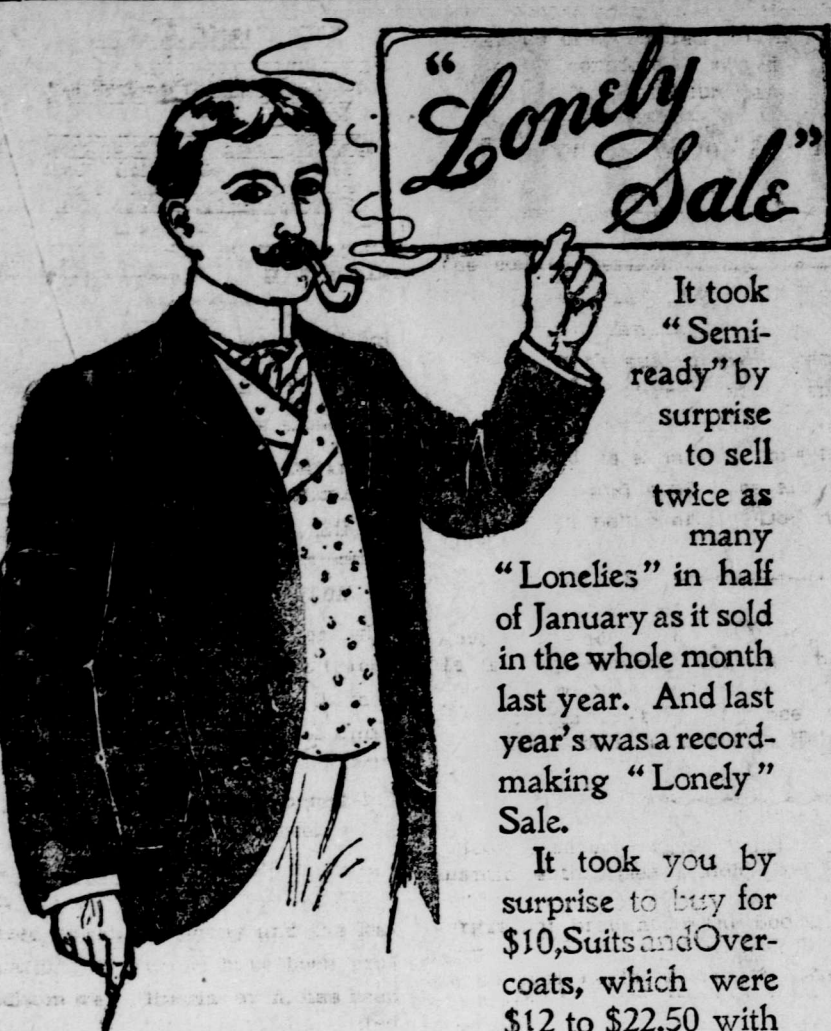




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JOTTINGS FROM NEAR-BY PLACES

Belmont, Jan. 29.—The death occurred on Saturday last of an old resident of Belmont, in the person of Wm. Fitzpatrick, in his 87th year. Deceased was taken suddenly ill with a paralytic stroke a few days before, and his death was not unexpected. He was born in the town of Almiria, Ireland, and leaves two sons, William, cheesemaker, of this village; Hugh, of Harriestown, and one daughter, Mrs. Johnstone. The funeral took place on Sunday to the English Church cemetery, Dorchester. His two sons and four grandsons acted as pallbearers. Rev. D. Moyer conducted the services at the house and Rev. Harold Sutton at the grave.

KOMOKA

Komoka, Jan. 29.—A sleigh load of the young people of this place visited at the home of Mr. Colvin, con. 6, Lobo, on the evening of Jan. 18. A most enjoyable time was spent in games and amusements. The young people were most hospitably treated by the host and hostess.

Miss Maggie Mowat is visiting relatives in this place.

Miss Abney, of Mount Brydges, visited Miss B. McDonald.

About thirty young people attended the oyster supper held at Mr. A. McIntyre's on Friday evening last. After a supper of oysters and other good things was indulged in, all repaired to the parlor, and spent the remainder of the evening in games and amusements of all kinds.

Mr. and Mrs. Scoyne have an attack of grip.

Miss Tillie and Jennie Scott are recovering from an attack of grip.

Miss Lizzie Waugh is ill with an attack of grip.

Mr. Albert Barber has recovered from a short illness.

Rev. F. Ballantine preached in the Presbyterian Church on Sabbath last.

Owing to the anniversary in the Delaware Methodist Church last Sunday, the Methodist Church here was closed.

Mr. Finch will give his lecture on "Hypnotism" in the hall on Wednesday evening, Jan. 30.

The sudden death of Mr. J. Mathewson occurred on Sunday, Jan. 26, at his residence. The funeral will take place on Tuesday at 2 o'clock. He leaves to mourn his loss a number of relatives and friends. Mrs. Mathewson and family have a great many sympathizing friends.

Miss Lena Stilson, of London, is visiting friends in this place.

Miss Edna Finch is visiting friends in London.

LAMBETH

Lambeth, Jan. 29.—Last Thursday night the choir of Trinity Church, Lambeth, practiced at the residence of Mr. L. M. Vandermade. After the practice, Miss Babe Nixon read an address, while Mr. P. White presented to Miss M. Vandermade a beautiful colored photograph of her mother, framed in a handsome gilt frame. The picture was given Miss Vandermade on behalf of the members of the church, in appreciation of her services as organist for the past three years.

STRATHROY

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Strathroy, Jan. 29.—Mrs. Dr. A. S. Thompson is visiting in Grand Rapids. Mr. Montague Smith has left the service of the Molsons Bank, London, and intends leaving about the end of the month, to reside permanently.

Mr. H. Nicholl, who has been performing the duties of night operator at the G. T. R. here for some weeks, has been transferred to Harrisburg. Mr. W. Wilson takes his place here.

W. M. Manigault, of Strathroy, has been appointed township engineer for Adelaide for 1901.

Miss Mary M. Seed and Miss Minnie Sutherland are attending the Western Normal School at London.

The Oddfellows of Strathroy are contemplating making a \$100 grant to the proposed Oddfellows home.

Capt. Welch and Lieut. McIntosh, of Strathroy, attended the annual meeting of the 27th Regiment, held at the Tecumseh House, London, on Tuesday.

On the evening of Tuesday, Feb. 19, the Strathroy Minstrels will give a performance in the Lyceum. There will be a chorus of thirty male voices, and

an orchestra of eight pieces, under the leadership of Mr. H. S. Ripley. Songs will be given by Messrs. Irvine, Buttery, Bangha, W. Ripley and others, and end songs by Mr. A. D. Galbraith, E. J. Wright, Wm. Cooper and H. Jay.

Rev. D. D. McDonald, of Caledonia, conducted services in St. Andrew's Church on Sunday morning and evening.

Pte. McBeth was presented by his Alvington friends with an easy chair.

The annual A. O. F. supper took place on Thursday evening at R. Bettson's Hall.

LOBO

Lobo, Jan. 29.—A surprise party of young people from Caradoc spent a very enjoyable evening at the residence of Mr. A. J. Campbell, con. 9, Lobo.

Mr. Wm. Colvine, jun., who has been seriously ill, will soon be able to be around again.

Mr. Neil Peter Campbell is visiting friends in Adelaide.

Mr. Archie Ferguson, who has been living in Detroit for some time, is home on a visit.

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FARMERS AND "RINGS."

Toronto, Jan. 28.—In at least some of the districts of Ontario the "ring" idea is obtaining a foothold among the farming community. Mr. W. S. Fraser, of Bradford, one of the Farmers' Institute lecturers, reports to Superintendent Creelman the formation of "beef rings" in several neighborhoods he has visited. The plan has been for sixteen farmers living in one neighborhood to in turn feed and slaughter a bullock, the meat in just proportions of first-class and medium being distributed among the sixteen members of the ring. This secures the farmers fresh meat all the time, independent of the poorly-fed animals often sold by the local butchers. Mr. Creelman intends devoting a chapter of instruction to the subject in his annual report.

STILL ANOTHER TRIUMPH.—Mr. Thomas S. Bullock, Sunderland, writes: "For fourteen years I was afflicted with palsy, and frequently I was unable to walk or sit, but four years ago I was cured by Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. I have also been subject to Quinsy for over forty years, but Electric Oil cured it, and it was a permanent cure in both cases, as neither the Pills nor Quinsy have troubled me since."

MAY KEEP IT FOR EVER

Queen's Birthday Holiday May Be Perpetuated.

Steamer Lost Off Dunaff Head With All on Board—Blizzards in Germany—Sale of Danish West Indies.

LONDON, JAN. 29.—A movement, which is, however, entirely without official encouragement is on foot to erect a great monument to Queen Victoria in London. Already a sign comes from India that such a proposal would be likely to meet the spontaneous wishes of the subjects of the crown in far-away climes.

A suggestion that May 24, the Queen's birthday shall be kept forever as a public holiday, also finds favor. This is all the more desirable as King Edward's birthday falls on Nov. 9, a period of the year wholly unpropitious to the enjoyment of brilliant pageantry, such as that of trooping of the colors, which is undoubtedly the prettiest display of the season.

THE DANISH WEST INDIES.

COPENHAGEN, JAN. 29.—It appears that only a single member out of the fifteen comprising the finance committee of the Folkething opposes the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States. The objector is starting a newspaper campaign in favor of their retention, but the finance committee of the Landsting will report in favor of the sale of the islands. The agitation of the inhabitants of the islands against their sale is largely artificial, and therefore of not much weight.

GONE DOWN WITH ALL HANDS.

It is reported from Londonderry that a steam trawler has foundered off Dunaff Head, all hands being lost. Dispatches from Holland say that a terrible hurricane is raging along the coast, doing enormous damage. Several small casualties are reported.

FENCING MASTERS FIGHT.

A duel between well-known fencing masters, a Sicilian named Baron de San Malato, and a Frenchman, Prof. Damotte, occurred today at the Verdome, on the Paroisse des Princes, Paris. Their meeting arose from their rivalry as swordsmen. The keenest interest in the fencing world was displayed in Paris. All stages of the negotiations were published in the newspapers. The seconds on each side were famed masters at arms. The combat was short, and the Frenchman was the amputee during the third onslaught. The duel was a superb display of skill. San Malato is the son of a celebrated swordsman.

BLIZZARDS IN GERMANY.

Hurricane-like snowstorms prevail in many parts of Germany, and during the last 24 hours considerable damage has been done. The weather is particularly violent on the east Prussian coast, where the city of Leer and the neighboring districts were struck by a tidal wave. At Frankfort-on-the-Main snow is falling heavily this evening. Dispatches from Bremen say that a northwest wind is driving the water into the Weser until it nearly reaches the edge of the dykes. A freight train near Dresden was partly hurled from an elevated track on the line from Potsdam to Wilsdruff and five cars were badly wrecked. The River Lahn and its tributaries are overflowed, threatening railway traffic and high water is threatened in the Silesian provinces. Telegraphic communication with England is badly interrupted, cablegrams arriving many hours late.

FIGHTING IN VENEZUELA.

A dispatch from Port of Spain, Trinidad, says: Details have been received of fierce fighting on the mainland near Guirica and Carupano, resulting in defeats for the Venezuelan government troops. Several hundred men were killed. The insurgents had eight killed and four wounded, but the government forces are said to have lost 250 killed and 27 wounded in the fight. Eleven women, who were with the troops, were slain during the battle.

STORM IN BRITAIN.

LONDON, JAN. 29.—The snowstorm continues along the coasts and inland, accompanied by heavy snows. Wide-spread damage has been done. The telegraph lines are down and the roads are blocked with snow. A number of minor wrecks have been reported.

TUNNEL WILL CHANGE ALPINE TRAVEL.

LONDON, JAN. 29.—Splendid progress is being made with the Simplon tunnel, and the following statistics just to hand show how this marvelous engineering scheme is progressing, writes a Lausanne correspondent. On the north side, from Brig, over 4,000 yards have been bored, and on the south side about 3,500, making a grand total of nearly 8,000 yards of tunneling. The tunnel, when completed, will be the longest in the world, and will absolutely revolutionize railway travel between Central Europe and Italy, as many hours' time will be saved by its use.

DEATH OF AN M. P.

LONDON, JAN. 28.—Sir John W. McClure, Conservative member of the House of Commons for the Strerford division of Southeast Lancashire, died this morning in the 66th year of his age.

DISMEMBERED BY A SHARK.

Sydney, Jan. 29.—While a lad named Thomas K. Houston was bathing in the harbor here, 20 yards from shore, he

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was heard to scream and seen to sink from sight. A boat was rapidly pushed out and his body recovered. The poor boy had been dismembered by a shark, which had almost bitten him in two.

ITALY MOURNS VERDI.

Rome, Jan. 29.—The funeral of the composer Verdi will be a state function and there will be national mourning. The king and queen and many notables have telegraphed their condolences to Milan. The Count of Turin will represent at the king at the funeral.

His majesty is expected to attend a great memorial service at the opera house. The senate voted to place a bust of Verdi in the hall of the senate house and adjourned in respect to his memory. The theaters and concert rooms closed.

The government's decision to give Verdi a state funeral is subject to revision. Sig. Verdi wrote to his niece, Mme. Carrara, recently, requesting that his funeral be modest and without pomp. Meanwhile the municipality and citizens of Milan are preparing for a grand ceremony on Wednesday or Thursday. The painters Hohenstein and Pogliaghi are making a portrait of the dead composer.

GREWSOME FASHION.

LONDON, JAN. 29.—A rather grewsome fashion has just been discussed in certain English military dressing-rooms. Several officers who have left an arm behind them in South Africa hospitals have been exercising as the proper treatment of the vacant sleeve. The flat of fashion has now gone forth. The empty sleeve is to be worn pinned to the breast, and with the coat sleeve a full shirt sleeve also, so that the white sinewy cuff looks in the distance like a perpendicular white band worn as a decoration upon the faultless coat.

CABLE NOTES.

A second case of bubonic plague is reported from Hull, England. Russian troops in Manchuria are busy chasing bands of robbers. Germans in Constantinople celebrated the Kaiser's birthday Sunday by unveiling a fountain presented by him in Hippodrome Square.

The French government has seized a quantity of rifles which a Parisian Socialist paper was offering to its subscribers as "a measure of freedom."

Mounted Cubans, from the provinces of Pinar del Rio and Havana, numbering 200, called on Gov. Wood, in Havana, Sunday, and thanked him for what the military government had done in Cuba.

REFUNDS CLAIMED

Towns That Gave Money to Roads Now Absorbed by C. P. R. Want Their Money Back.

[Special to Advertiser per C. P. R.]

Ottawa, Jan. 29.—Some years ago, the Dominion Government refunded to the town of Pembroke the amount of subsidy the town granted to the old Canadian General Railway after the road had been incorporated as a portion of the C. P. R. The money was promised by the Dominion on the eve of a hot election, which was going on in that district, but that fact does not prevent the action of the Ottawa authorities being used as a precedent which other municipalities may take advantage of. A large delegation visited Ottawa on Saturday last from Renfrew, and after pointing out what had been done for Pembroke, asked that Renfrew be similarly treated. While Pembroke had contributed a subsidy to the Canadian Central to have the road extended from Renfrew to Pembroke, Renfrew had also given a bonus to that portion of the line between Sand Point and Renfrew. Their claim for a refund is based exactly on the same grounds on which the money was paid back to Pembroke. If it was right, they say in the one case, then it must be right in the other. But the matter of refunds is not likely to remain here.

The whole Province of Ontario will have to be reckoned with one of these days. The Government of Ontario is said to be looking quietly into the subject and the probability is that no distant day a claim will be made for refunds on all the provincial railways which were aided by Ontario, and which were taken over afterwards by the Dominion and declared by statute to be works for the general advantage of Canada. In regard to the Renfrew delegates the premier said that he would look into the matter. The claim of the province would go into the millions.

TITLE OF THE NEW KING

London Times Suggests Some Alterations So As To Meet Changes in the Empire.

LONDON, JAN. 29.—Already there is a suggestion that the style and title of the sovereign should be amended, to include a fuller scope of the great dominions over which he reigns. It is noticed that the King himself has placed a significant restriction in this regard.

The late Queen, since she became Empress of India always subscribed herself "Victoria R. I." The King thus far has signed himself "Edward Rex" or "Edward Emperor." His modesty is not unappreciated, but probably most Englishmen will indorse an utterance in the Times which says:

"He is hailed King of Great Britain and Ireland, and Emperor of India, but there have been great and recent changes in the conditions of the empire which it would seem proper to recognize."

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The French paid their enormous war indemnity to Germany within two years. The money was raised by loans, mostly taken up by the French people themselves.



Bronchial-Pneumonia.

Mrs. F. Dwyer, of Chesterville, says:—"My little girl, of three years, had an attack of bronchial pneumonia. My husband and I thought she was going to leave the world, as her case resisted the doctors' treatment. I bought a bottle of Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine from our popular druggist, W. G. Boister. After the first two or three doses the child began to get better, and we are thankful to say is all right to-day after seven weeks' sickness."

What is the Cause Of Pneumonia?

This question is of vital interest at this season of the year, when nearly every newspaper contains reports of one or more deaths from this deadly disease. Prof. J. J. Walsh, M.D., Ph. D., an eminent authority on diseases of the lungs, says that pneumonia is the result of taking cold when the system is in a run-down condition, and of neglecting to take prompt means of curing it. The beginning is with a cough, chills and aching of the bones, soreness and tightness in the chest, pain in the lungs, weariness, exhaustion and sleeplessness.

It is easy to let a cold run on. You may say with others that you always let a cold take care of itself. There is a danger of following this plan once too often. At this season of the year the lungs seem to be unusually susceptible to disease and before you suspect it pneumonia or consumption has seated itself in your system. It is possible you have tried the cough mixtures which druggists offer to their customers. These may do well enough for slight coughs, tickling in the throat, but they are powerless in the presence of serious disease.

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is far more than a cough remedy. It cures the cold as well as loosening and easing the cough. It takes the pains out of the bones and reaches the very seat of disease when there are pain and tightness in the chest. It would not be too much to say that Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine has saved thousands of people from pneumonia and consumption. There is not a village or hamlet in Canada where this famous family treatment is not recognized as a most unusually effective cure for croup, bronchitis, asthma, coughs and colds. Don't take anything said to be "just as good." There is no throat and lung medicine just as good as Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine. Remember this when buying and insist on having Dr. Chase's; 25 cents a bottle, family size three times as much 60 cents; all dealers or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Toronto.

Almost Consumption.

Mr. J. J. Dods, of Pleasant Ave., Deer Park, Ont., writes:—"I have suffered in my head and throat and all over my body since last summer from a very heavy cold, which I could not get rid of. I have tried several of what are considered good remedies, but none seemed to be of any avail. I began to think that my cold was developing into consumption, as very many have to my knowledge. I am thankful now to say that Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine has worked a complete cure, as I am now entirely free of the cold."



RAILWAY ACCIDENTS

Six Men Killed on the Baltimore and Ohio Road—Deaf Mute Run Down—Hamilton Man Mangled.

Hamilton, Ont., Jan. 29.—Patrick Falahee, an unmarried man, about 60 years old, was killed at the Stuart street yards of the G. T. R. last night while between two cars, fixing the air brakes. It is said that a car was shunted into the cars he was between, killing him almost instantly.

Winnipeg, Man., Jan. 29.—As a result of an accident Saturday afternoon, in which a Great Northern train ran into two deaf mutes, H. Lennis, one of the young men, died from the injuries received. Lennis was a well-known figure around town. He acted as trainer to several hockey and skating clubs, and was a general favorite. Parkersburg, W. Va., Jan. 29.—Two Baltimore and Ohio fast freight trains collided near Petroleum, about 15 miles east of here. Both trains carried heavy crews. A relief train was sent from Parkersburg to the scene of the wreck with doctors and medicine for the relief of the injured. Both trains were almost completely demolished by the terrific force of the collision. Five trainmen are missing. They are: J. D. Watson, engineer; N. Courtney, brakeman; J. G. Bailey, brakeman; J. T. Bailey, fireman; C. Cunningham, fireman. It seems probable that six deaths will result from the accident, besides the destruction of much railroad property and damage to roadbed.

GEORGE J. KERR'S CASE.

His Plea for Leniency in the Bosschietter Murder Case—Ferrell, Who Killed Express Messenger Lane, Must Die.

Faterson, N. J., Jan. 29.—Counsel for George J. Kerr, who was jointly indicted with McAllister, Campbell and Death for the murder of Jennie Bosschietter, in addressing the court, said that Kerr was not present when the "knockout" drops were administered to Jennie Bosschietter, and neither did he assault the girl when she was taken from the carriage on the rock road. Counsel said this into consideration and accept a plea of non vult.

Public Prosecutor Emley said that while he had made every preparation to place Kerr on trial on the indictment found against him, he felt inclined to accept a plea of non vult in view of the statements made by counsel as to the connection with the girl's death, which seemed to be corroborated by the general facts of the case. Kerr was then remanded for sentence.

FERRELL TO DIE ON MARCH 1.
Columbus, O., Jan. 29.—Governor Nash today sealed the fate of Rosslyn H. Ferrell, who killed Express Messenger Lane, by refusing to interfere in the case. Ferrell will be electrocuted at the Columbus penitentiary March 1.

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