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VARSITY LACROSSE CLUB.

The Students Hold Their Annual Meeting —A Trip for the Spring.

Varsity Lacrosse Club held its annual meeting yesterday, electing as officers: Hon. president, Dr. T. A. Peters; president, C. J. Lynde; vice-president, W. W. Jones; captain, W. E. Burns; secretary-treasurer, W. A. Mackinnon; Committee—Messrs. Kingstone, University College; Keith, Med.; Peaker, Dentals; Chapman, S. P. S.

A trip will probably be arranged for the spring, either including American college teams or some of the leading Canadian teams.

Rosedale Cricketers to Have a Pro.

At a special meeting of the Rosedale Cricket Club, held last evening, Vice-President George S. Lyon in the chair, it was decided to engage a professional for next season. A committee was appointed to make the necessary arrangements, and correspondence will be opened with agents in England at once with the object of securing the best man possible.

For the English Cricket Trip.

R. O. McCulloch, on behalf of the committee that has in its hands the task of ascertaining if arrangements can be made and a team of representative Canadian cricket players secured for an English tour, has sent out notices to prominent players all over the country. It is proposed that the team should leave about the end of June and return early in September, the estimated cost of the trip being about $350 a man.

It is proposed to play two matches a week for about six weeks, beginning in the South of England. Lord Hawke has promised to arrange all matches.

Four or five Hamilton players have been asked if they can make arrangements to take in the trip, says The Times.

Toronto and the Franchise.

Buffalo, Dec. 5.—"Speaking of Toronto," said Ald. Franklin, who owns the Buffalo club, "don't you believe that Buckenburger will be given the franchise. Maddock, Ryan and the other Canadians will get the franshice for Toronto if they want it, for the League believes in a team being backed by local capital. Buckenburger could not be given the Toronto franchise any 'ay if the Canadian capitalists wanted it. Rochester may be taken in, and there is a strong probability that Jack Chapman will manage the Flour City team if a member of the Eastern League next season.

The Off-Hand Rifle Association.

The Toronto Off-hand Rifle Association held their annual meeting and election of officers at the Daley House Tuesday evening. The following officers were elected: John F. Scholes, president, reelected; Mr. Daley, vice-president; H. M. Cusack, secretary and treasurer; executive, W. J. Graham, Thomas Allan, William Nicol, John L. Scholes, James Allan. The range is in good order and close to street cars. Turkey shoots commence soon. Application for membership can be made to the president or secretary. Membership fee $2.

Athletic and General Notes.

The pedro match between officers and members of the Royal Canadian Bicycle Club, last night, resulted in favor of the members by 21 games to 19.

A general meeting of Toronto Athletic Club affiliated associations will be held Friday at 9.30 p.m., when arrangements will be made for a basket ball tournament.

The H. P. Davies Co. will hold an open shoot at blue rocks and sparrows on the Coxwell-avenue grounds next Saturday, commencing at 2 o'clock. The match will consist of ten events, similar to those of last week.

A. C. Anson, the Chicago baseball captain, who was recently defeated in a 600-point billiard match, 14-inch balk line, by W. D. Harrison of Portland, Oregon, has challenged the latter to play again for $500 a side.

At London, Eng., a glove fight has been arranged between Jack Fitzpatrick, the feather-weight champion of Canada, and Harry Spurden, to fight for £200 a side. The fight is to take place Feb. 6, in the Bolingbroke Club.

Mike Cannon and Tommy Loates, the two leading English jockeys, are having a grand struggle in England to head the list of winning jockeys of 1894. Loates, up to Nov. 23, had 814 mounts, finished first 163 times, second 141 times, third 121 times, unplaced 389 times. Cannon 688 mounts, won 165 races, ran second 125 times, third 94 and unplaced 304.

A London cable says that the fact is officially made known to-day for the first time that a challenge has been made for the America's Cup. Lord Dunraven himself makes the statement, which he writes to the United Press that the challenge has been forwarded. All previous reports touching the subject have been mere guess work, as nothing official has hitherto been given out.

A meeting of the Parkdale Hockey Club of the Toronto Junior League will be held at the residence of Mr. H. Barrett, sec.-treas., 1306 Queen-street west, at 8.30 p.m. to-day. As they intend putting a strong seven on the ice all members and those wishing to join are requested to attend. The following players will be with the Parkdale Hockey Club this season: McConnell, Jack, Leark, Armstrong, Sykes, Barrett, Franks, Turnball, of Perth; Grant and McDonald. The Parkdale Hockey Club will practice on the Parkdale rink, King and Close-avenue.

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ONTARIO HORSE BREEDERS MEET.

About Provincial Trotting and Pacing Interests—Annual Meeting of the Association.

The second annual meeting of the Ontario Association of Trotting and Pacing Horsebreeders was held at the Rossin House yesterday afternoon.

Among those were present: Dr. McCully, in the chair; R. Lennox, W. H. Booth, S. Fraser, all of Toronto; A. Sinclair, Chatham; H. Scott, Caledonia; J. B. Hughes, Waterloo; J. P. Mabee, Stratford; J. C. Boyd, Simcoe.

Mr J. C. Boyd of Simcoe, one of the most enthusiastic harness horsemen in Canada, gave an insight into the trotting and breeding interests in his meaty annual report, which reads as follows:

In this, as in my former report, I have to regret that the breeders of the province have not come to the front nearly as well as the committee expected. In fact, we only secured some 30 members, about half as many as last year. This in a great measure can be accounted for by the dulness of horse markets and the stringency of money matters. The colt stakes advertised did not meet with anything like the success anticipated; in fact, the 2-year-old pacing stake only received two entries, and in lieu of this the committee advertised a 2.50 pacing stake for $500, on very advantageous terms, but this also did not fill satisfactorily, and so was dropped. The annual race meeting was held this year at Windsor, and, while proving more of a financial success to your association than our last one, it will not encourage much assistance in future from other tracks, as in most cases there was only one starter in each case. Our share of this meeting netted $218.40.

The $1000 Futurity Stake for trotting foals of 1893, to be trotted next season, is now the only stake that the association has on hand, and out of the many gilt-edge bred youngsters entered, a grand race ought to be secured for this nice fat plum. The payments are all made up to the time of starting, and the following colts are eligible to start:

W. H. Booth, Toronto, Toadie Mac, by Almont Wilkes, 2.19 3-4, dam Clara Stanton, by General Stanton, 2545.

J. C. Boyd, Simcoe, Mignon, br f, by Geneva, 2.14, dam by Clear Grit, 850.

J. C. Boyd, Simcoe, Jerry Chimes, br c, by Chimes, 2.30 3-4, dam by Mambrino King, 1279.

Cameron & Mather, Ruscom River, Wireno, b c, by Wildbrino, 2.19 1-2, dam Irene, by Rooker, 7415.

Cornwell & Cook, Norwick, Goldcure, by Sprague Golddust, 2.15 1-4, dam Nelly Ingersoll, dam of Goldring, 2.12 1-2, by Fearnaught Gift.

Caldwell Bros., Orchardville, Lula King, b f, by Chicago King, dam by General Stanton, 2545.

S. Fraser, Toronto, Sultena, Fraser, b f, by Roy de Grande, dam Dolly Stanton, by General Stanton, 2545.

Dr. S. E. McCully, Toronto, Altone, b f, by Sphinx, dam by Pilot Wilkes.

R. Lennox, Toronto, Lucy Bismont, b f, by Bismont, 2.18 1-2, dam Fluke, by Phallas, 2.13 1-4.

McQueen & Smith, Simcoe, ——ch g, by Diplomat, 5216, dam by Harley's Royal George.

George Neely, Dorchester Station, Booklines, b c, by Fourlines, dam Lady Bookmaker, by Bookmaker.

J. C. Reid, St. Catharines, Lily Chimes, b f, by Chimes, 2.30 3-4, dam Jersey Lily, 2.30 1-2, by Hambletonian, 4530.

H. Scott, Caledonia, Aberdeen Clay, b c, by Clay, 2.25, dam Aetna, by Aberdeen, 27.

H. Scott, Caledonia, Cadallac, b f, by Diplomat, 5216, dam Nelly Wilkes, by Almont Wilkes, 2.19 3-4.

S. R. Miller, Windsor, Dorethea S., br f, by Wildbrino, 2.19 1-2, dam Minnie Hunter, dam of Vic Hunter, 2.22 1-2, by Bob Hunter.

Angus Sinclair, Chatham, Wild Iris, br c., by Wildbrino, 2.19 1-2, dam Red Dust, by Red Chief 4603.

R. C. Stinson, Hamilton, c., by Geneva, 2.14, dam Polka; Belle by Pocahontas Bay, 1790; F, by Geneva, 2.14, dam by Clay Wilkes.

J. H. Upper, Kingston, Prince Waxford, b.c., by Waxford, 5376, dam Goldsmith Boy.

The following is a short financial statement of the affairs of the association for the year:

Receipts—Balance on hand last year $142.51, membership fees $298.52, entries to stakes $330, Windsor meeting $218.40, futurity payments for this year $275, interest $8.37; total $1262.80.

Disbursements—Printing and advertising $128.30, paid stakes $870, postage and telegrams $15.14, gold medal at spring stallion show $25, exchange, etc., $3.84; making in all $1042.28; leaving a balance in the hands of the treasurer of $220.52.

I have had some correspondence with a number of the breeders of the province and from the tone of their letters it looks as though it would be a tough pull for the association to weather through the storm. None of them seem to be making any money out of their horses and are thinking of pulling out of the business altogether.

A decided effort will have to be made to increase the membership so as to enable the association to be continued with a view of giving larger stakes, which no doubt would be better patronised.

Messrs. S. E. McCully, Hugh Scott, F.A. Folger, J. A. X. Tovell, Thomas Hey, James McGuire and A. C. Burgess are the members of the committee whose term of office expire this year.

Stakes were announced as follows:

1-year-trotters, $100 added, $5 payable 1st February, $3 1st April.

2-year-pace, $150 added, $5 payable 1st Feb., $5 1st April.

3-year-trotters, $150 added; $5 payable 1st Feb., $5 1st April.

3-year-pace, $150 added; $5 payable 1st Feb., $5 1st April.

$1000 futurity, for trotting foals of 1895 to be trotted in 1897; $5 1st Feb., 1895, to nominate mare and horse bred to; $5 1st Nov., 1895, when colt is to be named and marks given; $5 1st March, 1896; $25 two days before the race.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, J. H. Allan, of Picton; sec.-treas., J. C. Boyd, of Simcoe; hon vice-presidents, J. Erratt (Simcoe), J. H. Metcalfe, M.P., (Kingston), William Christie (Toronto), Jacob Fowler (Fingal); members of Executive Committee, Dr. S. E. McCully (Toronto), H. Scott (Caledonia), F. A. Folger (Kingston), J. B. Hughes (Waterloo), W. Patterson (Almonte), L. Lewis (Watford), Robert Davies (Toronto).

Nelson Permanently Reinstated

New York, Dec. 5.—At the regular annual meeting of the Board of Review of the National Trotting Association, today, one of the most important cases that has ever come before the board was acted on, when the temporary reinstatement of C. H. Nelson was made permanent. Nelson's difficulty grew out of the Nelson-Alcryon $10,000 stallion race, trotted at Beacon Park, Boston, on Sept. 23, 1889. He was found guilty of having had his horse Nelson pulled, the verdict being rendered on his own confession. George G. Robens, who was implicated in the case, also made application for reinstatement, but his request was refused.

E. E. Wallace of Gananoque, Canada, applied for the removal of his suspension, imposed on Dec. 19, 1892. The application was granted.

They're Now at Alexander Island.

Alexander Island, Dec, 5.—J. J. Ryan was ruled off after the third race, for attempting to blackmail Judge McMahon, owner of Ponce de Leon, winner of the third event. Ryan is said to have demanded $500, or else he would bid up the horse.

First race, 4 1-2 furlongs—Gold Digger, 115, Dwyer, 6 to 5, 1; Mickey D., 110, McKenzie, 15 to 1, 2; Bon Voyage, 115, Delehanty, 5 to 1, 3. Time .56. Cloverdale, Banjo, Snooks, Lady Gay, Graceful, Free Press, Doc Wick, Honest Tom also ran.

Second race, 6 1-2 furlongs—Fire Water, 102, Ham, 6 to 5, 1; Patti, 102, Carter, 8 to 1, 2; Leigh, 121, Lewis, 11 to 5, 3. nie Bowman, May E., Rienzi, Fencer, Time 1.22. Tiny Tim, Juniata, Judge Gleason, Jennie Bowman, May E., Rienzi, Fencer, Wentworth, Great Scott also ran.

Third race, mile—Ponce de Leon, 104, Johnson, 4 to 1, 1; Gallatin, 104, Taylor, 5 to 1, 2; Sextus, 114, Delehanty, 12 to 1, 3. Time 1.43 3-4. Mirage, Billy Boy, Warpeak, Red Star, Julien, Alonzo also ran.

Fourth race, 3-4 mile—Jack Wynne, 106, Manlove, 2 to 5, 1; Tarooney, 102, Ham, 8 to 1, 2; Luray, 93, Donnelly, 5 to 1, 3. Time 1.16 3-4. e Bradley, Rosita, Forehsic, HJamie, James, Grellan, Lady Danby also ran.

Fifth race, 6 1-4 furlongs—Remorse, 104, Ham, even, 1; Jack Lovell, 112, Morris, 3 to 1, 2; Pickaway, 89, Hayes, 15 to 1, 3. Time 1.21. Bell of Fermoy, Eulice, Vortex, Headlight, Fearless, Anxiety, also ran.

Lads Stecker, the Welcher

Leon Stedcker, the "welching" bookmaker, who jumped the fence at the Brooklyn Jockey Club race track on Brooklyn Handicap day and came straight to Toronto, leaving many investors with only small pieces of cardboard by which to remember him, was arrested in New York on Tuesday. He was accused of making a hand book when arraigned in the Police Court, and was remanded. The detectives saw them taking bets on the American races.

Betting men throughout the country remember with sorrow the Stedcker book on the Brooklyn Handicap of 1894. His prices against the horses were larger than any of the local bookmakers, his price against the winner, Dr. Rice, being 30 to 1.

He made what was known as a future book, laying odds against the horses all winter and taking no bet less than $5. He sent circulars all over the country and advertised extensively in Western and Southern papers directing customers to send money to a postoffice box in Hoboken.

He was a familiar figure about the Brower and Coleman Houses and accepted bets at both hotels. It was estimated that he had taken in between $2000 and $4000 on his winter book, and stood to lose between $50,000 and $100,000 in case Dr. Ricve won.

He occupied a stand in the betting ring on the day of the race, and made a conservative book on the first three races of the day, but when the bell rang for the horses to go to the post in the Brooklyn Handicap he began to take all the money offered on Dr. Rice and stood to lose very heavily.

When Dr. Rice shot out of the bunch entering the stretch and looked "all over" a winner Stedeker did not wait for results, but jumped the fence, and the Brooklyn Jockey Club saw him no more.

After the race all those who held tickets in his book formed in line behind the stand in which were Stedeker's cashier and sheet writer, and waited to collect their winnings. Finally, when the long delay attracted attention, Thomas F. Eagen took charge of the sheets and notified the ticket holders that they had a case of "welcher" and that the club would settle all bets.

Nothing was heard from Stedeker for several days and then a friend secured the sheets on the promise that Stedeker would make good his losses. He never did so, and was ruled off the track, and those who had bet with him were paid back the amounts they had wagered by the association.

Stedeker stayed a couple of weeks at the Rossin House with his wife.

Queen City Bicycle Club.

At a general meeting of the Queen City Bicycle Club, held Tuesday evening, several matters of important business were transacted, the foremost being the organization of a hockey club for the ensuing season with the following officers unanimously elected: W. D. McVey, president; R. Faulkner, vice-president; P. Auger, sec.-treas.; S. Sykes, captain.

Jim Hall Will Box Bill Slavin.

Jim Hall, the champion middleweight, who defeated Paddy Slavin in London, will give a 6-round boxing bout with Bill Slavin in the Auditorium on Saturday night. Besides, there will be bouts between local celebrities and a good general program. L. T. Curtiss, Hall's manager, is in the city, and will likely match his man with Corbett's protege, O'Donnell. Mr. Curtiss favors Ryan for his fight with Dempsey and has a roll to back his favorite.

Harding and Sullivan Matched.

London, Dec. 5.—A single-scull race was arranged yesterday between Wag Harding and Thomas Sullivan, to row over the Tyne championship course for £400 and the sculling championship of England. The race is to be rowed on Feb. 11. Should Harding win he will come to America to row Gaudaur, the American champion.

Toronto Curling Club Skips.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Toronto Curling Club, held at the Victoria Club on Tuesday evening last, the following skips were elected to represent the club in the city tankard competition: Messrs. F. O. Okyley, C. E. Maddison, J. S. Russell, L. A. Tilley, John Wright, L. M. Jones, H. Harman and Dr. J.W. Lesslie. Mr. John Wright and Mr. J. S. Russell were unanimously chosen to skip the club rinks in the Ontario Tankard competition, and the club has great hopes of success with such well-tried men.

Ives 1800, Schaefer 1043.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—Although Schaefer struggled hard to-night to cut down the advantage gained by Ives in the big billiard tournament, and at one time was ahead on the night's play, the little wonder in the end proved too much for him, running out at the beginning of the twelfth inning, with the phenomenal number of 281. The performance on the part of both men was the best yet seen in this tourney, and the spectators went away well pleased. Brilliant shots were the order of the evening. At the conclusion of the night's game the score stood: Ives 1800, Schaefer 1043. The score; Ives, 96, 14, 1, 106, 55, 29, 5, 4, 2, 7, 0, 281; total 600. Schaefer, 43, 16, 3, 55, 61, 24, 5, 147, 8; 37; 25; total 424. Average 38. 6-11; average for the three nights 22. 31-46; jhighest run 281.

RUSSO-BRITISH FRIENDSHIP.

Influences Which Have Fostered Futual Confidence and Good-will.

London, Dec. 5.—Lord Carrington, who went to Russia for the Queen to attend Alexander III. funeral, said in a public speech in Camborne this evening that the late Czar's love of peace, and many other admirable qualities, had been recognized universally. He had found that in Russia Lord Rosebery, Lord Salisbury, the London press and the British people in general, were held in high esteem. The comments passed by the English newspapers on the late Czar's reign had done much ito promote better relations between the two powers, and to foster a spirit of mutual confidence and goodwill. The Prince of Wales' sympathetic attitude also had been a strong influence toward the renewal of the international friendship.

Ballington Booth Seriously Ill.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—The condition of Ballington Booth of the Salvation Army has become worse during the last 24 hours, and to-night he is reported to be dangerously ill.

LESSONS OF THE DEFEAT.

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the Liberal candidate. Was that consistent on the part of Mr. Ross? I have the greatest contempt for a man who has been preaching temperance for years and then deserts it for the sake of votes for his party. (Applause.)

Boodling By the Mowat Government.

Next Mr. Marter averred that the day will come when there will be revelations of boodling by the Local Government that would eclipse anything revealed in Toronto. There has been more shown already. But there is this difference: The Ontario Government does not turn the boodlers from office, but simply says, "Don't do it again." (Laughter.) This has been done over and over again.

Must Have a Change of Government.

"It is in the interest of the people of Ontario that there should be a change of Government, and the sooner that change takes place the better for the people of this province." (Cheers.)

Mr. Marter then re-told the story of the Government's mismanagement and extravagance in connection with the erection of the Parliament buildings. He also took up his parable on scandals in the Commissioner of Public Works Department. It was time a halt was called to such disgraceful proceedings, and an investigation held, which would cover the Government with such disgrace that they would hide their faces forever afterwards. (Loud cheering.)

At the close of his able speech, Mr. Marter was elected honorary vice-president of No. 5 Ward Conservative Association.

The chairman gave a denunciatory speech of the Mercierism of the Ontario Government, and the meeting dispersed in a glow of true Tory enthusiasm, unabated by Mr. Marter's tale of the London defeat, its causes and its lessons.

CENSURED BY THE JUDGE.

Grand Juryman Conboy Is Dismissed for Violating His Oath.

When the grand jury of the General Sessions filed into the court room yesterday and took their places, in the jury-box, His Honor Judge McDougall surprised the court by administering to James Conboy, a member of the jury, one of the severest lectures he ever received. An affidavit had been made before His Honor that Conboy had betrayed the trust confided in him, and violated his oath, by revealing to an interested party the finding of the grand jury in a case which was before them, prior to the bill having been presented to the court.

The judge informed Conboy that his contempt of court constituted a most serious offence, for which he could be heavily fined. Conboy escaped, however, with being summarily dismissed from the jury.

TRUSTEES WILL FIGHT TO-NIGHT.

To Consider the Question of Employing Married Teachers.

The debate at the meeting of the Public School Board to-night will in all probability be a lively one. Trustee Fitzgerald will move that it be an instruction to the Management Committee, that in re-engaging teachers for the year 1895 no lady shall be recognized whose husband is in a position to support her.

Of the 540 lady teachers in the employ of the board, 18 are married and 12 are widows. Many of the married teachers, it is said, have husbands in lucrative positions.

There will also likely be a renewal of the battle over the question whether or not the board is to supply only textbooks free, or to supply scribbling books, slates, pencils, copybooks and such material.

League of the Sacred Heart.

The services in connection with the quarterly meeting of the Men's League of the Sacred Heart were commenced in St. Michael's Cathedral last night, when Father Ryan delivered a lecture on temperance. To-night the services will be continued and on Sunday the members will receive Holy Communion in the Cathedral at 9 a.m.

A Toronto Man in Trouble.

Niagara Falls, Ont., Dec. 5.—William R. Hunter, who came here from Toronto and who upon representations that he was financially sound, secured the Waverly House, has been arrested charged with obtaining money under false pretenses. He contracted debts with merchants to a large amount and then it was rumored that he was about to leave town, when legal proceedings were taken against him.

Samoan Rebels Active.

Apia, Samoa, Dec. 6.—The rebels have been very active recently, and have just given notice of their intention to attack Apia. The Australian cruiser Wallaroo is here.

Local Jottings.

The plant of the Hamilton Glass Works was brought to Toronto yesterday.

Mr. Jacques of the Merchants' Line of steamships, Montreal, is in town.

Messrs. Dickson & Townsend sold 360, boxes of prunes at prices varying from $1.25 to $2.60 per box.

Deputy Chief of Police Stuart appeared at Police Headquarters yesterday for the first time in two months, having been laid up by a severe attack of typhoid fever.

Mary O'Connor, 18 years of age, was locked up at Police Headquarters last night, charged with stealing $10 from Mary McGuain. Both girls came recently from Bradford.

While Patrick Sullivan was wrestling with a companion at Duke's Hotel late on Tuesday evening he fell and broke his leg. He was taken to St. Michael's Hospital, and is progressing favorably.

John McKay, 139 Cumberland-street, and John Milligan, 131 Cumberland-street, were last night arrested on a charge of entering the workshop of Charles E. Booth, 226 Davenport-road, and stealing some carpenters' tools.

O. A. Howland, M. L. A., chairman of the historical section of the Canadian Institute, will deliver his inaugural address at the Institute this evening. Members and their friends will be welcomed.

James Gibson, 45 years of age, who resides at corner of Parliament and Sprucestreets, slipped in front of the Girls' Home in Gerrard-street while walking home from work last night. He fell heavily upon the pavement, and sustained a fracture of the upper part of his right arm, which was attended to at the Toronto General Hospital.

Mr. L. R. O'Brien and Mr. Manley are exhibiting their summer's work together at Matthews' Art Gallery, 95 Yonge-st. Mr. Manley has painted nearly all his subjects in water colors, and has found many charming bits of color and leafy nooks in and around our own neighborhood. Mr. O'Brien has gone to the Maritime Provinces and painted in oil many striking effects of coast scenery.

Stanley Lodge, A.F. & A.M., Toronto Junction, have elected the following officers: C. H. Batt, W.M.; Fred White, S.W.; J. R. Royce, J.W.; F. P. Gassion, chaplain; Dr. S. F. B. Reid, secretary; Dr. Clendenan, treasurer; Thomas Prince, tyler; H. C. Fowler and Dr. Clendenan, trustees; Dr. Perfect and J. T. Jackson, auditors.

The Dundas-street arbitration was resumed before Judge Morson yesterday. Evidence was put in to show what damage had been done to the Foley and Daly properties by the grading and present arrangement of the approaches.

A laundry wagon was yesterday morning run into by a south-bound Yonge-street trolley car. Two boys on the wagon were precipitated to the ground. The horse fell onto the fender, and, with the wagon, was carried a distance of 150 feet. By great good fortune both the boys and the horse escaped unhurt.

CHINA'S END IS DRAWING NEAR

WITH THE JAPS BEFORE PEKIN THE DYNASTY IS DOOMED.

Pekin Is Terror-Stricken—Japan's Terms for Peace Too Stringent to Be Accepted by China—Li Hung Chang's Life in Peril, and He Is Fighting to Save His Neck.

Shanghai, Dec. 5.—Field Marshal Count Oyama has politely declined to allow the Red Cross steamer Toonan to remove wounded Chinese soldiers from Port Arthur, as being against the rules of war. Wounded Chinese, he points out, are prisoners of war, to whose needs the Japanese will attend in precisely the same fashion as those of their own wounded soldiers.

Disbanded Chinese soldiers are beginning to commit depredations in the suburbs of Shanghai.

Two ships belonging to the British fleet have been detached from the squadron at Saddle Islands and have gone to Quelpaert Island, off the southern extremity of Corea. It is not at all improbable that they are looking after the laying of the cable to Port Hamilton, which the British lifted some years ago when they abandoned the port.

China Cannot Accept Japan's Terms.

It is believed China cannot accept Japan's conditions of peace or face the loss of prestige involved in abandoning Moukden, the home of the Manchurese, containing the ancient tombs of the dynasty.

China will probably seize any chance offered by Japan's readiness to discuss terms of peace, in order to prepare for further resistance to the invader, but the appearance of the Japanese army in front of Pekin will sound the death knell of the present dynasty.

Pekin is terror-stricken by the news from Port Arthur. The Emperor is accusing all his Ministers of deception and treachery. The storm raging around Li Hung Chang is constantly increasing and he is now fighting, not for the retention of his decorations, but for his life.

Wounded Not Allowed to Land.

A Central News despatch from Shanghai says the steamer Toonan, which was chartered by the Red Cross Society, has returned to Taku, the Japanese authorities there having refused to allow those on board the steamer to land. The officials at Taku stated to the Red Cross representatives on the steamer that the Chinese soldiers who had the misfortune to be wounded received the same treatment that was accorded to the wounded Japanese.

The same despatch states that the Governor of Kin-Chow has been degraded on account of the capture of Kin-Chow by the Japanese. General Chan has also been deprived of his rank and has been handed over to the Board of Punishment for allowing the troops under his command to pillage the populace and burn the Catholic Church at Kin-Chow.

Winter Dreaded More Than Japs.

London, Dec. 6. — The Daily Graphic has a despatch from Shanghai, saying that the Chinese fear winter more than the Japanese soldiers, as the rice supply has been withheld too long.

Three Russian warships have been ordered from Piraeus to China.

The Daily News hears that a Japanese gold loan for a large amount is under discussion in London.

THE APPLES WERE ROTTEN.

A Richmond Hill Farmer Committed for Trial Charged With Fraud.

John Bell, a Richmond Hill farmer, was committed for trial yesterday by Magistrate Denison on a charge of fraud preferred against him by R. Barron, to whom he sold a number of barrels of apples. When the barrels were turned out it was found that, other than a few apples on the top of each barrel, the fruit was worthless. Barron claimed that Bell represented to him that the apples had been sorted, the small and decayed fruit having been thrown out, and on this representation he paid $2.50 per barrel for the fruit.

Bell claimed he had purchased the apples in the barrels from a farmer at Richmond Hill, and offered to refund the money. His Worship would not allow this, however, remarking that he thought a jury had better decide the case. The case will come up at the present sessions, and will be watched with interest by merchants who have been gulled in a similar manner.

COMPENSATION FOR DAMAGES.

Toronto Junction Corporation Appeals Against a Judgement.

The corporation of Toronto Junction yesterday entered on appeal in the Court of Appeal against the award of $1000, and costs, given against them in favor of D. D. Christie, as compensation for damages to his property on the corner of Union and Annette-streets, caused by grading done there by the corporation. Judgment was first given Christie by Judge Armour for $200, but upon appeal this was increased to $1000 and costs, and it is this second judgment, against which the corporation now appeals.

Priscella A. Parkes, widow of the late Elhoran Parkes, St. Catharines, is seeking to ascertain the rightful heirs to property willed by her late husband to his grandson, who has died since the will was made.

TORONTO GETS THE FRANCHISE.

No Opposition to the City Entering the Eastern League.

New York, Dec. 5.—The annual convention of the Eastern League opened at 12 o'clock to-day at the Fifth-avenue Hotel, Providence, Springfield, Scranton, Newark, Wilkesbarre and Fall River are the six candidates, and Newark is not unlikely to secure one of the vacancies. The western end will comprise Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse and Toronto, and on that matter there will be no opposition.

ANOTHER VICTIM IN HULL.

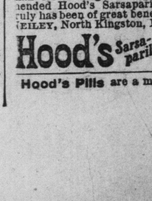
Death of a Boy Injured in the Dynamite Explosion.

Ottawa, Dec. 5.—Oliver Beauchamp, a boy injured in the dynamite explosion, and who subsequently had a leg amputated, died to-day.

The jury returned a verdict of carelessness on the part of the employes having charge of the dynamite.

Health Built Up

"I had a very bad cold which settled on my lungs. I was under doctor's care and was not able to get out of the house for eight weeks. I did not gain strength very fast and other remedies failing to help me or improve my case, I was induced to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. I have taken several bottles and my health is improved very much. Since I have taken Hood's Sarsaparilla I feel very much stronger than for a long time past. I have recommended Hood's Sarsaparilla to others, for it truly has been of great benefit to me." JOSEPH BEILEY, North Kingston, Nova Scotia.



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Hood's Sarsaparilla Cures

Hood's Pills are a mild cathartic. 25c.

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Are from 20 to 25 per cent less than any jobbing house will supply the trade. These Boots, Shoes and Slippers will be on the

ADVERTISEMENT TABLE:

Ladies' Felt Slippers -	12c
Ladies' Felt Buskins -	35c
Ladies' Dongola, instep strap, Slippers - -	60c
Ladies' Kid Buttoned Boots, patent tips -	75c
Ladies' Kid Lace Boots -	65c
Ladies' American Kid Buttoned Boots, Gray Bros., Syracuse - -	$2.25
Ladies' Angola Kid Buttoned Boots, handmade, J. D. King & Co.	$2.50
Ladies' Dongola Buttoned Boots, extension soles, G welts, patent tips - - - - -	$1.00
Misses' German Felt Slippers - - - -	14c
Child's German Felt Slippers - - - -	13c
Misses' Dongola Buttoned Boots, spring or regular heels - - -	75c
Boys' Hand-made Lace Boots, sizes 1 to 5 -	65c
Boys' Cordovan Blucher Cut Bals., sewed, sizes 1 to 5 - - -	$1.00
Gents' Cordovan Lace Boots - - - -	90c
Gents' Crup Lace Boots, razor toes, Chicago wing tips, Kempson & Stevens, New York -	$2.25
Gents' Dongola, Lemoine, calf and patent leather Dress Shoes, hand-made - -	$1.25
Gents' French Kid Dress Congress, hand-sewed	$2.25

GUINANE BROS.,
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The Ladies' Helper--French Pills
For all diseases peculiar to Female Irregularities, removing all obstructions from whatever cause. Sent by mail to any address on receipt of $1 per box.
J. E. HAZELTON, Graduated Pharmacist, 326 Yonge Street, Toronto.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Julia Ethel Chute (nee Elliott) of the City of Toronto, in the County of York and Province of Ontario, Music Teacher, will apply to the Parliament of Canada at the next session thereof for a bill of divorce from her husband, William Osborne Chute, formerly of the same place, tailor (now whereabouts unknown), on the ground of adultery, cruelty and desertion. Ziba Gallagher, Canada Life Building, Toronto, Solicitor for the Applicant. Dated at Toronto this 27th day of June, A.D. 1894.

RUSSIAN TROOPS FOR ARMENIA.

1000 Infantry Being Transported to Batoum—Horrible Outrages.

London, Dec. 5.—A private letter received from an Armenian resident of Constantinople says: "Twenty-three villages in Armenia have been compelled to embrace Islam. During the massacre soldiers ripped open women, stuck their unborn babes on spears and marched through the streets in triumph. To complete the misfortunes the Sultan, while expressing his horror, has sent a special deputation with presents and flags for the guilty troops as signs of his approval."

The Times correspondent in Odessa says that the warships Oreal and Saratoff have been ordered to transport more than 10,000 troops from Odessa and Sebastopol to Batoum. The troops will be stationed on the Turkish frontier, it is believed, owing to the unsettled state of Armenia.

Handel's Great Dramatic Oratorio.

Signor Vegara's production of Handel's gra ndOratorio "Samson" takes place at the Massey Music Hall to-night. It will be sung entirely by local talent, including some very fine new voices. This will be the first opportunity in many years to listen to a performance of this great work.

Opening of the County Court.

The County Court opened yesterday, Judge Morgan presiding. After the usual preliminaries the case of Tetley v. Cook, was entered into and occupied the whole day. The suit arises out of some misunderstanding between the litigants over notes made by one of them to the other.

Ladies' Secretaries.

A new employment for young women of education is that of a private secretary to fashionable dames with large visiting lists. There is a great demand for this sort of confidential clerk, but ladies of wealth and position require a secretary accustomed to the usages of society, and any less experienced in the world's ways would not be valuable. A fashionable woman has no time to answer notes of business, or undertake the management of household accounts, and these duties can be filled by a secretary with her lighter burdens of answering invitations or sending out cards for such functions as her employer will give during the season. Several Boston ladies entrust all this portion of their correspondence to a secretary, while in the larger cities it is now almost a matter of course for a well conducted establishment to include a young woman to whom these light and pleasant duties are entrusted. In London and Paris a season's invitations to balls' dinner parties, and such important functions are an expensive and arduous task, for which the salary of a capable secretary is not begrudged. But it must be borne in mind that the employe must have the intricate rules of etiquette as well as a "distinguished" handwriting at her fingers' ends to be worth her $10 or 12 a week.—Boston Herald.

PROPERTIES FOR SALE.

$2200 - ONLY $200 CASH — WILL buy complete 8-roomed house, nicely decorated, furnace, choice location. A. Willis, 1 Toronto-street.

AMUSEMENTS.

MASSEY MUSIC HALL.
THURSDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 13
Festival Chorus, 300 voices, Orchestra, 50 pieces and Grand Organ. THE MESSIAH
WATKIN MILLS
the famous English Baritone, assisted by Miss Guer