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The surplus of the Western Union Telegraph Company has risen, as shown by the report just issued, to \$13,619,000.

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The type-writer is more largely used in Mexico than in France. Tattling is now done with a needle driven by electricity.

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### LONDON AND DISTRICT

—Mr. Finlay Marshall, of 191 Mill street, is seriously ill in Victoria Hospital.

—It would puzzle the Groundhog—or Mr. Bruin either—to see his shadow today.

—Mr. and Mrs. Barkwell, Indian Head, are visiting Mrs. Barkwell's sister, Mrs. Anderson, 674 Dufferin avenue.

—The London and Western Trusts Company has been appointed administrator (with will annexed) of the estate of the late Matthias Hovey, of St. Thomas.

—His Lordship Bishop McEvay, accompanied by Rev. Father Aylward, left yesterday for St. Augustine, north of Goderich, to dedicate a new Catholic church there.

—The best walking is where the work of the snowplow (which leaves a little snow on the pavement) is supplemented by the stroller, who squares off the furrow that the plow has made.

—Some time since Mr. Chris Downey, of East London, had the misfortune to

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A large stock of unset stones to select from. Lowest prices for quality.  
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To open a savings account at beginning of year, but that is no reason you should not do so now.

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140 and 142  
Richmond Street. M.H. Rowland, Manager.

get a quantity of mortar in his eyes, and for a time it was feared he would lose his eyesight. An operation has been performed, however, and Mr. Downey is progressing nicely.

—Miss Bessie Francis, of this city, is among the visitors in Hamilton this week.

—Mr. T. H. Smallman is confined to his home at "Waverly," South London, suffering from the grip.

—Fred J. Parsons, formerly of Lobo, and now of Los Angeles, Cal., is not the Fred Parsons who figured in the Caradoc cattle-stealing case.

### SERGEANTS' DINNER.

The sergeants and sergeants of the Seventh Regiment Fusiliers will hold their annual dinner at the Trencham House on Friday evening, Feb. 12th.

### ANOTHER GUESS.

Mr. Joseph Heighington, the well-known Toronto lawyer, will be appointed to the county judgeship at London, which has been vacated by the retirement of Judge Elliot.

### FORMER LONDONER DEAD.

Mr. Phil Hart, one of the best-known residents of Brantford, who for 14 years had been connected with the inland revenue department there, is dead. He was 52 years of age, and was born in this city, at one time residing on Queen's avenue, near the Princess Rink.

### INVESTIGATION ORDERED.

Mr. J. S. Coppin, of Mitchell, license inspector, has been instructed by the provincial license department, to investigate the charges of a party who was by Toronto and London travelers against two hotels of St. Mary's—the Windsor and Grand Central.

### DEATH AT MELODIE.

The death of Mrs. James O. Clare took place at Melrose yesterday. The deceased, who was in her 35th year, was the only daughter of William Tucker, Lobo. The funeral will take place tomorrow at 1:30 p.m., with service at Melrose.

### NEW POSTOFFICE BOX FRONT.

The London postoffice public lobby looks quite spruce with its brand-new lock boxes and lock drawers. With new boxes and new keys, the convenience of the public and the promptness of the service will be promoted, at the same time that the appearance of the public lobby is much enhanced.

### A POSSIBLE CANDIDATE.

The Toronto News of Monday says: "It is stated upon good authority that Mr. Thomas Smallman, of London, will be offered the Conservative nomination for that city in the coming Dominion elections. It is understood Major Thomas Smallman, P. M. H., has the nomination if he desires it; but it is understood he is unwilling to accept."

### HARTLEY REMANDED.

James J. Hartley, who was arrested yesterday charged by the Singer Sewing Machine Company with stealing, was arraigned in the police court this morning, but was remanded a week before being asked to plead since the low who stole his brother's coat was sent to jail for a month, and a few first-offense intakes were sent their way rejoicing.

### COMPANY LOST.

The Canadian Birkbeck Investment and Savings Company of London was yesterday morning ordered by Mr. Justice Ferguson, at Toronto, to transfer on their books the shares of their stock sold by Mr. F. W. Murray to Mr. George McKinn. The company refused to make the transfer on the ground that they had a lien on these shares, which were paid up, for the amount which remained unpaid on seven other shares held by Mr. Murray. His lordship holds that the company must make the transfer as requested.

### MR. McNEILL'S SUCCESS.

At the eighth annual exhibition of pet stock, held under the auspices of the National Fanciers' and Breeders' Association, at Tattersalls, from Jan. 25 to 29, Miss Canada again asserted her prowess over old Uncle Sam. Among the 3,000 poultry entries, the display of McNeill and Oke, London, Ont., was by far the best and most attractive, both in breeding and in general appearance. Mr. McNeill carried off first prizes and 13 second prizes back with him to London, where everything is of the first water. His birds were a fine lot and certainly deserved the honors they won. Mr. McNeill certainly added to the honors of Canadians and Canadian products in foreign parts.

### GIFTS TO THE HOME.

There was a good attendance at the monthly board meeting of the Convalescent Home on Monday, the treasurer reporting that she had been enabled to pay the contractor's account for the repairs to the home, all but \$48. She desired to acknowledge gratefully the following sums received since the last meeting: Mr. and Mrs. Adam Beck, \$5; Mrs. John Puddicombe, \$5; collected by Mrs. Edg. St. John, \$5; second donation, \$2; Miss Millie Harris, \$5; Mr. J. Macklin, \$3. The board desired to make a grateful acknowledgment of these and all previous donations, and would plead for help in sums, however small, to wipe out this more immediate pressing claim, upon the funds.

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To clear up our stock before stock-taking, we are offering all our furs at prices which we feel sure will sell them. Come EARLY and get the selection.

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of carpet, matting, curtains, etc., will be thickly received by the matron. Some olivette, a pair of curtains and some table requisites sent in by friends most acceptable addition to the comfort of the home.

## ENTERTAINED GARDENERS

### Banquet Tendered by Messrs Darch & Hunter.

Toasts and Music Make a Pleasant Evening—Co-Operation Advocated.

The gardeners of London district had a sociable gathering last night as guests of the progressive firm of seedsmen, Messrs. Darch & Hunter, of this city. The banquet was held at a downtown restaurant, and the speeches were heard by a large and appreciative audience. The supper was an exceedingly delightful one, and the attendance was surprisingly large, some coming from points several miles distant.

At the conclusion of the menu, the toast list was read. The first toast was "The Gardeners' Association," proposed by Mr. A. G. Stephens gave a well-received song, and a number of selections by the Kenwick Male Quartet were very pleasing. The toast to "The Gardeners' Association" was responded to by Messrs. W. C. Blinn, N. Belyea, C. W. Baker, Brooks and E. J. Jean. "The Fruit Growers" were represented by Messrs. W. C. Blinn, N. Belyea, C. W. Baker, Brooks and E. J. Jean. Those who answered for "The Florists" were Messrs. Wm. Gammage, George Dicks and C. Bennett, while to the toast of "The Market Gardeners' Association" the following responded: Messrs. A. C. Johnston, president; Thomas Davis, secretary; Thomas Ball, James Davis, Moulton and Mills. The tenor of the various speeches, which coming like a series of revelations, good work could be done by united effort in the association.

All had expressed their appreciation of their entertainers and a hearty toast was drunk to Messrs. Darch & Hunter, with cheers. Mr. Hunter and Mr. Darch replied, the latter pointing out to them how co-operation in industry meant success, and advocating the gardeners, florists and fruit growers coming like the dairymen of Ontario hand in hand.

After a toast to "the press," and to the caterers, the guests sang the Maple Leaf, and one of the most enjoyable evenings the gardeners ever participated in was concluded at midnight with the National Anthem.

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Rheumatism is welcome to this office. For years I have been looking for a specific for rheumatism. For nearly 20 years I worked to this end. At last, I found a costly chemical that did not disappoint. My search was rewarded. I found a costly chemical that did not disappoint. My search was rewarded. I found a costly chemical that did not disappoint. My search was rewarded.

I do not mean that Dr. Shoop's Rheumatic Cure can turn bone joints into flesh again. That is impossible. But it will make the joints supple and free from pain and swelling, and then that is the end of rheumatism. I know this from my own experience. I know this from the experience of my patients. I know this from the experience of my patients.

My faith is but the outcome of experience—of actual knowledge. I know that I can do. And I know this so well that I will furnish my remedy on trial. Simply write me a postal for my book on rheumatism. I will then arrange with a druggist in your vicinity, so that you can secure six bottles of Dr. Shoop's Rheumatic Cure to make the test. You may take it a full month on trial. If it fails the loss is mine and mine alone. It will be left entirely to you. I mean that exactly. I do not expect a penny from you.

Write me, and I will send you the book. Try my remedy for a month. If it fails the loss is mine. I mean that exactly. I do not expect a penny from you.

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## CARNIVAL GREAT SUCCESS

### Manhattan Club Annual at the Jubilee Rink.

Names of the Prize Winners and Also Those in Costume.

The Manhattan Club carnival, held at the Jubilee Rink last night, was a brilliant affair. The rink was handsomely decorated with flags, bunting and Chinese lanterns, and Tony Vita's well-known orchestra furnished excellent music all evening. The selections were from well-known operas, etc., and received liberal applause. The ice was in grand condition, and the hundreds of skaters in every kind of costume from natty to grotesque, formed a beautiful picture as they glided around. The judges were Messrs. William Portwood, M. J. Gilligan and George Black, and they awarded prizes as follows:

Best dressed couple, Miss Ames and A. Keene; best dressed lady, Miss Westhead; best dressed gentleman, Mr. Bowley; best dressed boy, Alfred Leudemann; best dressed girl, Gladys Pinch; best comic costume, C. Johnston; best "Weary Willie," George Redford.

Among those in costume were the following: Miss Ames, Red Riding Hood; A. Keene, Spanish Prince; Mr. Bowley, Duke of Burgundy; Alfred Leudemann, Louis XVII.; Gladys Pinch, Dolly Varden; C. Johnston, Fat woman; George Redford, Weary Willie; H. Snider, Robin Hood; F. Irwin, Weary Willie; E. Reynolds, flower girl; L. Harrison, Canadian; Miss Little Girls in Blue; A. Leudemann, Prince Alfred; J. Ball, Queen of Stars; W. Whitton, page; W. Needham, Weary Willie; R. Burgess, Red Cross nurse; M. Heatherfield, prince; M. McIntyre, yellow girl; Miss Perkins, Red Riding Hood; L. Harrison, Canadian; Miss Smith, Spanish Maiden; Miss Karn, spring; Mr. Dean, Uncle Sam; Harry Boss, Charlie Ross; F. Moore, Henry VIII.; W. Pratt, policeman; Mr. Pinch, jester; W. Lorne, clown; N. Nopper, colored man; F. Rumball, William Tell; M. Rombé, A. Philpott, tramp; A. Poulton, Turk; George Howell, sailor; W. Tibbe, policeman; W. Dixon, baseball player.

## FOR LICENSE REDUCTION

### South London Delegation Wait On Westminster Council.

Want Number of Hotels Reduced—The Council's Reply.

A delegation composed of Messrs. John Macpherson, Charles Talbot and Mr. Cameron, representing the people of South London, waited on the Westminster Township council, to ask for a reduction in the hotel licenses of the township. After hearing the delegation, the council promised consideration.

The council further intimated to the delegation that if they had any guarantee that the license commissioners would be able to cut off the two hotels referred to by Rev. J. G. Stuart, they would have no hesitation in agreeing to reduce the number of hotels to four.

The delegation will, it is understood, wait upon the license commissioner at once, as suggested by the council.

## THE GROUNDHOG LEGEND

### What May Happen If He Sees His Shadow Today.

Origin of the Notion Which is 2,000 Years Old.

The weather-wise people profess to believe in the groundhog and his prophesying power. They avow with great solemnity that this little animal emerging from the nest at the bottom of his winter quarters on the morning of Feb. 2, and takes a look about him. If on that auspicious morning he catches a glimpse of a black shadow behind him he makes all haste to be back in his warm nest of leaves for another nap of six weeks. If, however, the skies are cloudy and he fails to see even the faintest show of a shadow he makes preparations for his spring work, shakes off his lethargy and begins to live once more.

There are great many people who believe in the groundhog and groundhog day, and they watch the day with anxious interest, especially when the day is so near. They get some idea of just how much more money they must spend before they begin to buy ice instead of fuel. All believers in the groundhog agree as to his manner of foretelling the weather, but they do not agree as to the time when he appears. Some tenaciously cling to the idea that the little animal makes his survey on Feb. 2, while others as tenaciously hold that he comes up to take a weather squint on Feb. 14, or on St. Valentine's Day.

The only way to settle the matter is to delve back into folklore and mythology, when it is really seen that Feb. 2 is the true groundhog day. But it is quite easy to see how the people have become confused in their dates. Our ancestors were in the habit of keeping two high old feasts during the month of February. They borrowed these festivities from the Romans, who conquered England about the time of the birth of Christ. The first feast was in honor of Februs, mother of Mars, and the second was in honor of Lupercalia, which occurred on Feb. 15. There was much feasting on both these days, and the celebration of Lupercalia was regarded as the most important of the two. It was as possible for the roystering participants to make them.

Februs day was considered the turning point of winter, and on that day a great quantity of candles were burned. At Lupercalia it was thought that the animals mated, and the custom of drawing names whereby single men obtained wives was widely prevalent. The feast was in honor of fertility, and it was thought that unions formed on that day were particularly fruitful ones.

When Europe became Christianized the masses of the people were determined to keep up their feasting on the two great days. But the religious leaders saw that it would not do to let them pay reverence to heathen gods, so they hit upon a happy expedient. In the place of Februs day they appointed a feast of the church called Candlemas, and Lupercalia was changed to St. Valentine's Day. The people, however, still persisted upon processions and burning candles on that day, and the drawing

## BLAME ATTACHED TO NO PERSON FOR DEATH OF CHARLES TEMPLE

### Verdict Returned in Case of Hyde Park Man Who Was Fatally Injured On C. P. R.

"That the said Charles Temple, of the Township of London, came to his death by being struck and dragged along the track by an engine on the Canadian Pacific Railway in the said Township of London, about half a mile west of O'Brien's crossing, while walking on the Canadian Pacific Railway right of way on the 24th of January last, and we find no blame attaches to anyone in the matter," signed J. T. Owen, foreman.

The above was the verdict rendered by the jury, which met last night in the police station to investigate the death of Charles Temple, of Hyde Park. The medical testimony was first taken. Dr. W. M. English gave evidence to the effect that the deceased showed a wound six inches long and two inches deep. Death was due to slow bleeding. Dr. A. Thompson corroborated Dr. English's testimony.

Wm. Chapman, a maltster at Carling's brewery, testified that Temple, who worked with him, was at the brewery on the Sunday and that the deceased did not indulge in intoxicants.

Thomas Gatecliff was the next witness. He had seen deceased leave the brewery Sunday, Jan. 24, between 5 and 5:15 p.m. Deceased had been very steady.

Jonah McKelrick, whose duties were to light the lamps on the C. P. R.

through to London, swore he knew the deceased, and had seen him going along the C. P. R. track back of the brewery about halfpast five. He had heard an engine, but it was probably after 6 o'clock.

The next witness was James McAlister, an engineer on the C. P. R., who recollected going west on the 24th of January. He left the city station a few minutes after 6 o'clock. They just had an engine and tender, going backward. Nearly two miles west of the station, witness struck deceased about 6:15, so that they were not going very far. Witness had not seen deceased on track, as there was a storm at the time, and it was difficult to see very far. When deceased was struck witness heard a shout and looked toward the fireman. Seeing it was not the fireman witness shut off steam. They were going about ten miles an hour when the accident occurred. Another shout was heard and witness brought the engine to a standstill. The fireman then saw a man on the track. Deceased had apparently been picked along on the snow about 30 yards by the wheel of the tender. Witness took the victim to London East station as quickly as possible. There was a bullseye light on the rear of the tender, which could have been mistaken for a headlight. Witness always looks for anybody or anything on the tracks, especially at crossings.

Fireman Frederick Howay concurred with the engineer's evidence. The testimony of Philip Groves and James Prince, Hyde Park, was taken. They had seen the blood on the snow about a mile from the station, but did not know there was an accident until they saw it in the papers.

The jury went out and returned their verdict as above.

## THE EARLY LAYING OF A SECOND WATER MAIN TO SPRINGBANK

### Urged by Mr. Pocock—Use of River Water Advocated by Commissioner Jones.

Water Commissioner Pocock wants the board to take immediate steps to lay a second main to Springbank.

Mayor Beck is not willing to have this done until it is found that there is a sufficient supply of water there, falling off, but the mayor is willing to have another examination of the springs.

Commissioner Jones goes farther. He is willing to have a second main to Springbank, if the people vote for it, but he advocates in preference the using of river water, against which Commissioner Pocock is directly opposed.