### Nothing Tastes Good

And eating is simply perfunctory - done because it must be. This is the common complaint of

the dyspeptie. If eating sparingly would cure dyspepsia, few would suffer from it long.

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Hood's Sarsaparilia cured Mrs. Frances Bloadin, Pembroke, Ont., Benj. Webb, Clinton Ont., and W. A. Nugent, Belleville, Ont., all of whom suffered great's frem dyspepsia. Mrs. Blondin writes, I am fully cured"; Mr. Webb, "It worked like a charm, restored a healthy appetite and toned my whole system"; and Mr. Nugent. "I cannot preise it too

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#### THE MARKETS.

THE LOCAL MARKET.

A. M. HAMILTON & SON'S REPORT.
London, Wednesday, Dec. 11.
Wheat, white, per bu78c to 80
Wheat, red, per bu78c to 80
Oats, per bu44c to 48
Peas, per bu
Corn, per bu
Barley, per bu53c to 57
Rye, per bu
Buckwheat, per bu
Leans, per bu90c to \$1
WEEKLY DEWING

WEEKLY REVIEW.

The offerings of grain this week were light in most lines, particularly during the last few days. Oats formed the bulk of receipts, and prices ruled steady.

Wheat—This cereal was fully 3c to 5c higher than a week ago, the closing price. Wheat—This cereal was fully 3c to 5c higher than a week ago, the closing price, being \$130 for ordinary good, and \$131 for extra choice white.

Oats—The usual price paid all week was \$130 to \$132; buying was for immediate consumption and milling.

Peas—None offered.

Corn—Demand was very good; \$105 was paid for very darep, \$110 for damp, and \$15 for dry; supply light.

Eariey—Only a few loads came in, not over four; \$15 to \$120 was the price for feed.

nye-No receipts on the public market; load sold at private sale at \$1 10; it ackwheat-Several small lots sold at Buckwheat—Several small lots sold at \$1.05 to \$1.10; demand good.
Beans—Supply light; prices quiet, at \$1.00 \$1.07 for good stock.
Clover Seed—Alsike was much higher and red about 10c higher. Most American and Canadian clover goes abroad in December, January usually ending the shipping. This is thought to be the cause of the advance.
Timothy Seed—Steady and unchanged:

Timothy Seed—Steady and unchanged; a quality offering is unusually poor. the quality offering is unusually poor.

Hay—at the opening of the week the plevailing prices were \$8 to \$8 50; the lainy day and the day of the snowstorm saw prices much higher—as high as \$10 being asked by those who managed to leach the market. Today prices are again tosics: \$9 was the opening price closing easier: \$9 was the opening price, closing \$5.50 for good quality.

Dressed Hogs—Best sold at \$8, and from \$7.50 down to \$7 for poor today: \$8.25 was week. Brought \$5 75; indications

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Duckwheat, per 100 lbs 105	0	1 10
Rye, per 100 lbs 1 00	0	1 15
HAY AND SEEDS		
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Straw, per ton 300		4.00

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	Onions, per bu		90
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	Pumpkins, each	@	10
	Savory and sage, doz 20	æ	20
	Parsley, per doz 15	a	25
	Mint, per doz	0	15
	Apples, per bag 60	@	1 00
	Apples, per bbl 150	0	2 50
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	Hogs, singers, per 100 lbs 5 75	@	5 75
	Hogs, heavy, per 100 lbs 2 00	0	5 75
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Lard, per lb. wholesale 11	0	121
POULTRY	GB.	111
Turkeys, per lb 9	@	9
Geese, per 1b	20	6
Ducks, per pair	0	75
Chickens, per pair	a	60
Hens, per pair 60	Č.	80
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Reef nor lin		
Beef, per lb 4	0	61
Beef, carcass 5 00	0	6 00
Tallow, rendered, per lb 4	0	41
Mutton, quarters, per lb 6	0	7
Lamb, quarters 650	(D)	7 50
Calfskins, green	0	8
Hides. No. 5, per lb 6	(0)	25
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Hides, No. 2, per lb 7	@	7
Hides, No. 1, per lb 8	@	8
W iol, per lb. washed 13	7	14
	100	

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#### ENGLISH MARKETS. SUGAR.

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London, Dec. 10.—Raw Muscovado, 7s 6d; centrifugal, 8s 9d; beet sugar, Dec., 7s 3d.

LONDON WOOL SALES. London, Dec. 10.—The offerings at the wool auction sales today numbered 19,890 bales. Queensland, Victoria and New Zealand scoured were in good demand and were taken by home, French and German buyers. Following are the sales in detail: New South Wales, 3,500 bales; scoured, 6½d to 1s 4½d; greasy, 2d to 11½d. Queensland, 8,000 bales; scoured, 6½d to 1s 6d; greasy, 3½d to 8½d. Victoria, 1,500 bales; scoured, 3½d to 1s 7d; greary, 4d to 10½d. South Australia, 100 bales; scoured, 6½d to 8½d; greasy, 4d to 10½d. South Australia, 100 bales; scoured, 6½d to 8½d; greasy, 4d to 10½d. South Australia, 100 bales; scoured, 6½d to 8½d; greasy, 4d to 10½d. South Australia, 100 bales; scoured, 6½d to 8½d. Cape to 8d. New Zealand, 300 bales; scoured, 31/4d to 1s 41/2d; greasy, 21/2d to 91/2d. Cape of Good Hope and Natal, 200 bales; scoured, 3d to 1s 11/2d; greasy, 41/2d to 51/2d.

ness and wild fluctuations characterized the grain markets here today. Bulls and bears vied with each other for possession of the pits, and all kinds of stories were affoat intended to influence prices. Bearish conditions, however, prevailed, and May wheat closed 15%c lower. corn 14%c down, and May oats %c lower; provisions closed 10c lower to 24%c higher. Local receipts of wheat were \$5 cars, one of contract grade; Minneapolis and Duluth reported 1,115 cars, making a total for the three points of 1,194 cars, against 1,129 last week and only 581 last year. Primary receipts were 1,061,000 bu, compared with \$05,000 bu last year. The increase in the world's visible supply was 3,292,000 bu. Seaboard clearances in wheat and flour were 542,000 bu. The seaboard reported 8 loads taken for export. Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, \$5 cars; corn, 100 cars; cats, 125 cars; hogs, 50,000 head.

The leading futures closed: Wheat—No.

0,000 head.

The leading futures closed: Wheat—No. 2. Dec., 77%c; May, 81%c to 81%c; July, 81%c. Corn—No. 2. Dec., 64%c to 64%c; May, 671%c; July, 67%e. Oats—No. 2. Dec., 45c; May, 46%c; July, 40%c. Mess pork—Jan., \$16 80, May, \$17 72½. Lard—Jan., \$8 87½: May, \$9 92½. Short ribs—Jan., \$8 52½: May, \$8 07½.

Cash quotations: Flour steady. No. 3 spring wheat, 78c to 78%c; No. 2 red, 81½c to 81%c. No. 2 oats, 47c to 48c; No. 2 white, 48%c to 49c; No. 3 white, 42%c to 49c. No. 2 rye, 63%c to 64c. Fair to

I flaxseed, \$144; No. 1 northwestern, \$144. Prime timothy seed, \$6 15 to \$6 35. Messork, \$1575 to \$1580; lard, \$9875 to \$990; short ribs sides, \$845 to \$860; dry safted shoulders, 7%c to 756c; short clear sides, \$890 to \$9. Clover, contract grade, \$935. Eggs firm; fresh, 14c to 24/2. Receipts—Flour, 46,000 bbis; wheat, 133,000 bb; corn 231,000 bb; even to the second shoulders, 241,000 bbis;

leggs nrm; fresh, 44c to 24/2c.
Receipts—Flour, 46,000 bbls; wheat,
213,000 bu; corn, 231,000 bu; cats, 291,000 bu;
rye, 16,000 bu; barley, 205,000 bu.
Shipments—Flour, 46,000 bbls; wheat,
26,000 bu; corn, 70,000 bu; cats, 188,000 bu;
rye, 3,000 bu; barley, 25,000 bu. DAIRY MARKETS. CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—Butter—The market was firm; creameries, 14c to 24½c; dairies, 13c to 20c. Cheese—Steady, 9½c to 10½c.

OIL MARKETS. ANTWERP, Dec. 10.-Petroleum, 18 rancs paid and sellers, BREMEN, Dec. 10.—Petroleum, 6 marks PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 10.—Oil closed

OIL CITY, Pa., Dec. 10.—Credit bal-PITTSBURG, F..., Dec. 11.—Oil opened LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

TORONTO, Dec. 10.—There was a good run of cattle today, and business was fairly brisk. There were a few lots of butcher cattle, but the regular Christmas supply of fat cattle will be more in evidence the latter part of the week. The demand for choice cattle is keen. The export offerings were not large, most of that class coming in on consignment. xport offerings were not large, most of hat class coming in on consignment, food export lots were sold at \$450 to \$5, some very choice butcher cattle for the thristmas trade were secured by Mr. evack at \$5. Heavy export bulls were vorth from \$412½ to \$450. Medium cattle, of which there was a good supply were Christmas trade were secured by Mr.
Levack at \$5. Heavy export bulls were
worth from \$12\frac{1}{2}\$ to \$4.50. Medium cattle,
of which there was a good supply, were
worth from \$2 to \$3.85. Sheep and lambs
were firmer. Everything was sold, and
prospects are steady. Hogs were steady.
No change in last week's quotations. The
total offerings were 78 car loads, with 500
head of cattle, 1.84 sheep and lambs, 761
hogs and 21 calves. Wm. Levack bought
about 29 head of choice Christmas butched at \$4.50 to \$5; export. \$4.50 to \$5;
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de Humber at \$4.50

Export cattle, choice, cwt. \$4 40 @ Export cattle, light. 425 @ Bulls, export, heavy 400 @ Bulls, export, light. 300 @ Feeders, heavy 325 @ Butchers' cattle, choice 375 @ Butchers, good 360 @ Butchers, common 275 @ Butchers, picked 400 @ Butchers, off-colors and heifers 200 @
Butchers, bulls 250 @ Light stock buils 200 @ Milch cows, each 3000 @ 

 Sheep, butchers
 2 00
 0

 Sheep, export ewes, cwt.
 3 00
 0

 Sheep, bucks
 2 00
 0

 Lambs, each
 3 25
 0

 Lambs, per cwt.
 2 75
 0

 Calves, each
 3 25
 0

 

NEW YORK, Dec.10.—Beeves—Reccipts, 535; mainly consigned direct; no sales reported; cables quote American steers at 12c to 13c, dressed weight; refrigerator beef at 9½c to 9¾c; exports, 750 beeves and 2,100 quarters of beef. Calves—Receints 130, yearls between the control of the c ceipts, 130; veals lower; no reported sales of other calves; veals sold at \$4 to \$750. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 1,554; quiet; weak; lambs steady; sheep sold at \$3.20. lambs, \$4.25 to \$5. Hogs-Re-s, 2.535; all consigned direct; nomin-

EAST BUFFALO, Dec. 10.-Cattle-Re-

ceipts, 220 head; steady at yesterday's prices; veals, best, \$7 to \$7 25; fair to good, \$5 to \$6 50; common to fair, \$3 50 to \$6 50; Hogs—Receipts, 12,500 head; higher: pigs unchanged; Yorkers, \$5 90 to \$6; light do, \$5 80 to \$5 90; mixed packers, \$6 to \$6 15; heavy, \$6 25 to \$6 40; pigs, \$5 45 to \$5 50; \$5 80 to \$5 90; mixed packers, \$6 to \$6 15; heavy, \$6 25 to \$6 40; pigs, \$5 45 to \$5 50; roughs, \$5 25 to \$5 50; stags, \$3 75 to \$4 50. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 10,200 head; steady to strong; choice lambs, \$4 80 to \$4 90; good to choice, \$4 50 to \$4 75; culls to fair. \$3 50 to \$4 40; sheep, choice handy wethers, \$3 60 to \$3 75; common to extra mixed, \$2 65 to \$3 50; culls and common, \$1 50 to \$2 50; heavy export ewes and wethers, \$3 50 to \$3 60; yearings, \$3 75 to \$4. CHICAGO. Dec. 10.—Cattle—Receipts. CHICAGO, Dec. 10.-Cattle-Receipts, CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—Cattle—Receipts, 16,090; slow but steady; good to prime, \$6 40 to \$7 50; poor to medium, \$4 to \$6 25; stockers and feeders, \$2 25 to \$4 50; cows, \$1 75 to \$4 50; heifers, \$2 25 to \$5 20; canners, \$1 25 to \$5 50; bulls, \$2 to \$4 75; calves, \$2 50 to \$5 75; Texas fed steers, \$4 75 to \$5 40. Hogs—Receipts today, 50,000; tomorrow, 50,000; left over, 7,000; active and 5c higher for heavy, slow for light; mixed and butchers, \$5 90 to \$6 429; good to choice heavy, \$6 to \$6 55; rough heavy, \$6 to \$5 90; light, \$5 25 to \$5 95; bulk of sales at \$5 95 to \$6 35. Sheep—Receipts, 20,000; sheep weak to 10c lower; lambs steady; good to choice wethers, \$3 50 to \$4 25; western sheep, \$3 to \$4; native lambs, \$2 50 to \$5; western lambs, \$2 to \$4 10.

BABY WEIGHS POUND AND A

Detroit, Dec. 11 .- A baby weighing only a pound and a half was recently born to Mrs. W. J. Hudson, at Columbus, Ohio. It was necessary to place it in an incubator to insure its life.

TIMBER WOLVES NUMEROUS. Toronto, Dec. 11.-Timber wolves are unusually bold and numerous this year in Algonquin Park. A few nights ago a large pack was heard howling near impossible to get near enough to use a

THERE are cases of consumption so far advanced that Bickle's Anti-Consumptive Syrup will not cure, but none so bad that it will not give relief. For coughs, colds and all affections of the throat, lungs and chest, it is a specific which has never been known to fail. It promotes a free expectoration, thereby removing the phlegm, and gives the diseased parts a chance to heal. eased parts a chance to heal

Mrs. Winslows Soothing Syrup toria, 1,500 bales; scoured, 3½d to 1s 7d; greary, 4d to 10½d. South Australia, 100 bales; scoured, 6½d to 8½d; greasy, 4d to 10½d. South Australia, 100 bales; scoured, 6½d to 8½d; greasy, 4d to 1s 4½d; greasy, 2½d to 9½d. Cape of Good Hope and Natal, 200 bales; scoured, 3d to 1s 1½d; greasy, 4½d to 5½d. AMERICAN MARKETS.

CHICAGG, Dec. 10.—Extreme nervous
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CHICAGG, South Australia, 100 bales; scoured, 2d to 1s 1½d; greasy, 4½d to 5½d. Softens the GUMS, ALLAYS all PAIN, CURES WIND COLIC, and is the best remeay for DIARRHEA. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's" Soothing Syrup. Bayley's Bargain Store.

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Commode, in wood, 5c. Kitchen Set, in tin, nicely decorated and enameled, 11 pieces, including sideboard, table, chairs, pails, etc, worth 50c for 25c.

Another similar to above, for 15c. Hot Air Engine, large size, works like a charm, worth 50c, for 29c. Books, pictures, with pretty little stories, worth 10c for 5c. Steamboat PERFECTION, worth

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20c and 25c. Hemstitched Lawn Handkerchiefs, worth 10c, for 5c.
Handsome Lace Handkerchiefs,
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## BAYLEY'S.

440 from this feature of the play, there is a streak of coarseness through all its dialogue and action. which betrays its English origin, and which does not commend the production to Canadian audiences. Some of 300 the people in the play are too good 500 for it and some are not. A large amount of scenery is carried, and some sensational features are introduced, including a fire scene in which the heroine crosses a street on a telephone wire, carrying a child on her back.

"PRINCE OTTO" TONIGHT. This evening, at the New Grand, E. D. Stair's production of "Prince Otto, with Harry Glazier in the title-role, will be the bill. The Toronto Globe last week said concerning the performance: "Mr. Glazier gave a thoroughly enjoyable presentation of the role of Prince Otto. He was effective at all times, without carrying emotion too far. In the heroic situations he was calm and convincing, and even in the lighter scenes there was dignity and refinement in his work. Miss Eliza- stiff bow. beth Lea, as the Princess, won the hearts of her audience by her emosupport was excellent and well balanc-Von Gondremark, the designing minister: Miss Catharine Countiss, as Shaw, as Minna, received a fair share of the applause. The costumes used were rich, and the stage settings were adequate."

"ONE OF THE BRAVEST." "One of the Bravest" is the attractive title of the big spectacular comedy-drama to be seen at the New Grand on Friday evening next. The play tells a realistic and profoundly interesting story of love, crime, violence and heroism, and will be presented here with imposing scenic settings and the latest mechanical effects. The part of Larry Howard will be enacted by Charles McCarthy, while that of Miss Grogan will be in the capable hands of William Cronin. Both Mc-Carthy and Cronin have appeared in

this play continuously since 1886. "THE BURGOMASTER."

In October last the management of the New Grand put on a special matinee of "Dolly Varden" for the benefit of its out-of-town patrons, and the result of the venture was a packed house. As a result of the patronage accorded this performance, the management has been able to secure for next Saturday, Dec. 14, a special matinee performance of one of the greatest comic opera successes in recent years, "The Burgo-master," presented by a company of high collar which was completely en-80 artists. For the past two years "The Burgomaster" has proven a great ial that was the fashion of the statesthe headquarters at Cache Bay. A strychinie campaign will be inaugurated against the animals. It is almost are the only two operas for which it that style. But for plain, common has been found necessary to put three sense, unconventional style, the Roosecompanies into the field in order to fill the calls for time from the cities of its own." of the United States and Canada. The patrons of the New Grand Opera House will hear "The Tale of the Kangaroo" and all the other famous lyrics of the piece sung by one of the best companies now before the public. The sale of seats opens tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

COMING ON FRIDAY. not fail to delight all who hear him.

lar. Of course, there is no such collar class; J. M. Carson, the rifle club; w. fore swallowing. in the market, either as to name or G. Young, religious work committee in the kind he wears than in most othrunning ers, but they are not becoming to everybody, any more than the high turn-overs would be becoming to President Roosevelt. The Roosevelt collar, if you care to get at its genesis, came in presidential favor when Grant was elected the first time. But Grant wore a bowknot tie, which gave the collar a different appearance from that worn by President Roosevelt. "Lincoln was the first of our presi-

dents to discard the old-fashioned stock, which, if worn now, would make a man look as if he had a sore throat. Lincoln's collars when he became president were part and parcel of his shirt. 'Sewed on,' as a woman would say. I am told that Lincoln was not noticeably tidy in his collars. They had a wilted look always. His favorite neckwear was black silk, tied in a careless way quite becoming to him. When Andrew Johnson succeeded to the presidency the old stock returned to the White House. He wore the wide stand-up coller, which was encircled by a black satin stock with a short,

"Mr. Hayes' collar was a broad. turn-down, with long points, but it was tional work. The remainder of the not high. It didn't make much difference what sort of tie he wore, as his Mr. John P. Barrett, as Baron shirt front was covered by his beard. Garfield's collar was rather tasteful, a ister: Miss Catharine Countiss, as turn-down with square points. His tie Anna Von Rosen, and Miss Margaret was black satin, with a square bow.

"Mr. Arthur was the most correct dresser of recent presidents. He wore a high collar, with points slightly turnerd out. The fit was always perfect. He was the first president to wear a fancy scarf, which was always set off by a handsome, but never loud, scarf-pin. He had, so I am told, the biggest stock of neckwear of any of the presidents. He was rather partial to

black, with white dots. "Mr. Cleveland's collar and style of worn by Andrew Johnson, However, Mr. Cleveland never confined himself plain, wide, turndown, under which was a white string tie.

"President Harrison wore a white turn-down collar, broad and simple, and a plain black tie, except on state occasions, when his neckwear was conventional. "President McKinley usually wore 2

stand-up collar, with slight flare points. He liked to be at ease, and that's the sort of a collar for a man to wear if was in keeping with his charactersimple and unaffected. "There

have been a good many changes in presidential neckwear since veloped by the great bundle of matermeney-maker in the operatic line, and men of the early period. I think he at the present time it and "Florodora" was the last president to appear in velt collar is, like its wearer, a style

EXPECTS TO RAISE \$100,000. New York, Dec. 11.-John E. Redmond, leader of the Irish Parliamentary Party, and his associates, Mc-Hugh and O'Donnell, have given a farewell statement to their friends in America. It is announced that their mission has been the most successful one since the day of Chas. Stewart Melvin Robinson, character impersonator, will appear at the Auditorium on Friday payt in his rendition of on Friday next in his rendition of "Hick'ry Farm," a comedy-drama of New England life, in which he presents ten dramatically different char-acters. Mr. Robinson has spent years one of the foremost items in the proof study upon his chosen line of effort, gramme of the United Irish League is and his character interpretations can- the promotion of the Gaelic revival movement.

### INSTITUTION PROSPERING

Y. M. C. A. Was Never in Better Condition Than Now.

and Encouraging Reports Received.

The annual meeting of the Y. M. C. A. was held yesterday in the gymnasium room and was well attended. All the reports were gratifying and much enthusiasm was displayed by those present.

Before the business end of the meeting was proceeded with, about 100 members sat down to a substantial supper, prepared for them by the Women's Auxiliery. The election of directors for the en-

suing year resulted as follows: Messrs. T. S. Clark, F. H. Heath and W. J. Westervelt, re-elected, and C. T. Glass, W. Horton and R. A. Little. Mr. J. A. Cottam, chairman of the committee on membership, presented the annual report, which was satisfactory to everyone concerned. The total membership of the association is 680, composed of 565 seniors and 115 juniors, which is an increase of over 100 mem-Mr. Cottam said that the last bers. year had been more successful than any previous. The chairman said that nearly 45 per cent of the running ex-penses of the building were paid for by membership besides a portion of the building debt. He also stated that reports could be furnished at the office to show the success of the association, and also spoke of the fact that the building had been paid for with the exception of seven or eight thousand dollars. The present deficit was mot by subscription, and Mr. Cottam said he doubted if any other city could make so good a showing. The chair-man also said that to be successful the building had to be utilized by the members, and he was glad to see it done this year better than any year previous.

Rev. C. T. Scott, B.A., of the Dundas Center Church, made the address of the evening, speaking on the ethical side of physical culture. He said that a man undergoing training in physical life unconsciously became qualified for any work and became endowed with a force of will power that helped to make him better in every respect. So long as the Y. M. C. A. kept within the bounds of gymnasium work, the church would support them, but if the fact came out that professional sports were being carried on, this support would drop.

Messrs. Holman and Macpherson delivered brief addresses on the physical department.

The following gentlemen also contributed to the speech-making for each respective class or committee: J. G. Stuart, clergyman's class; Glass, the noonday class; C. W. Horton, the businessman's class; E. L. Buchanan, the students' class; D. \.

Robinson, policemen's meeting; T. shall, Tuesday night class; G. C. Bedg-Unquestionably there is more comfort good, Saturday night class, d. C. Beug-Corcoran, the men's meeting. said that though success had attended the institution, still there were many

had to be subscribed each year, the due to the fact that they had become cigarettes hardly larger than a fat Mrs (Dr.) Wood reported on the work need fear no injury at her hands. She of the Women's Auxiliary. There are rightly said that now about 169 members, of which number 31 have lately joined. The total receipts were \$453 31.

On motion of Mr. Carson a hearty vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. J. A. Cottam and the ladies. Mr. J. A. Blackwell rendered an acceptable solo.

THE SNAKE CHARMER

The Secret of a Woman's Power Over Venomous Reptiles.

[Forest and Stream.]

Since writing to Forest and Stream a description of my own particular snake and his fantastic antics on my desk and around picture moldings in my office, my vision along these lines has been so enlarged that I have beperheads, chicken snakes, garter the inhabitants and make life miser-snakes, pine snakes, bull snakes, coach able for them. Trains for Moscow go the snakes. When she wished to single out some particular snake to pick out and exhibit to inquirers, she would neckwear looked as if they had been grab a handful of the others and rake American engineers, and is an enorthem aside as if they were so many broomsticks. One old rattler remained near the woman, and would rear his the emperor that the road should curve to one kind of collar. I saw him at his head up to be scratched under the gracefully in a serpentine manner bethroat, which he seemed to enjoy. Amid the half-dozen rattlesnakes in the box there was one alone that was straight line with his ruler, "Make it untamed and intractable. This one so, and let the towns come to the railuntamed and intractable. This one so, and let the towns come to the rail-was a "black Mexican rattler" that read, which they have since done in the Englishman joined. the woman was very cautious about, keeping him in one corner of the box by means of a light stick that she had called the "wagon lit," amounts to just for the purpose. Finally she drew out of the box she was sitting on a remarkable looking reptile fully five feet less you pay a large subsidy or are long, of a glistening black color above extremely lucky you are sure to have he wants to feel comfortable in a and dark underneath, that she called stand-up. Mr. McKinley's neckwear an Egyptian viper. About all the other and dark underneath, that she called a companion de voyage in your statesnakes the woman talked in a natural the train and the women at the other. and unaffected manner, but for the "viper" she evidently had a set speech that she had memorized, setting forth with a curly mane, who had little that it belonged to the same species as cruel, twinkling eyes like a lioness, that which Cleopatra had applied to high cheek bones, and further carried herself in order to join Anthony in the out the illusion by a robe of fancy men was of monstrous size, as this species attained a length usually of 20 to 30 inches, and calling attention to the form and size of its scales, being rounded like those of a fish, and much larger than those of American snakes. On being questioned about its dentition she partly opened the snake's mouth with her fingers, which operation was passively resisted by the snake, and showed me that it had no fangs, but two elongated projections jawbone with knifelike edges, the ends of which nearly met at the

front of the mouth, leaving a narrow cleft between, through which she said the venom was ejected from the mouth and injected into the wounds made by the knife edges. She kept the viper in the small box for the protection of the other snakes, which she said it would kill in short order, if allowed its liberty among them. She showed me two parallel wounds transversely across the under side of one of the snakes, made by the viper.

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"professional," but sl no mystery about her power over accustomed to her and knew that they venomous snakes have no disposition to bite unless alarmed or excited, and that the venom with which they are supplied

upon the attacking party. QUAKER SLEEPERS

Russian Pullmans Built On Plan of Friends' Meeting Houses-Women Occupy One End, Men the Other.

[Chicago Chronicle.]

St. Peterburg has seven railway staheld a whole box full of reptiles of tions, and not a track crosses the city, various sorts and degrees. There were nor does a whistle toot coming into several dozens of them-rattiers, cop- it, nor do clouds of smoke beich over whips, etc. In the midst of the snakes out at the Nicholas station, named in sat a woman, sitting on a smaller box honor of the handsome and generous within the larger one. The woman wore Nicholas I, who commanded the railslippers on her feet, which reposed on road to be built between the two capthe bottom of the box, in contact with itals. Winans, the American, was the builder of the road. It was entirely created by American hands, American energy, and Russian money, run by

The railroad engineers suggested to tween the different towns. But Nicholas said, drawing a the arrangements are not bad. Unroom, the men being at one end of My hated fate proved to be an ancient Russian dame of vast proportions, colored linen, which proved to be her night dress as well as her traveling Kennedy's Drug Store, Dundas street, costume. She soon addressed me in tomorrow, Friday and Saturday.

She also said that it ate fragments of her own tongue, which was her only Sutherland, the young men's Bible raw meat, and masticated its food be- tongue, and I tried her in several others, after which matters would have Now this woman was, of course, a come to a deadlock had she not placed ark, Chinese work; W. R. Mar- ate person and talked with candor and some more Russian very distinctly at good sense about the snakes, making me, thinking doubtless I could not fail then to understand, but the lioness them. She said that the venomous illusion only became the more intense-Mr. James Mattinson reported on the snakes were not divested of their fangs, Finally she produced a small satchelwork of the finance committee, and as is popularly supposed, and that it full of cigarettes, invited me to have would do no good if they were, as the a smoke with her, and soon, with my the institution, still there were many financial obligations to meet; \$1,500 by new ones. But their docility was that she blew busily out from tiny straw, and was offering me fine fruits and dainties that were drawn from enormous packages of hers, with which

the compartment was filled. When it came time to retire, as the noble lady appeared to weigh a few is not for their defense, but to capture thousand pounds, and I thought it their prey. This fact becomes obvious might appear unseemly for her to when we reflect that the venom of a mount aloft into the upper berth, not snake affords it no protection from its to mention the devailment that might enemies; and that it is invariably ensue should she plunge off in the wee killed when attacked, notwithstanding small hours, I was polite and changed any injury it may inflict with its fangs places. It was then I saw the thrifty sight that explained why all Russians carry so much luggage in travel. One of the lioness' most enormous rolls turned out to be a huge pillow, a pair of blue and white sheets, and a wadded quilt. She spread this neatly down on the long seat, removed her bonnet and her cape-and behold, undereath the one was a black cap and the other concealed a fawn, loose blouse. Then she was complete and a sight to dream of. No American living would carry such a roll about for 50 cents, which is all it costs to have fresher, cleaner bedding provided than we find in our own Pullman cars.

PARAPHRASING A JOKE

[St. Louis Republic.] big good-natured farmer was awaiting the suburban train accompanied by a handsome Gordon setter. Two sons of Britain stood near him. The dog strayed away from his owner, who was reading a newspaper. "Hey!" called the farmer. "Come here, Locksmith," and the dog imme-

diately ran to his feet. One of the Englishmen approached the farmer. "May I ask what you called that he said. "Locksmith," said the farmer.

'And why, pray?' "Because every time I kick him he When he returned to his companion

"Most extraordinary name that man over there calls his dog." "What?" asked his friend. "Locksmith," replied the first Briton.
"And why such a name?" "Because, he says, every time he

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