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A Glasgow Grain Firm Goes Down With \$1,000,000 Liabilities.

The British Steamer Hartfield Burned at Sea.

A Hundred of Stokes' Men Shot by Belgian Troops.

Sims Boeves, the Famous Tenor, Takes Another Wife.

BLAZE IN AN HISTORIC TOWN. London, Sept. 18 .- Fifty houses and the Dominican monastery at Friech, Corinthia, were burned yesterday. The town, anciently known as Virunum, is noted as retaining its ancient character. It was a flourishing place at the time of the early Romans. FAILED FOR \$1,000,000.

London, Sept. 18.-Fox, Clinch & Co., corn merchants, of Gloucester, have suspended payment. Their liabilities amount to \$1,000,000. The failure is ascribed to speculations in grain futures. It is stated that the firm will pay 10 shillings in the

SIMS REEVES MARRIED AGAIN. London, Sept. 18.—Sims Reeves, the English tenor, has remarried. The name of Mr. Reeves' new wife has not transpired, but she is said to be young and handsome. Mr. Reeves' former wife, who has not long been dead, was a soprano singer, named Emma Incombe.

A SWINDLER PUNISHED. London, Sept. 18 .- Geoffrey Perkins, an American, and who represented himself to be a lawyer and a journalist, has been sentenced to ten years at renal servitude on the charge of levying and collecting blackmail. Perkins was indicted in December last.

BRITISH STEAMER BURNED.

London, Sept. 18.—The British steamer Hartfield-Capt. Lang-from the Clyde June 21, for Table Bay, caught fire at sea and was abandoned. The British brig Invercauld—Capt. Donaldson—from Barry, picked-up part of the Hartfield's crew, and landed them at Cape Town, the crew are missing.

A HUNDRED OF STOKES' MEN SHOT. London, Sept. 18 .- The Daily Telegraph publishes a telegram, dated Uganda, Sept. 5, which states that 100 of Stokes' followers were shot by the Belgian troops after Stokes had been executed. Stokes was an Englishman, who was hanged by the Belgians for alleged participation in the slave trade, and whose execution has since formed the subject of negotiations between the British Government and Belgium.

BARON BEAUMONT DEAD.

London, Sept. 18 .- Miles Stapleton, tenth Baron Beaumont, is dead, as the result of injuries caused by the accidental discharge of a gun while shooting on his estates, Carlton Towers, Selby, Yorkshire, the charge striking him in a fatal part Lord Beaumont was 45 years of age. He was lieutenant-colonel of the Twentieth Hussars, and had been an officer in the army since his arrival at an eligible age. Lord Beaumont was found lying beside a hedge, with his head completely shattered. by the charge from his gun. It is supposed his gun caught in a branch of the hedge. TERRIBLE RAVAGES OF CHOLERA

St. Petersburg, Sept. 18.-In the Province of Volhynia between Aug. 18 and Aug. 24, inclusive, 5.849 cases of cholera were reported, and 2,184 deaths from the disease. In the Province of Podolia, from the 21st to the 31st of August, 101 cases of cholera and 45 deaths were reported.

A BAD OUTLOOK. Tangier, Morocco, Sept. 18.-The bacteriologists at the Government laboratory of Madrid, in Spain, have reported on their examination of the intestines of one of the victims of cholera. The official report was received here today. The disease is pronounced real Asiatic cholera. There were twelve more deaths today.

This news is a great menace to Spain and England. All sorts of little coasting craft are constantly putting out from small ports adjoining Tangier for the Spanish and Portuguese ports all the way from Cape St. Vincent to Valencia. The sanitation of Tangier is bad. All refuse is dumped into the Bay of Tangier and carried by the tide across the narrow straits directly in the path of the great fleet of British merchantmen passing in and out of the Mediterranean.

ENGLISHMEN EATEN.

Cannib Is in the Congo Free State Take a Square Meal.

Anarchy Prevails and Fritain and Other Powers Must Interfere.

London, Sept. 18 .- There are indications that the powers may be invited to interfere in the affairs of Belgium and the Congo Free State. ing in England regarding King Leopold's African venture was never very favorable, and the execution last January of the English trader Stokes, without, it is alleged, observance of the due precesses of law, excited much in-dignation here, which found expression in the late session of Parliament, when the Foreign Office was warned to demand explanations. The reports which have reached this country in private letters, as cabled exclusively to the Associated Press yesterday, that a condition of virtual anarchy prevailed in the Congo Free State, that in several instances Belgian troops have been defeated and slaughtered by natives, and that two Englishmen were murdered there and eaten by savages, have intensified the feeling, which is given voice in the leader in the St. James' voice in the leader in the St. James Gazette. This afternoon, after receiv-ing the facts above alluded to, the St. James' Gazette says: "A troublesome time is clearly at hand, for King Leopold, whose African responsibilities are far greater than Mr. Stanley led him to expect that they would be."

CHOLERA'S PROGRESS.

Honolulu Much Alarmed by the Outbreak of the Plague.

The Cause of Death Traced to Poisonous Fish.

San Francisco, Sept. 18.—The Hawaiian mail has been landed from the steamer Rio Janeiro, bringing the following:

Honolulu, Sept. 13.—There have been 59 cases of cholera up to date, with 46 deaths since the scourge broke out. Two white people were attacked yesterday, and have since died. C. L. Dodge, business manager of the Hawaiian Star, and former ly of San Diego, California, was one of the victims. The city is in a state of alarm, and business will be suspended for one week, while a house-to-house inspection will be made. Radical measures will be adopted to stamp out the disease. In nearly every case the cause of death has been traced to poisonous fish. The scourge is not believed to be Asiatic cholera. No Chinese or Japanese have been attacked, although there are thousands in Honolulu. The steamship Rio Janeiro was prohibited from landing her Japan freight and will take it on to San Francisco. The Bennington and Olympia have gone to La Hanana, one of the neighboring islands, as the cap-tains of the vessels are afraid to remain in port. Residents of the island positively refuse to allow passengers or freight from Honolulu to be landed.

St. Marys Man's Romance.

His Wedding to a Famous English Actress.

Mr. Clark Has Been Almost Blind from Nervous Trouble Ever Since His Hasty Wedding.

New York, Sept. 18.—Since the mar-riage last Friday of Miss Nellie Ganthony, the English monologist, and John Clark, the son of James Clark, a millionaire manufacturer of St. Marys, Ont., Mr. Clark has been suffering from an alarming attack of nervous exhaustion at No. 36 West wenty-fifth street. Before the wedding day was ended, he was so nearly blind that he could not see the two physicians who worked over him, but he is able now to distinguish objects. Dr. Henry H. Forbes says that Mr. Clark is better, but that complete rest is absolutely necessary. Mrs. Clark has hardly left her husband's bedside and is quite

worn out. Miss Ganthony met Mr. Clark at Torouto. where he is a lawyer. He served papers on her to attach boxoffice receipts on a claim against Robert Grau, her manager. It was, Mrs. Clark says, a case of love at first sight. Dr. Houghton, of the Little Church Around the Corner, refused to perform the marriage ceremony. The doctor noticed that Mr. Clark was somewhat nervous. Mr. Clark and Miss Ganthony then went to the City Hall, where they were married by Ald. Schil-

Mr. Clark was then in a noticeervous condition. Mrs. Clark explained that though they had been engaged for some time, the marriage had been hastened in order to arrange certain property settlements for her. It was planned to sail this week on the Teur They were to be married again by a minister at the home of the ride's parents in England. They were then to take a trip in Norway, returning to settle down in Toronto. Mr. Clark has a large income. He has kept a small string of his father's racehorses at Sheepshead Bay, and has lived at the Hoffman House a good

Sparks from the Wire.

Spain is still pouring troups into rebellious Cuba.

The Toronto World looks for the Dominion elections in April or May.

The total receipts of Toronto exhibition are announced as \$68,075 55 against \$65,-999 75 last year. O'Connor's planing mills on Bank street,

Ottawa were burned to the ground Tuesday. Loss about \$35,000. Partly insured. Mayor Stewart, of Hamilton, who has

been ill in Italy, has been ordered to take a long rest. He is expected home next week. The Christian Brothers have notified the secretary of the separate school board, Ottawa, that they will all resign on Oct. 1.

There are 26 of them now teaching. Fall fairs are in progress at Guelph. Whitby, Belleville, Owen Sound and

Montreal. There are 24 creameries in Maine that do nothing but manufacture but ter the year round.

Sir John and Lady Schultz will hold their farewell reception at Government House, Winnipeg, tomorrow.

Orders have been issued to have the Sault Ste. Marie Canal kept open on Sundays until the end of the season. Rev. P. E. Nichol, late of Bay City, Mich., was inducted into the charge of St. Mark's Presbyterian Church,

Toronto, on Tuesday night. N. F. Davin, M.P., is suing Ottawa for \$1,000 damages for injuries sustained last season by falling over a waterworks stopcock on one of the streets.

During a review of the Sultan's troops at Fez the soldiers made an attack upon the tribesmen who were among the spectators, killing nine and making prisoners of 70.

A Paris inventor named Turpin claims to have authority from the Porte to fortify the Dardanelles, and to be able to make the straits impassable to the united fleets of the world. This afternoon Miss Bessie Leggat, daughter of Matthew Leggat, Hamilton, was married in St. Paul's Presbyterian Church there, to Arthur J. Oakshott, son of Ala. T. W. Oakshott, of Liv-

LORD ROSEBERY EXPLAINS. Montreal, Sept. 18.—A Star special cable from London says: "Lord Rosebery writes me from Dalmeny Park, Edinburgh 'The only foundation for the report that I am going to visit Canada must be that Lord Aberdeen has invited me." His Lordship further states: "I wish with all my heart that I could go, but my doing so is very problematical." Lord Rosebery has a polit-

At the Great Fair Was Up to the Mark.

Full List of Attractions and Two Horse Races.

Mr. Adam Beck's Hurricane Clears the Bar at Six Feet

Some Fine Exhibits by Leading Merchants and Manufacturers.

Prize Winners in Several Departments--A Little Jap Gets a Gold Medal-Notable Exhibits.

Yesterday was Germania Day at the great Western Fair, and as has been the custom in years past, there was a large influx of people from Berlin and the county of Waterloo generally. The ever-welcome Berlin band came too, and during the day more than satisfied the crowds in the stands with their musical programme. The attendance was up to that of Germania Day last year, numbering from 12,000 to 15,000. The directors did not expect many more, but today and tomorrow they want the grounds packed. And prospects are that they will be.

Everything went off very smoothly. The attractions were all put on, the races went off without a hitch, and consequently the grand stands were emptied before 5:30 o'clock. In the line of attractions the Japanese troupe of eight people, was the most enjoyed. The high rope acts, juggling, ladder balancing and contortion work were something marvelous, and not only did they please the grand stands, but the attractions committee of the fair board as well. The smallest member of the troupe-a little boy of about 7 yearswas brought on the stands between two of the acts, and presented with a large gold medal. Mr. A. D. Holman made the presentation. "It is with pleasure," said he, "that I have been requested to make this presentation to the little lad. He has given delight to the visitors and directors by his clever work on this his first appearance in London, and in pinning this gold medal on his breast I hope he may live long to wear it and look back with pleasing remembrance to his first visit to the Forest City.

And as Mr. Holman pinned the medal the little chap bowed, smiled and ran off to prepare for his difficult mid-air ladder act.

The rest of the attractions were carried out. Alvini made the balloon ascent and took a daring leap to terra firma, landing without injury. "Ajax" took his daily bath by diving from the 75-foot tower into a 6x8 foot tank of water 36 inches deep. The Partellos and the Albions in their respective acts were up to the mark and took well. Mr. Adam Beck gave an exhibition of high jumping with Hurricane, the horse which recently cleared 6 feet 2 3-4 inches. Hurricane was in good form and cleared six feet with ease. This afternoon he will endeavor to break the record which he made in the Queen City. Wm. Wilson, a Toronto jockey, rode him.

THE RACES. The first of the horse races was a 3minute pacing stake in which there were six entries but only four starters. No difficulty was experienced in getting the quartet off. In the first heat Clipper and Black Fly found it too much to keep up with Miss Delmarch and Nellie Bruce, and were distanced. The latter only won by a neck.

Delmarch and Nellie Bruce got a neck-and-neck start in the second heat and were making a beautiful race. when the former broke. She lost a good deal thereby, but quickly regained her feet and settled down. She was unble to close up the gap caused by the break.
The third heat had the same result

as the second. Summary:

Three-minute pacing stake:

Ridgetownd Black Fly, blk. m., W. A. Banghart, Sutherland's Cornersdis Time-2:27 1-2, 2:27, 2:28 1-2 THE STALLION TROT.

There was a field of five horses in this race-Canada Southern, Stone River, Wilder Lee, Panic III. and Fitzgerald's Enterprise. Canada Southern had a walk-over in the first heat, with Stone River, Wilder Lee, Panic and Enterprise following in the order named. Panic was hitched to a highwheeled sulky, and with Enterprise, was distanced. Wilder Lee was distanced in the second, and in the third an unusual thing occurred. Stone River practically had the race up to the home stretch, but there the driver, evidently considering he had a dead ture thing, drove easily, with the result that Canada Southern worked up and crossed the wire not two feet in adance. Summary:

2:35 stallion trot:

Birr 3 dis Panic III., Geo. Constable, Ealingdis
Fitzgerald's Enterprise, ch. s.,
Henry James, Mitchell ...dis
Time—2:37, 2:34, 2:37, 2:33.

A pony race was also on the programme, but it did not materialize. THE EVENING PERFORMANCE.

The first evening performance of the Fair was given last night, and the crowds which beseiged the grand stand numbered fully 5,000 people. The entertainment was a good one throughout, the Japanese giving many new acts, the Partellos excelling themselves in their frolics in a Chinese laundry, and the three Albions perical engagement at Scarborough on Oct. 18. forming their acrobatic feats with the

same snap which has marked all their appearances. The leading feature of the evening was the fireworks exhibition by Hand & Co., of Hamilton, under the supervision of Mr. T. W. Hand. It was a magnificent display of the pyrotechnic art at the height of its development. It may be stated without fear of contradiction that it was the best ever given at the Western Fair, and was worthy of the occasion. For half an hour the grounds were brilliant with the explosion of rockets, shooting stars, and set and movable pieces, and the evening concluded with a grand finale in which the words "Good Night" were given in many colored letters of fire. The display also included light and airy elephants, colored balloons, with hanging chains of fire, which were a marvel. One piece in particular was exceedingly fine. It showed a large maple leaf, in the center of which was the Queen's head, the whole surrounded by the motto, "Our Queen and Country." Every one departed, abundantly satisfied with the splendid entertainment.

Live Stock Department. HORSES.

The horse ring is still the center of attraction at every gathering of farmers, and the present fair is no exception to the rule. The verdict of the spectators is that while there are many good horses shown, the exhibit is behind that of former years. An exception might be made in favor of the single roadster class, which brought out over 30 fine animals to face the judges. One reason, no doubt, for the dearth of road horses of the first-class is the fact that farmers, owing o hard times, have had to part with the best in their stables, and often for a poor price. At former fairs there were a large number of colts entered in the different classes, but this year the show in this line is small and the quality inferior. The fact is plainly visible that the farmers, as a rule, have gone out of the business of raising colts, a fact which the owners of sires have learned to their sorrow. Some farmers expressed the opinion on the grounds yesterday that the time would soon come when it would pay to raise horses again, and that the type to raise was the heavy horse, suitable for the dray and cart. The bike and the trolly are likely to make the light roadster a drug, but there has nothing appeared yet to drive the dray horse out of business. Most farmers who have bred horses this year, have bred

to sires of this class. There were some good thoroughbred sires shown, among them being Mr, Fitzgerald's of London, a first-class horse and worthy to capture the red ticket. Good stallions were shown by Messrs. Meredith, Martin and Thompson. There was dissatisfaction, and a good deal of trouble caused by some of the exhibitors of colts not complying with the regulations. The rules require that exhibitors shall produce a certificate of registration in the stud book before their stock can | breeds are present, and of good quality. In this they failed and their stock had to go back to the stables. Others produced a racing registration only, and as this is no guarantee of breeding they were also bowled out. These regulations are proper as maintained by Mr. Wilson, of Paris, the judge, because it protects farmers, who without them, would be misled and patronize mongrel stallions. It was refreshing to see the judge in this class uphold what was right in the interests of good breeding, though some of the exhibitors "kicked like steers" before leaving the ring.

The exhibit of Clyde dales is not large, and many of the old breeders who were wont to put in an appearance are absent. S. J. a dozen good individuals in the stables.

CATTLE. The Western Fair still maintains its reputation for the excellent character of its live stock exhibit. Many of the leading exhibitors of the Province are conspicuous on account of their absence; but the time has gone by when a show is a failure if they do not appear. Good stock in Ontario is not confined to a few breeding farms; in every locality it may be found, and would do credit to any breeder. Hence it is that the Western Fair has a meritorious exhibit, though most of the prominent breeders have taken their herds to Montreal to capture the big prizes which are there offered. But it is just as well for the management to learn that the Western Fair is just as important as either the Montreal or Ottawa shows, or at least is considered so by the farmers of Western Ontario, who visit it, not to see the jim-cracks, but to learn something that will benefit them in their present fight to make a living on the farm.

"The time will come," said one prominent Elgin farmer, "when good weather, a strong man, a balloon and brass band won't draw the farmers of the county to London. If the Western Fair can't give as big prizes and draw the best breeders to it, it ought to go out of business, and will have to.'

DURHAMS. The number of entries is not as large as usual, but the young cattle are of a superior class—the best ever seen at the fair. There appears to be a disposition among breeders to produce animals of a smoother class, and those in the ring this year indicate that they are successful in that line. Among the exhibitors are H. K. Fairburn, Bosanquet; H. & W. Smith, Hay, and E. Gaunt & Sons, Lucknow.

JERSEYS. The little Jerseys are to the fore in large numbers, and the competition is strong in all the classes. Whether it is in the best had gained a thorough knowledge of interests of the Canadian farmer or not, this breed has become popular and is replacing the beef breeds on farms in every township. The low prices prevailing for the produce of the dairy the present season may cause some to rue the change, but there is no question about the superiority of the Jersey over all other breeds in the production of butter fat, but when the time comes to send | a Jersey to the shambles, the fact stands out prominently that the is not very valuable, chat with Jersey breeders reveals the fact that notwithstanding low prices for dairy products they are not discouraged, and can see the time, not far distant, when cheese and butter will go back to the old paying prices. The Jersey show at the Fair is firstclass in every particular. Humpidge & Laidlaw show fifteen fine animals, among them the 2-year-old bull, Prince Frank, a magnificent animal. J. O'Brien, London West, captured the red ticket with an aged bull from his herd. Among the exhibitors are Richard Edmonds, London township; Wm. Bacon, Orillia and J. A. James & Son.

Nilestown. GALLOWAYS. A. and R. Shaw, Brantford, have a fine herd of this breed in the pens. They are becoming more popular every year for their general purpose qualities, and it is being claimed that they excel both as beef and in this exhibit are most artistically arranged

our buffalo robes come from?" Samples of robes made from the hides of Galloway cattle were shown on the grounds, which were equal in appearance and in durability to any that were ever made from buffalo skins.

AYRSHIRES. The Ayreshire vied with the Jerseys in numbers, and appeared to have about as many admirers as their competitors at the milk pail. The principal exhibitors are Ballantyne, of Blanshard; D. A. Graham, Parkhill; J. A. James & Son, Nilestown, and Nichol Bros., Platsville.

HOLSTEINS.

There are not many of this breed in the pens, but there are some good individuals in the lot. A. C. Hall & Co., New Dundee, show twelve head, and among them Netherland Stateman's Cornelius, a fine bull that has been a prize-winner at a great many fairs. A. and C. Rice, of Currie, also have a good exhibit.

Mr. Stone, of Guelph, has a fine herd of Herefords, and in it is a very fine yearling bull. Most of the Hereford breeders have gone to the Montreal show. Mr. McNish, Lyn, is the only exhibitor, apparently, of the popular Guernseys, the rest having gone to the eastern fairs, where the prize money was big enough to draw.

T. Maxwell, Sarnia, and Walter Hall, Washington, Oxford county, show some fine individuals of the Polled Angus breed. SHEEP.

The sheep pens are well filled, and the how, as a whole, is equal to that of any past year. There are thousands of pure bred sheep in Western Ontario, and there are few farmers who keep sheep but can show flocks of a pure breed, or at least a nigh grade. The Southdowns are numerous and the quality is grand. Among the exhibitors are A. Telfer & Sons, Paris; T. C. Douglas, Galt; Geo. Baker, Simcoe; R. L.

Burgess, Burgessville, and Jackson & Shore. The Leicesters are not numerous, but the quality is of the best, and old sheep men declared they never saw better individuals of this popular breed. J. S. Smith, Maple Lodge, and Laidlaw, Westminster, have good flocks in the pens. There were some fine entries of Shrops by D. G. Hanmer & Sons, Mount Vernon, and W. H. Beattie, Wilton Grove. Mr. Wood, London Town-ship, and R. H. Harding, Thorndale, show good flocks of the Dorset breed.

The show of swine is hardly up to the average. Yet all the well-known breeds are represented by superior animals. The Berks outnumber any other breed, and still seem to retain their old popularity. The principal exhibitors are J. W. Shipley, Komoka; John Ackland, Delaware, and H. J. Davis, Woodstock. W. T. Elliott, Hamilton, has a large exhibit of Tamworths, a breed that is getting quite popular with farmers. Tape Brothers, Ridgetown, have a fine exhibit of Duroc Jerseys. The York-shire, Chester White and Poland-China

LEADING EXHIBITS.

THE STANDARD SILVER TRUSS. The Smith Manufacturing Company, Galt, have another exhibit this year of their justly celebrated silver truss. Their exhibit is on the ground floor of the main building, near the principal entrance on the north side. A convenient place is provided whereby those interested may have the trusses adjusted and fitted. The truss is the invention of a Toronto man-Mr. A. G. Smith, and is made in one piece of nickel silver. From its peculiarity of shape and adaptability, it adjusts itself to every pos-ture of the body. What recommends Prouse of Oxford County, however, has half the truss so strongly to public favor is its simplicity, durability, coolness and capacity, for withstanding the results of moisture and perspiration. Visitors to the Fair should not fail to see

this meritorious exhibit. THE McLAUGHLIN CARRIAGE. Visitors should not miss seeing the McLaughlin Carriage, the exhibit of the enterprising firm of high grade vehicle manufacturers from Oshawa, Ont. Their exhibit is to be seen under can-vas, within 60 yards from the main en-trance, and directly west of the main offices. It comprises Surreys, Mikados, Phaetons , Aberdeens, light driving buggies, and we think we are safe in saying a line of cutters and sleighs. which, for style, elegance of finish and durability, have never been excelled at the Western Fair. Intending purchasers should not overlook inspecting their goods. In fact, critical examination and comparison with other makers' goods is invited. The firm, at their works in Oshawa, employ 145 hands and have an annual output of between 4,000 and 5,000 jobs. They have one motto only: "Good honest work, at a fair price." If you wish a shoddy article it cannot be purchased from the above firm.

GERHARD HEINTZMAN PIANOS ON HAND AGAIN.

Mr. Wm. McPhillips, the enterprising London agent of the famous Gerhard Heintzman pianos, is at the Western Fair again with an assortment of instruments, which, if possible. excels his grand exhibit of 1894. Mr. McPhillips' display is situated on the ground floor of the main building, near the southwest corner, and its tasty arrangement naturally causes the visiters to pause and admire—and in many cases to place an order for a piano. The Gerhard Heintzman is manufactured by Mr. Gerhard Heintzman, of Toronto, and has on its merits alone won a foremost place in the hearts of Canada's musicians. The manufacturer first entered business in 1877, after he every branch of the art. The first eight planos bearing his name were made entirely by himself—a feat so unique in the history of the piano industry that Mr. Heintzman is almost as proud of this as he is of the fact that these eight instruments are still in homes where they have made lifelong friends of the purchasers by their musical excellence and durability. Today, however, instead of eight planos, there are upwards of 5,000 in use, and many of them grace the homes of professional and amateur pianists. And still the popularity of Gerhard Heintzman pianos steadily increases, lowing to their superior finish, excellent response, great purity and largeness of tone, perfect touch and rich brilliancy. Unso-licited testimonials are daily received by the manufacturer from the leading professors and instructors of music, from all parts of Canada. When contemplating the purchase of a piano call vers throughout Canada, and they all on Mr. McPhillips in the main building, or go to the warerooms, 229 Dundas street, and examine the premier piano of Canada. 100c

THE BELL PIANO. The exhibit of the Bell Organ and Piano Company of Guelph, is located at the southeast corner of the main building (downstairs), and is incessantly besieged by throngs of fair visitors. The instruments milk producers. This breed appears to amidst a labyrinth of beautiful foliage with them came have answered the question, "Where shall while the surrounding walls are tastefully Western Fair.

draped with curtains and hung with costly pictures. Mr. James W. Belcher, manager of the London agency, has control of the display, and has at a great expense, secured the Messrs. Stone Brothers, two colored gentleman who hold a foremost position in Detroit musical circles, to exemplify to Fair visitors the many excellent qualities of the Bell pianos. Besides doing this to great advantage, they prove themselves pianists of unusual ability. The musical instru-ments manufactured by this firm are standard wherever music-lovers are found. Great interest is being taken in the orchestral attachment to be found in pianos exhibited by the Bell Company. The company has recently, and at great expense, obtained sole control of this valuable improvement. The invention consists of a series of leather thongs, or tongues with metal insides, which hang between the hammers and strings of the piano, and which, when operated by the four different pedals with which each instrument is provided, produce at will exact representations of the harp, the mandolin, the banjo and the zither. The effect is truly marvelous, and defies description, and is undoubtedly an entirely new departure in the art of piano manufacturing.

R. R. BLAND, WOOD MANTELS, GRATES AND ART TILES.

Parties who are needing anything in this line should be sure to see Mr. R. R. Bland's fine display at his warerooms, 229 Dundas street (old Mechanics' Institute), consisting of the very latest designs in hardwood mantels. The improved Monarch shaking grate (than which there is nothing more beautiful and cheerful) is also shown, Mr. Bland also keeps a complete selection of enameled and embossed art tiles (suitable for bath rooms and vestibules), gas grates, andirons, gas logs, etc. Besides the fire-place furnishings Mr. Bland makes special furniture to order-grille and spindle work, carvings and parquet flooring. In these days of advancement it is generally conceded that no room is artistically complete without a polished floor of inlaid wood, and Mr. Bland is prepared to send experienced workmen to any part of the country to do this class of work.

THE CLEVELAND CYCLE EXHIBIT. The popularity of the Cleveland Cycle in the United States has been so marvelous that it has become necessary to establish other immense factories at Thompsonville, Conn., to work in co-operation with their mammoth factories at Toledo, Ohio, the combined capacity of which is the largest of any high grade manufactory in the world. The demand for Cleveland Cycles in Canada, which they have been unable to supply, has compelled them to answer this call by establishing the most extensive and modern cycle manufactory in Canada. These factories are located at Toronto Junction, and cover a floor space of over 100,000 square feet, with the capacity of 75 wheels per day, giving employment to from 300 to 400 skilled mechanes. The cost of this immense plant

equipped with every detail of the largest

and most improved machinery, will be over

\$150,000. Every individual part of the Cleveland Cycle will be manufactured from the crude materials in this establishment, thus meeting all possible requirements of the rider and the seller, and giving them ready means of duplicating any and all parts of this wheel on demand. The most careful selection and inspection of raw materials the closest scrutiny in detail of every finished part-with finished wheel subjected to the severest test by the best experts in the business--can accomplish but one result, viz.: distinctive and individual qualities of merit and superiority—the highest possible grade of bicycle construction - the leader of the high-grade line. The models of the Cleveland Cycles built with 11 inch tubing, known as "Swell Specials," as shown in the exhibit, are years in advance of the times, and are marvels of strength, beauty and lightness. The bestinformed and oldest wheelmen have chosen this as their favorite mount, and the Michaux Club-the "four hundred" of New York—have also adopted the models 20 and 21, designated as "Swell Specials." Aside from the distinctive features of large tubing, they have many improvements alone peculiar to the Cleveland Cycles. The bearings are positively dust-proof, are of tool steel, and ground, thus insuring the lightest running bearings known to science of cycle construction. The Cleveland chain stands singly and alone as the best device of its kind yet invented, having the only hardened center-pin, without complication, reducing friction to a minimum, and removing all noise and grinding so annoying to riders. The thread tirefirst introduced in their Cleveland Cycles in 1892, has been still further perfected in the '95 models. Cleveland Cycles have now the most resilient, speedy and durably constructed stire ever put on a wheel. Space does not permit a detailed description of the many other improvements. Suffice it to say that they stand upon the broad plane of making the most mechanically perfect cycle in the world, sustained by a broad guarantee, which is unquestioned. An agency will be established in London almost immediately, when intending purchasers can inspect

this strictly high grade wheel. THE PIANO TO BUY. It has been proven time and again that the piano is the most popular and most practical instrument in the market as by its means children's voices are educated and the rudiments of the musical art are taught. Therefore, it naturally follows that for such an important work a god piano is an absolute necessity, and the question, "Which one should be bought," faces a person. The very best should be secured, as it is impossible to over-estimate the deleterious effect of a poor plano, however attractive the case, on a beginner especially. If the ear of the student be aturally musical, a poor piano would e a source of endless disturbance and torture. If, again, the musical taste and ear of the beginner is unformed, nothing could be more harmful and a greater barrier to progress than an instrument out of order and tune. To de-termine the best of the many pianos on the market is another duty, and that which has the best tone, is made of the best material, and by the best workmen, will stand in tune the longest, and submit to the wear and tear of usage best, should be secured. The Gerhard Heintzman piano has been sected by composers and college maseak of it as an inspiration in itself, this piano has delighted artists, sarely it will meet your wants. Mr. Wm. McPhillips, the London agent, has an exhibit on the ground floor of the main building, and is ever ready to prove to visitors the merits of the Ger-

hard Heintzman. -Editor J. H. Schmidt, of the Stratford Kolonist, did a very sensible thing this week. He gave his staff a holiday and with them came to see the wonders of the