

PECULIAR DEATH OF PERCY CARLTON

Eight-Year-Old Boy Falls
Asleep and Does Not Re-
cover Consciousness.

A very puzzling case is being investigated by Coroner J. M. Louden's jury, regarding the death of Percy Carlton, aged 8, of 39 St. James street, who was apparently all right at 3 a.m. on December 9, but when his grandmother attempted to wake him shortly afterwards, all efforts failed and he was removed to the Sick Children's Hospital. He did not recover consciousness and died early the next morning. The boy had been living with his grandparents for a year. His father, Sam Carlton, and his stepmother were living in Parry Sound.

Dr. Graham, in the admitting department of the hospital, said that he could not diagnose the case. A dark brown fluid was found in the stomach, and the boy appeared to have kidney trouble.

The boy had gone to Dr. Murphy on Dovercourt road, with his stepmother, two weeks previously and he had been taking a medicine prescribed by the doctor regularly every day. The medicine was kept on a shelf in the pantry and the grandmother was in the habit of giving the boy his medicine bottle, which he could not reach himself.

Autopsy, performed by Dr. Isaac Herb, revealed a section in the right lung where the tissues were destroyed, and there were also hemorrhages in the stomach. Microscopic studies of sections of tissue would be ready in a week. There were slight symptoms of sleeping sickness present, and there was a possibility of the boy having received a virulent injection.

It is rather late to find the cause," said Mr. Lister for the crown, "after two or three weeks."

At the next inquest, to be held on December 23, a complete post-mortem report will be presented and the boy's stepmother will give evidence.

DEAF CHILDREN GIVE PANTOMIME PROGRAM

Mouresque and most interesting was the pantomime entertainment given by the Catholic Deaf Association at Loyola Abbey last night when hymns and songs were interpreted by expressive signs and gestures, and dances were presented with a surety of time and rhythm most surprising when it is remembered that the performers were those who, like Helen Keller, "hear with their feet."

The method employed was that the vocal number was sung in the ordinary way by either Mr. Lawrence Stock or Mrs. E. Hickey, with Miss Marie Strong at the piano, while the class of deaf and dumb girls and young men followed either by sign or spelling. Moore's "Meeting of the Waters" and "Nearer My God, to Thee" were perhaps the most expressive, the latter especially being most graceful and devotional in interpretation.

DINNER AND PRESENT FOR C.N.R. OFFICIAL

A dinner was given at the National Club last night to Mr. E. Langham, who is retiring after many years of service as general purchasing agent of Canadian National Railways at Toronto. It was given to Mr. Langham by officers of the Canadian National Railways, and some of his immediate friends, and was presided over by Mr. D. B. Hanna, president of the C. N. R.

During the course of the evening a presentation of a gold watch and chain was made to Mr. Langham as a token of the esteem in which he is held by his former associates and friends.

GROUP INSURANCE PLAN.

The Monetary Times Printing Company of Canada, job printers and publishers of The Monetary Times and Canadian Engineer, has put a group insurance plan into effect by which all the company's employees are given life insurance protection for sums ranging from \$500 to \$3,000, depending upon length of service. The plan includes both the mechanical department and the office staffs. The policy was placed with the Canada Life Assurance Company.

MEAT INJURIOUS TO THE KIDNEYS

Take a Tablespoonful of Salts
If Back Hurts or Bladder
Bothers.

We are a nation of meat eaters and our blood is filled with uric acid, says a well-known authority, who warns us to be constantly on guard against kidney trouble. The kidneys do their utmost to free the blood of this irritating acid, but become weak from the overwork they get sluggish; the eliminative tissues degenerate and the waste is retained in the blood to poison the entire system. When your kidneys ache and feel like lumps of lead, and you have stinging pains in the back or the urine is cloudy, full of sediment, or the bladder is irritable, obliging you to seek relief during the night; when you have severe neuralgic, nervous and dizzy spells, sleeplessness, acid stomach or rheumatism in bed, you have got from your pharmacist about four ounces of Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast each morning and in a few days your kidneys will act fine. This famous Salts is made from a combination of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush and stimulate clogged kidneys, to neutralize the acids in urine and is no longer a source of irritation, thus ending urinary and bladder disorders.

Salts is inexpensive and cannot hurt. It makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink, and nobody can make a mistake by taking a little occasionally to keep the kidneys clean and active.

FILTHY HEN COOPS FOUND IN WARD

Major Osborne Tells Humane
Society to Take Deter-
mined Action.

Absolutely impossible hovels for chickens in the "ward" district was a situation which Major Osborne in his monthly report for the Toronto Humane Society, presented at the society hall, 197 McCaul street, stated could be met only by determined action on the part of the friends of animals.

The major referred also to the case of W. J. Hay, 1314 East Queen street, who released turkeys to the mercy of the public as an advertising dodge. It was a dodge which landed one of the turkeys on the top of a street car, and landed the other on the head of a child. The cost, a total expenditure of \$43, plus undesirable notoriety.

Cruelty Mental Weakness.
Miss Yates of the Ontario agricultural section of the Social Service Commission, gave an interesting address, in the course of which she pointed to the growing interest in matters humane among stock breeders of the province. She expressed the opinion that cruelty was a sign of mental weakness. She referred to the boys' and girls' clubs in the stock-raising areas as increasing evidence of the new idealism of the country, in which humanity was the central note of inspiration. She did not wholly approve of the policy of giving prizes to children for being kind to animals. "I am given sometimes to wonder how far such a policy may have influenced the trend of thought and brought about the system of political graft which is unending from time to time," said Miss Yates. "There is a certain amount of interference with films, comic and instructive."

LADY GEDDES' MOVE STARTS SOCIAL WAR

Withdraws Patronage of
Opera, as Treasurer Enter-
tained Mrs. MacSwiney.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Lady Auckland Geddes, wife of the British ambassador to the United States, has retired as a patroness of the Washington Opera Company because of the fact that Mrs. Peter A. Drury, treasurer of the company, has been entertaining at her home Mrs. Muriel MacSwiney, widow of the late lord mayor of Cork.

The retirement of Lady Geddes came rather suddenly and dramatically, it is learned, on last Monday night, just before the opening of the opera company's season here at Poll's Theatre. She had previously consented at the request of several of her friends in Washington to become a patroness of the opera company, but did not know that Mrs. Drury, who is one of the leaders in the wealthier Irish set here, was the treasurer of the organization. On Monday night, just before making preparations to attend the opera, where she was to have been a guest at a box party, Lady Geddes happened to glance at a program of "Aida," which is being presented by the Washington company. On learning the reasons for Lady Geddes' desire to retire as a patroness, the leaders in the opera company promptly granted the request, and her name was omitted from the list of patronesses at the performance, which was given last night.

The retirement of Lady Geddes caused a sensation in the higher realms of Washington society, because the line had not heretofore been drawn in that circle between the adherents of the Irish cause and the strongly pro-British, many of whom move in the elite set of the national capital.

Mrs. Drury was a lavish entertainer for Mrs. MacSwiney and for the sister of the late lord mayor, Miss Mary MacSwiney. Her home was constantly open to receive guests from the MacSwineys, and a constant stream of Irish of high and low degree filled her home during the first few days of the visit of the MacSwineys.

SALVATION LASSIES TO BRING OUT KETTLES

The Salvation Army is attempting to do its share to relieve the unemployment situation in Toronto and at this time is especially interested in providing Christmas cheer for those who otherwise would experience a bleak and cheerless holiday season.

In a day or so the Salvation Army lassies with kettles suspended from their waists will appear in the streets of the city again. During other seasons the need for Christmas cheer has not seemed so great, but this year, no observant person need hesitate to contribute to the Christmas work of the army.

ITALIAN SENATE PASSES THE TREATY OF RAPALLO

Rome, Dec. 17.—The senate today passed the treaty of Rapallo, settling the Adriatic question between Italy and Jugoslav. The vote was 262 in favor of and 22 against the proposal.

ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER.

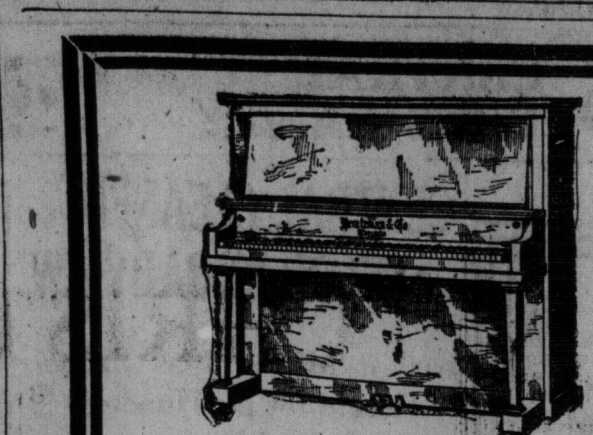
The Royal Arch Chapter of St. Andrew and St. John, No. 4, Royal Arch Masons, last evening, in the Masonic Temple, Yonge street, held its annual installation. The ceremony was under the direction of R. Ex. Comp. Henry T. Smith, grand scribe E. J. who was assisted by R. Ex. Comp. E. J. Malton, K.C., P.G.; R. Ex. Comp. R. W. Clewly, J. V. Rogers, P.G. Supers; W. G. Price, P. 2 Prin. Secy; R. Ex. Comp. E. J. Miller, C. A. Matthews, H. S. King, E. D. Grant and other Past Z's, Ex. Comp. Ed Lankin, the immediate past Z; was the recipient of a beautiful past Z's jewel.

FOR EDUCATION BOARD.

George L. Mackay, 730 Yonge st., who has been in business for the last fifteen years, will be a candidate for the board of education in Ward 3.

SAY HE BEAT WIFE.

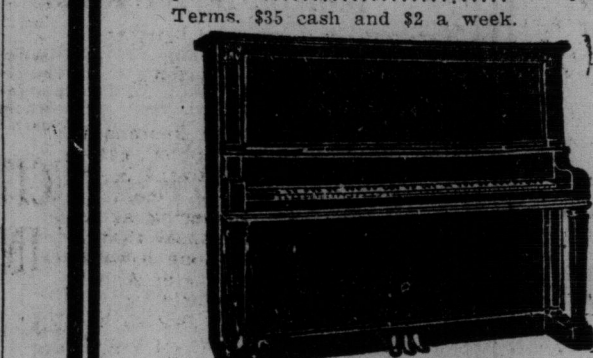
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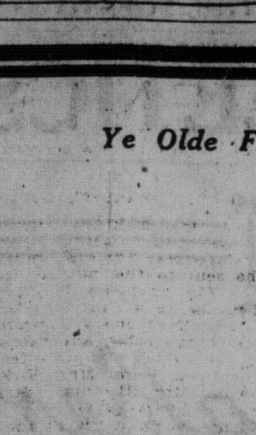
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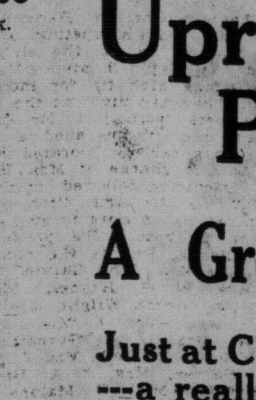
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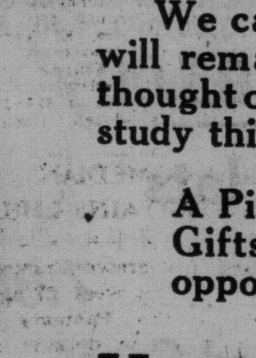
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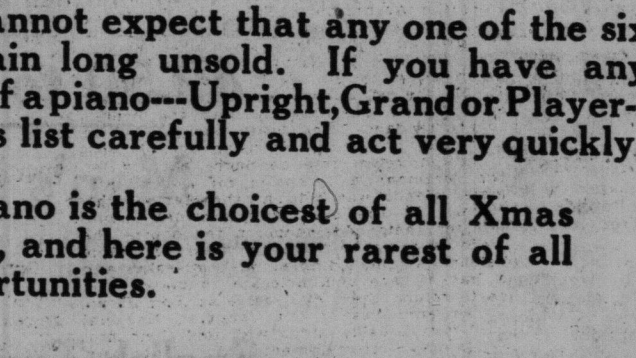
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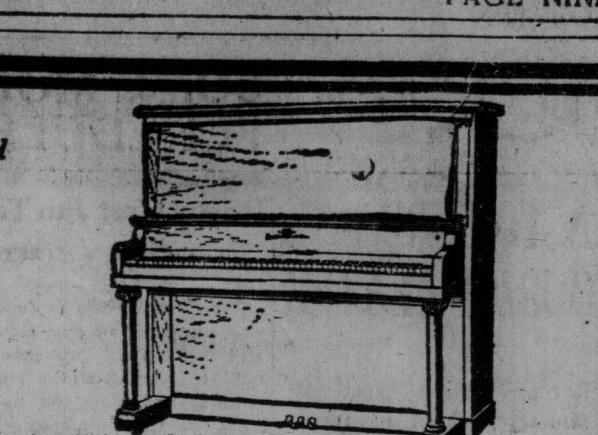
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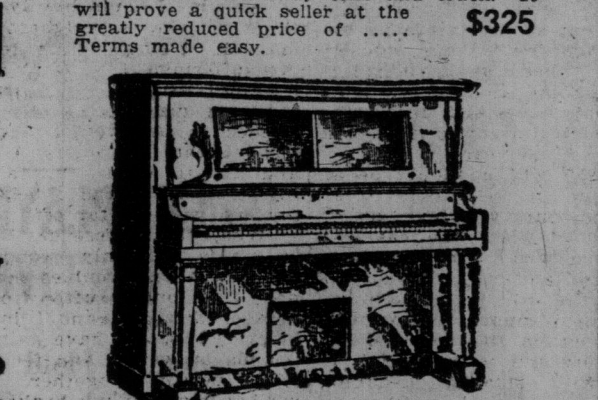
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