

A MEAN EPIDEMIC.

It is Cholera Morbus, Cold, Fever and Grippe combined, the Scurvy Intense. An epidemic has descended upon this city, and has caused enough pain and ache to drive the citizens into temporary insanity.

The quickest relief is gained by applying a mustard plaster to the stomach, and drinking warm water and mustard to ease the strain in retching.

Other physicians state that the impure water in general use is the cause of the epidemic. But they say water cannot be purified of causing catarrh and other ailments ascribable to cold, even if it might have the effect of creating an epidemic of stomach complaint.

THE CIVIL ASSESSOR.

An Insurance Claim to Be Settled Out of Court by Arbitration. The Assize Court held but a short session Saturday, adjourning at noon until Monday at 10 o'clock.

The case of Skinner v. the North British and Mercantile Insurance Company was the first case taken up.

The plaintiff claims \$214.80 for loss suffered by the fire on May 19 last. For the defence the plea is entered that the amount claimed is in excess of the damage sustained.

The solicitors finally arrived at a settlement by which Judge Morgan and Messrs. S. G. Healy, Toronto, and H. H. Flock, London, were appointed arbitrators, and the award to be final.

HIDDEN UNDER HEAT HANDS.

Money, Cards, and in One Instance Arsenic. "Many curious objects are found under the bands and in the lining of hats," said a dealer of old clothes the other day.

On one occasion found a five-pound note in an old top-hat lining, and on another occasion, on looking a black cloth hatband of a wretched looking hillycock, I found \$110 in "American greenbacks".

And then, as to visiting cards, we find them every day. In this way I find that some of the wretched old tiles we have bought have at some time been used by the aristocracy of nobles, lords, statesmen and great financiers.

Some late gossip about the Pope says that he takes an keen interest in mundane affairs. In the evening his favorite secretary, Mgr. Angel, goes to his bed room with the day's newspapers and reads aloud, sometimes late into the night, while the Pope sits on the bed, enveloped in woolen wraps, and follows the reader attentively.

Underwriters Association Meets. The third annual meeting of the Life Underwriters' Association was held in room A, Board of Trade Building, on Saturday, Jan. 28. There was a good attendance of members present.

Mr. Richard Lewis, the well-known reader, will give this evening at the Y.M.C.A. Stukopfer class some renderings of special passages. The work of the class for this evening will be the second set of "Macbeth," which play will be taken up regularly from week to week until it is finished.

A Dinner Pill—Many persons suffer excruciating agony after partaking of a hearty dinner. The food particles are not properly digested, and instead of being a healthy nutriment, they become a source of pain.

Mr. William Carroll of English has been appointed County Court clerk for the County of Wellington in the place of the late Mr. Honoh, deceased.

FOOTLIGHT AND FOYER.

The Amusements Which are Announced for the Week. To-night Miss Marie Walcott will begin her week's engagement at the Grand Opera House with a brilliant revival of that most amusing of all comedies, "The School for Scandal".

Probably the greatest hit that has ever been seen in the theatre at the Muse is the mammoth company of English vaudeville stars headed by the great and only Riley & Wolf, who appear this week.

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Notes. "Ermine" will begin opera up at the Grand Opera House this evening. The German music this evening will be the first of a series of operas which will be given at the Grand Opera House.

Married All the Year. The first place in the list of those who have married early and married often was taken by Lady Elizabeth Darcey, the daughter of Thomas Earl Rivers, and second of the curious coincidence attending her marriage.

The Grand Sixties Over. New Hayes, Conn., Jan. 28.—After a bitter fight that has lasted nine months and has kept 400 men out of work most of that time, the granite cutters of the big Stony Creek quarries will probably return to work Monday.

Honorably Acquitted. LONDON, Jan. 28.—Frank St. Quinton Cockburn, a son of a former Speaker of the House of Commons at Ottawa, was tried at the London Assizes yesterday by a charge of illegally passing some silverplate. He was honorably acquitted.

Almost Destroyed by Fire. CHICAGO, Jan. 28.—The six-story building at 62 to 68 Canal street was almost destroyed by fire this morning.

A. L. Williams is suing Allen & Co., Emily H. Allen and Charles W. Allen of North Toronto for \$100,000 damages for libel.

Local Jottings. A delegation from Montreal inspected the steam plant of the Toronto & North York Railway Company Saturday.

Dr. Young has been appointed as chairman of the physician on the staff of the Y.M.C.A. in place of Dr. Avion, resigned.

Messrs. Duvernet & Jones, barristers, etc., have returned from 18 Toronto-west to the Building & Loan Chambers, 15 Toronto-west.

A. J. Connell, 7 Hackney-street, was arrested at 7:00 o'clock yesterday morning by P.C. Dixon. He is charged with endeavoring to effect an entrance into J. O'Neil's provision store.

The members of the League of the Cross attended communion in a body yesterday morning. At the regular service addresses were given by Rev. J. H. O'Neil, Rev. C. H. Cahill, Wallbridge, Fox, Mogan and Sutherland.

The house of John Garnett, negro, 100 Alber-street, was raided under the supervision of Inspector Hall Saturday night. Alamy Garnett, Julia Lyons and Kate Berryman were arrested as inmates, and four male frequenters were also apprehended on the premises.

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"German Syrup"

The majority of well-read physicians now believe that Consumption is a germ disease. In other words, instead of being in the constitution itself it is caused by innumerable small creatures living in the lungs having no business there and eating them away as caterpillars do the leaves of trees.

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