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That **DR. CAMPBELL'S RED BLOOD FORMING CAPSULOIDS** is the only Iron Medicine known that can be given to all Children, and that Capsuloids agree with the weakest children, always making them Rosy, Strong and Healthy.

Mr. McMillan's child had Diphtheria; now she is Rosy and Strong. Read what he says:

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A short time since my little daughter, aged six years, had a severe attack of Diphtheria, which left her very much emaciated and weak. Her convalescence was slow until it occurred to me to give her Capsuloids, the result of which was immediately manifest, and at the end of two or three weeks much of her vigor had returned and the natural color of lips and cheeks was quite restored. No doubt Iron was exactly what her system required and in the form of Capsuloids its effect was remarkable, more particularly as it was accompanied by none of the distressing symptoms always produced in children when Iron is taken.

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FOR PROHIBITION.

Published by the W.C.T.U.

From the Renfrew Mercury.

Nations have come and gone. We, in this age are witnessing the passing of the power of the one-time most powerful nation on earth—Spain (strangely, and blindly one would think, one of the nations commended by Goldwin Smith for its "temperate" use of intoxicants.) The United States—which is yet in the infancy of nation-hood—though now powerful has within it already the visible signs of decay. It failed to prohibit the traffic at that peroid in its history when its time and opportunity came: with the result that to day the saloon power has such control over its national, State, and municipal politics, that rottenness already threatens the foundations of its dominion. The fact that while less than 300 of its citizens fell by the bullet in their recent contest with the Spaniards, over 2,000 have died because of inefficient management, following corrupt political conditions induced by the power of the licensed liquor trade, points the direction in which the country is drifting.

Canada is now rising into an eminence of nation-hood. Its turn to decay may come in due course, also. But if its foundations are built truly and well there is no estimating the influence it may have on the world in the generations to come. In those portions of the States which have Prohibition, no matter what may be said about infractions of the law in drinking there seems little room for doubt that even the partial prohibition they have has tended largely to wipe out the political power of saloon—a consummation devoutly to be wished. Canada's opportunity has now come to try a means of dealing with the liquor evil in a thorough-going manner. Let the nation take advantage of the opportunity.

Apart altogether from the question of liquor drinking, Canada will never do a better day's work than when it says that the liquor trade shall have no standing in the eye of the law.

Great writers and eminent divines fought against the abolition of slavery just as vigorously as Goldwin Smith and Principal Grant fight against the Prohibition of the licensed liquor traffic. Even the Bible was called on to prove that slavery was right, just as some preachers nowadays are trying to justify liquor-drinking and liquor-selling by The Book. But the conscience of the people was a better guide than the mental crook and well-penned sophistries of special pleaders, and slavery had to go. It will yet be the same with the licensed liquor trade. A people will arise which will wipe it out and their successors will wonder that any people ever let it exist.

It is noteworthy that almost every objection that has been urged against Prohibition, even by the few well-known men who have put their names to what they write, when analysed, appeals to the lowest side of man's nature—ignorance, cupidity, race or religious prejudice, selfishness and lawlessness. While this of course does not prove that Prohibition is right it has a very strong tendency to show that the men opposed to it are not the men who should be chosen as guides by right thinking men.

PLUM HOLLOW

MONDAY, Sept. 19.—The farmers are nearly through filling silos.

Mr William Young, sr, is confined to his bed with rheumatism

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Smith are attending the Ottawa fair this week.

Quite a number from here attended the Unionville fair last Friday.

Lena, youngest daughter of Mr. Archie Hudson, who is now in Kingston undergoing an operation, is said to be improving nicely.

Mr. Bert Bullard is going on a business trip to Iowa.

Mr. J. E. Knapp is the owner of a cow, among his herd of Holsteins, that in ten months milked 10,327 lbs of milk.

Mrs. William Cavanaugh, who became insane a week or two ago and was taken to the insane asylum, Brockville, leaving behind her a family of five small children to be looked after, is said to be gaining. It is hoped she will soon be able to attend them herself, as the little ones are nearly destitute of food or clothing.

Mr. Elwood Jackson attended the Toronto fair. He reports having enjoyed the trip immensely.

Mr. Robertson of Delta will deliver a lecture on Tuesday, Sept. 20th, in the evening, at the Baptist church.

Miss Addie Hanna wishes to inform the public that she has a full line of new walking hats and sailors at her residence, Elgin street, Athens.

Until last January, Fischel Bros. & Wise, dry goods merchants, of Denver, Col., did not advertise. They decided to spend $250 a month, but their bills were a little less than that. So far, the percentage of increase over the business for the first six months of 1897 has been:—January, 112 per cent.; February, 114 per cent.; March, 163 per cent.; April, 109 per cent.; May, 100 per cent.; June, 116 per cent. Last month the firm did the largest business in its history—2 per cent. larger than during March and June of 1897, combined. The increase in business for the six months of this year, over the first six months of 1897, was 123 per cent., and over the first six months of 1896, 148 per cent.

DEATH FROM SUFFOCATION.

Almost a Fatality But for Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart—Strange Story of a Northern Lady.

A death to be dreaded is that from suffocation, and yet this is one of the usual phases of heart disease. Mrs. J. S. Hiller of Whitewood, N. W. T., came as near this dangerous point as need be. She says; "I was much afflicted with heart failure, in fact I could not sleep or lie down for fear of suffocation. I tried all the doctors in this section of the country, but they failed to give me relief. A local druggist recommended Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart. I tried it, and with the result that I immediately secured ease I did not know before, and after taking further doses of the medicine the trouble altogether left me. It is too much to say that it saved my life." Sold by J. P. Lamb.

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LOCAL SUMMARY.

ATHENS AND NEIGHBORING LOCALITIES BRIEFLY WRITTEN UP.

Events as Seen by Our Knight of the Pencil.—Local Announcement Boiled Right Down

Mr. F. Warren and wife were visitors at Oak Leaf on Sunday.

Cash paid for grain.—Athens Grain Warehouse.

Mrs. Johnston of Soperton has gone on a visit to her daughter in Almonte.

Passenger rates on the G. T. R. will likely be much higher after the 25th inst.

Archbishop Gauthier's consecration will take place at St. Mary's cathedral, Kingston, on Oct. 18.

New lot of Cedar Shingles expected this week. Extra value.—Athens Lumber Yard.

Mr. Geo. Johnston of Warburton was the guest of his brother, Peter Johnston, at Oak Leaf on Sunday.

Messrs. Matt. and Ed. Webster of Kingston have returned home after a visit to friends in Oak Leaf and vicinity.

Hal Donly has cabled from Vienna that Canada got the big world's bicycle meet for 1899. The races will take place in September in Montreal.

Some Soperton people who thought that their grape vines had been robbed by night-hawks have discovered that it was day-birds (turkeys) that had stolen their fruit.

An Ottawa dispatch says:—Mr. R. W. Scott, the secretary of State, asserts that, under the Federal law, all barrooms in Canada must be closed when the vote on prohibition is being taken.

The ladies of the congregation of Elgin Methodist church will hold a harvest dinner in the town hall from 12 to 2 on Saturday, Oct. 1st. After dinner a programme of speeches and music will be rendered in the church. Tickets, 25c.

At the assizes in Brockville this week the grand jury brought in a true bill against Wm. Pear of North Augusta for manslaughter and against Edith O'Donahoe for neglecting to provide for her child and concealment of birth.

A new feature in the celebrated Napanee Bank robbery case has just come to light in the finding of $200 in forged bills which were in the possession of Frank Lefebre of Three Rivers Que. It is expected his arrest will have an important bearing on the coming trial at Napanee.

All persons to whom Mrs. (Dr.) J. F. Harte is indebted in any way are requested to render their accounts at once. Mrs. Harte leaves Athens shortly to be absent until the 1st of next March and is desirous of having all accounts adjusted before her departure. She wishes to acknowledge and assume personal liability for all indebtedness contracted by herself

Though the penny postage system with the British Empire will go into effect on Christmas day, the Postmaster-General has decided that there can be no reduction made just now in the rate of domestic postage. After Dec. 25th there will, therefore, be three rates of postage on letters in Canada, namely: two cents for Great Britian and her colonies, three cents for Canada and United States, and five cents for foreign countries.

Owing to the absence of Wm Layng, who is declared to be a necessary and material witness, the counsel of the Caledonian Insurance Co. obtained a postponement of the trial of T. K. Scovil's action for the recovery of his insurance. The case was to have been heard at the Brockville assizes this week. Leave was reserved to either party to move to enter the action for trial at the Perth assizes, beginning on the 5th December. Question of costs reserved.

Cholera Among the Pigs.

An alarming outbreak of hog cholera has occurred near Ottawa and it has been found necessary to quarantine a section of country three miles square with the prospects of it being further extended. The entire piggeries of about a dozen farmers, containing fully 200 hogs are affected. The section quarantined is on the McArthur road, two miles from Ottawa, and produces more hogs for the Ottawa market than any other section.

Lyndhurst. Fair.

The annual fall fair of Rear Leeds and Lansdowne Agricultural Society will be held at Lyndhurst on Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 3 and 4, and its success is assured if an attractive programme will achieve that result. Many changes and additions have been made, all tending to render the fair still more popular with exhibitors and the public. In addition to the usual trials of speed in the ring, a programme of athletic sports has been arranged that will engage the interested attention of every person on the ground. Bills are being issued this week, giving full particulars. Every department of the fair has received due attention, and the directors confidently expect a very large attendance at the coming fair.

Bran, shorts, hay, feed, &c for sale. —Athens Grain Warehouse

A number of Oak Leaf and Soperton people intend to attend Lansdowne Fair.

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Betts, have been visiting friends in Athens for a few days, guests of Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Alguire.

There are 2031 Methodist ministers in Canada of whom 1657 are in the active work. There are 295 superannuated clergymen.

Mr. N. A. Glass, baker of Elgin, has gone to Manitoba, and creditors are said to be much concerned over his departure.

Lost, on the fair grounds at Unionville, a lady's tan colored four button glove, nearly new. Finder will confer a favor by returning it to the Reporter office.

The best salmon-fishing in October usually comes in with the full moon. Anglers note with regret that Luna doesn't get in that condition next month until near its close.

Rev. E. Crane preached in Wall street Methodist church, Brockville, on Sunday last. At the close of the regular service in the evening, a mass meeting was held at which stirring addresses in favor of prohibition were delivered.

The members of Athens L. O. L. will attend divine service on Sabbath at 2.30 in St. Paul's church. The Rev. J. J. Cameron, M.A., will deliver the sermon. The centre of the church will be reserved for the brethren, and the general public will be welcomed.

The annual convention of Leeds county W.C.T.U. will be held at Gananoque on Thursday and Friday of this week. Mr. Jno. R. McConica, superintendent of the Old Brewery Mission, Montreal, will be the principal speaker.

The officers of the Epworth League elected for this year are as follows: Pres., Mrs. T. S. Kendrick; 1st vice Miss Lillie; 2nd vice, Miss Kline; 3rd vice, Miss Stone; 4th vice Miss E. Blanchard; Rec. Sec., Miss J. McCheyne; Cor. Sec., Miss Rancier; Treas., Norton Crane; Organist, Mrs. S. C. A. Lamb.

The other day in Ottawa two men were charged with riding a tandem bicycle on the sidewalk, contrary to law. The rider on the rear seat claimed that he was irresponsible, as the forward rider did the steering. The magistrate evidently considered the objection well taken, as he dismissed the case against him and fined the rider of the front seat $1 and costs.

The sitting of the 9th Division Court was held in the town hall, Athens, on Tuesday last, 20th inst., His Honor Judge Reynolds presiding. The docket was unusually light, there being only one defended case, that of the Addison lodge of United Workmen against Wm. Scott. After taking the evidence of H. S. Moffatt, who was financier at the time default in payment of dues was made, the Judge allowed the case to stand over until next court to allow the plaintiff to amend the bill of particulars.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Seamon of Chantry have for some time past been enjoying a daily hunt in the bush. Mrs. Seaman has become quite an expert with the gun. The other day, in Mr. Giles' bush, north of Phillipsville, in the forenoon, they shot 22 black squirrels; in the afternoon, 15 more—37 that day. We fancy this would hustle the Scribe of the Reporter Club. The next day they shot several ducks in the rice bed of Upper Delta lake. Last Monday they entered the swamp and bush of Mr. Fred Hayes, but were too late to do more than locate some game. Besides getting lots of ozone and increase of muscle, they keep their table supplied with game. Mrs. Seaman not only handles the weapon with skill but with ease, assurance, and evident pleasure. We rarely find a couple enjoying life in a more quiet, unassuming, common-sense manner.—Com.

Lyndhurst Fair Note.

Those intending to exhibit cattle at Lyndhurst fair are requested by the secretary to note that the prizes in Classes C. D. and E. are the same as those in class B.

For Frankville Fair.

W. H. Hall, Addison, offers a special prize of $2.00 to first and $1.00 to second, for best bushel of Spring Wheat exhibited by a farmer who had his grain threshed with Hall's traction steam thresher this fall.

The Game Law.

The regulations of interest to sportsmen in this locality at this season are as follows: The season for ducks, partridges, black and grey squirrels, snipe, plover and hares is now open and will continue until the 15th of December. No person may sell or exchange any snipe, woodcock or partridge until Sept. 15th, 1900. There is no close season for the cotton tail rabbits.

Clubbing Rates For 1898-9

We have made arrangements for clubbing the Reporter and the Montreal Daily Herald one year for only $2.00, or the Reporter and Weekly Globe for $1.50.

Reporter subscribers must be paid up to date to enable them to take advantage of this cheap clubbing rate.

We will send the Reporter and Weekly Globe on a trial trip to new subscribers for balance of 1898 for only 30 cents.

The above offers hold good only for a short time, so rush in your orders, accompanied by the cash.

Sample copies of any or all of the above will be sent on application. Address the

REPORTER OFFICE, Athens.

Canadian Butter.

Prof. Robertson, Dairy Commissioner is devising a scheme for the exportation of Canadian butter in tins. The butter is to be wrapped in wax paper and placed in hermetically sealed tins. It is claimed that when packed in this way butter will keep good in any climate, and Prof. Robertson believes that a large trade may be developed with China, Japan and other Oriental countries. Prof. Robertson has had a number of tins made in Montreal for this purpose and a shipment of butter in tins has already been made from the dairy station at Calgary to the Yukon district. This method of packing butter has been tried with great success in France and Prof. Robertson is of the opinion that it can be made equally successful in Canada.

PRESBYTERIAN RE-OPENING.

The re-opening services of St. Paul's Presbyterian church, following extensive improvements made in the interior of the building, were held on Sabbath last. Large congregations were present both in the morning and evening, many from other denominations attending and thus testifying their sympathetic interest in the commendable work accomplished. Rev. A. C. Bryan, B.A., of Westport, conducted the services and delivered earnest, thoughtful discourses that were heard with pleasure and with profit by all. Excellent choral music was furnished by the church choir, in which all the parts were well balanced.

Mr. C. C. Slack, the well-known artist, had charge of the improvements made in the building, and to his cultivated taste the fine effect produced its due. Perfect harmony has been obtained in the scheme of coloring, working up from French grey, the general tone of the walls, to light pink, with high lights of gilt in the ornamentation. The whole effect is chaste, unimpaired by tawdry display, and is very pleasing to the eye. Behind the altar, an arch has been painted, the apex of which is covered with a multi-foil, beneath which appears a well executed cross and crown and the words—God is in His Holy Temple. The arch is brought out in high relief, and the whole work is decidedly artistic.

The ladies, under whose auspices this good work has been done, began where the painters left off and continued until the sacred edifice had been thoroughly renovated. The rostrum and aisles have been covered with a fine quality of wool carpeting and the gallery stairs have also been carpeted. The results should be very satisfactory to all concerned, as the Presbyterians have now a very neat and inviting place of worship.

Rails, fence stakes, and posts for sale. Apply to S. Y. Bullis. tf.

Miss Daisy Fowler of Lindsay is visiting at her home here.

Mr. F. Wing of the Westport Mirror was a Reporter caller last week.

Mrs. (Dr.) Harte has returned from a visit with friends in the western states.

Miss Evans and Miss Maud Ireland of Smithfield are guests of Miss Laura Bullis.

The iron mines in Hastings County, Ont. are to be worked more extensively in the near future.

Redeau Record: Miss Carrie Patterson of Athens is the guest of her aunt Mrs. J. Johnston on Water street.

Miss L. Wilson of Kansas, who has been visiting friends in New York state, is now the guest of Miss B. Loverin.

Cedar Park Hotel, at Charleston Lake, will be kept open till the last of October for the benefit of the salmon fishermen.

Mr. Geo. Slack of Manchester, N. H. arrived here last week to visit his wife and child, who have spent the summer at Elbe Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Cherry White of Mallorytown, and Mrs. A. Cumming, Lyn, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Kelly last week.

Mrs. Fred M. Kelly and children have returned to their home in Pembroke, after spending the summer with her father-in-law, Mr. A. W. Kelly.

Rev. Mr. Hatchett, a colored gentleman, occupied the pulpit of the Methodist church on Sunday last and preached interesting sermons to large congregations.

The bronze medal of the Royal Humane Society intended for presentation to Caroline LaRose was received by Mr. W. G. Parish this week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Washburn have returned from spending a few days at Rockport, Alexandria Bay, Brockville, and the Islands generally..... Mr. Frye is doing such fine work in painting Soperton school-house that the fault-finders, out of respect for themselves as well as their division, will hush. The interior is grained in that gentlemen's usual fine style.

Everybody goes to Frankville fair, so everybody will be interested in noting the date—Sept. 29th and 30th. The president says that the 29th may be a little dry for some people, but that it will be the only dry feature of the fair. "A lively time, not a dull minute," is promised, and it is expected that this fair will eclipse all predecessors.

PILES CURED IN 3 TO 6 NIGHTS.

Dr. Agnew's Ointment will cure all cases of itching piles in from three to six nights. One application brings comfort. For blind and bleeding piles it is peerless. Also cures Tetter, Salt Rheum, Eczema, Barber's Itch and all eruptions of the skin. 35 cents. Sold by J. P. Lamb.

She Knew Him.

While Charles Dudley Warner, as it is related, was a guest at an old time southern home near Nashville he expressed a desire to see a real, typical negro. So the most loquacious old "aunty" was brought in. To the surprise of every one she would not say a word beyond "Yes, sah," or "No, sah."

After the departure of the distinguished guest she was asked the reason of her silence. With as much dignity and scorn as a grande dame "aunty" replied:

"Ugh! I wa'n't gwine talk to dat Yankee. I knowed him soon's I seed him. He's de very one dat stole mistiss' silver du'in de wah."

Willing to Yield.

The Troy Times tells of a little girl who had been naughty. When bedtime came, her mother said to her, "Now, Mabel, when you say your prayers, be sure to ask God to help you not to be a naughty little girl." Mabel promised that she would add this petition to her prayers. So when she had finished her usual form she spoke as follows:

"And now, O God, please keep Mabel from being a naughty little girl." There was a pause, then she concluded, "Nevertheless thy will, not mine, be done!"

A Servian Custom.

In Servia there still survives a wonderful old institution known as the Zadruga. It is the living together of a whole tribe, numbering sometimes as many as 100 persons, all under the absolute authority of one chief. He keeps all the money, makes all purchases and decides the minutest details of family life. As a family grows the home has at be enlarged, and sometimes it stretches the whole length of a street.

There are many curious things sold in the Russian markets, and one can buy eels and snakes and chicken legs. Lambs' feet are sold as a great dainty, and calves' feet are bought for soup.

NEWS TOPICS OF A WEEK.

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THE RELIGIOUS WORLD.

Rev. John Munroe, B.A., formerly of Maxville, Glengarry Co., graduated with honors from Manitoba College, Winnipeg, and has been ordained at Brooklyn, B.C.

SECRET SOCIETIES.

The Sons of England Benefit Society has paid into court $1,000 insurance on the life of the late Benjamin Plowman of Weston, claimed by "his two widows," Mary and Matilda. The policy, originally made payable to the first, was changed in favor of Matilda, who Plowman married in Detroit and brought back to Weston.

THE LABOR WORLD.

The Dominion Trades and Labor Congress opened in Winnipeg on Thursday with an attendance of sixty delegates from all parts of Canada.

The British Columbia section of the labor congress at Winnipeg will strive to have a resolution passed asking that the Dominion Parliament pass an Act recognising the eight-hour working day.

SPORTING.

The English cricket team won their first match in the United States on Saturday, defeating the Gentlemen of Philadelphia 154 to 153, with eight wickets to spare.

The cricket match in Toronto was won by the Englishmen by 140 runs and an inning. The Canadians made a total of 297 for two innings, against 437 for the visitors in the first inning.

CASUALTIES.

Norman McCaun of Waba was killed by the train Friday night at Harvey's Crossing, near Arnprior. The body was discovered Saturday morning by men going to work.

Ernest Branford, aged 27 years, and John Marsh, aged 40, who had been locked up Saturday night in Stacord Springs, Conn., jail, were burned to death through a fire kindled by an attempt on the part of Marsh to smoke.

Alex. Hubbard, who lives about one and a half miles from Harrietsville, was cleaning a gun, when it exploded, the charge striking Mrs. Hubbard, and causing such injuries as to necessitate the amputation of her leg. She will probably die.

FOR MEN OF WAR.

Corporal Stamp, of "A" Battery Kingston, has deserted.

The commanding officers of Toronto regiments have decided to erect a tablet to the memory of the late Sir Casimir Gzowski. The tablet will likely be made out of bronze or brass.

Sickness among the troops of Gen. Lawton's command at Santiage is increasing. Nearly one-sixth of his force is now on the sick list. There are at present 1,232 cases in the hospital, 841 of which are fever cases.

Pte. William Oldbury, son of the armourer at the Old Fort, Toronto, was killed by a Mahdist bullet at Omdurman. He was formerly a member of the Queen's Own, Toronto, 23 years of age, six feet in height, and was a member of the 21st Lancers.

THE FIRE RECORD.

A load of hay took fire on King street, Hamilton, and a novel blaze resulted.

The barns and their contents of Mr. Shotsbery, farmer, three miles north of Brantford, were destroyed by fire Friday night.

Harris on Sunday lost a $4,000 building at 99-81 William street, Toronto, and $2,000 worth of rags, bones, metals, etc, by fire.

The members of the American Peace Commission sailed on Saturday on the Cunard liner Campania for London en route to Paris.

The barn of Richard Paynter of the Township of Blanshard, six miles from St. Marys, was destroyed by fire caused by lightning. The building and the year's crop are a total loss.

Fire completely destroyed the stables and warehouse adjoining the shoddy mills belonging to A. W. Brodie, Hespeler. The loss will be $4,000. Insurance on building, but not on stock.

The Mink, W. Hanna & Co.'s supply boat, has been burned to the water line at her moorings, Port Carling. She was loaded with supplies ready for her regular trip. Loss about $1,200, no insurance.

CRIME AND CRIMINALS.

Andrew Rutherford, druggist, pleaded guilty at Hamilton to a charge of assaulting a small boy, and was fined $90.

Miss Annie L. McCrimmon of Alexandria, who wrote for matriculation at the recent midsummer examinations, has won the Marion Stewart Scholarship. Miss McCrimmon will take a course in Queen's College, Kingston.

Burlgars entered the hardware store of Thomas Beattie, jr., at Comber, Ont., and secured a good haul. Three dozen razors, four revolvers and a dozen jackknives are among the goods missing. The safe was not tampered with.

Striking plasterers precipitated a riot at St. Louis, Mo., in which William Kane, a non-union worker, was fatally and three others seriously hurt. Nat Brown and Joe Lee, who are thought to be the ringleaders, have been arrested.

Ko, a high Corean official, ordered the cook of the royal household to poison food intended for the King and the Crown Prince. He further confessed that the poisoning plot was instigated by a former interpreter attached to the Corean Russian Legation.

Luccesi, who assassinated the Empress of Austria, says: "I killed the Empress because I am an Anarchist. We have not we eat not, we drink not; therefore we must make the rich and powerful think about us. I have simply executed a mission. I am an Anarchist by conviction."

The vicinity of Barrie has had a plague of thieving, and as a first instalment Magistrate Ross has sent Mrs. McAulay and her fourteen-year-old daughter, named Ferrier, to the Mercer Reformatory for six months. James Handy, on whose place a large amount of the stolen goods was found, will be tried at the Assizes in connection with the thefts.

Mabel Alford, a Greensville teacher, struck Alice Durand, a nine-year-old pupil, over the shoulders fully 16 times, because she would not hold out her hand to be punished. Judge Snider found that Miss Alford's punishment of the child was only slightly excessive and, considering the publicity given to her case, in itself a punishment, he acquitted defendant.

The Hamilton Poultry and Pet Stock Association will hold a show in that city on Jan. 26, 27, 28, 29.

An edict has been issued making the new Japanese tariff apply to the Island of Formosa on January 1.

At the Democratic Congressional Convention at Cincinnati resolutions for free silver and for Bryan in 1900 were tabled.

Dr. Baker is of the opinion that the hog cholera disease is now thoroughly under control in the Ottawa district.

A new $10 bill of the Dominion Bank has been issued. It contains a fine steel-engraved portrait of Sir Frank Smith.

A great combination for the purchase of tobacco growing lands in the United States and Cuba is proposed in London.

Among the Philippines unanimity now exists only in the determination to free the Island forever from Spanish rule.

The Manitoba penitentiary farm at Stoney Mountain finished threshing last week. They have over 5,000 bushels of grain.

United Ireland, which was established by the late Charles Stewart Parnell in 1881, as organ of the Land League, has ceased publication.

The mayors of the chief cities in Canada have been invited to attend the Quebec civic ball on the 21st instant in honor of the International Conference.

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Men' Linen Collars at 10c each
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Men's Collar Buttons, Cuff Buttons, and all kinds of buttons for men's shirts.

Men's new styles in Hats.
Men's Suits and Overcoats.
Men's Odd Pants, Overalls, Shirts, Underwear, Socks, etc.
Boy's Odd Pants, lined at 50c.
Some good lines of Dress Goods being cleared out at present.
Visit the New Furnishing Store for good values.

W. J. BRADLEY

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At Prenzlau, Prussia, Emperor William of Germany in his speech said they lived in serious times, and that revolutionary designs must be forcibly combatted.

The Canadian police have completed a thorough investigation of the food supply for the coming winter at Dawson, and report that the amount on hand is more than sufficient to carry the camp through.

The Northwest Assembly has adopted a resolution offering to assent to the ceding of a portion of the Northwest Territories, north of Manitoba, to Manitoba, and similarly in regard to British Columbia.

British steamship owners are loud in their complaints of the inferior class of pilotage provided on the St. Lawrence River. One firm claims that its loss during a period of six months was £25,000, caused by damage to its steamers.

The Attorney-General of Ontario has carefully considered the question of the closing of bars on plebiscite day, Sept. 29. He has decided that under section 83 all bars must be closed in Ontario. This information is being sent to all parts of the province.

A Central Committee at Havana has been appointed consisting of a president, vice-president and 30 advisers, "into whose hands the promoters of the independence movement hope to deliver the destinies of Cuba as soon as Spain has formally relinquished her sovereignty."

The return of traffic through the Canadian Sault Canal shows that up to the end of August 2,661 vessels passed through the locks this season, carrying 2,189,964 tons of freight. This is a decrease compared with the traffic during the corresponding period of last year of 209 vessels and nearly a quarter of a million tons of freight.

AFTERNOON.

"Oh, sweet," she said, "that afternoon,
The smile of God on land and sea,
And sweet through many a vanished June
Comes back, like a remembered tune,
The silence of the shore to me!
Oh, sweet the moment was, the scene,
The flashing of the shingles wet,
The scent of clover and of bean,
Warm fragrance of the fields that met
The salt fresh breezes of the sea!
The white sails dropping out of sight
Were kindled into tawny flame,
And all the moor lay steeped in light
The way he came, the way he came!

"Oh, sweet," she said, "the warm, wet reach
Of glittering sand, the tide that woke
In tumult all along the beach,
Yet made the very calm it broke,
Blue was the heaven that o'er us bent,
The sheep upon a sunward slope
A quiet to the landscape lent,
And all things gave a widening scope
To thoughts of peace and calm content,
And all things seemed in league with hope
The way we went, the way we went!"

—Dora Greenwell in Good Words.

NO PLACE LIKE HOME.

However Humble It May Be, It Never Has Had Its Substitute.

"There is no question about it, no matter how humble or unpretentious our homes are, there is no place in the world like them," said a gentleman who lives in Guatemala recently. "Guatemala is by no means one of the worst places in which to live, especially in the coffee growing sections. However, there are certainly much more desirable places all over the world. It is a fact that the natives there prefer it to anywhere else in the world. This was shown in a striking case which came under my observation.

"A wealthy gentleman in Guatemala married a beautiful girl. She was one of the most magnificent looking creatures I ever saw, of the pure Spanish blond type, which is seldom seen. The girl had been educated abroad and given every advantage. She was refined and cultivated. Her husband was devoted to her, and a short while after their marriage took her to Paris to live. There they had a splendid residence and everything that the heart of a highbred woman could desire. Everything was magnificently appointed. They entertained sumptuously, having ample means with which to do so. Still the bride was unhappy.

"Often the husband would return and find his wife in tears. He thought she would finally overcome it, but it seemed to increase. At last one day, becoming fearful that her health would suffer, he forced her to tell him what was the matter. It was simply that she wished to return to Guatemala to witness a little local feast participated in by the Indians and natives in that country. The feast was given annually, and as a child she had been accustomed to attend it. Although she had access to all the fine displays in Paris and Europe, she preferred to see the poor little celebration at home. Realizing that her heart was so fixed upon it, her husband was forced to relinquish the allurements of the gay French capital and take her back to the squalid surroundings of Guatemala."—Washington Star.

One Man's Start In Business.

Of all the curious starts in life of which self made men are apt to boast, the most extraordinary one is that which furnished the basis for a business from which a stationer in this city derives a comfortable income. He does not tell the story himself, but it comes from an old acquaintance whose veracity is beyond question. The successful business man of today was once a collector for a mercantile house and made as high as 30 or 40 calls per day on delinquent customers. He always borrowed a lead pencil from each one and never returned it unless asked to do so. Of course no suspicion attached to him, for forgetfulness in regard to lead pencils is recognized as a human failing. One of every three he secured was long enough to pass muster as a new pencil, and after he collected 1,000 in this way he secured a contract for furnishing lead pencils to a country school. One of the advantages of his bid was that he offered to supply pencils already sharpened. He now maintains a commodious stationery store, and his contract department flourishes.—Philadelphia Record.

To Remember Faces.

To remember a face, as a person is called, the rule is not difficult to follow. Pick out some feature or peculiarity by which you can distinguish that face or person from all other faces or persons and associate that name with that feature or peculiarity. No two countenances or figures are alike, and it is by noting how they differ one from another that you will remember them.

In explaining his remarkable memory for faces Speaker Reed once said to a reporter that he never looked a man in the face that some striking peculiarity, a line, a wrinkle, an expression about the eye, the set of the lips, the shape of the nose—something set that man's face down in his mind eradically and distinguished from the rest of mankind, so that when a man approached him he would think, "Here comes that man Robinson whose right pupil is bigger than his left," or "this is Thompson whose nose is so crook-

THE KINETOSCOPE.

Philadelphia is to have a statue of Dr. Pepper by Sculptor Bitter. This is a rather warm combination.—Washington Post.

The big observatory that is going to be located on Pike's peak will make Pike observe rather than speak.—Boston Herald.

Several states have offered claims to be known as "the cradle of statesmen." But Ohio is a positive incubator.—Washington Star.

A New York preacher who had three wives has gone west, probably for the purpose of trying to improve Chicago's morality.—Cleveland Leader.

If it should be hot, don't growl. Within a month you will be shouting to your good wife, "Where's them flannels of mine?" Take it easy, and you will live longer.—Cincinnati Commercial.

Bob Evans wanted to introduce the Spanish language in hades, and now Professor Andrews wants to teach it in Chicago; kind of plan to "try it on the dog" probably.—St. Paul Dispatch.

Mrs. Burton Harrison, in an article on "How to Behave Like the Four Hundred," says "perfumes are the essence of vulgarity." There is only one thing worse than using them—that is writing about them in such a fashion.—Exchange.

The Boston Globe remarks that Gladstone, Bismarck and Pope Leo were all living when the battle of Waterloo was fought and tells us that Bismarck was "the younger of the three." This is Boston grammar up to date.—Atlanta Journal.

THE COOKBOOK.

A few grains of salt sprinkled on coffee before adding the water bring out and improves the flavor.

A few thin slices of sour apples added to a salad of water cress, dressed with a French dressing, will be found an improvement.

To keep parsley a good color for parsley sauce, tie it into a bunch, throw into boiling water and boil after the parsley has been added.

Cold boiled, baked and broiled fish may be made into devilled fish, fish croquettes, a la creme or may be served on lettuce leaves with mayonnaise dressing for luncheon salad.

Tongues, whether smoked or corned, should always be soaked in cold water for at least 18 hours before covering. Then put into cold water, simmer slowly till tender and let stand in the water till cold. Serve cold and cut in thin slices.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

Keep big lumps of charcoal in dark, damp corners to purify the air.

New irons, such as sadirons, frying pans or waffle irons, should be heated slowly, or they will be likely to crack.

Bamboo splits when it gets very dry, as it will in steam and furnace heated houses. A rub with oil will prevent its drying and will keep it fresh looking.

To put wide wicks in lamps or oil stoves thoroughly starch, dry and iron the wick, and it will slip in easily without interference with its duty as conductor of oil.

To clean sewing machines, cover all the bearings with kerosene oil, work the machine quickly for a few minutes, then thoroughly rub all the oil off with rags and apply machine oil to the parts which need oiling.

THE ROYAL BOX.

It is said that the Duchess of Fife is very nervous and shy when in the presence of her grandmother.

The queen of Roumania has been made a member of the St. Petersburg Academy of Science in recognition of her literary talents.

The emperor of Austria intends to create a new order for ladies only in commemoration of his jubilee and to associate it in some way with the empress. There exists already an order of Elizabeth-Theresa.

The most striking necklace worn at any European court is said to be one owned by Princess Dolgorouki of Russia. It is composed of innumerable diamonds