

MEDICAL.

DRS. AGAR & AGAR—Physicians and Surgeons, successors to Dr. F. E. King Street, West Chatham, Ont. Dr. J. S. Agar. Dr. Mary Agar.

LODGES.

WELLINGTON Lodge, No. 46, A. F. & A. M. G. R. C., meets on the first Monday of every month, in the Masonic Hall, Fifth St., at 7:30 p.m. Visiting brethren heartily welcomed.

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A. E. JEWETT, W. M.

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To pay off mortgages. To buy property. Pay when desired. Very lowest rate.
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I have for sale two acres, more or less, of part lot 16, concession 5, in the Township of Dover, east of Balldon street, owned by William H. Bohnke.

I also have money to loan at the lowest rate.
HENRY DAGNEAU.

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Is something absolutely unique in this world. President Roosevelt. The popular route to this delightful spot is via Union Pacific to Monida, thence by stage to all points in the park.

The stage ride from Monida, by the splendid Concord Coaches of the Monida & Yellowstone Stage Co., through scenery hardly inferior to the park itself.

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If you want to buy a good house and lot call upon Smith & Smith, as they have several good houses for sale from \$550 up. They also have private and company funds to loan on farm and city property at lowest rate of interest.

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THE CAUSE OF WOMAN'S TROUBLES

Is Diseased Kidneys and the Cure is Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Wonderful Cure of Mrs. James Kin-sella, Who Slept in a Chair for Two Summers—What She Says Of It.

St. Malachie, Que., March 20.—(Special.)—A cure of great interest to women has attracted the attention of those interested in medical matters in this neighborhood. Mrs. Jas. Kin-sella, wife of a well known citizen, had suffered from a complication of troubles for about two years. She had a pain in the right hip, in the back and was obliged to pass water every fifteen minutes. Burning, itching sort of way. She could not sleep at night and had to sit up in a chair for two summers.

Dodd's Kidney Pills cured her. Mrs. Kin-sella speaking of her cure says: "After the first box of Dodd's Kidney Pills I felt much better. Then I got more and they did me a world of good. I have never slept in my chair since I used Dodd's Kidney Pills."

Woman's health depends on her kidneys. Nine-tenths of the so-called female complaints are caused by diseased kidneys. Cure your kidneys with Dodd's Kidney Pills and you can have no uric acid in the blood.

Six Great Men.

From 1730 to 1830 is the most memorable period in modern history. Six great men made their marks—Napoleon, whose chief feature was ambition; Nelson, courage; Washington, independence; Wellington, thoroughness; Pitt, statesmanship; and George Stephenson, ingenuity. Washington and Nelson have secured the affection of posterity, Washington and Stephenson have done the most for mankind. Wellington enjoys the respect of all, Pitt has our admiration, and Napoleon will forever excite the wonder of the world. Napoleon endeavored to remodel Europe, George Stephenson succeeded in doing so. Washington and Stephenson together had independence, observation and ingenuity—the three qualities which are of the most service to humanity.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh of the bladder which cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

FRANK J. CHENEY.
Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

A. W. GLEASON,
Notary Public.
Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by all Druggists, 75c.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

A Northern Venice.
The old city of Ghent, Belgium, is built on twenty-six islands, which are connected with one another by eighty bridges. Three hundred streets and thirty public squares are contained in these islands. Ghent is famous because Charles V. and John of Gaunt were born there. It has been the scene of many treaties, insurrections and revolts, and it was there the treaty was made terminating the war of 1812 between this country and England.

DEAD SICK OF ASTHMA!

You couldn't be otherwise with such a distressing malady. Well, for one dollar spent on "Catarrhoxone" you can be thoroughly cured. Foolish as you may think, Catarrhoxone grows worse. Get Catarrhoxone today and cure yourself; it's pleasant to use, very simple, and guaranteed. Prescribed by thousands of doctors and used by people of nine nations. Certainly Catarrhoxone must be good; it hasn't failed yet, no matter how chronic the case.

An Accurate Marksmen.
Accuracy is one of the best business accomplishments. However, it is seldom drawn to a finer point than in the following story, taken from the Chicago Journal:

During the bombardment of Alexandria in 1882 Lord Charles Bessborough asked a gunner if he could hit a man who was on the fort. The gunner replied: "Aye, aye, sir!" "Then hit him in the eye," said Lord Bessborough. He was surprised when the gunner inquired: "Which eye, sir?"

VALUABLE ADVICE TO MOTHERS

If your child comes in from play coughing or showing evidences of a gripe, sore throat, or sickness of any kind, get out your bottle of Nerviline. Rub the chest and neck with Nerviline, and give internal doses of ten drops of Nerviline in sweetened water every two hours. This will prevent any serious trouble. No liment or pain reliever equals Nerviline. Nerviline, which has been the great family remedy in Canada for the past fifty years. Try a 25c. bottle of Nerviline.

Flattery is the salt on the tail of vanity.

BIG HARVEST OF PEARLS.

In Caylon Three Thousand Divers Secure Forty-One Million Oysters in Thirty-Eight Days.

Few Crown colonies, says The London Standard, are blessed with as business-like and enterprising an administration as Ceylon, and year by year the surplus revenue increases. One source of income is the pearl, and last year, after an interval of twelve years, a fishery was held at Marichchikaddi, on the northwest coast, and in thirty-eight working days 41,180,137 oysters were fished. Though the Government is supposed to have two-thirds of the harvest, the divers and merchants derived great profit. Divers come from Tuticorin, Keelakart, Mandapam and Paumben, in India, and from Erukelampdi, in the Mannar District, and a few men from Galle and Jaffna. There were 280 boats and about 3,000 divers at Marichchikaddi. The merchants came from all parts of India and Ceylon, and from Arabia-Persia and Cashmere, according to a Colonial Office report, the trade in pearls was very brisk, and the prices paid were unprecedented. This is chiefly owing to the fact that no fishery had been held in Ceylon since 1891, and to the demand in the Indian and British markets.

Although the profit accruing to the Government from these pearl fisheries is large, it has been argued that it might be considerably enhanced if the present stereotyped methods of fishing and washing the pearls were superseded by a far more modern system. To present the native divers, having got their oysters, weigh anchor, and after a run of some hours' duration reach the shore, where their loads—theoretically the whole of their loads—are divided into three equal shares, of which they take one and the Government takes two. Theoretically, therefore, the Government gets two-thirds of a share of the profits of the fishery, and the natives get one-third. But, as a matter of fact, it is known that during the hours of the run in from the banks to shore the divers and crews of their boats are busily engaged in extracting as many pearls as time permits, and even when the shore is reached, and these opportunities for extraction come to an end, the crowd and bustle are so great that, despite every precaution, it is certain that a few entire boat loads, or parts of others, escape being submitted to purification.

Consequently, in the opinion of the most experienced Government officials the actual share of profit on the fishery obtained by the Government is not two-thirds but one-half. Even this half is, however, only the gross profit, as from it has to be deducted the cost of the construction and upkeep of the very extensive camp. It is, therefore, obvious that a system which would leave all the oysters in the hands of the Government would be greatly to the advantage of the revenue.

King Honors Hero.

The King has conferred the Albert Medal of the first-class upon Mr. Albert V. Hardwick of Muswell Hill, for exceptional bravery displayed at Finsbury Park Railway Station on December 21, says The Daily Express.

The deed for which Mr. Hardwick is thus honored occurred during the dense fog which lasted for some days before Christmas. He was one of a large crowd of passengers waiting for a much-delayed train at Finsbury Park Station. The train was just drawing up in the station when a woman was seen to fall on the line. The engine was only 20 yards away.

Without a moment's hesitation Mr. Hardwick jumped on the line. With extraordinary presence of mind, he pulled the woman between the rails, and then, holding her down by the head, threw himself flat beside her.

The train passed over both without inflicting any injury to either the man or the woman. An effort was made by the Home Secretary to obtain the Royal Humane Society's Medal for Mr. Hardwick, but this was refused. Then the Council petitioned the King. His Majesty bestowed the Albert Medal—the "V. C." of private life—upon Mr. Hardwick. The Mayor of Hornsey has announced that he had received a letter from the Home Secretary, stating that the King had acceded to the request.

Mr. Spurgeon's Dream.

Mr. Spurgeon had a dream. He thought he went up to the gates of Heaven and there he saw a great company of men marching through the gates into the city. On each of the men they were that received such plaudits of welcome he was told that they were the Apostles and their successors.

"But," said Spurgeon, "I never was an apostle or a martyr!"

Soon there was another vast procession that passed through the gates. Then he was informed that vast multitude led by Zacharias and Mary Magdalene were the sinners that had confessed the name of Jesus.

The great preacher said that in his dream he exclaimed to the angel: "Thank God, I can enter Heaven with the sinners!"

A Peter Pan Story.

While Mr. Barrie was composing his delightful "Peter Pan" he went to a children's supper party, says The London Chronicle. Among the guests was a little boy whose healthy appetite provoked from his mother the pleading threat: "You will be ill to-night." "No, mother, not till to-morrow," was the calm response of the contented creature of the moment. It caught and pleased the ear of Mr. Barrie, who put it into his play, and promised to the juvenile joint-author a happy penny royalty upon every performance. In the case of so prosperous a piece, this payment should Peter-pan out to a little fortune for a little boy.

Love Laughed at Distances.
A few months ago the parents of a young lady, living near Llanelli, Carmarthenshire, resented very much the fact that a young officer intended to become their son-in-law, and appealed in vain to their daughter to break off the engagement. Failing in this they sent her to America, hoping that the separation would have the desired effect. It has since transpired that the circumstances were entirely reversed. The young lady returned to Wales a few days ago, and meeting her lover, they were married by special license at the Llanelli Registrar's office.

SUPERIOR MERIT

Remarkable Curative Properties of a Remedy for Indigestion and Stomach Weakness.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, a preparation for the cure of dyspepsia and the various forms of indigestion and stomach trouble, owes its great success as a cure for these troubles to the fact that it is prepared for disease and weakness of the stomach and digestive organs only, and is not recommended or advised for any other disease.

It is not a cure-all, but for any stomach trouble it is undoubtedly the safest, most sensible remedy that can be advised with the prospect of a permanent cure. It is prepared in tablet form, pleasant to taste, composed of vegetable and fruit essences, pure pepsin and Golden Seal, every one of which put into it containing the food eaten, thereby resting and invigorating the weak stomach; rest is nature's cure for any disease, but you cannot rest the stomach unless you put into it something that will do its work or assist in the digestion of food.

That is exactly what Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets do, one grain of the digestive principle contained in them will digest 3,000 grains of meat, eggs or similar wholesome foods, they will digest the food whether the stomach is in working order or not, thereby nourishing the body and resting the stomach at the same time and rest and nourishment is nature's cure for any weakness.

In persons run down in flesh and appetite these tablets build up the strength and increase flesh, because they digest flesh-forming food which the weak stomach cannot do, they increase the flow of gastric juice and prevent fermentation, acidity and sour watery risings.

Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets can be found at all drug stores at 50 cents per package.

His Queer Question.

Mudge—What an aggravating habit Wirek has of answering a question by asking another! Xabsley—I never noticed it. Mudge—Now, for instance, last night I asked him if he would lend me \$10. He didn't say whether he could or not, but asked me if I took him for a fool.

RADIANT WOMANHOOD.

The glory and satisfaction of beautiful womanhood can be known only to those possessing the unlimited advantages of health. No weak woman can be happy or enjoy half the pleasures of life. Pallid cheeks, sunken eyes, exhausted nerves, all tell of a terrible struggle to keep up. When the weak woman needs is Ferrozone; it renews, restores and vitalizes instantly—it's a "woman's remedy." Ferrozone makes women strong, plump and healthy because it contains lots of nutriment, the kind that forms muscle, sinew, bone and nerve. Vitalizing blood-courses through the body, making delicate, glowing spirits, true womanly strength. Fifty cents buys a box of Ferrozone in any drug store.

Canadiana Love a Lord.

"There appears to be one temptation in democracy," said Mr. Colquhoun in his talk at the Canadian Club in Toronto, "which democrats cannot resist, and that is to be slapped on the shoulder by a real live English lord. It is sometimes said that that treaty was doctored through on champagne. That statement is based on a casual remark in a letter from Lord Elgin's secretary, in which he said that champagne in the hands of a skillful diplomat was not without its use."

A PERSISTENT BACKACHE.

Can have but one cause—diseased kidneys, which must be eradicated before backache can be cured. Why not use Dr. Hamilton's Pills? They cure the kidneys quick, make them strong and able to filter disease—breeding poison from the blood. At once you feel better, stronger, brighter. Kidney health is guaranteed to every user of Dr. Hamilton's Pills. Get a 25c. box from your druggist, and refuse substitutes.

Lifted.

City Council—Now, you farmers don't have the trouble of house hunting like city folk. Kansas Uncle—Don't eh? Well, I've been hunting for a house that the cyclone carried away for two years, and I haven't found it yet—Chicago News.

Just a Hint.

Reggie—A-a-h. Miss Merrileigh, speaking of conundrums, do you know—a-a—the difference between a fiancée and a fiancier? She—Is there any? There shouldn't be, Reggie.

MESSRS. C. C. RICHARDS & CO. Gentlemen,—My three children were dangerously low with diphtheria. On the advice of our priest my wife began the use of MINARD'S LIMENT. In two hours they were greatly relieved, and in five days they were completely well, and I firmly believe your valuable Liment saved the lives of my children.

Gratefully yours,

ADILARD LEFEVRE.

Mair's Mills, 10th June, '99.

The man who has a commendable and rarely appreciates it.

Monkey Brand Soap removes all stains, rust, dirt or tarish—but won't wash clothes.

The grudge truth is better than the most cultured lie.

HABITANTS' BIG FAMILIES.

Over 12,000 Women in Quebec With More Than Twelve Children—Recorded by the State.

There are not less than twelve thousand heads of French-Canadian families in the Province of Quebec who have a family of twelve children or more, and entitled to a gift of one hundred acres of land from the Provincial Government.

The French-Canadian farmers, or habitants as they are generally called, are a very prolific race, but when the law was passed in the Legislature in 1890, by the late Hon. H. Mercier, in order to create a new popularity for himself and his Government, he never for a moment calculated that the number of parents was so great, or it is questionable if he would have entertained the idea of passing a measure that is now based upon such much concern by his living successors in office.

The law providing one hundred acres of Crown lands decided to every parent who can prove that he or she has twelve legitimate living children, now proving an incubus to the Parent Government, on account of the thousands who are applying for the right, and the thousands yet to be satisfied in this respect. The French-Canadian farmers, many young, and as they are a strong, healthy race of people, the percentage of families with twelve children in their parents' families is indeed very large. The fathers of these interesting families were not long in discovering this established right to a lot of land, and as they invariably choose the land they are entitled to in the vicinity of their own homes, from timber preservatives purchased by lumber merchants for the wood thereon, and which they are bound to relinquish by the terms of their purchase when the land is claimed for settlement, notwithstanding that the limit-holder has paid the price of his purchase to the Government, the latter naturally are very much exercised over the law.

The fathers of twelve children, in the meantime, who have come forward during the past fourteen years, to claim their one hundred acres have become so numerous that up to June 1904, no less than 3,400 received their claim, and since then another thousand have applied, and every month brings in from one to two hundred applicants to have their claims investigated by the officials of the Crown Lands Department. The tax on the limit-holders who are called upon to give up land from their timber lands has become so great that they are in a quandary how to protect their interests, especially as the claimant has the right to choose his one hundred acres wherever he wishes to, from Government limits under lease for the wood they contain, by the limit-seller. The applications became so numerous last year that the lumber merchants were seized with serious alarm, and waited in a body on the Government to protect them.

Premier Parent, who is Administrator of the Crown Lands Department, gave the question his study and in a desire to protect the interests of both parties, last session amended the law, which now allows the heads of families to choose between accepting \$50 in cash in lieu of the one hundred acres of land they are entitled to, the money to be found by the limit-holder, and in return the Government guarantees the latter that the same lot of land is reserved from settlement for a term of fifteen years. The Government and the limit-holders were convinced that this new arrangement would, in a large measure, remove the vexatious difficulty, but they soon learned that they had only created a new demand from another unthought-of direction.

Previous to the amendment of the law there existed a large number of heads of families who had twelve living children, who would not take the trouble to claim the one hundred acres, but just as soon as they heard that they could obtain \$50 in cash instead, they lost no time in coming forward with their claim. The result is, the Government is now overwhelmed with the demands of twelve or more children, who demand the favor that the Government official, who has charge of the investigation and settlement of these claims, states that besides the land allotted to 3,400 claimants up to June last, he has paid the sum of \$34,000 to others who have accepted the \$50 in place of the land, and will require another \$100,000 to pay off the balance before the situation is eased. This money, he said, is collected from the limit-holders, who in return retain their limits against settlement for fifteen years. The result is that the Government is also the owner of the land, and the limit-holders are not less than twelve thousand families in the Province of Quebec comprising twelve and more children in each family circle.

He Was a Canuck.

While H. I. H. Prince Salsauru Fushimi was in the city recently, says The New York Times, one of his suite, a nobleman who speaks English perfectly, desired to test for himself the theory that the humor of the American workman is quick and very often witty.

"I stood on a car platform," said he, "and the weather was really very cold. The conductor had his collar turned up. I spoke to him to test the theory."

"The warm weather we're having," I said, "I shall have to get out my thin clothes in the morning."

"He looked me for a moment square in the eye. Then with a faint smile he said soberly: 'Gure, I wanted to go down to the island for a swim this evening, but the company said I might catch cold if I did, so they made me work. Step up in front, please!'"

"You can't imagine my delight. I was so pleased with the fellow that when I got a chance to speak to him again I asked his birthplace."

"He" he said, "I'm a Canuck—French father, Canadian mother. I was born in New York about three months ago, down from Winnipeg. Why, think I was an American?"

The nobleman has made no experiments since.

One Fact Favors Dr. Osler.

It is a fact in favor of Dr. Osler's contention that in England all civil servants may claim voluntary retirement at 60, and that it is compulsory at 65. And the result of English experience is that the service is the better for the rule, the propriety of which is only illustrated, as the Doctor says, by some few remarkable individuals.



Severe Chest Colds And Painful Coughs Demand Prompt and Active Treatment.

The great danger in troubles of this class is "delay." Don't neglect a Cough or Cold, it can have but one result. It leaves the throat or lungs, or both, affected—Bronchitis, Pneumonia, Asthma, Catarrh and Consumption will surely follow the neglect to cure. The first dose of

DR. WOOD'S NORWAY PINE SYRUP

will ease the cough, soothe the inflamed throat and loosen the phlegm.

Mrs. Joseph Paradis, Blackwell, Ont., writes:—I had such a bad cold I could hardly breathe. I noticed Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup advertised, so had my husband get me two bottles—I had only used one before I was cured. I recommended it to a friend, and two bottles cured her after other remedies had failed—we both kept it in the house now and would not be without it. It is the best cough medicine I have ever taken."

Price 25 cents per bottle.

The man who does the little things well is always ready to do the big things better.

When a man has fame he really does not know it.

—Coughs, colds, hoarseness and other throat ailments are quickly relieved by Crescote Tablets, ten cents per box. All druggists.

It is just as well to think your own ideas can occasionally be improved upon.

Concentrating Britain's Naval Forces.

With Sir John Fisher at the Admiralty a new era in Great Britain's naval policy has begun, which is likely to be as far-reaching in its results as the military concentration of Lord Cardwell a generation ago. The spirit is, however, entirely different, marking our progress towards the realization of our Imperial ideal. The disappearance of warships from Colonial waters will not move Colonials to scornful despair, as the disappearance of the red-coat did, because they know that it is a necessary measure; that it is in harmony with Nelson's main principle of naval defense; that it is carried out with due regard to the safety of the Empire as a whole. The first colony to experience the effect of the new policy is Canada, for already the North Atlantic Squadron has been reduced in strength. This was inevitable owing to the growth of the United States. With the increased mobility conferred on the navy by modern science, the defence of British interests in the western hemisphere is best attained, not by the maintenance of a relatively small force in the North Atlantic, but by powerful fleets within a week's steaming distance of the flag. It is to disappear from Colonial waters, for these will be visited by flying squadrons of battleships and cruisers. But, seeing that the centre of political gravity is in Europe, the policy will not move Colonials to scornful despair, as the disappearance of the red-coat did, because they know that it is a necessary measure; that it is in harmony with Nelson's main principle of naval defense; that it is carried out with due regard to the safety of the Empire as a whole. The first colony to experience the effect of the new policy is Canada, for already the North Atlantic Squadron has been reduced in strength. This was inevitable owing to the growth of the United States. 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