jan. 14.

Mrs. B. E. Hawke, 21 Wellesley-street, will receive to-day.

Mrs. W. McRae Carruthers, 387 East Gerrard-street, will receive on Thursday, and on the second Thursday of each month during the season.

Miss Bessie Webber, 6 Sultan-street, will receive on the third Friday of each month.

Mrs. Joseph Oliver and Miss Oliver of 590 Sherbourne-street, will receive to-day and the following Monday in January.

Mrs. W. Taylor Huffman of Homewood-avenue will not receive until the second Wednesday in February.

FORGER CAUGHT.

Alexander Anslow Under Arrest at Niagara Falls.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont., Jan. 10.—(Special.)—Charged with forgery Alexander Anslow, an Englishman, aged 25, is under arrest here.

On Saturday morning Anslow went to the Imperial Bank and tried to borrow $50 on his own note. The bank told him he could have the money if he got two other signatures. Anslow went out returning in about 30 minutes later with the note signed by Robert Albertson, Grand Trunk ticket agent, and H. J. Jackson, agent for Michigan Central Railway at Niagara Falls Centre, and got the money.

The bank, on enquiry, found both signatures were forgeries, and Anslow was arrested by Chief Mains Saturday afternoon.

Big Storm in West.

SALT LAKE, Utah, Jan. 10.—The unprecedented storm of the last few days over the northwestern Pacific states gives no indications of abatement. The unusual cold continues and the snowfall is beginning to impede railway traffic.

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Some Items Condensed From Sunday World

LOCAL—

A mining broker distributed hot wieners to dozens of children at Bay and Richmond-streets Saturday afternoon and evening.

The Dominion Bank's annual report shows net profits of 641,318 for the year.

W. R. Stock of Waterdown has been appointed farm superintendent at Mimico Asylum.

Charlie Geudens, aged 12, has run away again from home, this time with $5 given to buy groceries.

The Traders' Fire Insurance Company on Jan. 21 will decide whether to continue business; merge with the Dominion Fire Insurance Co., which has offered to assume the risks of the shareholders, pay up 50 per cent. of the subscribed value of their shares, or accept the directors' recommendation to accept another offer demanding 60 per cent. paid up. Of $1,000,000 capital, $337,000 is subscribed and $106,000 paid up.

Edward Meehan, prominent in Typographical Union No. 91, died Saturday after three days' illness, aged 54.

Nine mining companies with a capital of $1,640,000, commercial enterprises, capitalized at $780,000, and three clubs, were incorporated last week.

Mayor Oliver has refused to debate with Ex-Ald. Davies the purchase of a sand-dredge, which the latter says is a needless squandering of $75,000.

Ald. Church will ask for a special civic sub-committee on suburban fares and Controller Ward wants legislation for a two-year term for mayor, controllers and aldermen.

E. F. B. Johnston, concluding argument for the Grocers' Guild, denied that a combine had existed and severely arraigned the business conduct of Zealand, a witness for the crown.

Ex-Policeman Latremouille and James Robertson were found guilty by a session jury of assaulting P. C. Thompson. Mercy was recommended.

CANADIAN—

Rev. Jas. Gardner is dead at Belleville.

Prof. Skelton of Queen's has won a $1000 prize for an essay against Socialism.

Lafayette Dobs, formerly of Owen Sound, is under arrest at Ogallala, Neb., charged with murder.

There are 35 life prisoners in the penitentiary.

Charles Labadie was killed by a train near Walkerville.

The election of Hon. Sydney Fisher has been protested.

Byron Burr and Roy Iler of Chatham were nearly asphyxiated.

The Toronto candidates who passed the recent civil service exams are announced.

Alphonse Verville, M.P., suggests a labor commission to settle industrial disputes.

Fire at Taber, Alba., burned out the postoffice and Eastern Townships Bank.

James Newburn, aged 80, of Bradford, was found dead in his home.

Bryatt McGee, aged 10, of Adolphustown, broke thru the ice and drowned.

An attempt is being made to disqualify Ald.-Elect-Ryan in Hamilton, because his partner signed his name in going surety for a man on a civic contract. He is a Beck power bylaw supporter.

UNITED STATES—

Judge Jones sentenced six of the Tennessee night riders to be hanged Feb. 19, and 2 others to 20 years in penitentiary.

President Roosevelt accuses Senator Tillman of improperly using his senatorial position to further a private land deal.

A woman was killed and four people wounded in a family feud street fight at Williamstown, Ky.

The Cook Brewing Co. of Indiana will try to upset the prohibition law in Alabama.

Edward Gilman, a New York broker, was killed and several others hurt when an auto collided with a fence.

Paper pulp from sugar cane is a Connecticut discovery.

Fred Richardson, ex-president of a shoe company at Elmira, N.Y., was arrested at Chicago for larceny; $250,000 is involved.

The International Harvester Company has been fined $12,000 in Kansas for anti-trust law violation.

Justice Tompkins has decided that Thaw is entitled to prove he is now sane.

Carmichael, the minister accused of murder, is being sought in Chicago.

Dr. K. Stanley of New York is suing Mrs. Jeanette Champan of Moline, Ill., for $150,000 for breach of promise.

A small cash book of 125 pages is displayed as containing the financial transactions for ten years back, aggregating $692,000, with the Booth Fish Company's lawyers.

GENERAL—

The London Daily Mail editorially warns Canada against reciprocity with the United States, as leading to annexation.

Earthquake shocks are reported from the Canary Islands and in Mexico.

Building taxation in Italy will be 2 per cent for five years, with 15 years exemption in the earthquake zone.

The Panama Canal has cost $35,000,000 on only the preparatory stage of building the locks.

The socialist labor party in Britain will have 150 candidates in the next election.

Fifty sawmills in New Zealand will close owing to the free importation of Oregon pine.

SPORTING—

The last edition contained full reports of the Shrubb race and the hockey games.

The Eel made a world's record—2.14½—on the ice at Dufferin Park.

Ralph Rose, champion shot putter, is training to fight Johnson.

The single rink curling games were postponed till to-night.

The Canadian Rugby Union has simplified the rules as to fouling.

Saturday's public school basketball scores.

Racing results and entries.

British football results.

Fowler of Cambridge won Saturday's Boston Marathon in 2.42.55.

CHARLIE HOME AGAIN

Boy Who Ran Away Located at Church Door.

Twelve-year-old Charlie Geudens, whose truancy from 502 Church-street was noted in The Sunday World, was found by his mother in the R. C. Church of the Holy Family.

He had slept out all night in a field, according to his story, and altho he had a $5 bill with him, he had not eaten anything since Saturday morning.

This is the second time in a year that he has ran away. Last spring his mother sent him for a newspaper and he did not return until his mother found him one night on the sidewalk at Sunnyside. He was then half-starved, having slept in vacant buildings around the exhibition grounds.

On Saturday morning last at 10 o'clock he was sent out from home to do some marketing at a corner store. At noon the basket was found in a lane, but the boy and a $5 bill he had to pay for the provender did not return.

As he was always in the habit of going to church, his mother, Mrs. Martha Geudens, Parisienne modiste, stood at the door of the Holy Family church yesterday morning and caught him coming out. He will not be chastized, as he was always a very peculiar boy, but his parents will consult a physician as to the advisability of placing him in some institution.

ELGIN BAILIFF DECAPITATED.

Malcolm C. Leitch Hit by Michigan Central Fast Express.

ST. THOMAS, Jan. 10.—(Special).—Malcolm C. Leitch of Dutton, and one of the best known men in Elgin County, was instantly killed at West Lorne last evening, being struck by a fast Michigan Central eastbound train, the Wolverine. Mr. Leitch has been bailiff for more than ten years, was in West Lorne serving papers and walking along the road in the village at 7 o'clock. The flyer was late and he did not see it. He was thrown eighty feet and decapitated.

A small boy witnessed the accident and the body was taken to Dutton. Coroner Dorland, Rodney, decided an inquest unnecessary. The train was going seventy miles an hour and the crew knew nothing of the fatality.

Deceased was seventy-two years of age, born near St. Thomas, and was a pioneer of Dunwich. He leaves a wife, two daughters and one son, the latter being Colin St. Clair Leitch, barrister, this city.

SUING CAR COMPANIES FOR MILLION IN TAXES

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 10.—Suit for nearly $1,000,000 was filed against local street car companies on behalf of the City of St. Louis Saturday.

The claim is based upon the non-payment of a tax of one mill for every paid passenger since March 25, 1903.

Not a Reformer.

NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—The nephew of the great Chinese reformer Kang Yu Wei, Y. S. Wan, who is at present in this city, said in an interview with a representative of the Associated Press to-day: "The American people have made a mistake in believing that Yuan Shi Kai, recently dismissed from his great offices in Pekin, was a reformer. Not only was he not a reformer, but a destroyer of reforms."

EVIL DAYS IN JAPAN.

More Suicides Last Year Than Ever Before.

CHICAGO, Jan. 10.—According to Prof. W. D. McClintock of the University of Chicago there were more suicides in Japan last year than in any twelve months in the nation's history.

The professor attributes the increase in self-destruction among the mikado's subjects to hard times, the pessimistic spirit of the people and the breaking down of the old religion among the upper and lower classes.

"The cost of living in Japan," said Prof. McClintock in a talk before the George Howland Club, "is very high and the people are complaining of the huge war debt. Japan, like many other countries, is face to face with the labor problem."

CONSULTING THE COLONIES

Why the Ratification of the Fisheries Treaty is Delayed.

LONDON, Jan. 10.—The foreign office is awaiting the opinion of Canada and of Newfoundland on the drafts of the waterways and fisheries treaties agreed to by Secretary of State Root and Ambassador Bryce.

The draft of the waterways treaty has been in the hands of the colonial office for a week, and Canada has been asked whether she approves it. As yet no reply has been received.

The draft of the fisheries treaty has only just been forwarded to the colonial office, thru which the colonies are being consulted. If it had been necessary to deal with the foreign office alone it is stated that the questions would have been settled long ago, but the colonial office, which is most jealous of the rights of the colonies, insists upon consulting them on every point.

ATTACKED BY BURGLAR.

Niagara Falls Policeman Caught Man in Grocery Store.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ont. Jan. 10.—(Special.)—At one o'clock this morning officer Farrell of the city police found the back door of A. E. Depps grocery store, Niagara Falls South, open. Stepping inside he was immediately attacked by the burglar, but after a severe fight Farrell overpowered his assailant, who is a man named Hopkinson of this city. The burglar had secured entrance by breaking the back window and unfastening the catch. Evidently he had opened the back door to make a quick exist in case of discovery. The stock was not in disorder nor was the safe disturbed. He will come up to-morrow.

WILL PRAY FOR REST OF LIFE

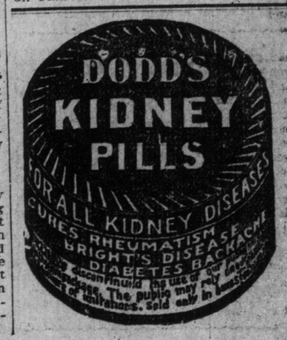
That Soul of Empress Dowager May Transmigrate to Lusty Infant.

VICTORIA, Jan. 10.—Advices are brought by the Empress of India from China that some severe punishments have been meted out at Pekin to Chinese who violated the regulations for mourning, owing to the death of the empress dowager and emperor. Several hundred were fined and imprisoned for shaving their foreheads, and a store clerk was imprisoned for life with hard labor for playing a Chinese banjo.

Li Lien Ying, the chief eunuch and former power behind the throne, has announced that he will shave off his hair and become a priest, spending the remainder of his life praying that the soul of the empress dowager may speedily transmigrate into the body of some well-born infant.

TAFT WILL KEEP SECRET.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Jan. 10.—President-elect Taft has determined that no new cabinet appointments shall be known until March 4. He will deny all cabinet rumors, predictions or announcements from any source or quarter whatsoever.

Austrian Officers Called Back.

BERNE, Switzerland, Jan. 10.—The Bund says it learns authoritatively that all the reserves of Austria under officers residing in Switzerland have received orders to join their regiments on Jan. 25.