RELIGIOUS.

he English Salvation Army reports an rease of 25 per cent. in its membership ing the last twelve months.

hurch communicants in this country, the r York *Independent* reports, after careful tiry, number 17,267,878, of whom 6,832,- are Catholics.

ev. Dr. Cochrane has been notified that Colonial Committee of the United Presby- an Church in Scotland have agreed to £50, for four years, to any two of their chers who are prepared to devote them- es to the Canadian field.

he Bishop of Lichfield desires the clergy is diocese not to call upon their younger hren to compose more than one sermon in week. If they are required to preach e frequently they are to be allowed to a sermon from one of certain volumes ch Dr. Maclagan names.

he Rev. Arthur Griffiths, a Congregation- clergyman, said the other day in Lon- that "much of the atheism of the present among English workingmen arose from fact that the Church had never cham- ed the cause of the oppressed against the essor."

he ceremony of consecration of the new op of Huron took place on Friday in st church cathedral, Montreal, the scene labours for so many years. The vast e was crowded, clergy of all denomina- occupying seats set apart for them.

r the week of prayer, which will begin nnday, January 6th, the following gen- arrangements have been made:—Mon- praise and thanksgiving; Tuesday, con- on of sin and prayer for cleansing and wal; Wednesday, prayers for families instructors of youth; Thursday, prayer the Church of Christ; Friday, interces- for the nations; Saturday, prayer for ons at home and abroad.

e Shaker community near Cleveland e that the second coming of Christ was ed in the person of their own "Mother " that Adam's sin has been atoned, and urse removed from the earth, and that he part of the saints to redeem it from fects of the curse. Labour is to them nly sacred, but a priestly function. The they say, yields most to those who t, and love and labour will in time re- it to its Eden state.

v. D. J. Macdonnell, of Toronto, and r of St. Andrew's church, preached in andrew's church, Ottawa, Sunday, and Bank street church in the evening, in interest of the Presbyterian Home Mis- This year it is intended to raise $60,- nstead of $40,000 as last year, and $35,- the $60,000 will be appropriated for augmentation of the stipends of the ters who have at present a salary less $750.

. Capel, lecturing in New York a few go upon "Home—its Strength," com- the strength of character, courage, and nent given to a man brought up in a home to the dependence and semi- of those brought up in great charit- nstitutions, and advised Americans to orphans as much as possible in the care vate families. "Home," continued the r, "is the laboratory wherein great e formed. It is stated as if it were an that virtue goes hand-in-hand with edge and vice with ignorance, but I believe it to be true. The most learned y in the world is Germany, and Scot- s second, and yet in the matter of Scotland is the worst nation in the Sweden second, and Germany third. t that knowledge begets viciousness, re knowledge of the bead cannot pre- ."

t Rev. William Fitzgerald, Bishop of e, Kilfenora, Clonfert, and Kilmac- Ireland, who died a few days ago at dence in Killaloe, county Clare, in the inth year of his age, was a man of con- le literary attainments. He graduated inity College in 1837, and subsequently a fellow of the College. In 1848 he pointed professor of moral philosophy nity College, and in 1853 professor of stical history. He was one of the in Archbishop Whately's "Cautions mes," the editor of "Corrotable's " and of "Butler's Analogy." He joint editor of the *High Church Jour- l* he published many of his sermons rges. In 1859 he voted in the House s in favour of Lord Wadehouse's bill lizing marriage with a deceased wife's In 1857 he was consecrated Bishop of nt was transferred to Killaloe in 1862. property of the religious orders in n 1848 was estimated at 43,000,000fr. present moment it is set down 536,000fr, or sixteen times more. gures have been brought to light in on with a bill which aims at the ation of all such property. The bill prepared by M. Jules Roche. This a double purpose. It is intended to with the separation of Church and d the consequent suppression of the f Public Worship, the restitution in tury of the estates held contrary to s relating to property and to the association. M. Roche represents of the school of Paul Bert, who have ver in the State; but it is doubtful in view of certain statements re- ade by Prime Minister Ferry, such a at which he has proposed will have ce of passing into law. M. Ferry ared it to be his purpose to re- religious harmony by a benevolent on of the concordat.

last "Narrative of the State of Re- ssued by the General Assembly of the l Presbyterian Church, it said:— ant baptisms reported this year are hich is 1,500 less than the number ago. The average for each church hree infants dedicated to the Lord m. This seems a small business, and n may well awaken inquiry as to r not infant baptism should be . There are thousands of Presby- ho would be shocked by a proposal y with this time-honoured institu- who habitually neglect to bring es to the baptismal font." From ter in the *Baptist Weekly* argues s Presbyterian denomination the are coming to believe that the New t does not command believers to heir children, having previously l the idea of baptismal regeneration church membership. He believes tep will be "the immersion of be- Christ."

ge assembly of Presbyterians called n the hall of the Theological College, on Sunday afternoon to hear a eternal punishment were greatly y hearing a new and eloquent min- Scotland, named Rev. James Edgar t. Andrew's church, give expression l opinions similar exactly to those re near deposing Mr. Macdonnell, , from the ministry of the Presby- urch. On concluding his lecture MacVicar, principal of the college, l directly repudiated it on his own that of the faculty as being the f the Church to which they be- This sally created a surprise, and a great deal of comment since it Mr. Hill is not in connection United Church in Canada, conse- is independent of the General but he owes allegiance to the Scotland. Mr. Hill, on being d on Monday, gave the following ex- heerfully:—"The whole trouble." is that it is a matter of dif- ween Principal MacVicar and my- believes that a severe punishment icted upon sinners after death, nishment is penal, and therefore whilst I hold that although there evere punishment, and even that verlasting, yet there is nothing in Scripture to show that it is so, nce between us is of the most escription. He thinks that punish- death is eternal, and I believe emedial." The blunder, if there sted rather with Principal Mac- , remembering the stand he took Donnell case, ought not to have had n among his list of subjects.

NOTES OF SPORT.

It is proposed to get up a provincial trophy to be competed for annually by the curlers of Nova Scotia.

S. Leary, of Saintfield, Ont., wants to pitch six-pound quoits against any man in the Dominion.

George Rogers, the crack shot of St. Catharines, is matched against Captain Ritter, of Philadelphia, to shoot at 25 pigeons for $200 a side.

R. H. Smith is attempting the task of walking 1,500 miles in 750 hours, being two miles in every consecutive hour, at the Lambeth baths gymnasium, London.

Flatbush Maid, who years ago distinguished herself by trotting to pole and road waggon, driven by Mr. Robert Bonner, two miles in 5.01¾, died at Tarrytown lately, aged 32.

Duncan C. Ross won the 3 days' wrestling tournament, closing at Cleveland Saturday, and thereby becomes owner of the championship medal for mixed wrestling. He will locate there.

Bob Miles and a comparatively untried colt, Powhattan, by Glenelg, are the favourites for next year's Kentucky Derby. The prospects are open, as no colts known to be of very pronounced class are in.

On Thursday last the Hanlan-Stevenson boat race did not come off, as the bay at Vallejo, Cal., was too rough. The two oarsmen gave an exhibition race, Hanlan receiving $600 and Stevenson $100.

While out pheasant shooting in Germany lately, Duke Philip of Cobourg was accidentally shot in the hand by a comrade. The Duke tied up his hand and pluckily remained out, although it was a bad wound.

On Saturday in Pittsburg there were no less than a dozen cock-fights in the city. It is said that at one of the pits, within half a mile of the mayor's office, was gathered one of the most gentlemanly crowds ever assembled for such a purpose. It embraced all classes of life, excepting, probably, those who minister to our spiritual wants.

Another fast time race is reported from England. Donald, a five-year-old gelding, just promoted to the flat from the hunting-field, by Albert Victor, dam Flora Macdonald, by Scottish Chief, with 98 pounds, won the Shrewsbury Cup, two miles, by a length from Corrie Roy, in 3:25 3-5, very fast if it is reliable.

Billy Catton, of St. Louis, is said to be a coming billiard player. He surprised the St. Louis men recently by defeating a well-known local expert named Donovan, and a day or two ago, in practising for another match with the same man, is reported to have made runs of 719 and 691, ordinary three-ball game.

Alf. Greenfield, the English pugilist, writes from Birmingham to the London *Sporting Life*:—"In answer to Jem Mace's challenge to back Jack Davis, of Birmingham, to box any man in England, I beg to say that I will accommodate him for £100 aside, and will meet Mace and Davis prepared to make a match."

Respecting his brother, John L. Sullivan says:—"My brother will be a better man than I am or ever will be. He is only seventeen, and is a young Hercules. I am eight years older than he, and when I am played out he will be knocking the boys out sure. I think he will certainly make a good deal better man than I am, for he is about as good now.

The sensational trotter of the past season in Maine has been the gelding George O., now owned in Belfast in that State, who came out in September and won eight races out of nine in that month, finishing with a record of 2.31¾. He is eight years old, by Hambletonian Chief out of a mare of Gen. Knox. His owner thinks he will show 2.20 next year—of course.

On Tuesday afternoon preliminaries for a race between Gus Carruthers, of Toronto, and James Quirk, of Brantford, were arranged. The distance is to be eighty-fiv, yards, Carruthers to receive one yard starts and the stakes to be $400. The race will take place on the Exhibition grounds within two weeks. Frank Martin has been appointed referee and stakeholder.

Professional baseball players are very modest in their demands. Corcoran, of the Chicago club, nearly distracted the president of his club by informing him that his services for next season would be worth $4,500. After some time he came down to $4,000, but refused to consider the offer of $2,500 made by President Spalding, and the result is he has not been engaged for next season, but is reserved.

Teemer, the Pittsburg oarsman, says he is going to take the lead in American sculling next season, and, once premier, he does not intend to abandon his position when Hanlan returns and claims precedence. In fact, Teemer expresses an opinion regarding Hanlan's departure for Australia which the champion would object to most decidedly. Teemer will have his comb cut in good time. Hosmer can do it, much less Hanlan.

Callery, who recently trotted a horse in Kingston against one owned by T. Clancy, was summoned to appear before Judge Price on Monday to testify that the animal he trotted was his own and the one with which the match was made. He contended that the horse was his own, but on being requested to appear for examination he said he would rather settle, and forthwith handed over the stakes received ($150), and costs of Mr. Clancy's counsel, $30 more. His expenses all told will amount to $150.

The latest story told about Plaisted's funny business is that he decoyed Wallace Ross on to a Sunday-school platform in Pittsburg and introduced him to the clergyman presiding as desirous of making a speech. Ross got cornered, and made the speech. He said:—"Ladies and gentlemen,—I have come here to take part in a regatta. Those who want to get a good view of the affair to-morrow can get good seats for 50 cents, and those who don't want to pay 50 cents can get a good seat for nothing on the bank. You had better all turn out."

Simeoe, in the *Sportsman*, tells a good story of a Toronto spaniel which adopted a weakly kitten:—"The kitten not only accepted her kind offer of service, but actually derived sustenance from her for many weeks. When Flo (the spaniel) was invited out for a walk with the children as usual, when sent on any of their little errands to the candy-shop or elsewhere, the kitten would cry, and Flo immediately returned to her, and after considering how the matter could be compromised, she decided to take the kitten along too. And she always carried her tenderly in her mouth on every journey she undertook, much to the apparent satisfaction of both parties."

The Boston *Herald* says that a few months before sailing for England, Mace sent a messenger with a proposition to Sullivan, the substance of which was that they should participate in a boxing match, that they should box three of the tour advertised rounds, and that in the fourth round, in consideration of Sullivan "playing light" and not knocking old Jem out, the ex-champion would come to the front and announce to the audience that Sullivan is the best boxer and fighter that ever lived. Sullivan's reply was:—"And if he thinks so, what assurance have I that he will do as he agrees. No; tell him I will box an up-and-up match, Marquis of Queensberry rules, for $5,000 a side." "Not for 40,000 bloody dollars," said Mace.

A young English bicyclist, now in San Francisco, proposes to make a trip around the world on his bicycle. He will start from there eastward by way of Ogden, Omaha, and Chicago, and, crossing the Atlantic from New York, will ride from Liverpool to Dover. He will cross the English channel to France and ride through Europe to Asiatic Turkey, thence through Persia and Turkestan into the Chinese Empire, and make his way down the valley of the Yang-tse-Kiang to Shanghai, and thence by vessel to San Francisco, consuming a year in the travelling. He says he considers the trip from Sacramento to Reno the most difficult piece of road for a bicycle, and looks with some dismay at his proposed trip through Asia, where a bicycle has never been seen, or perhaps heard of.

The Bobcaygeon *Independent* is responsible for a deer story to the following effect:—"An American gentleman has had some interesting sport, chiefly on the Big Island. It is considered great fun to sit in a canoe and wait for a deer to be run into the water by the dogs, but there is an eagerness about the air just now that makes a bit of fire very comforting. So he went ashore, and had just got the fire blazing nicely when a great buck suddenly appeared on the other side of the fire and quietly took stock of the American gentleman, who in the first flush of his surprise stumbled backward over some driftwood and abruptly sat down on the bosom of the lake. The gentleman's rifle was, of course, in his canoe, the deer skipped away with a merry wag of his tail, and the water was remarkably wet for the time of the year."

The Indians on the Sault Ste. Marie are said to have a peculiar method of capturing whitefish which abound in the rapids. Two Indians enter the foot of the rapids in a canoe, one occupying the bow and the other the stern, the boat's head being kept up stream by a paddle in the hands of the latter. The Indian in the bow stands upright, and by the use of a long pole keeps the canoe steady. A dipnet, four or five feet in diameter, and attached to a pole fifteen feet long, is in the boat, lying where it can be quickly and easily reached by the Indian in the bow. The Indian in the bow keeps a steady watch on the water. It is rarely less than ten feet where they fish, and the Indian fishermen possess the power of seeing the fish as they appear at that depth in the rushing water. As soon as the Indian sees a fish he seizes the net by the handle and thrusts it savagely into the water, gives it a peculiar twist, and jerks it to the surface, and never without whitefish, frequently as many as six. Two Indians in a boat of this kind are said sometimes to take several hundred pounds of fish in a day.

London *Truth*:—A horrible and most disgraceful exhibition of barbarous cruelty took place last week at Arundel. One of the finest red deer in the Duke of Norfolk's park managed to jump the walls, and escaped into the open country. In a few hours it took refuge in the river Arun, and speedily a crowd was attracted. Hundreds of men and boys lined the banks, and not only prevented the unfortunate stag from escaping, but they actually pelted him with flints and lumps of chalk, until some gentleman, who were attracted by the crowd and uproar, induced them to desist by threats of prosecution. Ultimately, the stag was captured, but in such a condition that it was necessary to shoot him at once, as not only were pieces literally cut out of his body by the stones, but his eyes had been put out. It may be hoped that the Duke of Norfolk and the local authorities will take steps to have all the miscreants who took a prominent part in the torturing of the stag very severely punished.

Squirrel Hunt in Scarboro'.

A report has come in of a squirrel hunt just over in Scarboro'. It was between the north and south of Scarboro', the parties under the leadership of A. Thomson and J. Simmonds respectively. The following are given as the scores:—

A. Thomson, capt.	35	J. Simmonds, capt	115
J. Booth	25	J. Tidsberry	196½
F. Morgan	30	T. Brittain	70
T. Whitesile	20	W. Chester	881
T. Thomson	40	Geo. Chester	65
W. Thomson	80	D. Taylor	255
W. Ferguson	15	J. Brown	30
J. Miller	10	J. Lennox	0
W. A. Glendenning	20	J. South	65
W. J. Glendenning	300	A. Pherrill	100
R. Thomson	60	H. Gladstone	80
F. Mallett	0	Wm. McCowan	15
A. Paterson	40	Wm. Johnston	140
J. Hobbs	0	E. Taylor	35
	675		1,254

Majority for South, 579

After the match a grand oyster supper was partaken of at the Leslie house, Scarboro' Junction.

Prize Fight at Nottingham, England.

The London *Sporting Life* of Wednesday, November 14th, has the following:—

An extraordinary prize-fight for a substantial wager was brought off by moonlight at Nottingham at a late hour on Monday evening between the lats amateur lightweight champion of the Midland counties, and the son of a well-to-do tradesman in Nottingham. A great secret had been kept of the scene of action, but notwithstanding such secrecy a large attendance of sporting men was observed round the ring. Well-known pugilists officiated as seconds. There was a decided disparity in the height and weight of the two principals, but no sooner had exchanges taken place than the amateur led with the right full on the left eye of his opponent, and it was evident thus early that the amateur, who was much the lighter of the two, had the fight in hand. In all eight determined rounds were fought, and the amateur, who does not weigh 8st. 7lb. (119 lbs.), administered most severe punishment to his much-heavier antagonist. On two occasions the light-weight knocked his man clean off his legs, and he retired from the contest comparatively unscathed. The most remarkable feature of the event was that it took place close to one of the leading thoroughfares of the busy town of Nottingham, and that although there was a good deal of shouting, which probably was drowned by the whistling of the locomotives, the police had not the slightest clue, and in the end all concerned returned into the town unmolested by the authorities.

A Small Boy's Long Tongue.

"I don't altogether like this young man Millikin who comes to see you so often. I hear that he is nothing but a poor dry goods clerk," is what the head of the family said to his daughter one day at the dinner table.

"He is a very nice young gentleman," replied the daughter. "Besides, he is something more than a 'poor dry goods clerk.' He gets a large salary, and is manager of one of the departments, and expects some day to have an interest in the business."

"I hope he may," responded the old man, "but he strikes me as a very flippant, impertinent young person, and in my opinion he should be sat down upon."

"Well, I have invited him to take tea with us this evening," said the daughter, "and I hope you will treat him politely at least. You will find him a very different person from what you suppose him to be."

"Oh, I'll treat him politely enough," he said.

That evening Mr. Millikin appeared at supper, and made a most favourable impression upon the old gentleman. "He is a clever young fellow, after all," he thought. "I have done him an injustice."

It was just here that Bobby spoke out. Bobby was a well-meaning little boy, but too talkative.

"Papa," he ventured, "you know what you said to-day at dinner about Mr. Millikin; that he was an impertinent young man and ought to be sat down upon——"

"Silence, sir!" shouted the father, swallowing a mouthful of hot potato.

But the little fellow wouldn't silence. "It's all right," he continued, confidentially, but in a whisper loud enough to be heard out of doors, "he has been sat down upon. Sister sat down on him last night for two hours."

After this the dinner went on more quietly, owing to Bobby's sudden and very jerky departure.—*Chicago Tribune.*

Florence Wanted It.

John T. Raymond's latest story was told to a Washington *Star* reporter, as follows:—"I will tell you a story of a fellow who haunted me in a certain western city—and who wanted me to read his play. He bore a letter of introduction from a friend of mine who knew as much about plays as you do, judge, about Choctaw." "Was it as bad as you anticipated?" Judge, it was worse. It was deadly. Five acts, and it took him forty-five minutes to read the first. I let him wander through the vast desert of the second act, with never an oasis in sight, when I gasped and sunk down in my chair. I told him I was ill, and, excusing myself, I went down stairs. I dallied around for fifteen minutes, and then sent up a bell-boy, who reported that he was there, and that he hoped that I was better. He also calmly sent down word that he would wait until I came up. A thought occurred to me that Florence was playing in the opposition theatre. I sat down and sent this note to the incubus in my room:—'I want your play. It is not suited to Raymond. W. J. Florence.'" "Did it move him?" "Move him, Judge. I never knew how he got down stairs. He must have held his manuscript in his teeth and slid down the bannisters. I made a bee line for the theatre, and haven't been to that town since."

CURIOSITIES.

This was the veryconcise verdict of a coroner's jury in Idaho: "We find that the deceased came to his death by calling Tom Watlings a liar."

At a Hannibal, Mo., wedding a few days since the bridal march was played on a harmonica. The groom was attired in a hickory stripe shirt and copperas-coloured pants, while the bride wore a calico dress made in the latest Mother Hubbard style.

According to a Russian statistician (whose name is, by the way, Narces Jarreseuko Ovreschkoff), the people of the world from the time of Noah till the days of Christopher Columbus, took from the earth gold and silver of the value of nearly $1,000,000,000.

In the course of recent excavations in the city of Rome an earthenware vessel was discovered containing a brooch bearing the name of Pope Martin III., who died in 946, and one gold and $24 silver Anglo-Saxon coins. These latter bear the names of the Kings Edward the Elder, Athelstane and Edmund I., who reigned from 901 to 946. There were also a few coins of the Archbishops of Canterbury of that period. It is supposed that the money was tribute, or Peter's pence, sent by the Anglo-Saxons to Rome.

Perhaps a more extraordinary suicide was never heard of than that which is reported from Venice. Three young ladies went out, took their passage to the Lido, were observed to be very melancholy during the journey, and ended by drowning themselves. They appear to have taken their own lives, two out of mere melancholy and from *tedium vitæ*, the third out of sympathy and for the sake of company. They had lost their mother, one of them had weak sight, another was subject to fits, and they had all been reading "I Promessi Sposi," the one Italian book which most English schoolgirls have read. The least afflicted of the sisters was a girl of great beauty.

Not long since death entered the family of a Chicago cabdriver and carried off his wife. All of the "cabbies" turned out with their last season's tiles, save one. The funeral was "a success." That night the "bereaved" met a member of the "gang" in a saloon. Among them was the one who had not been out to grieve. He went to offer his condolence, seeing that the bereaved husband had just asked the gang what they would have, when the bereaved turned upon him with the fire of a Douglas, and said in withering scorn: "You can't play that this round, ye blackguard; why didn't ye come out to the funeral like a man."

On Monday, September 24th, about 9 p.m., a remarkable phenomenon occurred at Karlingen, in the Province of Bonus, Sweden. During a perfect calm a violent whirlwind suddenly arose from the south-east, carrying with it a quantity of sand, earth, and straw, when suddenly a bright light lit up every object and made the night as clear as day. This was caused by a magnificent meteor, egg-shaped in form, which appeared in the zenith, and which at first seemed to consist of myriads of large sparks, gradually changing into a star shining with a blinding lustre, and which burst, with all the colours of the rainbow, in the north-west four to five metres above the horizon. When the meteor had disappeared the wind suddenly fell, and it was again perfectly calm. The phenomenon lasted about sixty seconds. The wind had throughout the day been south, and very slight.

In the caprice of love many exacting conditions have been placed upon the waiting bride; but the most singular do not surpass in oddity the bargain of a young Cincinnati couple. The gentleman has consented to marry the girl of his choice if on a given day she shall weigh exactly one hundred and twenty-five pounds. We are not informed whether the young lady exceeds the desired weight, and will have to be trained down like a jockey for a race, or whether a deficit will have to be made up by stuffing her like a Strasburg goose or submitting her to the process mentioned by Captain Grant of fattening Egyptian princesses, by whipping them into drinking great quantities of milk. However the end is to be accomplished, the intervening period will be one of great anxiety to the young lady. Why the fastidious Cincinnatian requires his contingent wife to be exactly one hundred and twenty-five pounds is a mystery. It is quite clear that it is not mere plumpness, but plumpness of a definite avoirdupois that he bankers to call his own.

Even With Him.

John Lang, the editor of the New York *Gazette*, having once alluded to McDonald Clarke, the poet, as "that fellow with zigzag brains," the insulted poet rushed into the sanctum of the *Commercial*, then conducted by Col. Stone, blazing with fury.

"Do you see, Colonel," said he, "what Johnny Lang says of me? He calls me a fellow with zigzag brains."

"Well, and so you are," said the Colonel.

"I think it is a very happy description of you."

"Oh! that's all very well for you to say," retorted McDonald. "I'll take a joke from you, but Johnny Lang shall not destroy my well-earned reputation. Zigzag brains, forsooth! Zigzag brains—think of it, Colonel! I must have a chance to reply to him in your paper."

"How much space do you want?" inquired the Colonel.

"I think I could use him up in a column and a half," said McDonald.

"A column and a half," said the Colonel.

"Stuff! You shall have no such space. I'll give you just four lines, and if that will answer, fire away; but not a line more."

The poet thus driven into a narrow corner, sat down and instantly wrote off the following neat epigram:—

"I can tell Johnny Lang in the way of a laugh,
In reply to his rude and unmannerly scrawl,
That in my humble sense it is better by half
To have brains that are zigzag than no brains at all."

"There, Colonel," said he, "let Johnny Lang put that in his pipe and smoke it.

Our Canadian Silk Industry

is prosperous. The great difficulty to be contended with is the low grade of goods required. In nothing is this more apparent than in the comparatively small article of sewing silks. The great demand in Canada seems to be for a cheap quality, buyers forgetting that a cheap thread must necessarily be a fine and consequently a weak one. Messrs. Belding, Paul & Co, make three grades of spool silk; of these different qualities the poorest one has by far the largest sale, at the same time they constantly hear of complaints of poor sewing silk. If ladies will take the trouble to ask for Belding Paul & Co's. own brand, *and see that their name is on the end of each spool*, they will be sure of getting the best made.

His Grace the Archbishop of Armagh, Primate of all Ireland, Dr. Beresford, is nearly 83 years of age, and in feeble health

Mr. Farpetus Boileau, Ottawa, says:—"I was radically cured of piles from which I had been suffering for over two months by the use of Thomas' Eclectric Oil. I used it both internally and externally, taking it in small doses before meals and on retiring to bed. In one week I was cured, and had no trouble since. I believe it saved my life."

The opening of a large cotton mill and the introduction of the cotton manufacture in Venice was the occasion of a ceremony of inauguration a few days ago, in which the religious, civic, and military authorities, several senators and deputies, and a large number of other persons invited took part. After the guests had been shown over the establishment, and their attention specially directed to the 800 horse-power engine for moving the machinery, Cardinal Agostini, Patriarch of Venice, delivered a brief discourse and pronounced a blessing on the building and the undertaking.

QUERIES AND REPLIES.

GENERAL.

R. S., Galt—The salary of the president of the United States is $50,000.

Scarboro' Junction.—The report was not printed as it was handed in.

A. G. H., City.—The population of London, England, according to census of 1881, was 4,764,-312.

CENTRAL HOTEL, Brockville.—Record of James Keenan's trotting horse Frank with running mate is 2:08.

NEW WESTMINSTER, City.—The time made by G. E. Whiten for 1½ miles (with a turn) was 11 mins., 11 secs.

AMATEUR, Theresa, N.Y.—We find that of the oarsmen you mentioned, Levi Carley, of Barrie, has rowed in professional races.

CONSTANT READER, Woodstock.—"To-morrow will be Sunday" is preferable, but it won't do much mischief if you take your choice.

FERGUS.—The chances are letters addressed "New York *Herald*, New York," would reach their destination. We know of no other address.

SUBSCRIBER, Carberry, Man.—Cannot venture to give advice which may be dangerous. Best take first chance you can get to see a medical man.

J. H., Brussels.—The commissioners on the Ontario boundary question handed in their award to the Mackenzie Government on Aug. 3rd, 1878.

T. A. M., city.—The fastest mile record in Canada by a running horse, pacing mare, is 1.43¾, made at Woodbine last spring by Forbes' br. h. Disturbance.

R. M., Brantford.—The fastest time made for one mile by a running horse is 1 min. 39¾ sec. Ten Broeck, 5 years, 110 lbs., against time, Louisville, Ky., May 24, 1877.

ELDERSLIE.—Repeat your question about dissolving fish bones, but state for what purpose the dissolving process is needed, and then an effort will be made to answer your query.

Ch. A. L., Picton, Ont.—The trotting mare Phyllis is owned nominally (and actually, as far as we know) by Charles Warner, a Canadian, and is at present in winter quarters at Dickenson's Landing, county Stormont, Ont.

G. T., Port Stanley.—The Dominion and Ontario Rifle Associations do not afford any privileges to members to secure arms or ammunition. If you are not a member of a volunteer corps you must buy your own rifle and ammunition.

J. W. M.—In asking for the number of Conservatives and Grits unseated respectively by the decision of the election court since its establishment, you are asking for a ten years' record, which there is no convenient means of getting at. We cannot give the information at present.

Ardoch, Ont.—Qu.—"I wish to know if a man 40 years of age, of good talent and education, can get a captaincy in the Salvation Army?" Ans.—We do not know the system of the Salvation Army. Perhaps some member of it will answer the question for us.

SIMCOE.—Manitoban wheat is equal in quality to that produced in any country, and no better proof need be given than the admissions frequently made to that effect by the United States papers. The superior quality of wheat grown there is occasioned by the richness of the prairie soil.

J. R., Guilds.—(1) Black is the absence of colour. (2) Standard time, beginning at the meridian of 75°, extends west to 90°, or to the meridian passing through St. Louis. (3) There is exactly one hour's difference between the standard time of each two successive belts.

AMATEUR, Theresa, N.Y.—(1) At the Barrie regatta in August, 1879, seven started in the rigged skiff race for amateurs, and G. E. Whiten won. (2) Whiten, of Orillia, or Geo. Webster, of Hamilton, Ont. (3) Van Heuzenzein, of Toronto; Whiten, of Orillia, and Carley, of Barrie, are all amateurs.

NEW WESTMINSTER, B.C., Toronto.—(1) There is very little trouble taken to time amateur races in lapstreak skiffs, even when it is certain that the course is right. Of the few records made on dead water in races with a turn, G. E. Whiten, of Orillia, has the best. Whiten made two miles with a turn in 17 min. 55 sec. at the Barrie regatta in 1879, and he made much faster time comparatively last year in a mile and a half with turn, but we have not the figures at hand. (3) There have never been any "light weight" skiff races rowed in Canada that we know of.

BIRTHS.

BEAUMONT—In Glenwilliams, on Tuesday, Nov. 27th, the wife of S. Beaumont, of a son.

BROUGH—At London, Ont., Nov. 27th, 1883, the wife of R. R. Brough, Esq., of a daughter.

COCKBURN—At the Rossin house, Toronto, on the 28th November, the wife of George R. R. Cockburn, of a son, still born.

DAFOE—On Nov. 26th, the wife of Jacob Dafoe, merchant, Utica, of a daughter.

GRAVES—At 296 Ontario street, Toronto, on the 3rd December, 1883, the wife of Walter Greaves, Esq., of a daughter.

KINGDON—At 15 Cecil street, on Nov. 29th, the wife of W. Kingdon, U. C. College, of a son.

MATTHEWS—On December 1, 1883, the wife of A. Matthews, G.T.R., of a daughter.

MOBERLY—At Collingwood, Nov. 27th, the wife of Frank Moberly, of a son.

SPROAT—At Elmsley, Mansewood, Ont., the wife of John Sproat, Esq., of a daughter.

TINDALL—At Parry Sound, the 22nd inst., the wife of W. B. Tindall, of a daughter, still-born.

TOWNLEY—At Sutton, Georgina, December 3, 1883, the wife of W. D. Townley, of son.

MARRIAGES.

AMOS—MARR—On the 28th instant, at Mar's Hill church, Brinsley, McGillivray, by the Rev. John Turner, Robert Martin Amos, Esq., to Isabella Marr, third daughter of James Marr, Esq., Reeve of McGillivray, all of the same township.

BAMFORD—CLEGG—On Wednesday, 28th Nov., at the residence of the bride, 198 King street east, James Bamford, to Miss Alice Clegg, of this city.

CHAMBERLAIN—VANDERSHAAF—On Nov. 29th, by Rev. T. W. Jolliffe, H. G. Chamberlain to Frederica Vandershaat.

GALBRAITH—WHICHER—On the 28th Nov., at the residence of the bride's father, West Point, Colpoy's Bay, by the Rev. R. J. Cooper, Mr. Thomas Galbraith, of Colpoy's Bay, to Miss Harriet Whicher.

MILLIGAN—HICKLING—At the residence of the bride's parents, on Tuesday, November 27th, 1883, by the Rev. J. Ward, B.A., Robert Milligan, of Nottawasaga, county Simcoe, to Miss Sarah Margaret, eldest daughter of Jonathan Hickling, of Artemesia, county Grey.

PURDY—CHAPMAN—At the residence of F. N. W. Brown, Toronto, on the 1st instant, by the Rev. Doctor Greig, Ralph Purdy, of Belleville, to Ida Pfeiffer, youngest daughter of the late E. K. Chapman, of Pickering, Ont.

SAMO—NEEDELS—By the Rev. John Smith, on the 29th inst., F. J. Samo, of Toronto, to Alice B., third daughter of W. P. Needels, Esq., of Columbus, Ohio, U.S.

WILSON—HAWKINS—On the 27th Nov., at the residence of the bride's father, Scarboro', by Rev. R. Stilwell, Mr. William Wilson, of New York city, to Miss Elizabeth Amanda Hawkins.

DEATHS.

BELL—At his father's residence, 237 Adelaide street west, Sunday, 2nd Dec., Malcolm M. Bell, despatcher, Midland railway, eldest son of George and Margaret Bell, aged 30 years and 6 months.

BIGGER—On the evening of the 21st inst., at the residence of his sister, Mrs. J. Pettit, Dundas street, Trafalgar, John L. Bigger, Esq., aged 73 years, eldest son of the late Colonel Charles Bigger, U.E.L.

BURNHAM—At her son's residence, in Port Hope, on Tuesday, Nov. 27th, Sophronia Gilchrist, relict of the late Mark Burnham, aged 82 years.

BURNS—On the 30th November, Ralph Augustin Burns, youngest son of Mr. Martin Burns, in his 7th year.

CLARKE—Suddenly, on 3rd December, 1883, at his residence, 67 James street, St. Catharines, Richard A. Clarke, in the 73rd year of his age, son of the late Rev. James Clarke, formerly rector of St. George's church, St. Catharines.

DEESTERRE—At 77 Sullivan street, on Monday, 3rd inst., Edna Lillian Barr, dearly beloved daughter of Duncan and Mary D'Esterre, aged two years and three months.

DRAKE—At Peterboro', on Tuesday, Nov. 27th, of heart disease, Emma Frances, fourth daughter of E. Drake, Grafton.

DYETT—On Saturday, December 1st, at Lyndhurst, Goderich, Harriet Widder, relict of the late George Dyett, manager of the Bank of Montreal, Hamilton, after a lingering illness, in the 73rd year of her age.

FERRIER—At Claremont, Ont., on Sunday, 2nd December, Fannie Elizabeth Woodhouse, beloved wife of Dr. Ferrier, in the 39th year of her age.

FULLJAMES—At Parry Harbour, Ont., on the 25th day of November, 1883, Robert Charles, youngest son of John P. Fulljames, of Barrie, in the 32nd year of his age.

HALL—At her father's residence, 98 Lumley street, Bertha Louisa, second and dearly loved daughter of George Hall, aged 5 years and 9 months.

IRWIN—At her residence, No. 139 Duchess street, Ellen, relict of the late George Irwin.

JONES—On Saturday, Dec. 1st., at 170 Queen street west, Toronto, Ann Norris, beloved wife of Geo. Jones, aged 59 years.

JUXON—At Woodstock, on Thursday, November 29, 1883, Alicia Juxon, aged 87.

KENNEDY—At Los Angeles, California, on 26th November, Peter, eldest son of John Kennedy, Western division of G.T.R.

KINGDON—On Nov. 29th, at 15 Cecil street, Edward, infant son of William and Ida Kingdon, aged 10 hours.

LAW—On the 29th inst., at the residence of H. J. Ramsford Lindsay, F. N. Law, for many years agent G. T. R., and for the past eleven years agent Toronto, Niplissing, and Midland railway, aged 71 years.

MARKS—On Monday morning, 3rd December, at her father's residence, 187 Bathurst street, Bessie, only daughter of Wm. P. and M. A. Marks.

WOOD—At Woodholme, near London, Ont., on Nov. 27, 1883, of pneumonia, Mary McCullough, daughter of R. and Isabelle Shaw Wood, aged 13 years.

DEATHS.

MITCHELL—On Sunday, the 2nd instant, after a severe and painful illness, George Mitchell, aged 38, of Black Bull hotel.

REESOR—At Markham, on Thursday, the 29th November inst., Peter Reesor, aged 55 years.

SECORD—At his family residence, in Barrion, on 29th inst., George O. Secord, in his 86th year.

SELLERS—At his residence, Deer park, on the 28th inst., Donald F. Sellers, aged 46 years.

SMITH—At 59 D'Arcy street, on Saturday, Dec. 1st, after a short illness, Duncan W. Smith, aged 25 years, 3 months.

THORNY—In this city, at the residence of his daughter, on Saturday, December 1st, Joseph Miller Trickey, of Newcastle, Ont., in the 75th year of his age.

WALTON—On the 1st instant, at her father's residence, Orde street, off Queen street avenue, Emma L. L., beloved daughter of G. A. and E. J. Walton, aged 19 years and 9 months.

WILSON—At Detroit, on the 1st of December, Wm. G. Wilson, only son of the late Mrs. J. A. Wilson, in the 25th year of his age.

MILES—At her late residence, 76 Maple street, Catharine Ward, beloved wife of John B. Miles, in her 27th year.

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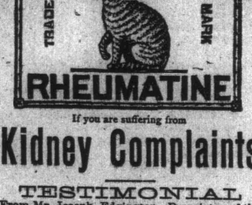

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