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SIX MONTHS' TRIP ABROAD

Dr. W. J. Tillmann, Home From Europe, Tells Good Story.

WATER PROBLEM IN OLD LAND

A Local Physician Gives His Views of Matter—Tuberculosis Question.

Dr. W. J. Tillmann has returned from a six months' course in the London (England) hospitals, and a tour of the continent. To The Advertiser he gave an account of his impressions on things in general in the old land.

"Yes, I am glad to be back," he said. "We had a very stormy voyage coming home. Some of the steamers lost passengers, but we were fortunate not to lose any, although a number were very sick. I enjoyed my trip very much, and gleaned a lot of valuable information. But before I begin I must tell you something I heard in London, England.

A "Knock" for the Depot. "One day Dr. Charles McLeary, formerly of this city, and I were walking down town, and suddenly we heard somebody exclaim, 'The worst railway depot in the world is in London, Canada.' You may imagine we were surprised, and we turned around. We found out who the young fellow was, and he happened to be a nephew of the late Judge Rose, who had travelled widely. So you may go a long distance from home, and hear something about our famous depot.

The Water Question. "I took a particular interest in the water question, and there is absolutely no doubt that filtration in Europe is as good as Queen Anne. That applies to England as well as the continent. They are abandoning filtration in favor of wells, largely, although in a number of places, they are bringing their water supply from a considerable distance from the mountains. Scarcely any one of note any longer advocates filtration.

Send Engineer to England. "I think it would be a good idea to send our waterworks engineer to England, say, every five years or so, for a few months, or a year, to study conditions abroad. I mean the United States as well as Europe. He would then be better qualified to deal with the problem. When anything progressive is attempted here at present we hire an expert, and as a rule his advice is not accepted. Our own engineer should be an expert. He should be given an opportunity to properly qualify himself in every possible manner for his position.

Tuberculosis. "As for tuberculosis, which seems to be agitating the citizens of London at this time, I gleaned some very interesting information from the Brompton Chest Hospital. In England no tuberculosis cases are admitted to the hospitals, with the exception of some incipient cases for demonstration. Our own engineer should be an expert. He should be given an opportunity to properly qualify himself in every possible manner for his position.

"All I can say to this is that he must have got his idea of a modern tuberculosis hospital out of the pyramids. "Brompton Hospital prides itself on never having had a case of contagion among its doctors, nurses or help, since its commencement, but it is necessary to remember that the patients are taught the rules for the prevention of consumption, as children are taught their prayers. Any patient that would expectorate on the grounds would not be tolerated for one second.

Patients for Teaching Purposes. "On the other hand, the large general hospitals admit only sufficient pulmonary tuberculosis patients for teaching purposes, and they are very particular that they are early cases, and that the patient lives up to the letter of the rules. They also see that their stay in the hospital is only for a very short time. Advanced cases they absolutely refuse. "Dr. Still, the most eminent man in the world in children's diseases, teaches Continued on Page Eight.

Another Echo of the Reid Wreck Mrs. Long Sues for \$15,000 Damages

Son Was Killed in the Big Collapse of Tuesday, July 16, 1907.

A case arising out of the Reid disaster is to be heard before the jury of the high court at the assizes beginning Jan. 11. Mrs. Eliza Long is suing W. J. Reid of W. J. Reid & Co.; Peter Smirles, as the lessee, of the Reid buildings, and Geo. N. Kernohan and

Robert G. Wilson, contractors, for \$15,000, alleging negligence. It will be remembered that Joseph Long, a son of Mrs. Long, and a member of the firm of Hamilton, Long & Co., was killed at the time of the disaster, and as Mrs. Long was dependant upon him for her living she is claiming damages as above stated, against all the parties considered to be in any way responsible for the changes in the building, which are said to have caused the disaster. Mr. T. H. Luscombe is acting for the plaintiff, and Messrs. Gibbons, Harper & Gibbons act for W. J. Reid, and J. M. McEvoy for Peter Smirles, and Messrs. Kernohan and Wilson.

RUNAWAY FREIGHT ON GRADE WRECKED DEPOT AND FACTORY

Seventy-two Cars on the Erie Break Loose at Terrific Speed Demolish Station and Charge Into Big Creamery Plant.

Rochester, Dec. 24.—A freight train on the Buffalo and Susquehanna Railroad, consisting of 72 cars, broke away this morning on a steep grade, five miles from Addison and dashed on its way to Addison. The engineer warned the crew and the jumped. At Addison the car store through the station at terrific speed, jumping from the tracks, demolishing the station into kindling wood and then crashed into the build-

ings of the Howell Company Creamery, wrecking them completely. The cars were halted here. The wreckage of the creamery caught fire, and burned, together with the tangled mass of freight cars and their contents. The fire spread to a number of passenger coaches on an Erie siding, and burned them. The collision and fire blocked traffic on the Erie road for some hours. The only man injured was Fireman waters, of the freight, who was hurt when he jumped.

The Night Before Christmas

This is the night of nights for the "kiddies." They will go to bed early every one of them, and wait with sleepless eyes for the coming of Santa Claus.

On every fireplace and chimneypiece the little stockings of the youngsters will be hung up in a row, waiting for the good things they are certain Santa is bringing with him in his merry trip over the snow in his reindeer sleigh.

They will keep awake will these "kiddies" just as long as they possibly can, to catch a glimpse of him.

Hour after hour will they fight against the sandman until wearied out, they pass to pleasant dreams, only to waken long hours before daylight, to see what good things have come to them.

Their fond parents, wearied with Christmas shopping and hard work, will be awakened up perhaps at 3 o'clock in the morning, by the youngsters, and not another wink of sleep will they get.

Few homes, no matter how poor they may be, will be overlooked by Santa Claus this season.

It is worth living a lifetime to get with a bunch of youngsters in the morning when they unload their stockings.

It is great.

A Teacher's Mistake Years Ago Results in Boy Killing His Mother

Toledo Lad Found Guilty and Sentenced to Life in Prison.

Toledo, Dec. 24.—A teacher's mistake a year ago is said to have resulted in Don Harvey Hazel becoming the murderer of his mother.

Hazel last night was found guilty of killing his parent, and was sentenced to life imprisonment in the Ohio Penitentiary.

When the boy was going to school in the earlier part of his life, he is now 17, his tutor, unintentionally called him Hazel when she wanted him to recite or to do something for her. This continued for some time, the teacher not knowing that Hazel was the pupil's last name.

A Ridiculous Story of Smallpox Kept Many People Away From City

Yarn Spun in the West Said This City Was Under Quarantine.

A visitor to the city from Winnipeg stated to The Advertiser that fully 200 tickets had been bought in Winnipeg and points west for London, and then cancelled because the report had been circulated throughout the West that London was quarantined from the smallpox.

The number, perhaps, appears excessive, but there is no doubt that many of prospective visitors to the city were hindered from coming to London owing to the report of the prevalence of the disease. The story

The boy resented the appellation as there were two girls in his class named Hazel. When the teacher learned her error, she apologized, but Hazel did not let the matter rest. He played a trick for two weeks and concealed the fact from his parents. The parents were horrified. Fearing he would be severely punished, the lad ran away, became a tramp and evil association ruined him.

On Jan. 11, 1908, he went to his home in Toledo, and slew his mother by hitting her over the head with a hammer. His father returned from work that night, and found the woman dead on the kitchen floor. Money and jewelry had been stolen from a room upstairs. The police that night arrested Harvey at the home of a woman. He confessed.

According to the jury's verdict, Hazel has hope of a pardon or a parole. He smiled when the jury gave its verdict.

was grossly exaggerated, as there has not been anything resembling an epidemic of smallpox here.

Only Small Affair. Dr. Hutchinson, the medical health officer, has taken effective measures to stamp out the disease, and only five cases have resulted when there was considerable smallpox in the district. The worst is now over.

"London spends less money on her board of health than any city in Ontario," said a prominent citizen this afternoon. "Their appropriation is kept down to the lowest possible amount, and one wonders how such effective work can be done under such conditions. The city should spend more money on the board of health and give them a chance to do more effective work."

BABE'S BODY THROWN FROM G. T. R. TRAIN NEAR KOMOKA

Express Was Moving at a Rapid Rate When Section Foreman Saw a Window Go Up and the Child Was Tossed Out—Occurred at 7:40 This Morning.

While standing at the side of the Grand Trunk tracks about five miles west of Komoka this morning to let the 7:40 express for Sarnia go by, Section Foreman McKellar, of Komoka, was horrified to see one of the windows of the cars opened, and the body of a baby thrown out.

The train was going at a high rate of speed at the time, and the child's body struck the ground at the side of the tracks and was badly bruised. Mr. McKellar ran as fast as possible

and picked it up, but the child was dead when he reached it. The remains were taken to Komoka and the coroner notified. An inquest will be held. The baby had evidently been recently born. As soon as possible, Mr. McKellar took the body to Komoka and instructions were wired ahead to ascertain who threw the child out. So far no arrests have been made, but it is expected that word will be received at any moment that an arrest has been made.

Plenty of Spring Water at 70 Feet Bore Is Being Made on Horton St.

Driller Says He Can Get Water Always if Allowed To Drill Where He Wants.

The test well being sunk at the foot of Horton street for the purpose of trying out the system of artesian wells has reached a depth of 70 feet.

Water in considerable quantities has been struck, and the well is filled within a few feet of the top. "We have plenty of water in the well now," said Mr. James Peet, the driller. "The pipes are filled to the top, and yesterday overflowed. We are down 70 feet, and will go deeper."

"I am confident we will strike water in great quantities. We are boring in the proper belt, I think, to get plenty

of it. I have sunk several wells in this neighborhood, for Hunt Bros., Labatt's, the Cold Storage Company, and Thompson's, and in all of them I got water. As I said before, we are in the belt, and we expect to get plenty of water."

"I have drilled other wells in London, and in almost every instance when I bored where I wanted to, we got water. I think we will do the same now. We will continue to bore until we strike the vein where the best water is, and then we will cease."

The drilling is much easier today. They expect to finish the well within a few days. "Hon. Adam Beck is understood to be in the well-drilling move."

Toronto Nominates for the Council

Toronto, Dec. 24.—Yesterday was municipal nomination day in Toronto, and nominations for mayor and members of the board of control were made at night. The mayoralty nominations resulted in a surprise. Mr. Thomas Davies, entering the field against Mayor Oliver.

The following are the nominations for mayor and controller: For mayor—Jos. Oliver, lumber merchant; Thos. Davies, gentleman; Wm. A. Douglas, accountant; J. M. Briggs, canal builder; Jas. Lindala, tailor.

For board of control—Francis S. Spence, journalist; Wm. S. Harrison,

physician; Wm. P. Hubbard, gentleman; G. R. Geary, solicitor; H. G. Geary, solicitor; H. C. Hooken, journalist; Jas. Hales, barrister; R. B. Noble, gentleman; J. J. Ward, merchant; James O'Hara, gentleman; P. O. Sabine, baker; Jas. Simpson, reporter.

The aggregate number of men nominated in the six city wards and who declared their intention to contest for aldermanic honors is 61. Most of them gave pledges that they would support the license reduction blylaw in the council if the people voted in favor of it.

Wholesale Steal of Perth Turkeys One Hundred Birds Were Taken

Party of Thieves Operating in the Township of Downie.

Stratford, Dec. 24.—A case of turkey-stealing on a large scale was aired in the local court today and has created considerable sensation. Since Nov. 9 a party of thieves has been operating among the farmers of Downie Township, about two miles west of this city, and since the gang has commenced operations over one hundred prize birds have been spirited away in the night from their respective owners.

Police Officers Atcheson and T. B. McCarthy went over to St. Marys yesterday and arrested Frank Finney and Joseph Ella, both of that town.

Ella was also charged with resisting the police. When the officers arrived on his farm he had taken refuge in the barn and threatened to use an axe if they forced the door. They were finally allowed to enter and Ella asked to change his clothes.

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Stabs Woman on Montreal Street

Montreal, Dec. 24.—In full view of a dozen pedestrians on University street, one of the leading residential thoroughfares of the city, an Italian plunged a dagger three times into the side of a young woman with whom he was walking late yesterday afternoon, and then took to his heels, followed by a number of pursuers. After a long chase the man was captured, and received a rough handling before he was handed over to the police. The

woman is now in Royal Victoria Hospital in a very serious condition. The sudden affray caused much commotion, and it was only after a determined chase that the would-be murderer was captured. To the police he gave his name as Francisco Varlo. The woman had been living with him for some time, and the alleged cause of the assault is that she asked him to go and get work. The stiletto thrusts was his answer.

WIGLE HEADS STRAW VOTE. Windsor, Dec. 24.—Aldermen Foster has announced his intention of entering the race for the mayoralty. It is understood Alderman Trumble may also enter the field. Trumble last January polled the largest number of votes of any candidates for the council. A straw vote taken recently by the Windsor Record placed present Mayor Wigle far in the lead as a candidate for re-election.



DR. W. J. TILLMANN Who Has Returned After a Six Months' Sojourn in Europe.

STORMS' TOLL ON GREAT LAKES

Six Vessels Went to the Bottom Making a Total Loss of \$631,000.

Detroit, Dec. 24.—During the past season sixteen vessels, ten steamers and six schooners passed out of existence on the lakes. The boats that were total losses were valued at \$631,000. They had a carrying capacity of 26,250 tons a trip. Eight of the vessels stranded and were pounded to pieces; five steamers were destroyed by fire; two were lost in collisions, and one steamer foundered. Only two were of steel.

The greatest loss of the season was the steamer D. M. Clemson, which foundered in Lake Superior. Twenty-four lives were lost on her. She was valued at \$300,000, and with her coal cargo, worth \$12,000, was insured. The package freight steamer, North Star, which was sunk in collision with the steamer Northern Queen on Lake Huron, was insured for \$120,000, and she had a valuable cargo, which also was insured.

ROBBERS PLUNDER THE ROYAL TOMBS

Visitors Cut Up Velvet Pails Covering the Coffin To Wrap Booty In.

Stockholm, Dec. 24.—The cathedral at Rethkille, the traditional burying place of the Danish Kings, was robbed by robbers last night. Many valuables were stolen. The object of the thieves was probably to plunder the royal tombs of their treasures. They forced an entrance through a window, and then cut the iron gates separating the royal mausoleum from the main part of the cathedral. They carefully and leisurely chose the most valuable things. They cut up velvet pails covering the coffins, apparently to wrap their booty in, and then escaped without being detected. The robbery seems to have been hurried, as they dropped a golden lyre stolen from the tomb of Louis, while outside the cathedral golden oak leaves, from wreaths, were scattered on the ground. It was the discovery of the latter that gave the first intimation of the sacrilege. The exact extent of the plunder is not yet known, but in addition to other valuables missing are a golden wreath, which was subscribed for throughout Denmark for the tomb of the late King Christian, another given by his children, including Queen Alexandra; two presented by the Russian imperial family; a silver wreath deposited by President Fallieres last July; a silver cross and two silver shields. The only clue to finger prints on the glass lids of the coffins. It is believed that the thieves were probably foreigners. The outrage has caused the greatest popular indignation.

The following is the price schedule for Poultry, Dressed.

Turkeys, lb.	18	to	20
Ducks, pair	120	to	130
Chickens, lb.	10	to	11
Chickens, pair	70	to	110
Chickens, alive, pair	60	to	75
Geese, lb.	10 1/2	to	12

Wheat, bush.	90	to	91
Oats, cwt.	105	to	115
Corn, cwt.	110	to	120
Barley, cwt.	115	to	115
Peas, cwt.	115	to	130
Buckwheat, cwt.	115	to	120
Beans, cwt.	125	to	160

Vegetables.

Potatoes, bag	60	to	65
Turnips, bag	30	to	35
Beets, bush	25	to	35
Parsnips, bush	35	to	45
Onions, bush	50	to	60
Carrots, 12 bunches	25	to	50
Cabbage, dozen	30	to	50
Lettuce, dozen	30	to	35
Sage, dozen	15	to	25
Savory, dozen	15	to	25

Dairy Produce.

Buttery, creamery	26	to	28
Butter, poor	25	to	26
Butter, crook	25	to	24
Eggs, packed	29	to	30
Eggs, fresh laid	34	to	36
Honey, strained	10	to	12
Honey, in comb	14	to	15

Butchers' Meats.

Pork, cwt.	8 50	to	8 50
Beef, fore, cwt.	5 75	to	6 50
Beef, hind, cwt.	6 50	to	6 50
Mutton, cwt.	7 00	to	8 00
Veal, cwt.	8 00	to	9 00
Lamb, cwt.	10 00	to	10 00

Hides and Wool.

Wool, washed, lb.	14	to	16
Wool, unwashed, lb.	8	to	10
Hides, No. 1, lb.	8	to	10
Hides, No. 2, lb.	7	to	7
Hides, No. 3, lb.	6	to	6
Tallow, rendered, lb.	5	to	5 1/2
Tallow, rough, lb.	2 1/2	to	2 1/2
Sheepskins, each	60	to	80
Calfskins, No. 1, lb.	11	to	11
Calfskins, No. 2, lb.	10	to	10

Fruit.

Apples, per barrel	\$2 50	to	\$3 75
Apples, per bag	\$0	to	\$1 25

Hay and Straw.

Hay, per ton	9 50	to	11 00
Straw, per ton	6 00	to	7 00

Some Old Figures.

The following is a scale of prices (Continued on Page Nine.

TURKEY SOLD AT 20 CENTS

Christmas Dinners of the Favorite Bird Will Come High.

BIG CROWD AT MARKET

Geese and Other Poultry Were Also Boosted Today—Glance at the Figures.

"Oh, for the days of the golden past, when you could get a turkey for 75 cents," was the cry of Londoners on the market this morning, when farmers boosted the prices to 20 cents a pound for hen turkeys, 19 cents for young gobblers, and 18 cents for double-breasted, leather-chested birds. Many homes will, no doubt, be without the previously inevitable bird this merry Christmas. Farmers are wearing the smile that won't come off while there are tears in the voices of intending purchasers as they ask the price.

Geese Fly High, Too. Geese took a slight jump today, selling at 11 cents and 12 cents in the majority of cases, while a few birds, which probably accompanied Noel during the flood, sold for 10 1/2 cents.

Choice Christmas beef sold as high as \$8 per hundredweight, but the butchers had great difficulty in locating the buyers. One man who took his position in one of the stalls early, had not made a sale at noon, and was thinking seriously of leaving, as people were not considering beef.

Purchasers in a Torpor. Sales were slow in nearly all lines, however, the poultry prices having evidently shocked the purchasers into a torpor. Little pork was offered, the prevailing price being \$3 50 per cwt. Young pigs were offered at \$5 per pair.

Grain was rather scarce at the prices quoted Tuesday. The oats offered were very poor, but one real good load being offered. It sold for \$1 15. Prices in this line ranged from \$1 05 to \$1 15.

Potato Prices. Potatoes remained about the same, selling in the majority of cases for 65 cents per bag. All other lines of vegetables were offered at about the same price as on Tuesday, sales being slow.

Hay took a slight rise, a few loads of first-class stuff selling at \$11 per ton. About fifty loads of hay and straw were offered, sales being fast. Rabbits were taken away in pairs, 25 to 30 cents being the controlling price. Butter and eggs were offered for about the same money as on Tuesday. Apples were fairly plentiful, in fact much more numerous than buyers. Second-class fruit sold for \$2 50 per barrel.

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