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Finest Brussels, Velvets,  
Tapestries and  
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## Carpets

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John Crossley & Sons Carpets are known  
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They wear better and have a richer  
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In Children's Footwear  
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James Borge, who left here a year  
ago for the Halifax garrison, returned  
home to-day. He is about joining the  
next contingent to South Africa. Mr.  
Borge is now a corporal.

Any person wishing to practice  
economy should secure their Spring  
Wallpaper at Sulman's Beehive dur-  
ing the removal sale. It will only  
last a few days longer.

## BOERS STILL IN CONVENTION CONCERNING PEACE NEGOTIATIONS

Representatives of the Free State and Transvaal Will Likely  
Consult Lord Kitchener—Will Forward the Proposals  
to the Imperial Government—Cabin-  
et Council Called.

Klerksdorp, Transvaal Colony,  
April 11.—The representatives of the  
Orange Free State and the Transvaal  
governments had conferences yester-  
day afternoon and to-day. The dele-  
gations were confined to the dele-  
gations, and no communication with  
outsiders was allowed.

FRESH RUMORS.  
London, April 11.—Summons were  
issued this afternoon for a cabinet  
meeting to-morrow. The circum-  
stances started a fresh crop of rumors  
to the effect that the government had  
received a despatch from Lord Kitch-  
ener on the subject of the peace ne-  
gotiations after Mr. Brodrick's state-  
ment in the House of Commons this  
afternoon.

London, April 12.—Mr. Balfour's de-  
nial last night of the peace rumors  
was very emphatic. He said:—"We  
have no information as to the nature  
of things could have been."  
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## TALMAGE DYING

The Noted Washington Divine  
Slowly Passing Away—An  
Eventful Life.

Washington, April 11.—Rev. Dr. T.  
De Witt Talmage is slowly dying at  
his residence in this city. His phys-  
ician concludes that they can now see  
no hope for his recovery and that he  
is steadily growing worse. He had  
been unconscious for the past forty-  
eight hours, and the passive conges-  
tion of the brain has developed into  
a very inflamed condition. After the  
afternoon consultation of the phys-  
icians, the following bulletin was issued:  
"Dr. Talmage has grown steadily  
worse. His condition is extremely  
serious. Dr. Talmage was in poor  
health when he started for Mexico six  
weeks ago. He was suffering from  
influenza and serious catarrhal sym-  
ptoms. He has been very ill since his  
return to Washington a month ago,  
but some hope has been held out until  
yesterday."

## W. O. T. U.

The W. O. T. U. meeting held in  
the A. O. U. W. hall Thursday was a  
bright and instructive one.  
Papers on the different departments  
of W. O. T. U. work were read. Spe-  
cial mention of the ones on narcotics,  
scientific temperance as taught in  
schools, and missionary work among  
the Algonquians was in order.  
Miss Baxter, the popular direc-  
tress of Victoria Avenue Methodist  
church, and Mrs. S. C. Walker, presi-  
dent of the Victoria Avenue branch,  
were present and gave a pleasing man-  
ner. Miss Mary Brackin as accom-  
panist.  
Rev. Mr. George, pastor of Victoria  
Avenue Methodist church, gave a stir-  
ring address. He spoke of the man-  
ner in which the licence law was  
manipulated by those in power. The  
point now in the field, which was not  
more present to profit by his address.

## CANADIAN CONTINGENT GOES

IN SPITE OF PEACE RUMORS

Will Serve to Relieve War-Worn Veterans Now in the Field If  
Peace is Proclaimed—Officers not Announced.

Ottawa, April 11.—The rumors of  
peace in South Africa have not affected  
the plans of the militia department  
for raising and equipping the fourth  
contingent of the force proceeded to-  
day with unabated vigor. Indeed the  
impression in official circles is that  
even should peace be proclaimed, the  
contingent will be despatched to South  
Africa as originally intended. It is  
believed that a fresh force of 2,000  
well appointed and well-mounted men  
will be welcomed as substitutes for an  
equal number of the war-worn veter-  
ans who will be returned home as soon  
as possible to recuperate.  
The only apprehension as to the ef-  
fect of the conclusion of peace is that  
it will dampen the enthusiasm of of-  
ficers and men to enlist. The Minister  
of Militia was in consultation dur-  
ing the afternoon with Major-General

## FIGHTING IN SOUTH AFRICA

London, Saturday, April 12.—That the fighting continues in South  
Africa is shown by a casualty list given out yesterday, which contains  
the names of a few of the killed and wounded in engagements which  
occurred at three separate points as late as the 8th and 9th of April.

Preparations here continue for the despatch of 20,000 additional  
troops for the winter campaign. Roberts yesterday inspected the first  
draft of the Guards, which will sail for South Africa next week.

## STERN MARTIAL LAW TO RULE IN BELGIUM

To be Proclaimed Unless Order is Soon Restored—Wild Scene  
in Parliament—Rioting in Brussels and Elsewhere.

Brussels, April 11.—The Belgian  
government has decided to proclaim  
martial law on Monday, unless order  
is previously restored.  
The sitting of the Chamber of De-  
puties to-day was characterized by vi-  
olent scenes. The Premier, Count De  
Nagere, referring to the deplorable  
events of yesterday, said:—"The ap-  
point of the Socialists to the popula-  
tion proves that it is their avowed plan  
to continue the struggle even after  
Parliament has pronounced on the Re-  
vision Bill. Their aim is the dis-  
franchisement of power and the triumph  
of revolution. The Government is  
resolved that the debate on the Re-  
vision Bill shall occur in spite of the  
assertion of the Monteur Socialiste  
as to the contrary."

## PRENTICE'S PARDON

English Lad, Who was Con-  
victed of Murder, but escaped  
the Gallows.

Ottawa, Ont., April 11.—Arthur  
Prentice, a young English lad, five  
years ago was sentenced to be hanged  
for the murder of a farmer in West-  
ern Ontario. Prentice had a quarrel  
with a neighboring farmer's son over  
a rabbit, which Prentice said belonged  
to him. The farmer took up the row  
with Prentice and the lad shot him.  
The death sentence was changed to  
penitentiary for life, and now a pardon  
has been granted Prentice. There  
were extenuating circumstances in the  
first place, and a favorable report  
from the judges. Prentice has no  
friends in England, and he will be  
released at Kingston penitentiary to-  
day and forwarded to the States. The  
decision of justice has no influ-  
ence to give in regard to such cases,  
because when a man is pardoned the  
idea is to say as little about it as  
possible.

## ENGLISH SYNDICATE

Petrolia, Ont., April 12.—It is re-  
ported that negotiations which have  
been carried on for some time past be-  
tween J. D. and R. D. Noble, of this  
place, and a syndicate of English capi-  
talists, have come to a successful is-  
sue. A company has been formed in  
London, Eng., known as the Canadian  
Oil Fields, Limited, which has already  
purchased a large quantity of oil  
property and will probably buy much  
more this summer. The company is  
also expected to invest a great deal  
of money in drilling and developing  
new oil property, which will prove of  
great benefit to the Canadian petrol-  
um interests.

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## SUDDEN CYCLONE

It Struck Chatham Yesterday  
Afternoon and did Damage  
While it Lasted.

A fierce cyclone, that lasted for  
about 15 minutes, struck this city yester-  
day afternoon. The wind storm  
was worst just across the Fifth street  
bridge. A load of hay was standing  
in front of Quinn & Patterson's barn.  
The load was blown 20 yards down  
the road, the horses attached being  
powerless to stop the wagon.  
The awning of John Aniel, the  
candy man, was carried away and  
whipped into ribbons. A huge door  
was carried on to the roof of Tom  
Slate's stable. The sign in front of  
Joe Houli's blacksmith shop was blown  
down and Dunn's awning was only  
saved by the clerks.  
The storm was fierce but short, hay,  
paper and dust obscured everything  
for a few minutes.

## MURDERER MILLER COLLAPSES AND CONFESSES HIS CRIME

To Cover his Misdeed he Lured her to a Lonely Spot and  
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Record in Woodstock—Married Girl There  
in Jailor's House.

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