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**LEITER'S MILK TRUST**

Will Drive Out All Rivals in Chicago—Capital \$10,000,000—Big Tobacco Combine.

Chicago, Dec. 12.—The Record says: The milk trust, with a capital stock of \$10,000,000, is now an assured fact and application will be made within ten days for articles of incorporation.

Joseph Leiter thought the plan feasible, and after investigation interested his father and Wm. C. Selig, who are to be the largest stockholders. Each will be interested to the extent of \$2,500,000. Milk dealers who are taken in will be given stock according to the value of their plants.

After milk has been sold for low prices until every rival has closed his shop and sold his wagons, the trust expects to regulate the price of milk on the price of butter. It will then retail for 5 or 6 cents, as the Elgin butter market may be up or down.

**BIG TOBACCO COMBINE.**

Trenton, N. J., Dec. 12.—Articles of incorporation of the Continental Tobacco Company were filed with the secretary of state in this city Saturday. The capital stock is \$75,000,000, one-half of which is to be preferred, with 7 per cent non-cumulative dividends, payable quarterly. The company is authorized to cure leaf tobacco and to manufacture tobacco in all its forms.

**A COLD WINTER**

Needs something good in the way of stoves—something that does not only burn coal—but a STOVE that will heat or cook well and burn very little coal compared with the amount of heat given or food cooked.

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Will you look in our west window when down town and see the inducements we are offering in Candy? Our stock is fresh from the factory. Every pound of the goods has been purchased within a week, and bought at the very bottom, spot cash prices.

We are offering to every purchaser of one pound of Candy a guess for a Beautiful Jointed Body Bisque Doll, or a Boy's Daisy Air Rifle. This contest will last one week, ending Friday, the 18th. Don't forget to avail yourself of the opportunity.

Also we have just received another beautiful lot of Toys from the factory, comprising Children's Tables, 15c each; Dolls' Chairs, from 10c to 25c; Beautiful Blackboards, 25c; Extension Tables, with two extra leaves, made of hard wood and varnished, at \$1; Wood Building Blocks, can build one hundred different designs, for 25c; Books and Games and Novelties of all kinds, in an endless variety.

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**FAIR AND COLD.**

Toronto, Dec. 11, 11 p.m.—Pressure is generally low from the lakes to the Atlantic, and is highest over the Northwest. The weather is fair and cold everywhere. The tendency is a continuance of fair, cold weather. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 30—35; Kamloops, 12—18; Calgary, 20—25; Battleford, 8—15; Qu'Appelle, 15—18; Winnipeg, zero—15; Port Arthur, 4—22; Parry Sound, 25—32; Toronto, 22—31; Ottawa, 24—32; Montreal, 25—28; Quebec, 18—22; Halifax, 29—34.

Toronto, Dec. 12, 1 a.m.—Probabilities for the lower lakes: Westerly to northerly winds; mostly fair and cold; local snow flurries.

Local temperatures: The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory on Saturday, Dec. 10, were 21 and 11.5 degrees; on Sunday, Dec. 11, 23 and 15.

**Palms for Christmas.**

Nothing so altogether acceptable as a present. We have a magnificent stock. **Graham & Sons, Dundas and Clarence.**

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**BOUGHNER, HABERDASHER.**

See our window full of Elegant Umbrellas.

**Genuine Bargain Sale**

Rendered necessary through interior of store to be altered after 1st January.

All the Fancy Goods, all the Purses, all the Game, balance of Toys, shelves of Books, etc., **BELOW COST.**

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**A LOCAL BUDGET**

—Miss Amy Laing, of Toronto, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Bremner, of Maple street.

—Mr. H. L. Ingram, of the firm of Messrs. Smallman & Ingram, has left for the British and continental markets.

—Mr. John Gillson, of Masonville, returned Saturday from a six-weeks' business trip to Glasgow, Scotland, and England.

—The entertainment at the Grand Opera House tonight, in aid of the children's wing of Victoria Hospital, promises to be very attractive.

—P. C. Roland Johnston, of the city force, has been off duty for several days with a severe attack of the mumps. He is happily convalescing.

—Owing to some unaccounted-for delay, the tender of Rogers & Co. of this city, for the electric wiring of the new city hall at St. Thomas, was not received by the committee to be considered. Their figures were \$14 lower than H. L. Grey, of Toronto, who secured the contract.

—A meeting of the board of the East Middlesex Farmers' Institute was held on Saturday in this city, to arrange for their coming meetings, to be held at Alderton on Jan. 13, and at Lambeth on Jan. 14. The delegation consists of Messrs. Simpson, Rennie, Milliken and Duncan C. Anderson, Rugby.

—Rev. A. C. Courtice, of Toronto, formerly of this city, editor of the Christian Guardian, is confined to his home through illness. For the last ten days Mr. Courtice has been very much indisposed, the result of over-work, and he has been ordered to take a rest. Rev. E. R. Young, the newly-appointed assistant editor of the Guardian, will fill the editorial chair during Mr. Courtice's absence.

—The remains of the late R. E. Van Horne, the G. T. R. brakeman who was killed in the yards here Saturday morning, will be taken to Harley tomorrow morning, leaving the Western Hotel at 7:30, thence to the G. T. R. depot. One of the requests made by the dying man was that his body be interred in a grave beside that of his mother. He was his mother's favorite son, and had he lived, today would have been the 28th anniversary of his birth. The deceased's brother from Starnia is in the city. Mr. Underhill, of South London, is an uncle of deceased.

**NIBLOCK SENTENCED.**

The Advertiser's Ottawa correspondent telegraphs as follows: "In the police court this morning John T. Niblock, local superintendent of the London Life Assurance Company, was given three years in Kingston Penitentiary for forgery. Niblock gave all the information he could about the forgeries, and the company pleaded for a light sentence."

**"JACK AND THE BEANSTALK."**

"Jack and the Beanstalk," Klaw & Erlanger's regal attraction, was put on the boards at the Grand Saturday afternoon and evening before packed houses. In the evening there was "standing room only" after 8:15. Frequent encores evidenced the entire satisfaction of the audience. The company is evenly balanced, and gave a smooth and finished production. The droilery is unique. There is a continual recitation of the nursery rhymes and Mother Goose melodies, with which every child is familiar, and these are one delight the younger, while they bring pleasant recollections to the children of a larger growth. The stage effects were elaborate and well contrasted. Especially fine was the fancy scene representing the fairies floating in delightful atmosphere above the silver-lined and snowy clouds at the top of the beanstalk. The electrical devices were also features worthy of note.

**REV. W. J. CLARK AT WOODSTOCK**

Woodstock Sentinel-Review, Saturday: There was a good crowd in Knox Church lecture room last night to hear Rev. W. J. Clark, of the First Presbyterian Church, London, deliver his lecture, "With Fire and Sword in the Sudan." Those who were fortunate enough to see him in Kingston Penitentiary as well as an intellectual treat for Mr. Clark is one of the foremost preachers in the Canadian Presbyterian Church. Rev. Clark has an excellent command of the English language,

and speaks apparently without any effort. He is one of the most pleasing speakers that have visited Woodstock for some time. The reverend gentleman spoke for about an hour and a half, after first congratulating the members of the church on their fine new edifice, which has been erected since his last visit to Woodstock. He described in graphic terms the life of Rudolph Slatin, better known as Slatin Pasha, up to the present time, as given in that great soldier's book, from the title of which the lecture is taken. He went briefly into the story of the Sudan, describing the rise and death of the Mahdi, the victories and final decisive defeats of the khallifa at Suakin and Omdurman, also the horrible character of the cruelties practiced by the latter. His condensation of this vast subject was a remarkable one. Those present have a much better understanding of the Egyptian question than before. In the course of his lecture Rev. Mr. Clark recited Rudyard Kipling's poems, "Fuzzy-Wuzzy," and "Sergeant Whiteman." A vote of thanks was tendered the lecturer on motion of Dr. McLurg and G. R. Pattullo.

**GIVEN A PUNCH BOWL**

Mr. Adam Beck Honored by the London Hunt—Congratulations on His Marriage.

The meeting of the members of the London Hunt Club at Glenmore on Saturday was marked by an event of which Mr. Adam Beck, master of the hunt, will always have pleasant recollections. Among the members present were Sir John Carling, Major Beattie, M.P., Messrs. J. R. Minihinnick, John Labatt, C. S. Hyman, T. H. Smallman, W. J. Reid, Chas. W. Leonard, A. St. L. MacIntosh, M. D. Fraser, H. B. Beddome, T. H. Carling, Dr. Niven, M. G. Bremner, N. P. Graydon, Dr. Abbott, W. T. Strong, Col. Buchanan, Frank Reid, John B. Kilgour, Dr. H. A. Kingsmill, S. Munro, S. Sterling, W. Simpson, J. Young, R. K. Cowan, Capt. Carpenter and Lieut. Laybourn.

At 4 o'clock Sir John Carling, in a pleasant speech, eulogized Mr. Beck, and referred to the kindly feeling which existed between the members of the club and the master, as a mark of the feeling he presented Mr. Beck with a large and beautiful punch bowl.

This article is a work of art, of sterling silver, nine inches in height, twelve inches in diameter at the top, weighs six pounds, and has a capacity of two and a half gallons. The bowl is lined with gold, and has a handle to match.

Engraved on the bowl is the crest of the club and this inscription: "Adam Beck, Esq., M.F.H., by the members of the London Hunt on the occasion of his marriage, Sept. 7, 1898."

Mr. Beck replied in a feeling manner. He thanked the members of the club for the handsome gift, but thought he had made no adequate sacrifices to deserve such a kindness. Mr. Beck spoke in glowing terms of the treatment accorded to him by the club and horsemen on the American tracks, and referred to the fact that London was now becoming a recognized center for well-bred horses. This speech was interrupted by applause, and at the close the toast to "Mr. and Mrs. Beck" was proposed and honored in a hearty manner.

**FOR 25 YEARS A MEMORIAL**

Silver Jubilee of the Church Erected to the Memory of the First Bishop of Huron—Interesting Services.

Interesting anniversary services were held at the Memorial Church yesterday. The occasion was the celebration of a silver jubilee. It is just a quarter of a century since the church was erected by his children to the memory of Right Rev. Benjamin Cronyn, first Bishop of Huron, and opened for divine service.

The congregations present both morning and evening yesterday were large. Ven. Dean Innes preached in the morning from James II, 17-18. He dwelt upon the relation between faith and works in church life, showing that both have their place and both are necessary. He commented upon the episcopate of Bishop Cronyn as exemplifying the text, and praised his character and loyalty to the principles of Protestant and Evangelical religion.

The present growth and spiritual standing of the diocese was due largely to the first bishop, who laid the foundations so strongly in the gospel. He reviewed the rise and progress of the Memorial Church from 1866, when Mr. Dyas, a devoted church worker, organized a Sunday school on Adelaide street. Later occasional afternoon services were held by Rev. Messrs. Lowe and Starr, curates to Dean Hellmuth, then rector of St. Paul's. The preacher spoke of his own participation in the work of the parish, and his deep interest in its growth to the present day. He spoke in terms of the highest commendation of the present rector, and asked for him and his flock

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- \$1** 12 Black Serge Coats, satin facing, \$1 each.
- \$2** 11 Black Nap Coats, astrachan trimmed, \$2.
- \$3** 7 Black Beaver Coats, \$3.
- \$4** 13 Black Jackets, various, beavers, friezes, naps, etc., \$4.
- \$5** 22 Pattern Fashionable Jackets, no two alike, prices from \$11 to \$20, all German make, fawns, brown, grays, black, claire de lune, to close out this lot the balance of this season's importations, \$5.
- \$6** 5 Colored Capes, all wool, heavy German made, prices \$10 to \$16, for \$6.
- \$8** 4 Black Capes, heavy patterns, \$16, for \$8.
- \$15** 6 Very Handsome Pattern French Capes, prices from \$45 to \$55, for \$15.

**KINGSMILL'S**  
Clearing-Out Sale of Coats.

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For Your Gentlemen Friends.

See our Choice Gold and Silver Mounted Umbrellas. Fur, Silk and Wool Lined Gloves or Mitts. Latest Quilted Silk Mufflers, in all colors. Very Pretty Ties, in all the new shapes and colors. Silk or Linen Hem-Stitched Handkerchiefs, in plain, fancy or initial.

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many years of blessing and prosperity in the time to come.

Ven. Archdeacon Davis preached an admirable sermon in the evening from Ezekiel xlvii, 8. He made an earnest plea for deeper spiritual life.

At the anniversary festival, which takes place in the school room this evening, a beautiful memento, prepared through the design of Mr. Thomas Orr, will be offered for the acceptance of all present.

Rev. W. H. Tilley was the first pastor of the Memorial Church, and on his removal to Toronto more than 21 years ago, was succeeded by Rev. Canon J. E. Richardson, the present rector. During its history the church has three times been enlarged and improved, and with the growth of the parish it has had offshoots from it, in St. Matthew's Church and in the Mission of All Saints. The total amount of church contributions has been \$24,000 40, of which \$14,256 16 has been for diocesan objects and missions, foreign and domestic missions, etc. Five thousand, four hundred and ninety-five services have been held; 1,527 baptisms, 87 confirmed, 45 marriages, 701 burials, and 32,859 communicants in the assemblage.

**SIXTH HUSBAND POISONED.**

Wichita, Kan., Dec. 12.—Mrs. L. Johnston, of Pond Creek, Okla., is in jail at Pond Creek, and will be tried on Dec. 16 on the charge of poisoning her sixth husband at Lawrence, Kan., in May. She is also accused of poisoning a half brother in Sumner county, Kan., last July.

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**SPECIAL NOTICES.**

**STOVES, STOVES, STOVES.**—Cheap Cook Stoves, Square Baseburners, Parlor Stoves, Extension Tables, Bedroom Suites, Spring and Hair Mattresses, Goose Feather Pillows, Down Cushions, made to order at the Feather Bed and Mattress Cleaning Factory, 593 Richmond street north. HUNT & SONS, Telephone 997.

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**ANDREWS' PLUGS** stop the ache and fill the tooth, and do it without any pain. 10 cents a bottle.

A DINNER FILL—Many persons taken of is like a ball of lead upon the stomach, and instead of being a healthy nutriment, it becomes a poison to the system. Dr. Parnelee's Vegetable Pills are wonderful correctives of such troubles. They correct acidity, open the secretions and convey the food partaken of into healthy nutriment. They are just the medicine to take if troubled with indigestion.