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DIED.

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In Same Period Last Year It Only Went Below On Two Days—Fourteen Weeks Sleighing.

Today the weather man has changed his usual predictions, and instead of announcing a continuation of the bitter cold, the probabilities say more moderate weather is to be expected. After the prolonged spell of seven or eight weeks, these probs will be sure to please most Londoners. During the greater part of January the mercury hovered around zero, the thermometer registering 22 below on the night of the 5th, the coldest of the winter. The month of February to date has also been extremely cold, with but few exceptions the mercury falling below zero each day. Another remarkable feature of this winter has been the depth of snow, the snow fall since last November being somewhere between four and five feet.

THE FIRST SLEIGHING.

On Nov. 12 some snow fell, and the first sleighing of the season was taken advantage of by Londoners. It was but a light fall, however, and soon melted. Then on the night of Nov. 17 snow fell in great quantities, and since the 18th of November there has been continuous sleighing in London. This covers a period of between fourteen and fifteen weeks. Old-timers state that not in 60 years has as severe a winter as the present one been experienced. Doctors and undertakers report the winter to have been very hard on old people and invalids, and there has been much sickness from pneumonia and grippe in the city.

The intense cold and the great falls of snow have also greatly inconvenienced the public, and have put hundreds of thousands of dollars out of the hands of the transportation companies and merchants. For instance, the earnings of the Grand Trunk Railway are reported to have fallen off over $250,000 in one week, while the cost of operating the road was doubled. In fuel alone the winter has cost Londoners half as much again as in previous winters. Families who have managed to get along with six tons of coal from October till May, have burned up their six tons already, and are now buying more. And the local coal and wood dealers, owing to the railways being blocked, have found it extremely difficult to secure fuel with which to supply their customers.

HARD ON FUEL.

It is said that the fuel bill for the schools and the other public buildings of London will be almost double what it was a year ago. In Windsor, long wood is selling for $10 and $11 a cord, and the people of that city are glad to get it even at such high prices. It is a common occurrence these days to see wagons from Detroit loaded with coal, coming over to Windsorites, there being, of course, no duty on anthracite entering Canada. In London there has been no increase in the price of either wood or coal, and so far the dealers have managed to keep everybody going, but the task has been a very difficult one.

The extreme cold has also adversely affected London market, and, the attendance has greatly fallen off. In fact, the cold weather, coupled with the badly drifted roads, have made it next to impossible for the farmers to leave their farms.

INTERESTING COMPARISONS.

The following table gives the highest and lowest registration of the thermometer at the observatory in South London since Jan. 12, together with the figures for the same period of 1903. A comparison shows that the weather was much milder a year ago than in 1904, the thermometer only falling below zero twice from Jan. 12 until Feb. 18, 1903, The asterisk after the figures indicate below zero.

	1903.		1904.	
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Jan. 12	18	4	25	12.5
Jan. 13	11.5	2	24	23
Jan. 14	23	9	28	18.5
Jan. 15	..	..	23	14.5
Jan. 16	..	..	28	19.5
Jan. 17	36	22	20	8
Jan. 18	22	6	8.5	10.5*
Jan. 19	..	..	27	15.5*
Jan. 20	..	..	36	27
Jan. 21	..	..	32	22
Jan. 22	..	..	38	24
Jan. 23	28.5	6	30	23
Jan. 24	..	..	23	5.5*
Jan. 25	39	11	5	14.5*
Jan. 26	..	..	15	2*
Jan. 27	..	..	10	6*
Jan. 28	..	..	14.5	9.5*
Jan. 29	47	16	23	13.5*
Jan. 30	..	..	28	3
Jan. 31	37.5	12	31	20
Feb. 1	37	39	21	7*
Feb. 2	44	33	23.5	16*
Feb. 3	36	26	12	zero
Feb. 4	..	..	10	9.5*
Feb. 5	26	19.5	21	7
Feb. 6	30	16	40	21
Feb. 7	31	9	42	12.5
Feb. 8	22	23	12.5	4*
Feb. 9	20	12	7.5	10*
Feb. 10	40	20	10	11*
Feb. 11	28	33.5	..	..
Feb. 12	41	32.5	12	zero
Feb. 13	35	20	..	..
Feb. 14	21	12.5	..	..
Feb. 15	28	18.5	21	6*
Feb. 16	21	3	2	16*
Feb. 17	12	5.5*	5	8*
Feb. 18	7	5*	12	8*

MUCH INTEREST SHOWN

Indications Are That Attendance at St. Andrew's Society Concert Will Be Very Large.

Already very much interest is being shown in the concert which St. Andrew's Society is to give at the Grand Opera House on the evening of Feb. 25, and the indications are that it will be quite as successful in point of attendance and even more successful from an artistic point of view than anything that this society has attempted in the past. The variety and strength of the attractions for that night will be altogether exceptional. For this concert there has been gathered together a number of artists representing the very best in their respective lines, any individual one of whom would form an outstanding feature of any concert. Madame Shotwell Piper is acknowledged to be one of the leading sopranos of the continent; the two Scotch entertainers who are to take part have similar reputations as a violinist and tenor in the old country; Mrs. Shafor is one of the most accomplished and successful elocutionists of Detroit; while the reputations borne by Messrs. Dwight-Edwards and Harold Jarvis are well known to all Londoners. The demand for tickets for the concert is already such as to guarantee a extremely large audience.

BRUSSELS.

Brussels, Feb. 19.—Brusselites have been without mail again this week for three days, because of the snow blockade.

Special services will be held in St. John's Church every Wednesday evening during Lent.

The directors of the Brussels branch of the Bible Society are arranging for a union centenary mass meeting, to be held in the Methodist Church in the near future.

There are several cases of chickenpox in town.

Rev. I. M. Webb has not been enjoying very good health for several weeks. His many friends hope he will soon be as hearty as ever.

The annual Sabbath school entertainment of the Presbyterian Church has been indefinitely postponed.

At the last quarterly Communion service held in the Methodist Church, the individual communion cups were used for the first time.

At the February meeting of the official board of the Methodist Church a unanimous invitation was tendered to Rev. T. W. Cosens to remain the pastor for the coming year, and commendatory words were spoken of the work done in the past two years by Rev. and Mrs. Cosens. The reverend gentleman replied appropriately, expressing the pleasure it had given him to work with the board. He accepted the invitation, and thanked the board for the complimentary references to himself and his wife.

Mrs. Fred McCracken is recovering from a severe illness.

Philip Ament has gone to Muskoka, where he has a large timber limit.

Miss Lottie Budd has gone to Glenboro, Manitoba.

Three of the rooms in our public school have been closed for a couple of weeks, owing to wood shortage.

W. H. Stewart and wife have returned to town.

$10 to Washington and Return — Special Low-Rate Excursions via Pennsylvania Railroad.

On March 8 and April 8 the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell round trip tickets, in connection with the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad, to Washington and return, good going on all regular trains on those dates, and good to return within ten days, at rate of $10 from Suspension Bridge. These tickets will be good to stop off at Philadelphia on the return trip. Through trains to Washington leave Exchange street station, Buffalo, at 9 a.m., and 8:50 p.m. For further particulars apply to B. P. Fraser, Passenger Agent, Buffalo District, 307 Main street, Ellicott Square, Buffalo. 31c

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

Feb. 18.—At New York—Cevic, from Liverpool; Sicilia, from Genoa; Lahn, from Genoa.

At Antwerp—Belgenland, from Philadelphia.

At Venice—Aurania, from New York.

At Genoa—Auguste Victoria, from New York.

At Moville—Corinthian, from Halifax.

At St. John—Monteagle, from Avonmouth.

The United States spring wheat acreage last year is given as 16,954,457, yielding on an average 14 bushels, aggregating 237,364,185 bushels, having a value of $157,781,977, or 65.9 cents a bushel.

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MUSIC AND DRAMA

"ERMINIE."

That charming and tuneful opera, "Erminie," with Francis Wilson in the role of Caddy, will be the attraction at the opera house tomorrow night. No opera during the last eighteen years has been so enthusiastically received as this one and it is doubtful that an opera of a light, humorous nature will be written and produced during the next ten or a dozen years that will in any way compare with "Erminie." The coming of "Erminie," and Mr. Wilson to this city, will be an event of more than usual importance in the musical and theater circles. One of the especial features is the appearance of the Gainsborough girls, a bevy of statuesque beauties, attired in an exact counterpart of the costume worn by Mrs. Scott Siddons, when the famous portrait was made of her. The music of "Erminie" is especially attractive, and when accompanied by an orchestra of 24, as it will be here, this alone may be put down as a show in itself. This will be Mr. Wilson's last appearance in comic opera in this city, as he joins the legitimate comedy ranks next season under the direction of Charles Frohman.

GROSSMITH.

The appearance of George Grossmith at the Grand Opera House here should be the occasion of a large audience gathering to hear him. Grossmith stands alone in his art. He is, perhaps, the greatest individual entertainer on the English stage today. London audiences think especially well of Grossmith, who has always delighted them at his previous engagements in this city.

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Literary Notes.

"OPTIMISM."

"Optimism," the recent book by Helen Keller, published by Messrs. Thomas Y. Crowell & Co., New York, is to be translated into Japanese. The translator says, that the essay will prove a great power among the people of that progressive nation, if it is introduced to them. The work has had a steadily increasing sale since its first appearance here, a little over a month ago, and is attracting general attention.

METROPOLITAN MAGAZINE.

The Metropolitan Magazine for February contains what is unquestionably the best short story by Anthony Hope ever published. It is entitled "Mrs. Thistleton's Princess." It has all the charm of a new "Zenda" story, and is profusely illustrated by Cushman Parker. The February Metropolitan is more than usually attractive in the quality and character of its contents. George Ade reappears in the field of literature, and the first of his new series of articles in the Metropolitan is Mr. Ade's appreciation of New York. In all there are 160 pages of reading, and 93 illustrations. The Metropolitan is really a 35-cent magazine, though the price is only 15 cents a copy.

BIRDS' BREAKFAST TABLE.

There is a sugestion for all girls and boys who live where snow falls in "The Birds' Breakfast-Table" in the February St. Nicholas, telling how many Hudson River Valley birds are fed winter after winter at Cherrycroft. Cherrycroft is the home of Amelia E. Barr, the writer, and stands on the banks of the Hudson near Cornwall. The hospitality of Cherrycroft is so widely known among its bird neighbors near and far that every fall Mrs. Barr lays in grain, corn and hickory nuts by the bushel to provide for her feathered guests.

"REBECCA OF SUNNYBROOK FARM."

A new story by Kate Douglas Wiggin (Mrs. Riggs), entitled "Rebecca of S