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## CALL THE WEDDING OFF BRIDE ALREADY MARRIED

Something of a Sensation Which All  
Hespler is Talking  
About.

Hespler, Dec. 16.—(Special).—About forty invitations had been sent out for a wedding that was to have taken place here tonight, but the order for ringing the marriage chimes has been countermanded.

Miss Ellen Buckley, a domestic, was to have been the bride, and Charles E. Alton, a woolen mill employee, the groom.

Mr. Hopwell, a nephew of the lady in the case, it is reported, called on the person who had been engaged to be the bride and threatened that if the bride did not appear at the ceremony, he would appear in person and marry her.

Hopwell claims that the prospective bride has a husband serving in the British army, and rumor has it that the soldier has married again and has a family of two.

## WAR LORD HAPPY IN PEACE.

Berlin, Dec. 16.—Emperor William in a speech at a reception at Brunswick today said:

"I am happy because it has been possible for me to keep peace for the German Empire until the present time."

## Reduced Rates to Chicago.

In connection with the great Live Stock Exposition at Chicago, the Canadian Pacific Railway will issue round trip tickets from Toronto at the reduced rate of \$12.40, good going Dec. 18 to 19. Proportionate rates will hold from all points, Sharnboro, Lake and west. Tickets are good for return until Dec. 24, allowing the visitor to enjoy the brightest season of the year, the week before Christmas, in the city. Fast and comfortable trains and convenient service. Full information under C.P.R. agent, or C. B. Foster, D.P.A., C.P.R., Toronto.

## Alfonso's Sister to Wed.

Madrid, Dec. 16.—The wedding of the infant Maria Teresa, second sister of King Alfonso, to Prince Ferdinand of Bavaria, has been officially fixed for Jan. 12. The municipality of Madrid has decided to participate in the extensive festivities which have been planned in honor of the wedding.

## N. P. Train Held Up.

Tacoma, Dec. 16.—A north-bound train was held up to-night at Ellulide, near Ellensburg, by a band of robbers. The train was dynamited. No details have been received, but it is said that none of the passengers or trainmen was injured.

## Three Drown While Skating.

Toledo, O., Dec. 16.—Three boys were drowned while skating on the Nautica river to-day. They were: Merwin Kraft, aged 11; Francis C. Bauer, aged 9; Charles Harris, aged 5.

## How Is Your Cold?

Every place you go you hear the same question asked.

Do you know that there is nothing so dangerous as a neglected cold?

Do you know that a neglected cold will turn into Chronic Bronchitis, Pneumonia, Rheumatism, and the most deadly of all, the "White Plague," Consumption?

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Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup 50 cts. per bottle at all dealers. Put up in yellow wrapper, and three pine trees on the trade mark. Before substituting, there is only one Norway Pine Syrup and that is only Dr. Wood's.

## Who Gets the Most Out of Life?

Not the wealthiest, not the most learned, nor the idler—but the man who has good health and works for his living. This truth is trite, but not trivial.

Every man should guard his health as his most valuable possession. The more so because health is easier to retain than regain. Keep your grip on health by regular exercise, reasonable care in eating and drinking, and keep the liver and bowels in good working order. And don't worry.

Observe these simple rules and you will agree that the one who gets the most from life is

## The Man Who Uses BEECH'S PILLS

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## A SOLDIER BORN.

A soldier from his youth, and still wearing the King's accolade, after considerable war service, A. De Rocheval, a non-com of the 1st Battalion, The Buffs, is an Englishman, and at 18 he was in the army. At the outbreak of the Boer War he joined the 2nd Buffs, and served in Egypt on the staff of Sir Evelyn Wood, and in the 2nd Light Camel Corps. To him was entrusted the duty of delivering despatches to the gunboats in the harbor of Alexandria. For this campaign he wears the Egyptian medal with two clasps and stars. He rejoined his regiment in East India and was there ten years. After 18 years' service he left the army and came to America, but when the war broke out in South Africa he joined the 1st Buffs, and he was with them during the war. He was wounded during one of the actions and invalided home. Forty-six years of age, he has given over half his life (24 years in all) to his country. He wears the Egyptian medal and star, the South African medal and the Imperial long service medal, and he hopes soon to receive the continuous service medal.

## LAY IN SNOW FOUR DAYS.

Awful Plight of Henry Beck, Deserter by Companions.

Owen Sound, Dec. 16.—As a result of terrible exposure while lying helpless in the snow for over four days near Killarney, Henry Beck had both his legs so badly frozen that they were amputated just below the knee at the General and Marine Hospital here.

He was in one of the large contingents of immigrants who passed through Owen Sound last October, taking passage on the steamer Manitou for the United States. The heavy work in the customs office of the newly-arrived Englishmen and Americans was so great that the number of workmen packed up and started to walk to Collins' Inlet, four miles away, to get their baggage. Henry Beck, fifteen miles further, they were met with a blinding snow storm. All day long they waited, and when the snow cleared, they found that the steamer had not come. Beck was weak and disoriented, and he was unable to find his way back to the steamer. He was found by his companions and taken to the General and Marine Hospital here.

## TO FILL XMAS HOSIERY.

Outcoming Steamer Carries Immense Amount of Mail.

New York, Dec. 16.—The largest amount of Christmas mail ever shipped from the port of New York in a steamer left to-day for Europe on the steamer Campania. There were 2233 sacks of mail in this consignment. The steamer Campania also sailed for Europe to-day with 58 sacks of mail. The vast amount of registered letters in these two consignments was 48,000. The 11,000 excess of the registered letter record of last year. Much of this mail contains money orders for the sum of \$14,469.99. The total sum for the corresponding 14 days of December amounted only to \$237,195.

## NIAGARA POWER IN MARCH.

Will Be Delivered to Syracuse, Algonquin Wires Being Laid.

Buffalo, Dec. 16.—It is announced authoritatively that Niagara Power will be delivered in Syracuse on March 1, 1906, from the plants of the Niagara, Lockport & Ontario Power Company. Aluminum cables will be used, which are expected to entail a loss of only eight per cent. in transmission. The voltage will be 60,000.

## License Reduction Meeting.

Ward Three will hold a meeting for license reduction in the evening. The word will be organized more fully for work on polling day.

## For Relief of Jews.

New York, Dec. 16.—Contributions to the relief fund for Russian sufferers to-day reached a total of \$117,535.

## A WOMAN'S BACKS THE MAINSPRING OF HER PHYSICAL SYSTEM.

The slightest Backache, aches, or Neglected, is Liable to Cause Years of Terrible Suffering.

No woman can be strong and healthy unless the kidneys are well, and regular in their action. When the kidneys are ill, the whole body is ill, for the poisons which the kidneys ought to have filtered out of the blood are left in the system.

The female constitution is naturally more subject to kidney disease than a man's, and what is more, a woman's work is never done—her whole life is one continuous strain.

How many women have you heard say: "My back aches!" Do you know that backache is one of the first signs of kidney trouble? It is, and should be taken to immediately. Other symptoms are frequent thirst, scanty, thick, cloudy or highly colored urine, frequent urination, puffing under the eyes, swelling of the feet and ankles, floating specks before the eyes, etc.

These symptoms, if not taken in time and cured at once, will cause years of terrible kidney suffering. All these symptoms, and all these diseases may be cured by the use of

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Mrs. Mary Gully, Auburn, N.S., writes: "For four months I was troubled with a lame back and was unable to sit in bed without help. I was induced by a friend to try Doan's Kidney Pills. After using two boxes of a box my back was well as ever. Price 50 cents per box or three boxes for \$1.25 at all dealers, or sent direct on receipt of price. The Doan Kidney Pills Co., Toronto, Ont.

## Cook's Cotton Root Compound.

The only safe and reliable remedy for all cases of skin disease, including eczema, psoriasis, and all other eruptions. It is sold in two degrees of strength, for 25 cents and 50 cents. Cases of 25 cents. Sold by all druggists. Cook's Cotton Root Compound, Toronto, Ont.

## WILL WAIT ON OPERATORS FOR WORKING AGREEMENT

Coal Miners Hope to Secure Concessions, Including Recognition of Union.

Shamokin, Pa., Dec. 16.—At the final session to-day of the tri-district anthracite miners' convention, some opposition developed to the action of the convention yesterday in placing in the hands of a special committee the demands to be made upon the operators. President Mitchell stated that he believed the delegates were unanimous when they voted to present the demands to the operators, but that if there was any objection to the action taken he would be glad to hear it voiced. Several delegates offered protests against the action of the convention, but the committee, but the majority were in favor of yesterday's action, and those who had protested stated that they were willing that the committee should act according to the directions of the convention.

The vital action of the convention was the selection of the special committee of the three district boards to meet the operators and endeavor to agree upon terms for the production of coal.

The men hope to secure the concessions of an eight-hour working day, and adjustment of the wages question, and above all, a working agreement with the operators which really means recognition of the miners' union.

The result of the convention will be, in effect, the abolition of the conciliation board which was appointed after the strike of 1902. The strike commission's award will expire on April 1 next, and the miners for the most part have been opposed to the workings of the conciliation board. It therefore is hoped that the committee appointed by the convention just closed will be able to reach an agreement with the operators that shall be satisfactory to both sides. Another convention will be held before April 1, probably at Hazleton, to receive the report of the committee.

During the afternoon the committee met for the purpose of considering how best to bring the miners' request for a conference before the operators. It is understood that the request will be in the hands of the operators not later than next Monday.

## OLD YORK PIONEER GONE.

Mr. Joseph Wilson, Westford, Dies in His 87th Year.

On Saturday last died one of the real old pioneers of York Township, in the person of Joseph Wilson, who died at his residence on the town line between York and Scarborough in his 87th year. Mr. Wilson came from Ireland as an infant to America with his parents, and after spending two years in the State of New York they settled in Little York about 1820, and two years later Mr. Wilson's father took up the land still owned by the family, namely, lot 4, concession 3 from the city of Toronto. As soon as young Wilson grew up he took up the lot on which he died, and which was virgin forest at the time, and which he cleared and built his home on.

His wife, Mrs. Mary Wilson, died a few years ago. He was respected by all the people in Scarborough and York Township, and was a member of the York and Westford churches. He was a great story-teller of the incidents in the early life of the settlement. Mr. Wilson was a life-long Conservative, and a member of Orange Lodge 215, of East Toronto. He has only been sick for a few days, and died of old age. The funeral will be on Tuesday afternoon at the last Church Cemetery (St. Jude's) at Westford.

## SCHOOL TEACHER SHOTS NEGRO.

Claims Man Made Advances When She Sent Home Fatal Bullet.

Logan, W. Va., Dec. 16.—Herman Logan, a negro, was today shot and killed by Miss Daisy Wilkinson, a school teacher. The shooting occurred on the highway running through a woodland near the Guyandotte River.

Miss Wilkinson was walking to her school and was overtaken by the negro. He made advances and threatened to kill her unless she would submit to his demands.

Miss Wilkinson fired a pistol and sent a bullet through his breast. The girl then walked to a farm house and told her story. The negro's body, after lying in the road several hours, was thrown by citizens into the Guyandotte River.

The girl has not yet been arrested. It is believed that she will not be. The indications are that she will not be.

## "TRUE PROPHET" TARRED.

Had Induced a Follower to Give Up Earthly Possessions.

Wellington, Kansas, Dec. 16.—George Huff, representing himself to be the "true prophet" of Christ, was tarred and feathered at Perth, Kansas, last night by a mob. After the punishment was applied, the man walked all night in his new dress, reaching Renfrew, Oklahoma, this morning. He suffered from cold.

## Street Car on Fire.

Fire in a street car caused a block-up on Yonge-street Saturday night. Wincheater car 674, northward bound, caught fire underneath the floor. It stopped near Shuter-street. Inspector McKenna was promptly on the scene and telephoned for the fire department.

The arrival of the firemen, a block-up of cars reaching almost from Shuter to King was formed.

## Sale of Farm Property.

Mr. Chase M. Henderson sold at his rooms on Saturday last seventy-five acres of land, formerly the property of the Ontario Life Stock Association for \$5300.

## Provincial Appointments.

The following appointments are gazetted: Associate coroners, J. E. Kline of Lanark, for Lanark County; J. C. Ashton of Brantford, for Brant County; J. C. Ashton of Brantford, for Brant County; J. C. Ashton of Brantford, for Brant County.

## Woman 102 Years Old a Smoker.

Brookline, Mass., Dec. 16.—Mrs. Mary Barnaby of this city, who has smoked a pipe for 60 years, celebrated her 102nd birthday this afternoon. She is probably the oldest woman in the state and is in good health. Mrs. Barnaby was the mother of twenty children and has forty-three grandchildren.

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## NOVELTY IN A NEW ROLE.

Rome, Dec. 16.—Marian Crawford, the novelist, is co-operating with Count Soderini and Prof. Clement in writing a life of Pope Leo XIII., based on unpublished documents that Pope Leo confided to Count Soderini. Part of the work will give a summary of Pope Pius Non's pontificate.

It is believed it will revolutionize opinion regarding the attitude of the two popes towards Italian unity.