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New York Stocks. New York, July 24. Reported by F. H. Butler, stock broker, Te-

Yest	erday'	8 - 8			
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Anaconda	4314	42%	43%	43	43
Atcheson	27	27	27	26%	265%
Atcheson Pfd.	703/8	703/8	7036	691/4	6934
B. & O	7634	76%	77	75%	76
Brooklyn Tran	58 14	6834	5834	57	58
	1077/	1071/	137%	1263/4	12714
c. O. C	60%	60%	601/4	60	60
C. O. C. C. & M. W. C. F. I					
C. F. I	35%	351/2	35%	3434	341/4
Con. Gas					
		1301/8	1301/8	1301/8	1301
ersoy Central	130	129%	1291	129	129%
L. & F. Pfd	32	3214	3214	32	32%
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P. M	321/	3134	3154		
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People's Gas.	100	100		9936	
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Sugar 127%
Federal Steel 35%
Rubber 35%
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Toronto Stock Market	t.
TORONTO, J	uly 20.
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Toronto	23414
Merchants	151
Commerce14954	148
Imperial269	216
Dominion	226
Standard	7
Hamilton.	187 1
British America110	1065
Wastern Assurance 1201/	129
Consumers' Gas	213
Consumers' Gas. Montreal Gas. 183 Morthwest Land Company, pref. 511/2	1814
Morthwest Land Company pref 514	48
Canada Pacific Rv. Stock 89	883/
General Electric	160
London Electric	1131/
Commercial Cable Company166	1641
Oable Conp. Bonds	10174
Cable Reg. Bonds	
Dominion Telegraph	125
Bell Telephone Company176	1914
Richelieu and Ontario1013/	
Toronto Street Railway 9678	96
London Street Railway	155
Dominion Savings and Invest 76	199
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English Markets

Wheat—Spot steady; No. 1 Cal., 6s 14d to 6s 2½d; No. 1 northern spring, 6s 2½d; futures, steady; July, nominal; Sept., 6s 1d; Dec., 6s 1½d. Corn—Spot American mixed, new, steady, 3s 11d; do. odd, 3s 11½d; futures, quiet; Sept., 8s 11½d; Nov., 4s.

Flour-St. Louis fancy winter, dull, 8s.

Peas-Canadian, 5s 7d.

Beef-Extra India mess, dull, 73s 9d; prime mees, dull. 63s 9d. Pork—Prime mess, fine western, firm, 67s 6d. Lard Firm; American refined in pails, dull, see 9d; prime western, in tierces, dull, 35s.

-Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, steady, 47s. Bacon—Cumberland cut. 28 to 34 lbs. dull, as; short ribs, 18 to 22 lbs. steady. 30s; long lear middles, light, 30 to 35 lbs. steady, 42s; long slear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs, steady, 41s 6d; short clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs, steady, 39s; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, steady, 40s 6d. Shoulders-Equare. 12 to 14 lbs. steady, 35s 6d. Cheese—American finest white, dull, 47s.
Tellow—Prime cuy, steady, 25s; Australian

London, firm. 26s. Jottonseed oil—Hull refined, Aug., steady,

Turpentine spirits—Dull. 33s.
Rosin—Common, steady, 4s 101/4d.
Hops—At London (Pacific coast), steady, £215s

Lineseed oil—368 6d.

Buster—Good, 75s; finest American, 90s.

Petrolium—Refined, 6s fid.

Receipts of wheat for the past three days

were, 320,000 centals, including 129,000 American.

Receipts of American corn during the

past three days, 177,100 centals. Weather

dull but warm.

Toronto Froduce Market.

Toronto, July 24.-Wheat-Weaker, at 70c for red and white west; spring dull at 69c to 70c east; Manitoba wheat easier; No. 1 hard is quoted at 89c at Toronto and west; afloat at Fort Wil-Mam at 82½c; 93e grinding in transit, and at 87e at Midland. Flour-Dul!; cars of 90 per cent patents are quoted at \$2.75 to \$2.80 in buyers' bags west; Manitoba flour, \$4.25 for strong bakers, and \$450 for patents in car 10th at Toronto. Millfeed—Dull, at \$13 to \$14 for sorts, and \$11 for bran west. Barley-Nominal, at 41c for No. 2 and 40c for No. 3, east or west. Rye-Nominal, at 52c to 53c, middle freights. Corn-Steady; Canada yellow, west, is quoted at 40c: No. 3 American yellow is quoted at 481/2c at Toronto. Oats-Steady, Place, South London. 261/2c to 27c west. Peas-61c west. Butter-Offerings small, demand slow, market dull; prices steady, at 16c to 17c for dairy pound prints, and 16c for tubs; creamery steady, at 19c to 20c for prints and packages. Eggs-Steady, at 12c to 12½c. Live hogs—Receipts to-day, 500; prices unchanged, steady;

light. 51/4c. American Markets.

oice bacon, 61/2c; heavy fat, 5%c;

NEW YORK, July 24.-Flour-Receipts, 22,332 barrels; sales, 3,670 packages; state and western weak, with no demands except on urgent calls for small lots to supply current needs. Rye flour-Dull; fair to good, \$3 15 to \$3 30; choice to fancy, \$3 35 to \$3 75. Wheat—Receipts, 97,125 bu; sales, 2,150,000 bu; options reak and lower through bearish cables, liquidation and the break in corn; Sept., 80%c to 81 3-16c; Oct., 81%c to 82%c; Dec., 817%c to 82%c. Rye—Weak; state, 55c to 56c, c.i.f., New York, car lots; No. 2 western, 59%c, f.o.b., afloat.



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Corn—Receipts, 511,325 bu; sales, 60,000 bu; options sold off sharply under good rains all through the belt prompting further liquidation; Sept., 43c to 44%c; Dec., 40%c to 41%c. Oats—Receipts, 161,300; options dull and weak; track, white state, 281/2c to 34c; track, white, western, 28½c to 34c. Butter— Receipts, 16,155 packages; steady. Cheese—Receipts, 12,709 packages; steady; small, white, 9%c to 9%c; small, colored, 9%c to 9%c Eggs— Receipts, 12,079 packages; firm. Sugar —Raw, strong; refined, firm. Coffee—Dull; No. 7, Rio, 9½c. Lead—Dull. Wool—Dull. Hops—Quiet. MONTREAL

Oil Markets. Antwerp, July 24.—Petrolium, 18 france 78 centimes paid and sellers.

Brennen, July 24.—Petrolium, 6 marks 95 ofennings.

Chicago Exchange. CHICAGO, July 24.

Following are the fluctuations on the Chicago
Board of Trade furnished by F. H. Butler
broker Tecumseh House. Phone 1378.

Open. High. Low. Olose.

Wheat—July... 75%, 75%, 74%, 74%, 74%,
Aug... 75%, 75%, 75%, 74%, 74%,
Sept... 76%, 76%, 76%, 75%, 75%, 75%, 76%,
Corn—July... 38%, 39 38%, 38%,
Aug... 28%, 39 38, 38%,
Sept... 39 39 38 38%, 38%,
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Open.

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Corn—July ... 38%
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Sept ... 39
Oats—July ... 22%
Aug ... 22%
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Pork—July ... 11 80
Sept ... 11 95
Lard—July ... 6 72
Sept ... 6 82
Ribs—July ... 6 93
Sept ... 6 95
Live Stock High.
75%
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76%
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39
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22%
23%
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11 97
6 72
6 87
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7 00 Live Stock Markets.

CHICAGO, July 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 3,000, including 500 Texans; generally steady; good to prime steers, \$5 15 to \$5 80; poor to medium, \$4 65 to \$5 15; stockers and feeders, \$3 25 to \$4 75; cows, \$3 to \$4 60; helders, \$3 to \$5 15; canners, \$2 to \$2 85; bulls, \$3 to \$4 60; calves, \$4 60 to \$6 40; Texas fed steers, strong at \$4 35 to \$5 15; Texas grass steers, \$3 40 to \$4 30; Texas bulls, \$2 50 to \$3 75. Hogs-Receipts, today, 11,000; tomorrow.25.000:left over. 2.678: steady: top, \$5 45; mixed and butchers, \$5 15 to \$5 45; good to choice heavy, \$5 20 to \$5 45; rough heavy, \$5 to \$5 10; light, \$5 15 to \$5 42½; bulk of sales, \$6 30 to \$5 40.

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Latest Probabilities.

probabilities for the next 24 hours in the lower lakes region: Light winds, mostly fine; local thunderstorms. Wednesday-Light variable winds

-Dr. E. A. Abbott has returned to Toronto after spending a week in Lon-

-Mrs. Martin Ferguson and the Misses Ferguson are summering at Grand Bend. -Miss Emma Green, Cartwright

street, is visiting Miss Angie Brickenden, Clinton. -Miss Marie Callaghan, of Saginaw, Mich., is visiting Mrs. J. J. Callaghan,

525 Quebec street. ⊢Miss Fanny Hoolihan, of Peterboro, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. J. Callaghan, 525 Quebec street.

-Mrs. John Dromgole, 522 Colborne street, will be the guest of Toronto friends for the next two weeks. -Miss Florence Grant has returned

to New York after a pleasant holiday spent at her home on Mill street. -Mr. A. J. Dibsdale, of No. 853 Queen's avenue, has taken out a per-mit for an addition to his residence. -Miss Helen Greenlees, of Ridout street south, is spending a month's visit with Miss Helen Anderson, Toron-

to. -Miss Lizzie Friar, of Grand Rapids, and Miss Eva Quinn, are visiting their grandmother, Mrs. Jas. Burns, York street.

-Miss G. Hislop, South London, is spending her holidays with her brother, Ed. Hislop, and other relatives at Dowagiac, Mich.

-Mrs. E. H. Alteman, and two children, of 72 Cavendish stret, West London, are spending a month with relatives in Elgin, Ill.

-Mr. S. H. Jacobs, of the Troy nickel works, Albany, N. Y., is the guest of Mr. J. H. Herrick, Maryboro

-Olive Irene Smith, eldest daughter of C. E. Smith, of Arva, died yesterday of diabetes, aged 7 years. The funeral will take place at 10 a.m. tomorrow to St. John's Cemetery.

Thompson has recovered from his recent illness. He returned last night from his home in Barrie, and has resumed his duties here.

-Mayor Rumball, Assistant Enginer Ironside, Secretary Bell and Mr. Robt. Kirkpatrick will be the guests of the Builders' Exchange on their excursion to Cleveland tonight. The latter three have been signed for the baseball team. -The funeral of little Harriet Barrett, who died this morning at No. 36\$ Horton street, was held this afternoon to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. The ser-

vices were conducted by Rev. R. D.

Hamilton, pastor of the Wellington Street Methodist Church. -The death of Mr. Frederick Albert Hawkins occurred yesterday at the family residence, Arva. He was the youngest son of Mr. J. Hawkins, merchant miller, and had been ill with consumption for several years. The funeral will take place tomorrow to

Mount Pleasant cemetery. -Mrs. Caroline Ann Fisher died yesterday at the family residence, lot 16, con. 8, Westminster, near Glan-Death was due to uraemic worth. poisoning following a fracture of the hip sustained some weeks ago. Mrs. Fisher had reached the age years, and was a widow, her husband having died about two years ago. The funeral takes place tomorrow after-

George Wickett, the young man committed to jail on a charge of in-panity by P. M. Love, appeared before millions.

Judge William Editor this morning. The evidence of the physicians who examined him was to the effect that Wickett was not insane, but idiotic, and a fit subject for admission to the Asy-lum for Idiots at Orillia. Wickett was remended for two weeks in order that the asylum authorities may be communicated with.

-At the next meeting of the board of education the trustees will have to determine the school to be set aside for the use of Normal School pupils. The agreement calls for a ten-room school, with a kindergarten. The Victoria school does not come up to requirements in the number of rooms. Simcoe street school would suit, but the Model School is already siturated there. Other schools are rather distant from the Normal. One suggestion that has been made is that the Model School be taken to Victoria school, and that Sim-coe street school be used for the Normal pupils. Another is that Principal Merchant make use of the Victoria and Wortley road schools. The majority of the trustees would like to build an addition to Victoria school, so that it might be used, but as this is impossible this year the first suggestion seems to be the most feasible plan. PLEADED NOT GUILTY.

Willis Tobias, the Moraviantown In-William Elliott this morning. He pleaded not guilty, and elected trial by the judge. His trial will take place on Friday, Aug. 3. TLI WITTH MYPHOLD

Word has been received in the city that Mr. George McKee, B. A., classical master of the London Collegiate

At the first blow on the boards, the Institute, is dangerously ill with typhoid fever at Clinton. Mr. and Mrs. and fell to the ground, a distance of 25 McKee have been holidaying at Clinder. The axe in some manner fell ton with relatives. Mr. McKee's many friends will regret to learn of his illness and will hope for his speedy re-LONDON OLD BOYS' OUTING.

Toronto Globe: The London Old Boys last night practically completed arrangements for their outing in Lonfrom Toronto will leave at 7:35 a.m., and a special train returning will leave London at 11 o'clock on Monday the remains laid away in the family evening. Everything possible will be done to make it pleasant for visitors. be taken up from here, and on the arrival of the train at London an elab-Sarnia, Chatham, Hamilton and many other places will gather in London for the occasion, and thousands of people will be given the freedom of the city.

POLICE COURT. The majority of the cases to occupy the attention of the police magistrate this morning were those of individuals who had imbibed too freely. Joseph Maguire, who used foul and abusive language when arrested for being drunk, was fined \$3 or ten days. Archibald Mackenzie resisted P. C. Green when being arrested and was fined \$5 or 20 days. Three drunks were discharged. The police magistrate took occasion to remark that the drinking and disorderly conduct which prevails in the neighborhood of the Port Stanley railway bridge is a disgrace to the city, and he will take severe measures to have it stopped. Charles Kidner, charged with vagrancy, was remanded for a week. John Robinson, of South Toronto, July 24-10 a.m.-Weather London, did not appear to answer to a charge of riding his wheel on a park footpath, and the case was adjourned till tomorrow.

AT OSGOODE HALL. Parkhouse vs. Bennet-Judgment (E. B. B.) on motion of plaintiff to set aside non-suit entered by Meredith, J., at London, and for new trial of action for damages for the loss of a hand owing to an accident in the defendant's furniture factory in the city of Lon-The plaintiff was employed in dressing blocks of hardwood upon a dressing machine or jointer, when his hand was drawn into the machine, owing, it is alleged to defective construction and the shortness of the blocks which defendant's foreman instructed him to use. The plaintiff contended that theere was evidence of negligence to submit to the jury. Held, that the knowledge of the danger which the plaintiff in fact had, not that which he ought to be assumed to have had, is the material injury, and in this case should have been submitted to the jury. The provisions of sub-section 3 of section 6 of the workmen's compensation for injuries act may also afford an answer to the de fendant's contention on this branch of the case, if it be found that the case of the plaintiff is within the saving part of these provisions, and that is a question for the jury. New trial directed. Costs of motion and former trial to be to plaintiff in any event. A. (London) for defendants.

"SOUTH AFRICA"

Lord Dufferin Praises Hon. David Mills' New Book

Lord Dufferin, writing from Clandeboye, Ireland, to a "dear old friend" in Canada on June 23, last, says of Hon. David Mills' book on South Africa: "I have just finished reading a portion of Mr. Mills' book, and I cannot say how grateful I am to you for having sent it. It is an admirable exposition of the whole case, written in a very calm and judicial spirit. Above all, I believe the view taken by Mr. Mills to be both correct and just. The work will be of t. John's Cemetery.

-Canadian Express Messenger Wm. the greatest utility, and if translated and disseminated on the continent it could not fail of having its effect in spite of the willful prejudices of our European neighbors.

WEAKNESS OF HOSPITALS

Said to be Incapable of Curing One of the Most Deadly Diseases of the Age.

Montreal, July 23.—Mr. William Brownley tells an alarming story of utter failure of the hospitals to cure him of Bright's disease. He was treated in the best hospitals both in Canada and the United States. They gave him up as incurable. Medical science had failed; the hospitals were powerless to help him. Nevertheless, Mr. Brownley is cured. Dodd's Kidney Pills cured him and he is a well man

Says Mr. Brown himself: "I have been a subject to Bright's Disease of the Kidneys for twenty years. I have been in all the best hospitals in Canada and the United States. could get no relief. I have just fin-ished eleven boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills and am completely cured. I am locomotive engineer and well known, so many can vouch for this statement.

The population of Europe is 381,000

ALLEGED MURDER

Story That Son Was Arrested in Connection With His Father's Death.

Statement in a Toronto Paper Lacks Confirmation:

A special dispatch to the Mail and Empire from Lucan says: The little village of Arva is the scene of a mysterious tragedy. About three weeks ago a middle-aged farmer named Jos. Sifton, who lived at lot 16, con. 5, London township, on the Proof Line road, was said to have been killed by a fall from the gable end of his barn. His only son, Gerald Sifton, a man about 30 years of age, is the only authority dian charged with stealing a plow from for the nature of the alleged accident, a Mosa farmer, appeared before Judge and his story is that about 8 o'clock in the morning he was knocking some boards off the gable end of the barn under his father's directions, who was in the yard below.

The old man did not like the way the boards were coming off, and tak-The axe in some manner fell with him, and inflicted injuries on his head, which proved fatal in a few hours, the victim never regaining consclousness. The hired boy, who was in the other end of the barn, did not see the accident, but heard his son shout, and came out to see the old man lying on the ground with the axe under his head. Dr. McNeill, of Arva, was on Civic Holiday. The crowd summoned, but could do nothing for the injured man, and in regular course the burial certificate was given, and plot at Arva.

The more tragic part of the story is The band of the Royal Grenadiers will yet to be told. The old man met his orate programme of entertainments will be commenced. Visitors from Chicago, Detroit, Cleveland, Windsor, Sarnia. Chatham Hamilton death on his wedding day, he having a young girl by the name of Mary Mc-Farlane, who was many years the junior of her afflanced. The son has, it is alleged, never got along well with his father, and on this account it was thought but natural that he should be harsh in is remarks as

to the wedding. These outspoken remarks, together with the fact that the marriage would probably bring other claimants for the old man's fortune, have caused the re-latives and others to somewhat doubt the story of the tragedy, and High Constable McLeod was asked to make an investigation. After two or three days' quiet work, he notified the attorney-general's department, and to-day Inspector John Murray took charge of the case. Inspector Murray, Constable McLeod, and Stenographer Coo, of London, came out to Arva today, and took the depositions of a number of witnesses taken into custody. The son, Gerald Sifton, against whom suspicion is directed, was in London all day, and on his arrival home this evening was taken in charge by De-

The dead man, Joseph Sifton, was a well-known man, whose previous matrimonial ventures did not bring entire happiness. His second wife was separated from him for a number of years before her death, which took place in a tragic manner, she being burned to death at her son's home, at Port Stanley. The old man owned nearly 700 acres of land, 200 of which he had given to his son Gerald. The balance was willed to the son, but it is said this will was to have been changed when the proposed marriage took

The family is highly respected in the neighborhood, and the bare suspicion of anything wrong has come as a great shock to all who are acquainted the parties. It is probable that the authorities will immediately order the body exhumed, and a coroner's inquest held, although this has not yet been done.

Stage Driver Orme, of the Lucan stage, who is well acquainted with Sifton, characterized the story as an invention of the Mail and Empire's Lucan correspondent. Detective Murray was in Arva yesterday, and had an interview with Sifton, but no arrest was Stuart (London) for plaintiff; Hellmuth | made. Sifton was seen at liberty in the city this morning at the Bernard House and other places.

SHAKING HANDS WITH A LION. In a recent English autobiography, Reminiscences of a Literary and Clerical Life," the author mentions one of strong complaint against the servant his exploits as a schoolboy. A travel- girl class on the ground that they ing menagerie came to town, and gave are not to be depended upon-that is

ous for its lions. They are indeed agreed upon. The same complaint noble beasts, but crowded together in against girls is frequently heard traveling vans, where their discomfort lately. was not likely to improve their tempers. All round the vans ran a rope- general servant, sees an advertisement chain, to keep everybody at a reason- in a paper and goes to apply for it,

hands with that lion. It was by no duced.

means the sort of thing to be done every day. It would place me in a "You will not suit," but the houseproud position among the boys of the maid, having seen the lady, town.

top of the outstretched paw. It was you I have changed my mind-I am smooth and somewhat velvety, and afraid you are the kind of mistress the lion lay perfectly still, appearing not to mind me in the least. It is not unlikely that I might have gone on to complete the operation of handshaking, but all at once I felt the

cut of a whip across my face. I started back with the pain, and looked round. At that instant the keeper came up and spoke to me very civilly. He was very sorry to have to hurt me, he said, but in all probability the lion would have torn my hand off, and this was his only way

of making me start back. I did not feel so grateful to the man at that moment as I have done ever

According to an article in Globus, about 30,000,000 persons left Europe during the century just closing to seek to better their fortunes in other lands. A mounted body of 100 rurales (country police), with a band of 62 pieces, will constitute one feature of the Mexi-can government's exhibit at the Buffalo

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Letter Received at Tien Tsin From Sir Claude MacDonald British Minister at Pekin.

DATED JULY 4

London, July 24.-The foreign office has received a dispatch from the British consul at Tien Tsin dated Saturday, July 21, stating that he had just received a letter from Sir Claude Mac-Donald, the British minister at Pekin, dated July 4, appealing for relief. There were enough provisions at the legation to last a fortnight, the letter said, but the garrison was unequal to the task of holding out against a determined attack for many days. There had been 44 deaths and about double that number wounded. The foreign office thinks the dispatch does not affect the main question of the reported massacre of the members of the legations at Pe-

LONG SILENCE

Just One Month Has Elapsed Since Sir Robert Hart's Message Came From Pekin.

London, July 24.-One month to the day has elapsed since Sir Robert Hart, director of the Chinese maritime customs, smuggled out of Pekin the last piece of news that appealed authoritatively to Europe, and apparently the only method by which the Chinese court can vindicate its veracity here is to transmit another autograph message from some equally authoritative source. Admittedly the Chinese foreign office possesses facilities to set all doubts at rest.

Li Hung Chang's reported statement to the effect that while the foreigners were alive, they would all be killed immediately if the allied forces neared Pekin, is regarded by those who credit Corner Dundas and Wellington Streets. the reported survival of the foreign ministers, as an indication that the latter are held as hostages, and that their lives will be made the subject of negotiations by the Chinese. Hence Li Hung Chang's anxiety to keep the tective Murray and driven back to powers from Pekin as long as possible.

NAKROW ESCAPE

Bark That the Campania Ran Down Was Loaded With Explosives.

London, July 24.-The bark Embleton. which was cut in two by the Cunard liner Campania in the Irish Channel was carrying a lot of dynamite and gunpowder to New Zealand. Her cargo was distributed fore and aft. The Campania struck amidships. Had the collision occurred either fore or aft the Cunarder would surely have been de-

Simon H. Stern, a passenger on the Campania, said:

"With the smallest delay possible two lifeboats were lowered. Two more boats were also swung for lowering. A number of lifebuoys were thrown out in hope of finding strugglers. crew behaved beautifully, and so also did the stewards. They went around quietly, reassuring everybody, without fuss. Quickly, but quietly, they did it. They prevented a panic one was imminent. Telegraph bells were rung, and forthwith the watertight compartments were closed. The bark sank like a flash. The forepart sank under our bows. The afterpart floated down level with the smokingroom, turned over, keel upward, and I saw persons clinging to the sank. keel. Possibly they were sucked under."

THE LADY AND SUSAN.

[Toronto Star.] A Toronto lady has made a very "an evening performance, redolent to say, the lady advertised for a house-with gas and orange peel," and the maid, offering good wages, and selectschoolboy was there.

The menagerie was especially fam- girl, however, failed to return, as

When a girl seeking a situation as a able distance from the claws and beaks of the wild inmates. I managed to smuggle myself under this rope, undetected by the keepers. rope, undetected by the keepers.

A magnificent old lion lay stretched house accepts or rejects her as she full length, with one paw outside sees fit, depending upon the impreshis den. A sudden thought struck me sion the applicant makes and the charthat it would be a fine thing to shake acter of the recommendations pro-

"I have applied for this place In a moment I laid my hand on the and you accept me, but since seeing say: afraid you are the kind of mistress who wouldn't let me do my own breathing to suit myself." The girl, having applied, dare not decline the place if it is offered her; it would be a shocking impertinence. may feel quite strongly that it will be useless for her to come back to begin service in that house. She knows herself and thinks she knows what kind of a woman the mistress is. Therefore she retreats in the only way she can, leaving the impression that she will return in the evening with her

> It is not honest. It is not fair. But it is the only course open to the girl when she is not favorably impressed by the house and the lady who controls it. When the girl goes away and does not return it merely means that in the humble opinion of the applicant the lady won't do.

TURTLE FIELDS OF THE SOUTH. [Chicago Record.]

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