

COURT  
Grippe.

of all diseases of the  
by its action on the  
not nerves.  
who has had la grippe  
should take a course  
expect perfect  
do so. The grippe  
rheumatism, inflamma-  
membrane, and good  
till these are  
mal condition. This  
A great many reme-  
suggested for this con-  
to time, but perma-  
only remedy that has  
in these cases. It  
to give satisfaction  
and still  
in position of being  
the only specific ef-  
fects of la grippe.  
The inventor and maker  
instruments for the  
manufacturing Co., writes  
pm 1441 South Ninth  
la, Pa.  
lack of la grippe last  
lasted more than three  
lefttime with catarrh,  
friends advised me to  
can with a bottle of  
and it certainly did  
good. I was so well  
reached another bottle  
directions, and can say  
"I'll try it again."  
I've promptly and satis-  
fyingly used the use of Pen-  
na, Dr. Hartman, giving  
your case and he will  
you his valuable ad-  
vice.

Bank, Colum-  
that we hold  
one of our tes-  
tified.

## e Years.

## MacKinnon of

When the doctors tried  
prescription they found  
drugs did not mix very  
decided that the man  
some one suggested  
medicine to the patient  
it was found that the  
There are many points  
of the churches  
seem to agree, but let  
talking and it will be  
will find their proper  
place.

It is about two systems  
regard to supplying  
grant which finds favor  
veterans and the sta-  
the rule in the Meth-  
ness systems need not  
time the assembly  
men are the best suited  
and many of the in-  
both systems as they  
be done away with.  
will speak on the pro-  
results to be de-  
in Centenary church.

## UNDAY THEATRES.

Mass, March 13.—For  
signature, 500  
arch-givers, requesting  
bidding Sunday theatre-  
religious or charitable  
board of aldermen to  
H. Page and Rev. W.  
for the petitioners,  
Alexander L. Grant  
position, saying that  
in his house Sunday  
charitable cause. He  
singling out of the  
wanted to know why  
are not included.  
areas were closed he  
in his power to close  
business. At the sug-  
Lyons, the petition  
the city government  
censes.

## CITY NEWS.

## Recent Events in and Around St. John.

To cure Headache in ten minutes use  
Kumfont Headache Powders, 10 cents.

The Sun has received a letter re-  
questing the address of the Semi-  
Weekly Sun to be changed from  
Young's Cove Road to Coley's Lane  
Queens Co., but the subscribers do  
not sign his name. We cannot there-  
fore change the address.

NEW YORK, March 13.—One man  
Abram Miller, was killed, and several  
injured in a collision tonight between  
a horse car and a trolley car at the  
Grand and Centre street crossing. The  
collision was due to the fact that the  
brake on the trolley car, which was on  
a down grade, failed to hold.

## HURT AT SAND POINT.

James Leary, a longshoreman of  
Charlottetown, while engaged in unloading  
cargo from the Lake Erie at Sand Point,  
Saturday evening, met with an accident  
which has left him badly used up.  
A roll of oilcloth was being taken up  
through the hatch of the ship, when it  
slipped and the heavy bundle fell down  
the hold, striking Leary, who was work-  
ing underneath, and breaking two or  
three of his ribs. An ambulance was  
at once summoned and he was taken  
to the hospital.

The accident occurred a little after  
9 Saturday evening.

## HEALTHY AND VIGOROUS.

Mr. John Shelton, the well-known  
bridge builder, of 107 Sherwood St.,  
Ottawa, states that he has used Dr.  
Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills for kidney  
and liver derangements brought on  
by exposure, and find them better than  
any pill or medicine I ever used. They  
cleansed my system and made me feel  
healthy and vigorous, and better in every  
way.

## CHICAGO, Mar. 13.—After a struggle

with a white robed "spirit" in a room  
in Fayer St., a city detective arrested  
the spirit, despite fierce resistance. When  
the lights were turned on, the visitor  
from the other world was found to be  
Miss Jennie Nichols, a young and  
extremely muscular woman. She  
will have a hearing today on charges of  
obtaining money under false pretences.  
The raid was the first move in a gen-  
eral crusade against "fake materializa-  
tions, spirit paintings, and other phre-  
nography," which has been undertaken  
by the police.

## A GOOD ENTERTAINMENT.

OAK POINT, March 11.—An enjoy-  
able entertainment and pie social was  
held here on Wednesday evening, 8th  
inst. In spite of the bad roads and  
stormy evening a large audience as-  
sembled. Harry Palmer acted as chair-  
man, and the following programme was  
successfully carried out: Chorus, Greet-  
ing Glee; recitation by Emma Fieveling;  
violin and autoharp selection by  
Messrs. Heber and Ira Jones; dialogue,  
Boarding Around, by Leslie Brundage,  
Arthur and Ernest Fieveling; Walter  
Crawford, Florence Mahood, Leah  
Brundage, Blanche and Edie Ham-  
ilton; quartette, Winter than Snow, by  
Heber and Ira Jones, F. S. Short and  
Wm. Weldon; recitation by Lottie Wor-  
den; violin and autoharp selection by  
Heber and Ira Jones; dialogue, Mr.  
Smith's Day at Home, by Carlwell and  
Ethel Hamilton, Agnes, Emma and  
Archie Fieveling, and Lottie Worden;  
recitation by Blanche Hamilton; quar-  
tette, Somewhere, Tonight, by the  
Messrs. Jones, Short and Weldon;  
Tableau, The Old Man's Darling and  
the Young Man's Slave, by Florence  
Mahood, Blanche Hamilton, E. S. Short  
and Wm. Weldon; dialogue, Mr. Smith's  
Day at Home, by Carlwell and  
Ethel Hamilton; chorus, National An-  
them.

The teacher, Miss Florence Mahood,  
and her friends who assisted her work-  
ed arduously during the stormy month  
of February to prepare the entertain-  
ment. The sum of \$20 was realized,  
which goes to replenish the school ap-  
paratus.

## TWENTY YEARS OF FILLS.

"I suffered from itching piles for  
twenty years and cannot imagine any  
greater distress. Dr. Chase's Oint-  
ment gave me relief from the first ap-  
plication, and has now entirely freed  
me of this horrible disease."—J. S.  
McLaren, Farmer and Contractor,  
Tiverton, Ont.

## JACKSONVILLE.

JACKSONVILLE, N. B., March 8.—  
The sad intelligence of the death, by  
accidental poisoning, of Mrs. J. Collins  
reached here on Friday. She and her  
husband were in Boston spending the  
winter. The latter had a narrow es-  
cape too. The deceased was sister of  
Mrs. (Dr.) Camber of Woodstock. She  
was survived by her husband and two  
daughters, who reside in the Woodstock  
community. The remains were interred  
in the Woodstock cemetery.

Mrs. Andrew Gray, who has been  
suffering from the winter with her  
son, returned to her home in Centre-  
ville on Saturday.

The W. M. S. auxiliary meets at the  
home of Mrs. C. Gray next Thursday  
afternoon. The president, Mrs. Wylie,  
has been called away to Fredericton to  
attend the funeral of her brother, An-  
drew Lipsett, who dropped dead last  
Sunday. It was a few weeks since  
Mrs. Wylie's eldest brother passed  
away. Mrs. Chas. Wylie is also a sister  
of deceased.

The life of John Riley, who has been  
ill for several years, is despaired of  
by his medical attendant.  
Herbert Harper is still in very poor  
health. His presence is much missed  
in all the church services, where he was  
in constant attendance. He has been  
in the hospital for some time.

The Baptist congregation listened to a  
thrilling discourse from Rev. Mr.  
Bonnell last Sunday.  
Miss Velma Hall, who has been at  
home since Christmas, lectured to her  
school on Monday.

## CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.  
The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the  
Signature of J. C. Watson

## JEWS AND GENTILES MIXED.

## Trainload of Immigrants Passed Through From Halifax.

An immigrant train passed through  
here last evening from Halifax with  
passengers bound for Winnipeg and  
other western points. Half of the pas-  
sengers or more were English and the  
remainder mostly Jews. There was  
quite a large party of Russians, who  
were generally seated among the  
English passengers, had run away from  
their country to save themselves from  
going to the war. The foreigners were,  
on the whole, a very filthy class, ac-  
cording to those who came along with  
them in the steerage on the Dominion  
line steamer Canada.

The English passengers who passed  
through yesterday were a very respect-  
able looking lot. The majority of them  
came over as second cabin passengers,  
and some of them are men of consid-  
erable means.

Among the passengers was a party  
of 72, who are being sent here by Mrs.  
Joyce, honorary president of the im-  
migration department of the Imperial  
Institute, London, and wife of a pro-  
fessor of the English language at the  
University of London. Fifty of this party  
were single girls from the ages of 11  
years up to 25. There were also a num-  
ber of men with their families. These  
girls are the more fortunate than the  
other immigrants, in that they have  
positions waiting for them when they  
arrive at their destination. The party  
was in charge of a Miss Allen of Lon-  
don, who came here last summer in  
charge of two similar parties. Miss  
Allen will accompany her party as far  
as Toronto, where about 25 of them  
will be located. The remainder will go  
to Winnipeg in charge of Mrs. Bart-  
lett, a sub-matron, who accompanied them  
out.

This is the first of a series of parties  
which will be sent out monthly by Mrs.  
Joyce during the spring and summer.  
The next party will leave Liverpool on  
April 6th on the Canada. The Imperial  
Institute has made arrangements for  
the steamship company whereby the  
immigrants coming out under their  
control are carried at steerage rates.  
Those among them who are unable to  
pay their fare are provided with tickets  
from headquarters.

## Sackville.

SACKVILLE, N. B., March 9.—The  
members of the W. M. S. gave a mis-  
sionary tea in the vestry of the Meth-  
odist Church on Tuesday afternoon.  
There was a large number present. A  
good programme was rendered, Mrs.  
Steele, the president, of the society,  
presiding. Miss Jessie Archibald and  
Miss Hattie Stewart each gave an ex-  
cellent address. Miss Pickard gave a  
paper on Kindness and Kindness was  
vocal solos were rendered by Mrs.  
Cochrane and Mrs. Chas. Stewart;  
Mrs. Geo. Angus and Miss Fowler gave  
a vocal duet, which was much appre-  
ciated. Mrs. Harrison and Mrs. Bond-  
den gave watch-tower reports. A un-  
animous vote of thanks was tendered  
Dr. Barker of the ladies' college for  
the valuable assistance she had ren-  
dered in the religious circle of the W. M.  
S. during the winter months. A gen-  
erous collection was taken in aid of  
missions. Tea was served at 6 o'clock.  
The ladies of the W. M. S. are pre-  
paring to hold a social at the W. M. S.  
during the home after spending some  
days here, the guest of Senator and  
Mrs. Wood.

The N. B. and P. E. I. railway are  
at work on the track. It is a  
difficult task, but they hope to have  
the road in operation shortly.  
Mr. and Mrs. Mark Edgar Nichols  
are now at the Grand Union, Ottawa,  
where they will remain until the close  
of the season.  
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Richardson, West  
Sackville, are receiving congratulations  
upon the arrival of a daughter.  
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street Baptist parsonage on Wednes-  
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Afflicted with Brysipelas  
For Ten Years.Cured by Four Bottles of  
Burdock Blood Bitters.

Mrs. N. Peister, of Brighton,  
Ont., was Cured Two Years Ago  
and Has Had No Return Of  
It Since.

Read what she says:—"It is now about  
two years since I was cured of a terrible  
attack of Brysipelas, with which I had  
tried almost everything, including medi-  
cine from several doctors, but could get  
no relief. I was almost as case up as  
hopeless, but I procured four bottles of  
Burdock Blood Bitters, and it completely  
cured me. In fact, the cure has been  
permanent. It is now two years since I  
took Burdock Blood Bitters, and I have  
not had the slightest sign of the disease  
returning. I fully believe that your  
wonderful remedy has taken it so com-  
pletely out of my system that I shall  
never be bothered again with it. I have  
the greatest of faith in Burdock Blood  
Bitters."

## FARRELL DEFEATED

In Fredericton Mayoralty  
Contest by Dr. McNally.

Result Was Not Unexpected—Had  
Majority of 103—President

Hilgard Resigned from Agri-  
cultural Society.

FREDERICTON, March 13.—The  
election of mayor and aldermen was  
quietly conducted. A fairly large vote  
was polled. Dr. Geo. J. McNally was  
elected mayor over Ald. Farrell by 103  
majority, the vote standing: McNally,  
48; Farrell, 45. The result was not  
unexpected, and the knowing ones only  
considered it a question of majority.  
For aldermen, the vote stands as fol-  
lows:  
St. Ann's ward—Ross, 606; Everett,  
557; Kelly, 317.  
Carleton ward—McKenzie, 433; Han-  
lon, 353; Maxwell, 313; Farrell, 280;  
Red, 145.  
Quebec ward—Randolph, 392; Ed-  
wards, 354; McKnight, 254; Colter, 352.  
Kings ward—Cheesnut, 671; Barbour,  
590; Rodgers, 294.

The highest two in each ward, with  
Ald. Stockford and Mitchell, who were  
elected by acclamation for Wellington  
ward, constitute the new council. Of  
the new board, five were in last year.  
Rev. Dean Partridge, the remains will  
be taken to Kingsclear for burial. The  
pall-bearers will be: A. Randolph Wet-  
more, W. T. H. Fenety, E. H. Allen,  
Daniel Richards, L. A. W. Tibbitts  
and J. A. Winslow.

As a result of the recent case of Pet-  
ers v. Agricultural Society, E. S. Hil-  
yard has resigned as president of the  
society. It is understood that Mr. Hil-  
yard was always opposed to defense of  
the suit, but the exhibition executive  
felt bound to, as they were threatened  
with a law suit by McGaffigan. It is  
said the suit will cost the association  
seven hundred dollars.

ELEVEN YEARS of constant use in  
Blythe, Ont., is Dr. H. J. Milne's ex-  
perience with "The D. & L. Emulsion."  
Do you suppose he would have contin-  
ued ordering it unless it was the best?

## HOPEWELL HILL.

HOPEWELL HILL, March 9.—The  
Albert train which reached Hillsboro  
from Sackville some days ago, is  
struggling with the drift on the re-  
turn trip, and had got within a few  
miles of Sackville tonight. The upper  
end of the line will therefore be cleared  
soon, when the engine and plough will  
be free to make an attack on the  
winter's deposit.

Six single team loads of baskets from  
the Apts Veneering Co.'s factory at  
Hillsboro were taken to Sackville today,  
for shipment to St. John. The team  
will bring back freight for the Pres-  
cott firm.

The new public wharf at the mouth  
of the Sheddy river, which has been  
covered, has been considerably dam-  
aged during the winter, the outer block  
having sunk between two and three  
feet. The pier is very heavily ballast-  
ed with stone and the bottom is soft.  
This, with the action of the ice, has  
probably caused the trouble. Res-  
idents here think it was a great mis-  
take that the engineers did not have  
the bottom pile driven, to make a firm  
foundation.

Chas. D. Shaw, who has been getting  
out plaster for the Red Beach Co., has  
finished his contract, having quarried  
and hauled to the Sheddy river about  
3,000 tons. The quarry will probably  
close down for the season this week.

ARE HOTLY PRESSED  
Russians Nearing Positions

## at Tie Pass.

Reported that Oyama's Armies Are  
Already Above Tie Pass—Greater  
Disaster Looked For.

(See also Page 1.)

Today's despatches only confirm the  
completeness of Kuropatkin's defeat.  
The Russians are nearing their Tie  
Pass positions, hotly pressed by the  
Japanese, and St. Petersburg admits  
that even the remnants of the army  
are in danger. It is reported that Oyama's  
flanking armies are already in touch  
about the Tie Pass, and if this is  
correct, even a greater disaster than  
is now apparent may follow.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 13, 5.45 p. m.—  
Emperor Nicholas has summoned a  
war council for tomorrow, at which  
the whole situation will be considered.  
Little additional information was  
vouchsafed at the war office today.

Gen. Linvitch's army, although its  
units were scattered and confused, got  
out with the fewest losses of the day.  
Kaulbars was the heaviest loser, leaving  
23,000 prisoners in the hands of the  
Japanese. Kaulbars himself, with the  
remnant of his army, had a narrow  
escape. When the Japanese grove  
the fence across them above Mukden,  
he just managed to pull clear by  
withdrawing from the city and then  
moving northward into the moun-  
tains. Kaulbars barely in time to avoid  
Gen. Kuruk's columns, which were already  
at Hun River bombarding Fu Pass.  
According to the latest advices, Gen.  
Kaulbars is being pursued, and has  
not succeeded in extricating himself from  
the mountains.

Gen. Meyendorff, commander of the  
first army corps, was wounded in the  
shoulder.  
WASHINGTON, March 13.—U. S.  
Griscom has cabled to the state de-  
partment from Tokyo, under yester-  
day's date, as follows: "Official re-  
port: Japanese army captured 20,000  
prisoners on the 11th."

Another official report, dated today,  
from Tokyo, read: "Russian losses over  
the past 24 hours were made up of 20,000  
prisoners on the 11th."

PORT LOUIS, Island of Mauritius,  
March 13.—The squadron commanded  
by Vice-Admiral Rojestvensky was still  
at Nosy Be, off the northwest corner  
of the island of Madagascar, when the  
Messagerie Maritime steamer Océan  
passed there yesterday. It is un-  
derstood that Rojestvensky intended to  
remain at Nosy Be until the end of April.  
The crews of the Russian ships were  
drilling night and day, and frequently  
engaged in firing practice. There was  
no confirmation of the rumors current  
at Tananarive, Madagascar, to the ef-  
fect that the Russians have bought a  
small island in the Indian Ocean to  
serve as a naval base.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 11.—  
While France made no move since the  
battle of Mukden nor offered her ad-  
vice officially, the Russian govern-  
ment has been given to understand  
clearly that her ally favors peace and  
this may exercise an influence on the  
emperor's ultimate decision. Ger-  
many has refrained from giving ad-  
vice either way. Perhaps the attitude  
of Japan may be judged by the fact  
that it is to attend to and who was later  
seriously affected by over-exertion. This  
girl remained comfortably in bed,  
but one day, late in the afternoon, she  
decided to get up. She did so, and  
sitting out on her Sunday dress, she  
nounced her intention of going out to  
tea with a friend. To this the lady  
objected, as the girl was by no means  
well, and even if she were able to go  
about the house, her duty was to stay  
in bed. She, however, did not see it in  
this light and insisted on going out.  
She absolutely refused to remain and pre-  
pare supper for her mistress, who was  
about worn out. She went, and as in  
the case of the girl first spoken of,  
she did not come back. There is a point  
where patience is exhausted and a  
woman's mind is made up.

Still another case is that of a girl  
whose mistress was to have a visit  
from a certain evening, and on the  
day before was very busy in making  
the necessary preparations. On that  
day the girl put on her hat and went  
out. She said that when she was en-  
gaged she did not expect to be called  
upon to prepare for parties. She re-  
sented it all day, but on the fol-  
lowing afternoon her conscience must  
have been troubling her, for she called  
up the house by telephone and en-  
quired if there was anything she could  
do. She was told that the best thing  
for her to do was to come along quick-  
ly and get her trunk out of the way  
if she did not want it put on the street.

In this case, too, the woman had turned  
up her nose at the girl, and was ex-  
pected to scrub the floors. Was there  
a dish washer in the house? She did  
not like putting her hands in hot  
water. Was dinner at noon or in the  
evening? If in the evening, could she  
leave the dishes until next day? Wash-  
ing them that evening would prevent  
her from getting out early. Would she  
be expected to do the cooking? She  
could do plain cooking, but did not like  
it; and might she eat at the table  
with the family when there was no  
company? She did not care to have  
one food for her to eat after the others had  
finished.

This girl was not engaged, but the  
lady sighed as she thought of the last  
girl she had had—there is always a  
last girl, who, though she may have  
had her faults, was a jewel.  
These are only a few of the cases  
which are related by women to each  
other. Nearly every one has the same  
experiences, and they are by no means  
pleasant. There is a scarcity of girls  
in the city. Employment agencies tell  
that there are not now nearly so many  
applicants for positions as there used  
to be, but on the other hand, the ap-  
plicants for help have increased won-  
derfully and the demand cannot be  
supplied. Many of the girls have gone  
"to Boston," lured on by the tales of  
those who have gone before and by the  
attraction which a large city always  
offers. Those who are now here with-  
out positions are the inexperienced or  
those who have been away and have  
found it best to return. They are  
chiefly the ones who make the demand  
for every night out and no work to do  
during the day.

Wages, too, have been going up, and  
now almost any girl can get twelve  
dollars a month, which with her board  
amounts to pretty fair pay. As high as  
sixteen dollars has been paid in some  
cases, but these are exceptional, while  
many run as low as nine and ten  
dollars.

There are some few good girls yet  
remaining in the city, some who have  
been in the same families for years,  
who are good workers and not anxious  
to see just how little they can do, and  
some who have been away and have  
considered lucky. Many girls land here  
every week from the old country, girls  
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One lady advertised for a girl to  
work in a small family. This family  
by the way, consisted of just two per-  
sons, the husband and wife. Several  
girls applied and most of them pro-  
duced reasons why they should not ac-  
cept the position. One said that the house  
was too far away from the city—it was  
in fact not three blocks from the head  
of King street—and she did not care  
for so long a walk. Another said that  
the district too quiet, still another said  
it was too noisy, a fourth wanted to  
know if she would be expected to be  
in the house before eleven, and in fact  
so many excuses were made that the  
housewife became so tired that she de-  
termined to engage the next one who  
came along and would ask no ques-  
tions. She finally got a girl who did  
not object to going out every night, and  
this girl was engaged on the spot. She  
came, and that same evening made  
known her intention of going out.  
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In another family there had been  
some sickness, and one of the patients  
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for several weeks. During this time  
she was waited on by her mistress,  
who had more work than she was able  
to do to attend to and who was later  
seriously affected by over-exertion. This  
girl remained comfortably in bed,  
but one day, late in the afternoon, she  
decided to get up. She did so, and  
sitting out on her Sunday dress, she  
nounced her intention of going out to  
tea with a friend. To this the lady  
objected, as the girl was by no means  
well, and even if she were able to go  
about the house, her duty was to stay  
in bed. She, however, did not see it in  
this light and insisted on going out.  
She absolutely refused to remain and pre-  
pare supper for her mistress, who was  
about worn out. She went, and as in  
the case of the girl first spoken of,  
she did not come back. There is a point  
where patience is exhausted and a  
woman's mind is made up.

Still another case is that of a girl  
whose mistress was to have a visit  
from a certain evening, and on the  
day before was very busy in making  
the necessary preparations. On that  
day the girl put on her hat and went  
out. She said that when she was en-  
gaged she did not expect to be called  
upon to prepare for parties. She re-  
sented it all day, but on the fol-  
lowing afternoon her conscience must  
have been troubling her, for she called  
up the house by telephone and en-  
quired if there was anything she could  
do. She was told that the best thing  
for her to do was to come along quick-  
ly and get her trunk out of the way  
if she did not want it put on the street.

The Servant Girl Problem  
a Serious One in St. John.Girls Are Scarce and Those Who Apply For Positions  
Do Not Seem Willing to Do the Required Work.

While the majority of citizens are  
interested in the war, while these mixed  
up in civil politics are thinking of  
the proposed change in the mode of  
electing aldermen, and while the school  
question in the west is arousing some  
excitement, the female portion of the  
community is exercised over a prob-  
lem which is to them of far greater  
importance than any of the others,  
and which is rapidly becoming a ser-  
ious affair. This is the servant girl  
question, and while the husband may  
smile the women feel more like weep-  
ing, which is the female expression in  
many cases for profanity.

This servant girl problem is causing  
work and more annoyance every day  
of the year. It seems impossible to  
get a girl who is any good, and house-  
keepers are asking where all the old-  
fashioned girls have gone. The major-  
ity of those who are now willing to be-  
come guests at different houses for  
the salary of from ten to sixteen dol-  
lars a month, are not of a class which  
appeals to people who want their work  
done. Almost every woman who meets  
has the same tale to tell, and all agree  
that if a few hundred bright girls  
were brought to this city they would  
have no trouble in finding employment.  
The subject has become the most popu-  
lar one for conversation at those af-  
fairs at which women meet, and all  
have the same experience to relate.  
Here are some samples of those ex-  
periences:

One lady advertised for a girl to  
work in a small family. This family  
by the way, consisted of just two per-  
sons, the husband and wife. Several  
girls applied and most of them pro-  
duced reasons why they should not ac-  
cept the position. One said that the house  
was too far away from the city—it was  
in fact not three blocks from the head  
of King street—and she did not care  
for so long a walk. Another said that  
the district too quiet, still another said  
it was too noisy, a fourth wanted to  
know if she would be expected to be  
in the house before eleven, and in fact  
so many excuses were made that the  
housewife became so tired that she de-  
termined to engage the next one who  
came along and would ask no ques-  
tions. She finally got a girl who did  
not object to going out every night, and  
this girl was engaged on the spot. She  
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