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LIVED AS A MAN FOR THREE YEARS

Miss Alice Was "Percy" and Was One of the Boys.

DAUGHTER OF RICH PARENTS

Roughed It For Her Health and Liked It—Made a First-Class Boy, But Couldn't Bat.

Helena, Mont., Jan. 4.—With the consent of her father, a wealthy organ manufacturer of Louisville, Ky., Alice Pilcher has for three years been masquerading through Montana as a boy, and her undoing came as the result of a cold contracted while driving. She is 21 years old, and was known in Helena as Percy Pilcher.

Three years ago she overheard her physician in Louisville tell her father that she was threatened with consumption, but that if she could get out west and rough it she might be able to ward off the disease. After a consultation with her father, she donned a suit of clothes belonging to her brother, and with only sufficient funds to provide for her immediate wants, she arrived in Montana. After spending her ready cash, she got work pushing ore cars in a mine at Hasset, but finding this too hard, she resigned.

As she had exhibited such willingness to work, the superintendent found her a place in the boarding house as a waitress. Later she worked on a ranch, and it is said that as a result of a season's work she had three horses. Selling these to a liveryman she lost the proceeds in a poker game before leaving the barn. She then came to Helena, where she became a splendid billiard player. Later she played baseball.

While driving with a young woman two weeks ago she contracted a severe cold, and it was necessary to summon a physician, from whom she could not conceal her identity. A telegram was sent to Louisville, and an order came for a ticket and funds and she has joined her father.

"Percy" was made to bear the brunt of many jokes upon her arrival, but she took them all so good-naturedly, that she was soon looked upon as a reformed tenderfoot and took her place with the boys. This position she upheld.

"Percy's" greatest ambition seemed to be to become a baseball player. She found great delight in carrying to the grounds the big glove worn by the league catcher, and would assist him as a backstop. She became a fair fielder and thrower, but because of her inability to hit failed to secure a place on any of the local teams.

"Percy" went back home for the holidays two years ago, but after having once lived in the west was dissatisfied at Louisville and soon returned.

She made Helena her headquarters, and would frequently make trips to nearby towns, where her rosy cheeks and golden curly hair always attracted attention, although she guarded her secret so well that no one suspected the truth. Her father is a member of the firm of Pilcher Bros., organ manufacturers, of Louisville.

Humors of the Blood

Cause many troubles,—pimples, boils and other eruptions, besides loss of appetite, that tired feeling, fits of biliousness, indigestion and headache.

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HAS RACY REPUTATION

Tales of High Play Told of the New Atlantic Club.

London, Jan. 4.—The Atlantic Club, on Dover street, originally intended to provide a meeting ground for the social and financial elect of American with London's leading men about town, is beginning to get a racy reputation.

It was founded by the familiar device of inviting 200 fashionable men to join, paying 30 guinea subscription. It caught on slowly, but now, when tales of high gaming are going round, there is such a rush for membership by the gilded youth that a heavy entrance fee has been put on in addition to the dues. Bridge and baccarat are played for big stakes.

It is no uncommon thing for young fellows to play until 6 o'clock in the morning, have a bath and a change, take the 7:30 train for the hunting center, get back to town for dinner, and repeat the performance with only a few hours' sleep snatched in the railroad cars.

There are several American names on the membership list, but as yet Americans are seldom seen there.

It is the "smartest" club in London at present, with a splendid chef, unimpeachable wines and luxurious rooms. But it is held that the pace is too swift to last, and that there is sure to be trouble about the heavy losses of some foolish young fellows bearing noted names.

Footstools for Pets.

Paris, Jan. 4. — The Parisian's love of canine pets has led to the invention of a pretty little piece of furniture. It is a small footstool of gilt, wood and upholstered material, in keeping with the hangings of an apartment. The stool is hollow, padded inside and furnished with a small door on one side, and serves for a comfortable nook for a small dog. Parisian hostesses can thus keep their pets with them when receiving their friends.

Hopes To Come Again.

Ottawa, Jan. 4. — An invitation was sent from the Dominion Board of Trade to Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, asking him to visit Canada. Mr. Chamberlain writes to President Coates, under date of Dec. 12, regretting that he cannot accept.

He adds that he visited Canada on two different occasions, and hopes to be able later on to have another opportunity to see for himself something of the astonishing progress which has been effected during the past few years.

HICKS PREDICTS STORMY JANUARY

Heavy Gales, Thunderstorms and Blizzardous Cold.

CONSIDERABLE SNOW AND SLEET

It Will Be Necessary to Figure On Thaws and Frosts—and It's All On Account of Venus.

St. Louis, Jan. 2.—The following are Rev. Irl. R. Hicks' weather forecasts for the month of January, 1904:

Winter thunderstorms on and touching the 4th should be no surprise, and a rapid and violent change to high barometer, high northwesterly gales and very cold, should be counted on in the immediate rear of the storm areas. In proportion as the temperature rises and the barometer falls, during the first stages of this period, look for change to high barometer and blizzardous cold, as the storm center shifts to the east. Shelter should be sought for man and beast, while the barometer is still low, and before the storms culminate. Supplies of feed and food and fuel should be provided, not in or after the storms, but before.

Second storm period—regular. This period extends from the 7th to the 12th. The days of the greatest storm probability are the 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th. As we enter this period, look for change to warmer in the west, winds will shift to southerly and easterly, and the barometer will fall. About the 9th storms of rain and snow will set in, and during the 10th, 11th and perhaps the 12th, they will march eastwardly across the country. The western to central states will be in the grasp of a high barometer and cold wave before the storm center has reached or cleared the Eastern States.

Third storm period — Reactionary: This period is central on the 14th, 15th and 16th. The moon will be in conjunction with earth and sun, or at its new, on the 17th, and this fact is reasonably certain to prolong storm conditions over the 17th, and into the next regular storm period. The prevailing cold will soften about the 14th, and the barometer will fall in the west, bringing a renewal of rain and snow—mostly snow—as the wave works eastward during the 15th and 16th. It is a rare thing for storm conditions to break up immediately preceding a new moon. As a rule the warmth and low barometer, and hence precipitation in some form, are almost sure to continue until after the conjunction of moon and sun is past. When the moon is nearing the celestial equator, especially when on its way from south declination, the effect is to prolong higher temperature and low barometer. This being the case on the 19th, the probabilities are that a disagreeable spell of rainy, snowy, sleety weather will last from about the 15th and 16th, into the regular storm period following.

Fourth storm period—Regular: This period is central on the 20th, extending from the 18th to the 23rd. The probabilities are that most parts of the country will enter this period in a perturbed if not stormy state of weather. A marked increase of warmth will be noticeable on and about the 19th, with possibly winter lightning and thunder. Look for rain about the same time, turning into blizzards and snow and sleet, as the storm areas travel eastward across the country during the 20th, 21st, and 22nd. A high barometer, stiff northwesterly winds and a cold wav will push close on the hear of these storms.

Fifth storm period — Reactionary: The 25th, 26th and 27th are the central days of this period. At this, as well as other storm periods, a perceptible rise of temperature will set in early in the west, falling barometer will quickly ensue, and cloudiness with return of rain and snow, will make their regular march eastward across the country. Before the cloud and storm areas have fairly reached the Central to Eastern States, high barometer, cold winds and clearing weather will be following close in the rear from the northwest. This same order will prevail at all the winter storm periods, except in occasional cases where a combination of causes brings on a continuous and prolonged storm, or stormy spell of weather. We will be entering a combined Vulcan and Mercury period of disturbance as we pass from January into February. This period will culminate in February, but indications of returning storm conditions will be apparent in western extremes at the close of January.

But for the Venus disturbance during this month there would be a minimum of storm producing causes. But a Venus perturbation at this season almost assures a month of changeable extremes in storm and weather. It will be wise to figure on thaw and rain, freeze and blizzard; watch for the former during the early stages of the storm periods, and for the latter during the last half of the wind-up of the periods.

LOST IN CHICAGO FIRE

Former Residents of Toronto and Whitby Believed To Be Dead.

Toronto, Jan. 4.—Another former resident of Toronto, who died in the Chicago fire, was Mrs. Inez Spring, wife of W. H. Spring, of Chicago, and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Scovell, of this city. A telegram was received by Mr. Scovell, Thursday night, stating that his daughter had been killed in the fire. Mr. Scovell then thought it was a case of mistaken identity, as Mr. Spring was very ill in his home in Chicago. However, though the sad news was not confirmed, Mrs. Scovell left Friday night for Chicago. Since then no word has been received in Toronto, and Mr. Scovell anxiously awaits the result of Mrs. Scovell's attempt to identify the body, the husband being too ill in Chicago to undertake the task.

Whitby, Ont., Jan. 4.—The Chicago theater disaster has brought gloom to many in this town, as Mrs. E. A. Davey, reported as having lost her life, together with her daughter, is an old Whitbyite, who subsequently moved to Belleville, and from there went to Chicago. She was formerly a Miss Lizzie Adams, born and brought up in Whitby, and visited her friends here nearly every summer. They have received a telegram from Mr. Davey confirming the loss of his wife and daughter. The bodies have not been recovered.

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SOO CREDITORS TO TAKE ACTION

Messrs. Speyer & Co. Must Prove Their Claim in the Canadian Courts.

Toronto, Jan. 4.—A number of creditors of the insolvent "Soo" companies have organized to fight the claim of Speyer & Co., of Philadelphia. The legal firm of Barwick, Aylesworth, Wright & Moss have filed a petition to the courts to have a liquidator appointed for each of the subsidiary companies. It is alleged in the petition that the Canadian Bank of Commerce and a number of United States trust companies, who held unsecured claims against the companies, advanced $1,500,000 to pay the debts owing to themselves, and obtained for this advance security which they lacked before. It is also claimed that a large portion of the stock of the different subsidiary companies was issued without payment being made for the same, and that Speyer & Co., by registering themselves as owners of all of the stock, have become liable for all of the amount unpaid. The papers were served on C. P. Worthington, auditor of the company, on Friday night.

Jas. Bicknell, representative of Speyer & Co. in Canada, returned from New York on Saturday. He had been in conference several days with the owners of the assets of the Soo properties, and declares that the latest litigation, filed in the name of the unsecured creditors, does not change the relation of Speyer & Co. a particle. It is merely making more trouble and petty annoyance for Speyer & Co., he said, without contributing in any way toward the solution of the tangle. Mr. Bicknell said the more of these suits that were filed the less there would be for the unsecured creditors, since the expense of the litigation would have to come out of what was realized.

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 2.—The adjourned annual meeting of the Consolidated Lake Superior Company, which was to have been held today, was again postponed, this time to Jan. 23. Four stockholders having proxies for a majority of the stock, were present at the hour named for the meeting, but transacted no business.

MADE HIM SIT UP

Wm. Doeg's Rheumatism Wouldn't Let Him Lie Down to Rest—Dodd's Kidney Pills Cured Him.

Sundridge, Ont., Jan. 4. — After four years' torture from Rheumatism, Mr. Doeg, a farmer living on con. 3, Strong township, is entirely free from his old enemy. Dodd's Kidney Pills did it. Mr. Doeg makes the following statement regarding his cure:

"The trouble started in my back and spread to other parts of my body. The pain got so bad I could not lie down to take rest, and had to sit night and day in a chair.

"I was treated for Rheumatism by several doctors and tried different medicines without getting relief. I thought I would never again be free from pain.

"Then I started using Dodd's Kidney Pills and before I had finished the second box all my pains had gone. They have never come back; I am a new man."

A DOMINION EXHIBITION

Big One To Be Held in Winnipeg Next Summer.

Toronto, Jan. 4.—R. C. Younge, secretary of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, has returned from Ottawa, where he conferred with the Minister of the Interior with regard to the proposed Dominion exhibition in Winnipeg next July. Mr. Younge states that the exhibition has now been definitely decided upon, and without doubt will be the greatest ever held in Western Canada. It will take a form similar to that held in Toronto last year. The Dominion Government grant of $50,000 will be applied to the erection of new buildings, including a large manufacturers building, the augmentation of the prize money, payments of freights on shipments and the advertising of the exhibition. The Manufacturers' Association will give the exhibition of its manufactured goods as complete as possible.

THE BORGHESE ARCHIVES

The Precious Documents Purchased by the Vatican.

Rome, Jan. 4.—The Borghese family have sold to the Vatican their rich archives, containing the most important collection of historical documents yet unpublished, especially regarding Pope Paul V., who died in 1621. The archives also contain parchments concerning the famous question of the legality of his marriage to Catherine of Arragon, propounded in 1528 by King Henry VIII. to Pope Clement VII. Several Englishmen unsuccessfully tried to purchase the collection and Pope Piux X. congratulated the Borghese family for not allowing the archives to leave Italy.

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JOTTINGS FROM NEAR-BY PLACES

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NORWICH.

Norwich, Jan. 4.—Miss Etta Barlow is spending the New Year holiday at her home in Woodstock.

Mr. Elgin Haines, of Detroit, has been renewing old acquaintances about Norwich.

Mr. J. Winterburne, of Milverton, spent Christmas with friends here.

Mr. D. A. Norris, of Strathroy, has been visiting friends here.

A party of friends from town surprised Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Barnes at their home on Monday evening. An enjoyable evening was spent there.

Miss Ethel Mauthe, of Wellesley, is spending the holidays at her home here.

Miss Cohoe, of Tilsonburg, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Frank Hulet.

Mr. J. Pfeffer, of Milverton, is spending New Years in Norwich.

The marriage of Mr. J. Morency and Miss Cora Haight, both of this place, took place on Wednesday, Dec. 30, at the residence of the Baptist pastor, Mr. Cameron. The happy couple left for Toronto on the 4:20 train. They will reside on Stover street.

Mr. Charles Cole, of Thedford, spent the holidays at Mr. A. R. Bradley's.

LAMBETH.

Lambeth, Jan. 4.—On Thursday evening, Dec. 31, the Lambeth Amusement Club congregated at "The Evergreens," the residence of Mr. L. M. Vandermade, in costume and mask, representing John Bull, Canada, Admiral Dewey, Mr. and Mrs. Jones, a Darkey, Clergyman and His Wife, Little Red Riding Hood and Her Basket, two Japanese Ladies, two of England's Ancient Noblemen, a Tramp, Reuben, and two Nuns. Mr. Gordon Mann and Miss Lena Mann, who represented "Mr. and Mrs. Jones, of Jonesville," a young married colored pair, carried away the beautiful prize. A Clover Hunt was the first game of the evening, and was won by Mr. Roy Bannatyne. An advertisement contest was won by F. Millson and Miss Ada Branston. Lost Heir was then played, and was won by R. Bannatyne. Then the hour came for lunch, and soon after the crowd dispersed for home.

WATFORD.

Watford, Jan. 4.—Mr. C. Livingstone, St. Catharines, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Livingstone, John street.

Mrs. W. E. Hume and son, Ottawa, are guests of Mr. Henry Hume, Main street.

Miss J. Campbell, Detroit, is spending a few days with Mrs. A. Aitken, Main road.

Mr. Edward Clark left on Thursday to visit his daughter, Mrs. J. Smith, Chateauguay, N. Y.

Mrs Christie, Exeter, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. R. R. Rogers.

Mr. D. O'Rourke, New York, is spending the holidays with his mother, Mrs. J. O'Rourke.

Mr. P. J. Dodds was in London on business last week.

Rev. Canon and Mrs. Downie are spending a few days with their daughter, Mrs. R Williams, Havelock.

Rev. J. Clutterbuck, Gouverneur, N. Y., and Dr. H. E. Clutterbuck, New York city, attended the funeral of their father, the late Mr. William Clutterbuck, on Thursday.

Mr. O. W. Howard, M.A., Montreal, is visiting at his home here.

Miss Julia Taylor, Blyth, is the guest of friends in Watford and vicinity.

Miss Alma Clark, Toronto, is visiting her home here.

Miss Lulu Aitken left on Friday for Wilkesport, where she has been engaged to teach in the public school of that place.

Mr. Will Harwood, London, is the guest of Mr. Wesley Clark, St. Clair street.

Miss Winnifred Tye is spending her holidays in St. Thomas.

Mr. Stanley Eccles, Toronto, is the guest of Watford friends.

BOTHWELL.

Bothwell, Jan. 4.—Mr. Isaac and Miss Lulu McLean are visiting friends in Glencoe.

Miss Mary McRitchie is visiting her sister in Detroit during the holidays.

The youngest daughter of Mr. Charles Watson was buried on Thursday last.

For the past few weeks the skating rink has been well attended.

Miss Annie Blair, of Toronto, is visiting at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Grey, of Lobo, were the guests of Mrs. A. Blair for a day last week.

On Thursday last, at high noon, the home of the bride's mother was the scene of a pretty but quiet wedding, when Agnes, second daughter of the late Alexander Blair, was united in marriage to Mr. T. Statham, of Strathroy. Mr. and Mrs. Statham left on the afternoon train for Toronto and points east.

HENSALL.

Hensall, Jan. 2.—Mr. F. B. Welford, of the Molsons Bank, spent Christmas and New Year's holidays at his home, Woodstock.

Will Reynolds, of Toronto Junction, was home for Christmas. While George Reynolds, after a week's holidays, returned to Toronto Junction this (Saturday) morning, Miss Reynolds, of Toronto, is spending a few weeks at home. Mr. and Mrs. Ramsey, of Lindsay, spent their Christmas holidays at the home of Mrs. Ramsey's father, Mr. H. Reynolds.

Rev. Dr. Medd will lecture in the Chiselhurst Methodist Church on Tuesday evening, Jan. 5.

At the Christmas tree entertainment in the Methodist Church on Christmas night Mr. James Clark was presented with a handsome morris chair by the members of his junior Bible class. The entertainment was very good and well patronized.

On Sunday evening there was a special song service at the Methodist Church, and a good sermon.

At the Christmas tree entertainment in the Presbyterian Church on Christmas Eve the children gave a number of toys and dolls for the Children's Hospital, Toronto. Rev. Mr. Lindsay, of Dresden, preached very acceptably in the Presbyterian Church on Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Doherty held service in the English Church on Christmas Day.

At the nominations on Monday evening eleven were named for reeve and twelve for councilors, but one after another sent in their resignations, till there were not enough left for a full council, so the rest dropped out. Nominations will be held on the 7th inst.

The Conservatives of the south riding of Huron will meet here in convention on the 6th inst., while the Liberals will meet in Brucefield on the 8th inst.

On New Year's Day our band were out in the morning and again in the afternoon, serenading the citizens, and helped to brighten the holiday.

Mr. W. Kemp and Mr. Wilbur McPhillips, of Seaforth, spent Christmas holidays here. Mr. Kemp was home for New Years also.

Dr. Sellery spent Christmas holidays at his home in Kincardine.

Miss Annie Beck, of St. Marys, is home for the holidays.

At the nominations at Zurich, for Hay Township, on Monday, no opposition was offered to the old council. Reeve Elgie and Reeve Willard, of Steven, were elected by acclamation.

Our merchants report a very successful Christmas trade.

On Sunday evening, Jan. 3, Rev. Dr. Medd will preach a special sermon to men in middle life.

The St. Joseph, Hensall and Stratford Electric Railway will soon be in running order, having secured the franchise in Stratford. It is hoped that it will be started before May 1.

Mrs. (Dr.) Campbell and child, of Zurich, are spending the holidays at her parents' home, Mr. and Mrs. T. Murdock. Dr. Campbell is a frequent visitor.

Mr. T. Murray and wife, of the Owen Sound Collegiate Institute, spent their holidays at his home here.

Mr. J. S. Wren, principal of the Lucan high school, spent his holidays at home.

Miss Millie Petty has completed her course at the commercial college, London.

On Christmas Day Miss Annie McMordie became the bride of Mr. Glen. Rev. Mr. McLennan, of Kippen, tied the knot.

Charlie Chapman, of the G. T. R., Brantford, was home on Monday.

Alex. Chestney, of the Simpson Company, Toronto, was home for the holidays.

KOMOKA.

Komoka, Jan. 2.—A grand concert will be given in the Presbyterian Church, in aid of the Sabbath School, on Tuesday evening, Jan. 5. The programme will consist of solos, duets, trios, readings, etc., by the following artists from London: Mr. Edward Webster, baritone; Miss Jessica Hambly, elocutionist; Miss Margaret Mowat, soprano soloist; Miss Pauline Mowat, contralto soloist. Rev. W. A. Wyllie, of London, has been secured for chairman. Doors open at 7:30; programme to commence at 8 o'clock sharp. Admission, children, 10 cents; adults, 15 cents. Everybody welcome.

NILESTOWN.

Nilestown, Jan. 2.—Mr. Robert Small paid Hamilton friends a visit lately.

Archie D. McKellar, eldest son of Mrs. A. R. McKellar, of Green Springs, Ohio, was a recent visitor to relatives here.

Mr. Thomas Edwards, of Michigan, is here. When interviewed, he had not decided whether he would remain all winter or return to his home in a couple of weeks.

Mr. Emerson Vokes, at one time a school teacher here, afterwards engaged in the art of printing at Strathroy, from which place he went to Duluth, where he is engaged in business at the present time, has been visiting at Mr. Frank Barrows'.

Chester Elliott, of North Branch, Mich., has been visiting at Mr. Luther Barnard's, Nilestown, and with the Messrs. Elliott, St. Marys. When he returns to North Branch he expects to be accompanied by Mr. Russell Elliott, who has secured a situation over there.

Mr. John Pearson is on his way home to Dakota. He will stop awhile at Pontiac, Mich., to see some relatives. Of his visit here he said the longer he stopped the better he liked the country, and the pleasure of his Canadian friendships was enhanced.

Mrs. Bullard, her daughter Addie and her son Frank, all of Detroit, have been making Mr. A. Barnard a visit. When these visitors were being driven to the G. T. R. depot to go home, they were accompanied by a sleigh load of relatives to see them off. When in the city the horses became frightened and unmanageable, and backing, the sleigh became overturned, hoisting the occupants into to the road, to scramble up and get out of danger as best they could. The driver, endeavoring to hold on to the lines, was dragged several feet, but was finally compelled to relinquish his efforts to stop the team. They were caught at the Tecumseh House. The sleigh and harness bore unquestionable evidence of hard usage, but the folks, beyond a big scare, and the unceremonious contact with the roadway, escaped harm.

Mr. Will Cartwright, con. 1, Dorchester, has been laboring under a severe attack of pneumonia.

Mr. George Harris' case has been more favorable of late.

Aspirants to the reeveship of North Dorchester have been making their rounds. Monday will tell the story.

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