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No.	Decription of Garment. R	eg. Price.	Sale Price
1163	Is a Green Cape with Flounce and Piped Satin (only one)	\$12.00	\$8.50
1165	Is a Brown Kersey Jacket, lined with Satin (only one), size 32	16.50	12.00
1167	Is a Black Kersey Jacket, lined with Silk (one only), size 38	14.00	10.00
1169	Is a Heavy Black Kersey Jacket, half lined Satin (two only), size 36	12.00	8.50
1177	Is a Red Beaver Jacket, high neck, storm collar (two only), sizes 32, 34	7.00	5.00
1184	Is a Heavy Black Cloth Cape, 25 inches, full ripple and velvet collar (three only)	4.00	3.00
1191	Is a Green Boucle Jacket, with black kersey trimmings (one only), size 38	9.00	7.00
1244	Is a Fawn Jacket, with high neck and storm collar (four only), sizes 32, 34, 36, 38	7.00	5.00
1250	Is a Black Kersey Jacket, 23 inches long, lined red satin (one only), size 34	12.00	9.00
1251	Is a Black Kersey Jacket, 24 inches long lined black silk, velvet collar (one only), size 36	15.00	11.50
1252	Is a Fawn Kersey Jacket, 27 inches long, lined red satin (one only), size 40	15.00	11.50

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WITH THE SPORTS

Hockey Schedule Dates That Interest Londoners.

Martin Denny Fougat Nineteen

Riley Grannan Reinstated by the New York Jockey Club - Turf Events in Mild Latitudes.

TURF

AT INGLESIDE. San Francisco, Dec. 24.-Track fast et Ingleside yesterday.

First race, purse, 6 furlongs—Ballister won, Tirade 2, Rosebeau 3. Time,

1:171/2 Second race, maidens, 5 furlongs-Esperando won, Savoy 2, Scientellate Time. 1:041/2.

Third race, hurdles, 11/3 miles, over 5 hurdles-Octuruck won, Granger 2, Major S. 3. Time, 1:061/2.

Fourth race, handicap, 7 furlongs-Paul Griggs won, Top Mast 2, Novia 8. Time, 1:291/2.

Fifth race, selling, 6 furlongs-Whitcomb won, Hohenzollern 2, Joe Ulman 3. Time, 1:15¼.
Sixth race, purse, 1 mile—Olianthus

von, Ulm 2, Boardman 3. Time, AT NEW ORLEANS.

New Orleans, Dec. 24.—Yesterday was the 26th day of the Crescent City winter meeting. First race, selling, 6 furlongs—Eight Bells won, Louisa 2, High Jinks 3.

Time, 1:16. Second race, 7 furlongs-Friskal won, Ben Walker 2, Lady Fitzsimmons 3. Time, 1:511/2. Third race, selling, 1 mile and 70

yards—Applejack won, Patron Hampden 3. Time, 1:49. Fourth race, 6 furlongs, selling-Miss Ross won, Disturbance 2, Sim W. 3.

Time, 1:161/4. Fifth race, 7 furlongs-Sensational Won, Hanion 2, Traves 3. Time, 1:31.

GRANNAN REINSTATED. Riley Grannan was reinstated by the stewards of the jockey club at a meeting held on Friday in New York. Grannan had been beaten to a standstill in the courts, and on the turf, and after a year of chastening his pardon is a

18 Dr. Humphreys' Cure for

A chill is as a rule the first sympton. This is followed by pains in the limbs and a cough. Then if the Grip is not checked Pneumonia follows. Those who overwork themselves and live irregular lives are the ones most liable to fall victims.

My advice to those who get their feet wet and are forced to remain out of doors, is to keep continually moving and take "77." A Cold can be avoided in this man-

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HUMPHREYS'

************** voluntary act of clemency on the part of the jockey club. He was ruled off in 1896 on the charge of having violated that rule of racing which prohibits the giving of presents to jockeys by anyone other than the owner for whom the jockey rides. He gave \$500 to Fred Taral, and on another occasion offered \$500 to Henry Griffin. He admitted the latter offense, and on it the jockey club

> decided to rest its action. FISTIC.

FOUGHT WITH A BROKEN HAND. There was a lively time in San Francisco Thursday night when Referee Steizner gave Sam Maxwell a decision at the referee and people cheered in some parts of the house and hissed in others. Denny broke his right hand in the second round and finished the 20 rounds with his left. HOUKEY.

According to the revised schedules made out for the O. H. A., in the intermediate series, round one, Ingersoll and London play together Jan. 14 and Jan.

In the junior series, Stratford vs.

London, Jan. 5; London vs. Stratford,

NOTES OF SPORTS.

Persy M. Jaffray, Harvard's tall center, died yesterday of blood poiscapitalists in Baltimore are talking about buying the remnants of

It is said that Edward C. Becker, a creditor of the St. Louis club, will buy the outfit at public sale and turn it over to Frank Robison.

Toledoans wanted to make a yacht of glass and enter it in the race for the Canada cup, but the Chicago contingent has turned the sheme down. Schafer and Carter will play their 100-point game of three-cushion caroms next Tuesday. Schaefer want to play Ives 6,000 to 5,000 for any amount of money.

The Turk beat Charley Wittmer at Cincinnati, but had to work hard to do it. He threw the German in 22:40, and then it took him 1 hour and 25 minutes to win the second fall, Graeco-Roman.

Tobe Broderick, an ingenious Chicagoan, is out to cheat the weather. has arranged a racing matinee, and in case there is no sleighing on the day he will have 40 cars of snow brought down from Wisconsin and spread over the course.

WEDDING AT GLADSTONE

Mr. Frank Bryant, Principal of West London School, the Groom-Miss Anna McCallum the Bride.

The marriage of Miss Anna McCallum and Mr. Frank Bryant, the popular principal of West London public school, was solemnized on Thursday evening at the beautiful home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John McCallum, of Gladstone. The ceremony was performed at 6 o'clock, in the presence of a large number of guests. Rev. H. Kennedy, Baptist minister of Gladstone, officiated. The bride was becomingly gowned in a rich dress of white corded silk, trimmed with Venetian lace, and carried a handsome boquet of white roses. She was given away by The bridesmaid, Miss Louise McCallum, sister of the bride, was also handsomely attired in white French silk, trimmed with Valenciennes She carried a bouquet of pink roses. The groom was attended by Mr. Colin Campbell. Miss Effie Walker, of Belmont, played the wedding march. Belmont, played the wedding march. ner, jun., a farmer, sold a 6-months-Among the invited guests were: Mr. old calf, three-quarters Durham and and Mrs. Albert Bryant, of St. Thomas: Mr. and Mrs. Ramsay, of St. Thomas; Mr. and Mrs. McLellan, of Lawrence Station; Messrs. Duncan, Neil, Angus

and Dan McCallum and their wives, uncles and aunts of the bride; Miss Cora Dale, Oil Springs; Mr. B. S. Bryant and Miss Susie Bryant, London; Mr. and Mrs. John A. Cottam, London; Mr. John H. Downing, London; Mrs.

Neil Walker, Dorchester.

The wedding breakfast was served at the conclusion of the ceremony and a pleasant time spent. A large number of beautiful presents were received. The groom's present to the bride was a gold watch and chain. Mr. and Mrs. Bryant left on a trip to Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal.

WENT THROUGH THE THIN ICE

Two Young Girls Drowned While Coasting-Sloop Lost With Twelve Men on Board.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 24.—News comes from Grand River, C. B., of the drowning of two daughters of Archibald Cameron—Maggie, aged 12, and Bella, 8 years. The girls were coasting on a hill sloping into the Grand River. Their sleigh ran on to the ice, which was too thin to support them, and they broke through. Their bodies have not been recovered.

TWELVE MEN LOST.

Victoria. B. C., Dec. 24.—The steamer Rosalie, which has arrived here has a report from Wrangel of the loss of a sloop with twelve men, bound for At-lin. The sloop was found bottom up, and there was nothing to give a clew to the fate of the prospectors. GIVEN UP.

New Haven, Conn., Dec. 24.-The underwriters have given up as lost the three-masted schooner Howard H. Hanscomb, formerly hailing from this port. It is believed that the vessel foundered in the November blizzard, and that eight members of her crew were lost. She was bound from Philadelphia to Providence.

PUMP MAN KILLED. Fort William, Ont., Dec. 24.—Hugh Clark, pump man for the C. P. R., while carrying a tank spout across the track at English River, in front of an approaching train, was struck and killed. C. P. R. EMPLOYE SUICIDES.

Worcester, Mass., Dec. 21.-William H. Gillen, a railroad employe, about 20 years old, committed suicide at the Hotel Branswick yesterday morning by choosing himself in the head. Papers found upon him indicated that he was a member of the Brotherhood of Rallway Trainmen, and that he had recently been employed upon the Canadian Pacific Railroad. He left a memorandum requesting that \$300 of his death benefit money might be paid to his intended wife, Miss M. Birch, of Morris. Manitoba, and also saying that Bangor Lodge, No. 443, of the brotherhood, would bury him. His death benefit certificate read payable to his father, William Gillen, of Nova Scotia. He came to the hotel yester-

CANADIAN

FORESTERS

Official Visit to Court Orient, No. 331, of High Chief Ranger Elliott-Officers Elected.

The annual meeting of Court Orient. was held in their hall, corner Dundas and English streets, last night. On over Martin Denny. Denny made a run this occasion R. W. Bro. Joseph Elliott, of Ingersoll, high chief ranger, paid his first official visit to the court. The high chief ranger expressed his gratification at the progress being made by the order in London, especially by Court Orient-the banner court of the city. He was pleased to know that there were four courts here of considerably over 100 members. All over the country the order was making rapid strides, and although there had not been a great increase in the number of courts, there had been a healthy increase in the number of members. In Ontario there were between 400 and 500 courts, and down in the Maritime Provinces about 30 new courts had been instituted. The financial standing of the order was something of which, he said, all might feel proud. During the year the surplus fund had increased over \$30,000, the largest increase in any one year in the history the Canadian Foresters, making \$108,000 for the year, and bringing the fund up to \$700,000, every dollar of which was securely and profitably invested. The speaker said the death rate last year was lower than that of any other society, and while commenting on this he eulogized the medical men, who were largely responsible for the good standing of the order, physically and financially.

Speeches were also made by Bro. Joseph Alexander, organizer, Strath-roy; R. Galpin, D.D.H.C.F.; Fred Brown, of Court Forest City, and C. A. Barnes, public school inspector, of Lambton county; Dr. James Macarthur

and others. The following officers were elected: Chief ranger, Dr. L. H. Dawson; vicechief ranger, W. Lannin; financial secretary, W. E. Leng; recording secretary, E. Isaac; treasurer, G. Beddgood; chaplain, Chas. Gilbert; auditors, W. E. Boyle; trustee, Dr. James Macarthur; senior woodward, W. Wilkie; woodward, Peneroy; senior beadle, Robert Ferguson; junior beadle Bro. Piper; court physician, Dr. James Macarthur; delegates to high court, W. E. Leng and J. Childs.

ARVA.

Arva, Dec. 24.-Mrs. D. Anderson is on a visit to her son, J. H. Anderson, of Orangeville. Turkey thieves have again visited

this vicinity. Mr. D. Donaldson, of the ninth concession, again had the misfor-tune to have a large number of his turkeys stolen A grand entertainment was held at

Tamarac College, seventh concession on Tuesday evening last. Miss Coreant was presented with a beautiful toilet set, after which a fine programme was rendered Mr. John Anderson, ninth concession,

had a new set of double harness stolen from his barn on Sunday evening.

TRIPLETS.

Quebec. Dec. 24.—Vesterday morning the wife of Mr. Antoine Gagnon, residing at 109 St. Francis street, presented him with a Christmas gift of tripletstwo fine girls and a bouncing boy. SIX-MONTHS-OLD CALF WEIGHED

425 POUNDS.

Vassar, Mich., Dec. 24.—Samuel Garone-quarter Jersey, for \$30 at Jud Teeter's meat market yesterday. weighed 425 pounds. The calf gained 31/2 pounds each day after it was born.

MIDDLESEX NEWS

Death of a Former Lobo Lady From a Fail-Glencoe Resident Stricken With Paralysis at Church.

The funeral of Mrs. Thomas Collins, of the Muncey Road, who died very suddenly, was largely attended. Dr. Ling, or Dutton, has soid his road horse, Reuben Byfield, sire Grand Sentinel, to Dr. Routledge, of Lambeth, for

Mrs. John Evans, of the sixth con-cession of North Dorchester, died at the family residence on Sunday night, at the advanced age of 86 years. Mr. H. Brodie, of Delaware, lost a valuable setter recently. She was en-

tered in the international field trials at Chatham, but took distemper a few days before the trials and died Mrs. Cameron, mother of Mr. Alex. Cameron, of Mosa, was taken suddenly ill with paralysis in the Presbyterian Church, Glencoe, on Sunday morning. There has been a slight improvement

in her condition since. As Osgoode Hall, in Dickson vs. Cole, Mr. Folinsbee (Strathroy), for plaintiff, moved for an injunction to restrain defendant from selling a stock of goods seized under a chattel mortgage, pending an appeal by the defendant from a judgment dismissing the action which was brought to restrain defendant from proceeding under his mortgage. Motion dismissed with

costs.

The death is announced of Mrs. D. McKellar, nee Miss Emma Marsh, of Coldstream, daughter of Jacob Marsh, township treasurer of Lobo. Deceased was born at Coldstream on July 27, 1863, was married to Dr. James Mc-Kellar, on May 14, 1804, and has since resided at Hazelton, Pa. Early last week she suffered a severe fall, from the effects of which she died, leaving, besides her husband, two children, Emily, aged 3 years and 19 months, and George, aged 1 year and 6 months. Mr. Charles Demary, con. 2, S. E. R., Adelaide, met with an accident the other day. He had been in Strathroy, and was returning home with a load of cedar posts, when the load slipped, throwing Mr. Demary to one ground, the posts falling on him and adding to his injuries. He was taken home, and Dr. A. S. Thompson summoned. The injuries proved to be of a somewhat serious nature, but a speedy re-

covery is hoped for. A pleasant event took place at the residence of Mrs. P. Brown, Metcake, on Wednesday evening, Dec. 21, it being the marriage of her grand-daughter, Miss Louiss Mortimer, to Mr. Charles H. Clarke, of the same neighborhood. The ceremony was performed by Rev. C. Barltrop, of Appin, after which the large company partock of a splendid spread. Mr. B. A. Mortimer, brother of the bride, assisted the groom, while Miss Carrie Clark, sister of the groom, aesisted the bride. The happy couple left for Michigan later on for a wed-

A very interesting Sunday school anniversary was held in Wesley Church on Sunday and Monday evenings, Dec. 18 and 19. All the Sunday services were conducted by the Rev. Samuel Salton, of Centralia. On Monday evening recitations by the children were followed by a very interesting address by Rev. Mr. Salton. The musical part was also very interesting, consisting of a solo by Miss Kennedy, with several pieces by the small children and also by fourteen young men of the school. Mr. W. H. Odell, of Belmont, has purchased two farms recently, one containing 50 acres, southeast quarter of lot 10, con. 13, Yarmouth, from the Rev. Lewis Thomas Fowler, of St. Thomas, No. 391, Canadian Order of Foresters, for \$1,215. The other is Mr. William Fawcett's farm, lot 5, con. 2, Westminster, containing 65 acres. Consideration \$3,050. The latter is a beautiful farm and is well situated, being about six miles from London, while the Yarmouth farm is more adapted for grazing purposes and will be used by Mr. Odell for a stock farm.

CAUGHT BY THE CLICKER

Mr. Arthur Ridley and Miss Ida Grant, both of St. Thomas, were married at the manse on Thursday night by Rev. R. McIntyre. Hobson kissed two hundred women

and girls at Topeka, Kansas, yesterday. Some of the girls came back a second and a third time. Hugh Brown has been sentenced at

Belleville to four months in jail for stealing \$1,200 from the body of Wm. Lunness at the Murray Hill wreck. A Colchester dispatch says the change in the weather seems to have

stiffened up the ice, so that it is doubtful if the imprisoned steam barges will Evidence has been secured from additional witnesses to show that the books and papers belonging to the Standard Oil Company had been destroyed on Nov. 19 and 21.

Rear Admiral Schley was on Thursday presented with a sword, scabbard, and belt, valued at \$4,200, on behalf of his admirers in Pennsylvania, Delaware and New Jersey.

Passengers arriving at Victoria by the Rosalie contradict the statement regarding the avalanche of the White Pass Railroad. Trains will be running into Canadian territory by Jan. 1. The bark J. H. Bowers, from Boston

for Rosario, with hides valued at \$200,-000, long overdue, has reached Boston. For ten days the members of the crew had subsisted on a biscuit a day for each man.

John Murray, the operator on duty on the morning of the wreck at Murray Hill, has been committed for trial on a charge of manslaughter, preferred by Mrs. W. H. Brady, widow of the engineer of the passenger train.

Hugh Brown, who found the money lost from the body of William Lunness. of Toronto, at the Murray Hill wreck. was found guilty of fraudulently misappropriating the money, and sentenced to four months in the county jail.

P. F. Rollison, formerly city agent of the London Life Assurance Company for Ottawa, was arrested on Friday in Adrian, Mich., charged with forging the name of Mrs. Gebert, of Mantetick, and Dr. Chabot to a death certificate of the former for \$500.

Thomas Crosby, the 13-year-old son of Mrs Marguerite Crosby, a widow, living in Edgewater, a suburb of Chicago, shot and instantly killed Deputy Sheriff Nye on Friday, while Nye was attempting to serve aw rit or restitu-tion, based on a mortgage for \$20,000, which had been foreclosed. The boy said he had been instructed to shoot anyone who attempted to enter the

get through without more assistance. The new penny postage rate makes it possible for Detroit business men to save three cents on each letter sent to any place in the British domains other than Canada. Many Detroit business houses have a large foreign | constable of the town.

correspondence, and the saving to them in postage by taking their letters across the river to be mailed will amount to a considerable sum in a year.

As a result of an investigation by a government detective, it is the general belief that Donald Snell, the missing Brockville brakeman, was drowned in an arm of the Georgian Bay, which is crossed by a long trestle, and over which he would have to pass to reach Depot Harbor.

EVIDENCES OF FRIENDLINESS

Between Her Majesty's Canadian Subjects and Uncle Sam's Children-An Incident at Gibraltar.

New York, Dec. 24.—A toast to the health of her Majesty Queen Victoria was an unexpected feature at the annual dinner of the Society of New England, held at the Waldorf-Astoria last night. Judge Henry S. Howland, expresident of the society, was in the chair, and around the tables was gathered a large number of distinguished gentlemen. At the conclusion of the chairman's opening address a cableam was received from Sir Thomas J. Lipton, regretting ms inability to be present at the banquet, and adding: 'Upon the friendship of our race depend the permanent peace and prosperity of the whole world. May the friendship grow and increase; may no shadow ever fall upon it; may the Stars and Stripes and the Union Jack ever float together." "I think it is due to our great friend and ally on the other side of the water that we should drink the health of her Majesty the Queen," said Judge Howland. While the band played "God Save the Queen," the diners joined in singing the words of the song.

ANOTHER CASE. The Canadian Society of New York held its second annual Christmantide dinner at the Marlborough Hotel last night. About 200 Canadian residents of this city were present. After a general reception in one of the hotel parlors came a typical English Christmas dinner in the banquet hall. Percy Sanderson, consul-general for Great Britain, and Dr. William Henry Drummond, of Montreal, were the guests of honor. The toast. "The President," was drunk in the silence, standing, and was followed by the singing of "My Country, 'Tis of Thee." "The Queen" was also drunk in silence, standing, after which "God Save the Queen" was sung. "The Governor-General" was toasted. "He's a Johy Good Fellow" and "The Maple Leaf Forever" were sung with the toast to the Earl and Countess of Aberdeen. AT OLD "GIB."

Washington, Dec. 24.-Evidences of British friendliness toward the United States are being constantly reported to the government. The latest is told in the following letter from Commander T. Swinburne, of the gunboat Helena, dated Gibraltar, Dec. 8:
"The cordial hospitality extended to us by the British officers at this port,

both afloat and ashore, has been most marked. As we entered the harbor on Saturday last, while passing the line of battleships, the crews were drawn up and the bands played the American national airs. I had the pleasure of dining with the governor of Gibraltar, Gen. Sir Robert Biddulph and invitations for dinner were received from the colonel and officers of the Second Grenadier Guards and from the officers of the flagship Mag-nificent."

STRATHROY.

Advertiser Agent, J. D. Meekison. Strathroy, Dec. 24.-Mrs. Evan Begg and children, of Toronto, are the guests of Mr. D. H. Murray, Oxford street. The young bachelors of this town purpose holding another of their popular assemblies in the Lyceum on the evening of Monday, Jan. 2.

An entertainment will be held in Sucherland's school house on Tuesday evening, Dec. 27. A good programme, consisting of drills, readings, recitations, singing, dialogues, etc., will be presented during the evening. Rev. D. E. Martin will be chairman. Admission, 10 and 15 cents.

+0000000000000000000000000 Appropriate services will be held in different churches tomorrow

(Christmas Day). The following are the officers of the

Frank Street Epworth League for the ensuing term: President, Miss Frankie McKellar; first vice-president, Mr. J. S. Thompson; second vice-president, Miss Maggie Gott; secretary-treasurer, Miss Effie Wilkinson; organist. Miss Grace Wilkinson; asistant organist, Miss Ada Banghart. The death occurred in Flint. Mich.

on Sunday, Dec. 11, 1898, of Alice Bolton, relict of the late John Bolton, aged 81 years. Miss Sarah Johnson and Mr. Hugh

Downie, both of the township of East Williams, were united in marriage at the manse, Strathroy, on Wednesday, Dec. 21, by Rev. W. G. Jordan, B.A.

BRYANSTON.

Bryanston, Dec. 24.-A very successful entertainment and Christmas tree was held in the Bryanston public school on Thursday afternoon, under the management of Miss B. Wills, teacher. After an excellent programme, provided by the pupils, a Christmas tree was unloaded by E. Parkinson, as Santa Claus. Each scholar received a gife while several tokens of esteem were given to the teacher. The presence of such a goodly number of parents and friends testified to the growing interest in echool work. The following programme was carried out in a manner creditable to both teacher and pupils, Robert Nicholson, of the trustee board, ably filling the chair: Singing, "The Lord's Prayer," by the school; address of welcome, Mable Grant; chairman's speech; duet, "Hap-py Voices, by the Misses Deacon and Downham, with mandolin accompaniment; recitation, Ward Kimball; recitation, Lilie Beattie; christmas cantata, by the primary class; speech, Mr. C. White; recitation, Minnie Coleman; "The Snow Brigade," by four boys; essay. "Canada," Maggie Elliott; recitation, Mina Kimball; song, "The Sugar Maple," school; speech, Mr. G. Coleman; recitation, Ermie McRoberte; "We Are Four," by four little girls; recitation, Flossie Beattie; song, Betn Grant: recitation, Annie Perry; recitation, Walter Parkinson; speech, Mr. W. Dann: recitation, Rena Nicholson; "In the Morning," by four little girls; essay. Jennie Downham; recitation, Ida Powell; speech, Mr. J. Thomson; song, "For Queen, Flag and Country," school; "Each Hae a Book," by eight little girls; recitation, May Woods; recitation. Eliza Dickinson; song, "May God Preserve Thee, Canada," school; recitation, Willie Arbuckle; speech, Rev. J. Deacon; "Good Night," Lorna Beat-

Among the 700 residents of Weston, a town in Maine, there are but two persons of foreign birth, and these are naturalized Irishmen. Both are officeholders, one being mayor and the other

THE LADY LOSES

Verdict for Breach of Promise Could Not Be Collected.

Woodstock, Ont., Dec. 24 .- At the jury sittings before Chief Justice Sir Wm Meredith, the case of Vanbuskirk vs McFatiane was tried. Plaintiff, Miss Adma Vanbuskirk, of Ayimer, sued Henry C. McFarlane, of Tilsonburg, to set aside a deed as fraudulent, claiming \$250 judgment for breach of promise. Miss Vanbuskirk, the good-looking

complainant, assisted her counsel all through the case, by taking down notes of evidence, etc. The decision was against her, but she took it philosophi-

WITH THE SIRDAR

An English Officer's Description of the Battle-Justifiable Slaughter.

It has been said that the great battle on Sept. 2 was a wholesale slaughter, and no battle at all. It is true the dervish loss was prodigious; but that can not be wondered at considering the numbers of modern guns and rifles against which they hurled them-selves; but it must be remembered that in fighting against fanatical savages there is no such thing as sur-render; it is a case of kill or die. The comparatively small loss sustained by the Sirdar's force reflects the greater credit on his admirable conduct of the

Any one who has not served in the Soudan can not conceive the state of devastation and misery to which that unfortunate country has been brought under dervish rule. Miles and miles of formerly rich cultivated country Mes waste; villages are deserted; the population has disappeared. Thousands of women are without homes or families. Years must elapse before the Soudan can recover from the results of its abandonment to dervish tyranny; but it is to be hoped, and may be confidently expected, that in the course of time, under just and upright government, the Soudan may be restored to prosperity, and the great battle of September will be remembered as having established peace, without which prosperity would have been impossible; and from which thousands of misguided and wretched people will

reap the benefits of civilization. Lastly: let us trust that the governmen of the Soudan may be for many years under British direction, for that is a guarantee of justice: Arab sheikhs are unanimous in attributing the rebellion which assumed a religious form, to the oppression of a succession of Egyptian governors, whose object during their tenure of office was merely extortion; but with the feeling of right and justice which would be guaranteed by the greatest Mohammedan power in the world, the British Empire, which rules the greatest number of Mohammedans, a future of peace and prosperity is assured.—From "With the Sirdar," by Major Edward Stuart Wortley, C. M. G., in the January

CHILDREN AND NOISE

A Problem of Home Life as It Presents Itself to a Middle-Aged Man.

"Really, the one thing that makes me realize that my years are staking up." said the middle-aged man, "is moleve of quiet at home, and my disturb ance when the children are notey. The fact is that I have no greater test of my self-control than that to which I am subjected daily by the children. They are lively and jolly and full of fun, and, of course, they make more or less noise, and it's impossible to stop them any more than by asking if you could stop a brook from babbling; it

isn't in the nature of things. "The noise of the street is music to me just the same as ever. I love the tumult of the city, but I don't like tumuli at home. After dinner I like peace and a cigar. I can have the cigar, but no peace on account of the children. It is really a pity that I should let myself be disturbed by them-and I know it well enough-because thereby, besides being disturbed, I deprive myself of the enjoyment I might have in the chil-

dren's company. "Here is youth, and I might enjoy it, but I don't. The children and I are friends, of course, and I think they have a more than friendly sentiment for me; I'm sure they'd more than welcome any overture on my part toward the establishment of a closer fellowship, but instead of that it makes me

nervous when they are noisy. "This is too bad, because they are steadily and inevitably growing older; it won't be so very long before they will be children no longer, but grown-up men and women; a solemn thought. And then I shall say to myself, There were children in the house once-now they are gone; and they will never come back. Why didn't you make the most of them when you could?'

"Well, I am constituted that way, I suppose; I don't think it's all selfishness; not all of it."

SCHOOL CONCERT.

The annual school concert of school section No. 22, London township, was held on Thursday evening, the 22nd, and, despite the weather, the school house was well filled. The teachers. Mr. George Duncan and Miss Legate, deserve great praise for their untiring efforts in making the concert such a success. The "Scarf Drill," executed by twelve girls, under the direction of Mr. George Duncan, was a feature of the evening. Mr. R. Sanders filled the chair in a first-class manner, and materially assisted the concert by his pleasing remarks. The programme consisted of a number of recitations, dialogues and tableaux. Songs were rendered by Mr. Stratfold, Birdie Graham, Bennie Graham and the Messrs. Wistow. The following took part: Jean-Sanders, Mattie Homister, W. Homister, F. Duncan, C. Duncan, L. Kew, H. Edwards, F. Talbot, Violet Griffith, R. Ingles, Flora Farrar, Miss Wistow , and others.

Growth of the Trusts.

[Boston Post.] The absorption of industries by enormous aggregations of capital has been going on, with hardly a protest from the public, until at the present moment the American people are paying tribute to trusts on almost every article classed among the necessaries of life. The very bread the people eat must pay tax to the flour mill trust; the dinnerpail of the workman, to the plate trust; his tobacco, to the plug tobacco trust; his furniture, to the wood-working machine trust, and so on through the long list. There is no escape from

Time is caught by the tail more trequently than by the forelock

the exaction.