On a certain July midnight, nearly two thousand years ago, the capital of

the mighty Roman Empire lay slumbering peacefully amidst the sculptured slopes of its seven hills. The sluggish Tiber slipped silently along

the southern walls, unvexed by sail or oar, to mingle its tawny waters with the blue Tyrrhenian Sea. There was no moon-no shine of stars.

A thick murk, so dense as to be almost tactile, filled the endless reaches of

only the awful stillness of a corpse-like world.

space, and enshrouded the city as with a pall. There was no stir of life

-no sound-no movement of man or beast-no rustle of leaf or twig-

flimsy structure burst into blaze. The next booth followed, and the

next; and soon the mighty edifice of the Circus itself became a sheet of lambent fire. The nude form of an Ethiopian glided from an alley

in the rear, darted into the Appian Way, and ran swiftly toward the Esquiline Hill, where frowned the palace of the infamous Nero.

sign, a word, and he passed into the lofty hall where a slave guided him

to the tyrant's couch. Prostrating himself on the ground, he pointed in

speechless terror to the southern heavens, which by this time were lurid

with the flames of a conflagration sweeping the world's proudest city, Im-

Breathless, he reached the heavily armed sentinel who stood on guard. A

## DUTED CH FORCE

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# IN SUCCESS

Forced to Weaken Western Frontier ove Unavailing.

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### THREE MONTHS.

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N-MACKAY OUTING. eling staff of the Gordon-to. made merry at their ual outing at R. C. Y. C. t Friday. About 50 attend

of the travelers organiarmony Club, were elect Harmony Club, were vs: Hon. president, J president, C. Knowle ent, H. F. Tindale; bus er, Percy T. Ward; secret, F. C. King.



YORK COUNTY

### BEAUTIFUL BLOOMS AT WESTON SHOW

Gardeners Compete for Prizes.

V. H. Hollinsworth.

Collection of sweet peas—1, Miss
Dalton; 2, H. A. Coon.
Hardy phlox, six spikes—1, Mrs. Geo.
Coulton; 2, T. L. Moffat.
Collection of petunias—1, Mrs. O.
Master; 2, T. L. Moffat.
Flat spray of flowers—1, Miss Johnston;
P. Wallis.
Centreplece, nasturtiums—1, Mrs. H.
Wallace.

Dalton.

Professional Prizes.

The prize winners in the class allowing employed help were as follows:
Six asters, named. one variety—1. Mrs.
G. G. Adam: 2, G. W. Verral.
Six asters, double—1, Mrs. O. Master:
Lukes.

2. Mrs. Lukes.

Six asters. single—1. T. L. Moffat; 2.

Mrs. Johnston.

Six gladioli—Mrs. O. Master.

Six stocks, varieties—1, Mrs. G. G.

Adam; 2. Mrs. Lukes.

Six snapdragon—1. Mrs. O. Master; 2.

Mrs. G. G. Adam.

Six dahlias. named—1. Mrs. Lukes; 2.

G. W. Verral.

Five roses, not less than three varieties

Scarboro Township's annual school fair, which was held at Agincourt yesterday, set a very high standard in the quality and number of exhibits. Every school in the township contributed to the excellent display of fruit, vegetables, flowers and grain grown by the pupils, and

art and craft departments were also well represented.

J. C. Steckley, district representative of the agricultural department, acted as adjudicator and gave the children an educative talk on his various awards.

Oratory Contest.

Possibly the most interesting feature of the day's proceedings was an oratory contest, in which the older boys took part. Chas. Empringham of Malvern won first prize with an excellent address "The War," and George Jackson of on "The War," and George Jackson of Scarboro Village won the second with an address on the same subject. The third prize was awarded to William Miller of Scarboro Junction, his subject being The Battle of Queenston Heights." Some local public speakers were very much impressed with the brilliancy and force of the boys' addresses, and will their development with great in

L. Campbell, county school inspector: James Stewart, and Rev. J. Anthony acted as judges.

W.C.T.U. CONVENTION.

minion W.C.T.U., will address a public meeting this evening. The convention will conclude tomorrow.

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## **WORK GOES AHEAD** IN WARD SEVEN

Amateur and Professional A Number of Improvements Being Carried Out by the City.

by the Weston Horticultural Society through the summer culminated yesterday in the largest and most successful annual flower show of the many which have been held by the society.

The magnificent array of blooms and potted plants exhibited received the admiration of a large number of visitors and the warm commendation of the judges.

William Hunt, the well-known authority on horticulture of the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph, acted as judge, and he was assisted in the work by T. D. Dockray, director of District No. 4 of the Ontario Horticultural Association.

An innovation this year was the competition for the best decorated tables set for four. Three prizes in this class were provided, but the quality of the decoration was such as to warrant the award-line was such as to warrant the care and in the civic works on West Bloor as the civic works on West Bloor as the civic works on West Bloor as the civic works on West Bloor a huge civic works on West Bloor as the civic works on West Bloor as the civic works on West Bloor as the corn of warrant of warrant the section of the part of Warrant the civic works on Wes

seven minutes and the round trip to and from four. Three prizes in this class were provided, but the quality of the decoration was such as to warrant the awarding of a fourth prize, this prize being donated by the president, John Dickia. A special feature was a beautifully decorated table by Mrs. G. G. Adam, not entered in the competition.

Amateur Prize List.

The prize winners in the amateur class were as follows:
Six gladioli, varieties—1, Mrs. J. T. Reaston; 2, T. L. Moffat.
Six asters, double—1. Mrs. V. H. Hollinsworth; 2, Mrs. M. E. Wallis.
Six asters, single—1, T. L. Harrison; 2, Mrs. V. H. Hollinsworth.
Six snapdragon—1, T. L. Moffat; 2, Mrs. V. H. Hollinsworth.
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Emiliase of the works department to lay permanent pavements is being shown in the construction of asphalt pavements on Quebec avenue from Bloor to Conduit, High Park avenue, Conduit street, and Humberside avenue.

Benefit Concert.
The schoolhouse of the High Park avenue Methodist Church was filled last evening at the large patriotic benefit concert given by the choir in aid of the fund for the unemployed. A number of prominent soloists, vocal and instrumental, took part in the program, and the concert given by the choir in aid of the fund for the unemployed. A number of prominent soloists, vocal and instrumental, took part in the program, and the concert given by the choir in aid of the fund for the unemployed. A number of prominent soloists, vocal and instrumental, took part in the program, and the concert given by the choir in aid of the fund for the unemployed. A number of prominent soloists, vocal and instrumental, took part in the program, and the concert given by the choir in aid of the fund for the unemploye

## Wallace. Collection of flowers, any varieties—1. Mrs. O. Master: 2. Mrs. T. Galbraith. Three geraniums in pots—1, Miss Dalton. WAS MIICH EN IONET **WAS MUCH ENJOYED**

Todmorden Conservatives' Entertainment in Aid of Patriotic Fund.

Adam; 2, Mrs. Lukes.
Six snapdragon—1, Mrs. O. Master; 2.
Mrs. G. G. Adam.
Six dahlias. named—1, Mrs. Lukes; 2,
G. W. Verral.
Five roses, not less than three varieties
—1. Mrs. G. G. Adam: 2. Mrs. Lukes.
The prizes donated by George Fisher in the special competition for the three best vases of cut flowers, to be handed over to the Weston Sanltarhum, were awarded to: 1, T. L. Moffat: 2, Mrs. G. G. Adam.

SCARBORO TOWNSHIP

ANNUAL SCHOOL FAIR

Excellent Display of Pupils' Work
From Every School in Scarboro.

A large and enthusiastic audience packed Playter's Hall last night, when a grand concert was given under the auspices of the Todmorden Conservative Association in aid of the Toronto and York Patriotic Fund. An excellent program was rendered by a number of talented artists, who drew much applause from the audience. The "hit" of the evening was made by Fred G. Rodgers for his spirited rendering of "The Death of Nelson," and he had to respond to a number of encores before he was allowed to retire. Miss Annie Asheroft sang "Land of Hope and Glory" with much feeling, and the Ladies' Quartet, including Mesdames Ballinger, Reid, Warner, and Miss Morse, contributed a number of fine selections.

The humorous songs and sallies of Sandy McDonald amused the audience immensely, arousing roars of laughter. W. Turley also scored a success with his

"The Kissing Race."

During the intermission Albert Smythe gave a patriotic address on "British Ideals of Liberty," which was accorded a

Geo. S. Moses occupied the chair in the unavoidable absence of G. S. Henry, M.L.A., who was unable to be present thru illness in his family. The success of the entertainment was largely due to the efforts of the committee, comprising J. A. McDonald, W. Wyatt, F. Holmes, P. Pedlar, J. Roberts, D. Graham, C. Cosburn, R. McGregor, J. Davis, H. Wells, E. Goodwin, F. Delaigne, R. Greene and

J. Payne.

The first meeting of the association will be held in St. Andrew's Hall, Pape avenue, on Oct. 7, and two weeks later the first euchre drive of the season will

### **WESTON FALL FAIR OPENS ON FRIDAY**

The annual convention of the York and Peel Counties W.C.T.U. will open to-day at the Methodist Church, Mimico.

Mrs. S. R. Wright, president of the Do-Races.

The annual fall fair under the auspices of Weston, York and Etobicoke Agricultural Society will be opened on Friday, September 18th. The first Fat Melt Away day being children's day, school children from all parts of the county will assemble at the public school and march to the grounds in procession, where they will take part in singing contests, physical drill and sports for the entertainment of visitors. Music

ARTS AND SCIENCE

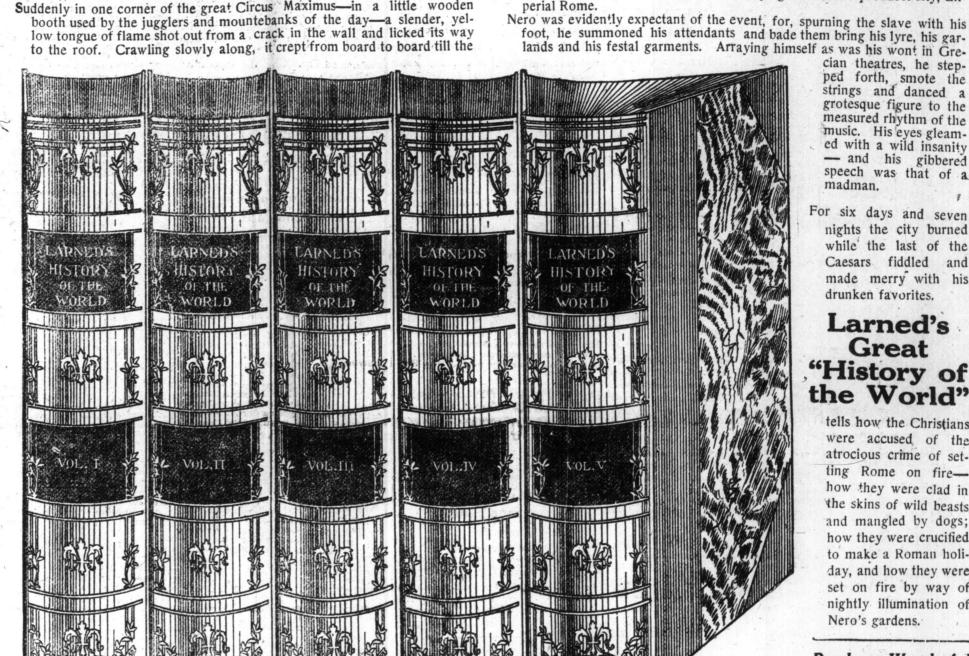
RIFLE ASSOCIATION

The Arts and Science Rifle Association was forming the Lakefront, and all configurations who want to learn to has arranged to hold shooting practice.

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