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DISTRICT**ZONE CENTRE.**

There was no school Wednesday and Thursday owing to the illness of the teacher.

A heavy electric storm passed through the Centre early Tuesday morning. The lightning struck a large evergreen tree about ten feet from the residence of Geo. H. Lidster and totally destroyed it.

Robert Tong has traded farms with Wm. Humphrey. They are at present moving.

Mrs. Luke and sons Will and Charles, of Bothwell, spent Easter with friends at the Centre.

Mrs. Woods and children, of London, returned home Friday after spending a few days with Mrs. John Bourne.

Miss Lillie Lidster and Miss Clara Gordon were guests of Thamesville friends Easter Sunday.

Joseph Tinney spent Wednesday in Chatham.

Mrs. Scoyne, of London, has come to spend the summer with her daughter, Mrs. John Tinney.

Mrs. John Tinney spent a few days last week with her daughter, Mrs. John Buchanan, of Florence.

ROMNEY.

Alma Robinson paid a visit to her grandfather, Mr. J. Robinson, recently.

The Ladies' Aid meets at Mrs. G. Lane's home on Friday of this week. Herm. Smith has purchased three imported thoroughbred Clydesdale horses.

The pupils presented Miss Fletcher with an amethyst ring. Miss Fletcher has gone to Essex.

George Robinson left Monday for the West. His wife and children will remain here.

S. Coatsworth's infant son is recovering slowly.

Mrs. J. Robinson, of Wheatley, has been visiting her daughters, Mrs. Maria and Mrs. H. Smith.

Operations still continue on the Susey well. A bed of salt has been struck, but no oil.

Farmers are finding it very difficult to secure help for the summer.

WABASH.

The farmers report the fall wheat as looking very well through this part of the county.

Miss Pearl Phillips visited Mrs. L. Truesdale last week.

The farmers are mostly through making syrup.

SAVED ON BURNING BOAT.

Steamer Destroyed By Fire—Sixty-Five Were Rescued.

Debbs Ferry, N.Y., April 6.—The steamer City of Troy of the Citizens' Line was burned to the water's edge here last night. All the passengers, some sixty-five in number, were landed safely. The steamer was destroyed with its cargo of freight and thirteen horses. Edwin Gould's dock, to which the City of Troy tied up, when it was found impossible to control the flames, was also destroyed.

The City of Troy left for New York at 6 o'clock last night, bound up the river for Albany and Troy. The fire was discovered at about 8 o'clock, when she was about eight miles below Debbs Ferry. It broke out in the hold amidships, and rapidly gained headway. The crew fought the flames for some time before the boat was turned shorewards, but when it was seen they could not control them the captain turned his boat for Debbs Ferry. When she tied up at the Gould dock, the fire had gained such headway that little attempt was made to extinguish it, and every effort was bent toward landing the passengers successfully. When it was thought that everyone had been landed safely, it was discovered that a woman passenger was asleep in her berth, and two Debbs Ferry firemen, Alfred Smith and Robert Wilson, rushed into the burning boat and carried the woman safely ashore.

HAD NARROW ESCAPES.

London Man Caught In Belt—Machinery Bursts In Laundry.

London, Ont., April 6.—William Elliot, employed on the construction of the Greene-Swift warehouse, was caught in a belting yesterday and narrowly escaped death. He failed to notice the belt, which caught his clothing, and he was almost drawn in, when he managed to brace himself until the machinery was stopped. His shirt was torn from his back and his right arm and shoulder injured.

An extractor machine in the Forest City Laundry burst yesterday while going at a speed of 1,500 revolutions per minute and pieces of the machine flew all over the room, in which over a dozen employees were working. Fortunately no one was hurt. The room was filled with blinding steam, causing considerable confusion.

Dead Pilot at Boat's Wheel.

Pittsburg, Pa., April 6.—George W. Conant was found dead in the pilot house of the packet Lorena, near East Liverpool, Ohio, yesterday.

Without a guiding hand, the big packet, filled with passengers, who were peacefully sleeping, wandered through the dense fog and was running at high speed into a rock studded pool when Captain Richardson stopped the craft.

Conant evidently exhausted his last strength trying vainly to reach the signal rope.

GANANOQUE INN BURNED.

Flames Destroy One of the Best Kept Hotels in Canada.

Gananoque, April 6.—The Gananoque Inn, one of the best kept summer hotels in Canada, was almost completely destroyed by fire early yesterday morning. Mr. Walsh and family had a narrow escape, all the occupants being asleep at the time. They lost everything.

Fire broke out in the second story of the main building, and before the firemen had arrived had gained tremendous headway. The building and furniture were valued at \$90,000, and the loss is almost total, being covered only by partial insurance.

The flames were discovered by the daughter of Mr. Andrews, who lives opposite, and had the warning not been sounded as soon as it was, there would in all probability have been a number of fatalities.

The Gananoque Inn was a particularly well built summer hotel, being of solid brick, and having a fire wall between the main wing and new north wing.

The main wing walls collapsed soon after the fire broke out.

Millionaire's Yacht Burned. Brockville, April 6.—The handsome side-wheel yacht owned by E. P. Wilbur of South Bethlehem, Pa., a steel millionaire, was damaged by fire to the extent of \$5,000 at her winter quarters up the river.

Rockwood Patients Pay.

Kingston, April 6.—The Rockwood Asylum treasurer now receives thousands of dollars yearly from private sources for the maintenance of patients who formerly were not received.

The aggregate amount from this quarter will reach in the neighborhood of \$60,000 during the present year. This result has been secured by the appointment of two inspectors by the Whitney Government.

Babe Sleeps Four Days.

Brockville, April 6.—A most remarkable case of a long sleep is reported from Smith's Falls.

The three-day-old infant of Mr. and Mrs. D. Gilbert slept continuously for four days less 10 minutes. All efforts to awaken the little one were without effect, and it had to be nourished by injection. It awoke apparently well refreshed.

Municipal Elections.

Toronto, April 6.—A suggestion made by Mr. T. H. Preston, M. P. P., for Brant, will be acted upon by the Ontario Government by submitting a referendum to the municipalities of the province. The purpose is to learn whether or not the people want to change the date of municipal elections from January to December.

Force of Habit.

New Arrival—Is my wife in there? St. Peter—Yes. What are you doing? New Arrival—Merely removing my shoes before going upstairs.

The New England Conscience. The New England conscience isn't an idea. It's an inherited disease. Life.

Are the Colonies Underrated.

One hears this remark often reiterated of late, it appears to be just dawning upon the rank and file of people in this country that the policy of England regarding settlement in the United States has brought into being a feeling among young Canadians, which may prove a source of trouble in the future. How far this is justified it is difficult to estimate, but the present expansion of Canadian affairs in every direction appears to be accompanied with a sort of awakening among English people as to possibilities of the change in the centre of gravity within the British Empire. This may sound a certain amount of absurdity, but British North America is daily approaching closer to the mother island, as the facilities for transport and communication increase, and a diminution in the cable rates would greatly accelerate the approach of the two countries.—The Toronto News.

Alarmist Reports.

English newspapers are full of alarmist reports of the cold in Canada and the fuel famine in the Northwest, and there is a strong suspicion that some of the cables received are "inspired" by the anti-emigration party in this country. Any American newspaper agents who recognize that the tide of emigration is turning strongly to Canadian ports.

Words of Praise

For the several ingredients of which Dr. Pierce's medicines are composed, as given by leaders in all the several schools of medicine, should have far more weight than any amount of non-professional testimony. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription has THE BADGE OF HONOR on every bottle-wrapper, in a full list of all its ingredients printed in plain English.

If you are an invalid woman and suffer from frequent headache, backache, nervousness, indigestion, periodical pains, diarrhoea, catarrhal, pelvic drain, dragging down distress in lower abdomen or pelvis, perhaps dark spots or specks dancing before the eyes, faint spells and kindred symptoms caused by female weakness, or the derangement of the feminine organs, you can not do better than take Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

The hospital, surgeon's knife and operating table may be avoided by the timely use of "Favorite Prescription" in such cases. Thereby the chances of permanent injury are avoided and a thorough course of successful treatment carried out in the privacy of the home. "Favorite Prescription" is composed of the very best native medicinal roots known to medical science for the cure of woman's peculiar ailments, contains no alcohol and no harmful or habit-forming drugs.

Do not expect too much from "Favorite Prescription"; it will not perform miracles, but it will not dissolve or cure tumors. They invigorate health in most weak and ailments peculiarly incident to women as any medicine can. It must be used for a reasonable length of time.

You can't afford to accept a secret remedy as a substitute for this remedy of Queen composition. Sick women are invited to consult Dr. Pierce, by letter, free. All correspondence is guarded as sacredly secret and womanly confidences are not betrayed to professional privacy. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets the best laxative and regulator of the bowels. They invigorate stomach, liver and bowels. One a laxative; two or three a cathartic. Easy to take as candy.

Entertaining.

"Is your family entertaining this season?" inquired the society devotee. "Well," answered Mr. Cumrox, "mother and the girls seem kind of amusing to me, but everybody else seems to take 'em seriously."

"ST. GEORGE'S BAKING POWDER is bringing lots of trade to my store."

"It keeps me busy filling up the empty places on the shelves."

"Folks now know that baking powders—containing acids, alum or phosphates—not only spoil the baking, but are positively injurious to health."

"I tell everyone about ST. GEORGE'S—the new baking powder. And I find that where they use one can, they not only order more, but also buy all their other groceries here."

"It certainly does pay to have the best"

St. George's Baking Powder

is a genuine Cream of Tartar Baking Powder. It contains only the purest ingredients, perfectly proportioned to insure the best results. It proves its quality by the biscuits, cake and pastry it makes.

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**MAY HAVE TO GET COOLIES.**

Canada Needs Fifty Thousand Men to Construct Her Railways.

So great is the railway construction work to be carried on in Canada during the present year that those who have the work in hand are in a desperate state of mind as to procuring the necessary labor. The lowest estimate given by contractors is that fifty thousand pick and shovel men will be needed, if the undertakings at present in view are to be gone on with. Where are these men to be had? How are they to be procured?

To Bring John Chinaman.

For months the idea has been afloat that the railway companies will use their combined influence at Ottawa to secure permission for the bringing in of Chinese coolies by the shipload to engage in this work on the understanding that the men will be deported when the work is done. In the British Columbia elections some of the Conservative speakers declared that the whole matter had been secretly arranged with the Ottawa Government to the satisfaction of the Grand Trunk Pacific, at least; that a contract had been entered into between that railway and a certain company whose agent was already in China to bring thousands of men; that those men would be landed from ships at Prince Rupert and would then be engaged for railway work, thus evading the Alien Labor law. But this would not evade the necessity for each coolie to pay down \$500 as an admission fee to the country, and it is said that the Government will be asked to suspend the collection of this head-tax.

Work Must Not Stand Still.

Pick and shovel men are needed in great numbers. There is no getting away from the fact that the ordinary supply will not answer. So far as organized labor is concerned there is no sense in disputing facts evident to all. Something must be done to permit the country to make progress during 1907. What can be done? If the leaders of labor object to the bringing in of the cheap labor, the inferior blood and low morals of China, what are they prepared to do? There is work to be done and no workers to do it. If the labor unions will recommend nothing and assent to nothing, something will be done whether they like it or lump it. Their wisest course, then, would seem to be to assent to the plan least objectionable from their point of view, which surely it would be the bringing in of a specified number of white men from Europe under contract to perform a specified work and then be deported. The whole operation to be under the direction of the Department of Labor and under the eye of the fair wage officer of that department. Let us at least have white men, an army of whom could be secured in Great Britain alone.

A Few Years Hence.

As she tiptoed into the bedroom her husband raised his head from the pillow sleepily.

"Mrs. Jay was here to see you," he murmured. "She said she'd call again some other evening."

"And what did she tell her, John?" the wife asked as she laid her money and latch key on the bureau.

"Oh," he answered, "I just gave her the address of your club."

Mionard's Liniment—Lumberman's Friend.

Away with delay! It always injures those that are prepared.

A NORTHERN ROOKERY.

How the Seals Go About Setting Up House.

There are many kinds of seals, including sea-lions, seals, and fur-seals, the latter being the most valuable from a commercial point of view. During the breeding season great numbers make their homes on the Pribilof Islands, in Behring Sea, and hither with wonderful instinct hundreds of thousands of seals arrive from their course through thousands of miles of sea at the appointed time.

The names by which seals are known are very strange. A male seal, over six years of age, is a "bull," his wives are "cows," their young are "pups," males under six years of age are "bachelors"; further, a swarm of them is called a "herd," and during the great seal season they congregate in "rookeries."

Old Bulls Arrive.

The first to arrive at the breeding ground early in May are the old bulls, some of them from 15 to 20 years old, and seven feet in length. Then in June come hundreds and thousands of other bulls and a great fight begins for suitable places on which to live with their wives and rear their children. Those who take up the best positions are attacked by the newcomers, and are often driven off to comers, and are often killed. Sometimes an old veteran, heavy in shoulder and hard of sinew, will wage a dozen or more desperate battles, and come out the victor at last.

These fights take place between the males over six years of age, the others, the "bachelors," keeping apart by themselves on the outskirts of the breeding ground. After a time the rookery is mapped out into little pieces of ground from eight to ten feet square, ready for the advance of the female seals. When they arrive the fighting among the bulls begins afresh with renewed vigor, but after a time they settle down into domestic life. A day or two after the arrival of the female seals they give birth to their young, and for the next three months the islands are one huge nursery.

Bachelors Provide Furs.

By the middle of September the old bulls have departed, and these are soon followed by the females and the young who have now learned to swim. The seal skin of commerce is obtained chiefly from the backs of the "bachelors." They are not at all timid, and it is an easy matter for three or four men to enter a herd in the early morning, pick out the finest specimens, and drive them inland to the killing ground. They are killed by being hit on the head with heavy oak bludgeons, so that the skulls are not injured in any way.

To Prevent Sore Shoulders.

To prevent sore shoulders of working horses H. E. Cook recommends perfectly fitting collars, fitted to the shoulders by working the horse in them after a thorough soaking of the shoulders. He would avoid sweat pads under all circumstances, except where they become absolutely necessary because of lack of properly fitting collars.

Water For Horses.

One of the most important items in the welfare of a horse is a plentiful supply of pure, fresh water. Water should be given the first thing in the morning, and it should be offered the last thing at night when the final round of the barn is made.

Meeting the Deficiency.

Man is growing shorter. So the doctors say. Our straps must be longer. Or they'll idly stare.

THE MARKETS.

Liverpool Wheat Futures Closed Lower, Chicago Higher—Live Stock—The Latest Quotations.

Friday, Evening, April 5.—Liverpool wheat futures closed today 1/4d. lower to 3/4d. higher than yesterday, and corn futures 1/4d. to 1/2d. higher. At Chicago, May wheat closed 1 1/2c. higher than yesterday, May corn 1/4c. higher, and May oats 1/4c. higher.

Winnipeg Quotations. Following were the closing quotations yesterday on Winnipeg futures: Wheat, April 1907 bid, May 1907 bid, July 1907 bid, Oct. 1907 bid, Jan. 1908 bid, Apr. 1908 bid, July 1908 bid, Oct. 1908 bid, Jan. 1909 bid, Apr. 1909 bid, July 1909 bid, Oct. 1909 bid, Jan. 1910 bid, Apr. 1910 bid, July 1910 bid, Oct. 1910 bid, Jan. 1911 bid, Apr. 1911 bid, July 1911 bid, Oct. 1911 bid, Jan. 1912 bid, Apr. 1912 bid, July 1912 bid, Oct. 1912 bid, Jan. 1913 bid, Apr. 1913 bid, July 1913 bid, Oct. 1913 bid, Jan. 1914 bid, Apr. 1914 bid, July 1914 bid, Oct. 1914 bid, Jan. 1915 bid, Apr. 1915 bid, July 1915 bid, Oct. 1915 bid, Jan. 1916 bid, Apr. 1916 bid, July 1916 bid, Oct. 1916 bid, Jan. 1917 bid, Apr. 1917 bid, July 1917 bid, Oct. 1917 bid, Jan. 1918 bid, Apr. 1918 bid, July 1918 bid, Oct. 1918 bid, Jan. 1919 bid, Apr. 1919 bid, July 1919 bid, Oct. 1919 bid, Jan. 1920 bid, Apr. 1920 bid, July 1920 bid, Oct. 1920 bid, Jan. 1921 bid, Apr. 1921 bid, July 1921 bid, Oct. 1921 bid, Jan. 1922 bid, Apr. 1922 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