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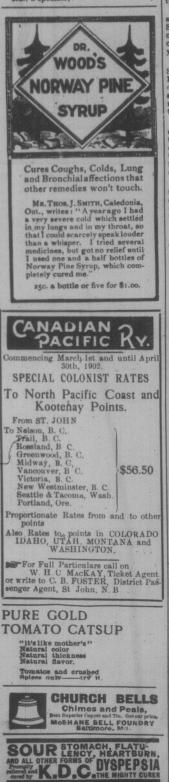
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and, have been dismissed. A marine race of more than ordinary importance, owing to the fact that both vessels broke all previous records, was terminated last Thursday by the arrival at Port Townsend, Wash., of the schooner Salona and Fearless from Shanghai. The Salona's trip from the Yang Tse Kiang to Cape Flattery 'was twenty-three days, and that of the Fearless twenty-three and one-half days, the former vessel making the fastest sailing time across the Pacific on record.

MESSES C. C. RIGHARDS & Co. Gentemen, --Alter suffering for seven years with inflammatory rheumatism, so bad that I was eleven months confined to my room, and for two years could not dress myself without hefp. Your spent gave me a bottle of MINARD'S LINI-MENT in May '97, and asked me to try it, which I did, and was so well pleased with the results I procured more. Five bottles completely cured me and I have had no return of the pain for eighteen months. The above facts are well known to every-body in this village and neighborhood. Yours gratefully, A. DAIRT. S', Timothee, Que., May 16th, 1899.

MESSENGER AND VISITOR.

Mews Summary.

Hon. Mr. Blair will introduce his railway commission bill in parliament on Tuesday next.

Within a month considerably more than 10,000 men will have left England for South Africa.

There is a lockout of painters and decor-aters in Toronto. The men want an eight-hour day and 30 cents an hour. They now receive 25 cents an hour for a nine-hour day.

Laurs Penny, aged fity, of Bellsville, Ont, attempted to cross the track in front of a locomotive Saturday, was knocked down and killed. Her invalid sister dropped dead when she heard of the tragedy.

General Chiang states that two priests are held as hostages by the rebels near Chaoyang until \$5 000 which the rebels assert was collected from them by the church is returned.

church is returned. In a cablegram received at the colonial bureau in Berlin, Herr Schlechter, the botanist, declares he has discovered an abundance of rubber and gutta percha trees in German New Guiana.

The jury in the case of Rdward Laurin, accessed of the murder of George W. Smith, of Montreal, brought in a verältc of manslaughter Saturday. Smith was a colored man employed as a groom by young Laurin's father.

Immigrants who arrived from the United States brought small-pox with them to the Prince Albert district, N W. T. and some of the settlers in the Prince Albert district are affected with the disease. The depart-ment of interior is looking into the mat-ter.

There are in India a large number of drivers and non-commissioned efficers of the Royal Horse and Field Artillery in ex-cess of the establishment, and of these it is intended to form a body of mounted in-funtry, who will embark for South Africa as soon as ready.

The Lordon Daily Mail understands that the British government is now considering a monetary advance to certain West Indian colonies to tide them over the period of de pression prior to the operation of the Brussels sugar bounties agreement.

The question of whether or not members of a labor union have the right to decline to work with non-union men and to order a strike to have such right respected was determined in the affirmative by the court of appeals in Albauy on Tuesday.

At the annual meeting of the Canada Northwest Land Co., held in Toronto, Wedneeday, an increase in sales of farm lands last year as compared with the pre-vious year of \$130,300 was reported. Sir Wm. C. Van Horne was re-elected presi-dent

Walter Allen, a negro, of Rome, Va., charged with criminally assaulting a fifteen year old girl, was taken from the jail Tuesday by 4.coo people, who hattered down the priscn doors and hanged him to an electric light pole in the principal por-tion of the city.

Senator Hoar belongs to a club of literary men which meet in the Adirondacks. He says that is bygone days, when Longfellow and Emerson were alive and members of the organization, an outing at the rendez-vous was proposed, but Longfellow declin-ed because Emerson was to carry a gan.

ed because Amerson was to carry a gun. The customs authorities at Montreal have seleed dentists' materials, such as false teeth and fittings, to the value of \$13,000, which it is claimed have been smargled from New York from time to time for a Montreal wholesale house, by consivance of the customs attaches, five of whom, it is said, have been dismissed.



DR. SPROULE'S TRIBUTE TO WOMAN.

"Wherever liberty has unfurled her flag of peace, freedom raised her song of joy, sold builded her tempie of knowledge, symmaking veroled her alian of love; wherever mas has need and reformed, fail a and rises again, tolied and reaped, ventured and woo, there has a down and the second teal with him a worman. Wherever a smille has crossed the he on many world, there has stood in all her beauly and her lovelines—a worman. Util the beautiful creations of this universe, whether of history, poetry, music, store or song whether in dream, vision or fact, from the little bad ways of the little are drinking in the sunbeam and the dow, the finest of all creations has always been a wor-way iff, whether in dream, vision or fact, from the little bad when its little are drinking in the sunbeam and the dow, the finest of all creations has always been a wor Its that creation whic, makes it possible to look into the resulting on the bocom of a sion playing with the fallen locks in mits weary brow, as it looks up hits the the syste of love and have shone as its and the second bad second bad and as a sing the second of a son playing with the fallen locks in the weary brow, as it looks up hits the system of the second second bad second bad second bad second bad second bad side the second second second bad second bad second bad second bad second bad song the last court of review, when the sun sleep forward and says, it was created and by the side of that man in that day, will sized another grand the second in the second second second second bad bad bad second bad mountal second bays and bays and obtages for the poor; laws drinked second mountal second by side by his side in his day, will sized another grand the mountal second by whether and collages for the poor; laws bad second second second bad bad by the side of the side of the side of the second se

My greatest delight is to see the happiness of others; in doing them good, in allevialing suff.rings My life is one long round of tying to help many human beings out of their trials. Troubles and sufferings. The greater amount of good I can do, the fullor will be my reward in the Great Hereater. B. adder should you be out of bealt hin any way, weak or nervous, or suffering from some Female disease. have prepared questiens for you to answer on my HOME THEATMENT FEM ALE STMPTOM BLANK, also my FREE DIAGNOSIS SHEET. Send for them-it will be the means of once more realoring your health and thus acquiring the greatest of all boons to Womman-Reaux.

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RATTLER AND ROADRUNNER.

From a story in the April St. Nicholas we take this exciting picture of a Texan outdoor battle :

Harry, who was leading, stopped, and motioned them to be still. A peculiar harsh staccato call came from some bird in their front, followed by another and an-other. This was accompanied by a steady sharp humming, which reminded Ralph of the noise made by a typewriter when the condens is descended. carriage is dragged over the teeth in its rear. Peering cantionsly through a fringe of cat-clew, they saw a small open glade not ten yards across, and in its centre a huge mottled rattleenske was colled, ring nuge motified raticemance was conten, ring npon ring, its wicked dark head raised six inches, and waving slowly to and fro. Its small eyes gleamed like carbuncles, and its tail vibrated so rapidly that the tip could not be seen. It was in an extremity of anger. Five feet away, i's head lower-ed nearly to the grass, its bill extended, its wings half raised, and sharply elbowed,

a chaparralcock hopped slowly up and down. A battle to the death was on, and the boys watched it strainingly, Harry with never-failing interest, the brothers almost in terror. They bad never before seen the dreaded rattler

Like a flash of light, the snake launched itself forward, and its head struck the where it had been colled ; but with equal rapidity the cock had leaped a yard aside. No human eye could follow this stroke or its and/acce. One interes the surfile setting as In and the set of the

full length, and the bird out of danger. It is the weakness of the rattler that it must coll before it can resume the attack. It endeavored immediately to recoil, but was not fast enough. While a lightning-like spring, the paisano alighted squarely pron its neck, two inches below its head. The sharp bill descended twice. Then it hopped two yards away and uttered a quawk of triumph. The rattler threw it-self into a spiral and struck blindly its full length. This it did twenty times, col-ity and springing with inconcervable rapid-ity. Both eyes were destroyed. Its thuds were audible yards away. Always it bised venomonely. The increasing slowness of its motions showed coming exchansion. Then, after a spring, it lay stretched for a second or two. In that time the chaparral-cock, which had not ceased to dance about and call londly, fastened once more upon its neck, and drove its bill into the brain. There, are, and drove its bill into the brain. There, are a quiver of the long body--no more. " That was worth looking at, eh ?" ak-

"That was worth looking at, ch ?" ask-d Harry, stepping into the glade, and turning over the snake with his foot. The road-runner instantly vanished.

During the nine months ended March 31, 1902. there were built in the United States and officially numbered 949 vessels States and omchany humbered 449 vessels of 445,058 gross tons. For the correspond-ing period of the previous fiscal year the figures wave 753 vessels of 246,973 gross tons. These figures do not include causi boats and unrigged barges.

Fearing he would be arrested for theft, Fearing he would be arrested for their, Wm H. Lune, a colored butler, shot and killed his employer, Mrs. Ells J. Farbush, her twelve-year-old daughter, Madeline, and probably mortally wounded another daughter, Eloise, aged seven, at their home in Philadelphis on Tuesday. Lane was captured. He confessed his crime. to ni

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