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The warm weather is here now, and Light Underwear will be needed. We have special lines in white and unbleached.

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JOTTINGS FROM NEAR-BY PLACES

The death occurred Wednesday morning, at the family residence, in Adelaide, township, of Mrs. Jas. Henderson, in the 68th year of her age.

Mr. Joseph Brown, who for the past four of five years has resided in Metcalfe township, near Katesville, died on Thursday, aged 86 years. For some twenty years Mr. Brown resided in Stratford, working at his trade as a shoemaker. Rev. A. McKibben conducted the funeral services. The pallbearers were A. E. McNeice, Willard Humphries, Joseph H. Humphries, Cecil Brown, George Brown and Ira Brown.

A very pretty event took place in the Mount Carmel Methodist Church, near Mount Brydges, on Tuesday last, at 4 p.m., the occasion being the marriage of Miss Annie, only daughter of Robert Courtis, to James Baird, M. D., of Evanston, Ill. The bride was attended by Miss Elizabeth Baird, sister of the groom, while Robert Baird, M. D., of Watford, assisted the groom. Two little flower girls, Miss Addie Jones and Miss Nina Westland, as maids of honor, preceded the bride, carrying a basket of American Beauty roses, in which the ring was placed. The bride was daintily attired in white organdie over white silk, and carried a huge shower bouquet of roses and smilax. The bridesmaid was tastefully gowned in pale blue silk tulle, and carried a bouquet of yellow roses. The service was read by Rev. J. E. Holmes. The wedding march was played by Miss Mary Brown. Mr. Will Ferguson and Mr. John Watson were ushers. A reception was afterwards held at Sunny-side, the residence of the bride's father, and in a large marquee on the beautiful lawn the dejeuner was served. Among the many magnificent gifts to the bride was a silver service from the bride's mother and a check for \$1,000 from the bride's father. The bride's traveling gown was a handsome tailor-made suit of Amazon cloth of a castor shade. On their honeymoon trip they will visit California and British Columbia. Dr. and Mrs. Baird will be at home to their many friends after Aug. 1, at 1345 Maple avenue, Evanston, Ill.

The news of the death of John Beattie, a leading and well-known citizen of Highgate, was received with regret by a great many people in the western counties. Mr. Beattie was born at Lambeth, Middlesex county, where he resided until about 1873, when he removed to Highgate and commenced business. In 1879 Mr. Beattie was appointed Moravian Indian agent, a position which he filled with complete satisfaction to both the government and the Indians until 1888. During his long term of office the Indians under his charge made wonderful progress. He was the originator of the Moravian town fair, and had the pleasure of witnessing its phenomenal success. He was the personal friend and adviser of every Indian on the reserve, and enjoyed their full confidence. Mr. Beattie also took an active interest in municipal affairs, and ev-

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DEADLY FIREWORKS EXPLOSION.

Five Persons Known to Be Killed and Several Missing.

The Disaster Occurred in Patterson, N. J.—A Four-Story Tenement House Destroyed.

New York, June 22.—Many persons were killed and a number injured yesterday as the result of an explosion among a large quantity of fireworks in the store of Abraham M. Rittenburg, at Patterson, N. J. The cause of the explosion is not known. The property loss will not exceed \$35,000.

The explosion occurred shortly after the noon hour, and many of the occupants of the building were out for dinner. The building in which the explosion occurred is a frame tenement, four stories high, with three stories on the ground floor. The middle store was occupied by Rittenburg. Ten families occupied flats in the building. Had the disaster occurred half an hour later the result would have been frightful, for adjoining the wrecked building was No. 3 school, in which were hundreds of children. Not only was the school destroyed, but large quantities of wrecks were hurled into it. As it was, some of the school children playing near the school house were injured. So great was the

FORCE OF THE EXPLOSION, that a boy playing in the street half a block away was lifted from his feet and hurled against a fence, and one of his legs broken. There was a trolley car directly in front of the building when the explosion occurred, and the burst of flame blown out into the street scorched the sides of the car and singed the hair of those who were in it. Those who were on the upper floors of the building when the explosion took place were either strangled or hurled to death or escaped cut off and were discovered suffocated.

REPEATED EXPLOSIONS. After the first explosion there was a series of smaller ones, and then came the second big explosion, which occurred in the neighborhood of the school. Families seated at their dinner were thrown from their chairs to the floor. Then there was a frightful scene in the control of their children and were soon rushing about looking for them.

MEANWHILE THE flames were bursting from every part of the tenement building. Those who approached the building from the rear saw a fearful sight. A woman appeared at one of the windows. She was a mass of flames. She leaped out and fell through the flame to the yard below. At great risk she was dragged farther into the yard, but it was too late—the flesh was dropping from the bones, and she was dead. She later proved to be Mrs. Williams.

Donald Dooley was in the yard when the explosion took place. He saw the two Rittenburg children in the rear room and rushed into the flames for them. He got out of the fire and tried to get back for the other, but the room was then one mass of fire. Dooley was badly scorched in rescuing the first child. From the front, Mrs. Adams, who was in the street, saw the flames from the window of their home to the sidewalk. They were seated at dinner, and together ran to the front window and leaped. Jessup said the explosion seemed to have come from the floor under their feet. Others of the tenants were meanwhile hanging from the windows ready to drop.

THE RESCUERS. The firemen came within a few minutes and twenty persons were taken down through the fire and smoke by the firemen. Mr. and Mrs. John McGilone climbed to the top story of the tenement and found their escape cut off. He climbed out of the front window and hung by the hand, while his wife with the other, until a life-net was secured. Then he dropped his wife into the net and followed himself. Both were badly burned.

The rescues were going on the firemen were fighting the flames. Capt. Allen led with a hose in an effort to keep the fire from the upper floors.

THE PYRAMID FIRE CURE possesses the power to perfection. It is formulated on scientific principles by specialists who understand the nature of the disease thoroughly.

Thousands have been permanently cured by it, and the manufacturers have come to look upon it as a "remedy that never fails."

You need not go through an inconvenient course of dieting and supplementary treatment while using it. It is a complete cure, requiring nothing on your part but a strict observance of the printed directions which go with each package.

It is manufactured by the Pyramid Drug Co., at Marshall, Mich., and may be had of all first-class druggists.

Don't experiment if you are afflicted with this troublesome disease. It may lead to serious complications if allowed to continue. Get this remedy and check the disease before it becomes chronic; don't allow it to drain your best energies and weaken your constitution.

Hon. G. W. Ross has presented the park committee with a large flat to float over Alexander Park.

Rev. F. A. McKillop, M.D., and Rev.

J. H. Hector, the Black Knight, addressed an enthusiastic meeting of temperance workers and prohibitionists in the Front Street Church last Tuesday evening.

Miss Mary Henderson was appointed secretary for Stratford. Frank O'Dwyer is attending the Pan-American this week.

FIREMEN BURIED BY DEBRIS. The captain and two of his men were buried under the debris, which was blazing. Two straws were instantly turned on the wreckage. Out of it in a moment crawled Capt. Allen and Fireman Delaney. Both were bruised and burned, but instead of seeking safety they attacked the debris with their hands to rescue Eddie Singlerland, who was still beneath it. He was finally dragged out by the firemen.

Mrs. Williams' husband was a cripple. His wife is supposed to have remained longer than she could with safety in an effort to save him. He would have been crushed to death.

For a time it looked as if the building would not only be destroyed, but that the flames would burn down Main street and swing into Slater street, and the occupants threatened to be moved out. The firemen fought the flames back, and although the two buildings between the wrecked one and Slater street were somewhat damaged, they were saved. The building in which the explosion occurred was burned to the ground. After a couple of hours' work the firemen had the flames out and began the work of cooling the ruins left at the bodies.

TAKING OUT THE BODIES. At first it was thought that but three persons were lost, Mr. and Mrs. Williams, and one of the Rittenburg children. But it soon became apparent that others had lost their lives.

The entire street, which for some time was closed, was cleared away by the rubbish. Mrs. Himmer, mother-in-law of Rittenburg, is known to be dead. It is said she was standing at a restaurant when the explosion took place. What became of the salesman is not known. Many persons slightly injured had their wounds dressed at the hospitals and went to their homes.

THE DEAD. Corrected list of the dead: Mrs. Lucinda Adamson.

Mrs. Charles Williams, burned while trying to rescue her husband.

Charles Williams, cripple, unable to get out of bed.

Harold Rittenburg, 18 months old, son of the keeper of the fireworks store.

MISSING. Those missing and almost certainly dead are: Mrs. Bert Bamber, Charles Burns, 6 months old, child of above; Mrs. Andrew Elvin was in her house, and has not been seen since; Mrs. Mary Elasser; Joseph Elvin, 2 weeks old, child of Mrs. Andrew Elvin; Mrs. Burns, not seen since the explosion, and known to have been in the house; Clarence Burns, 6 years old, son of above; Mrs. Ann Pentemarm, not seen since the explosion and known to have been in the house; Mrs. Annie Lannigan, seen to enter her apartments a few minutes before the explosion. Two nephews of Mrs. Lannigan were with her when she entered her rooms. Their names are not yet ascertained.

FANCHON AND PRINCE, CIRCUS COMPANIONS

An Elephant and Dog in Love—The Biggest Menagerie in America—Ringling Bros.—Circus Will Arrive Early Sunday Morning.

Fanchon, one of the elephants of Ringling Bros.' circus, which will exhibit in London on Monday, and Prince, a clown dog, are in love. They are constantly together. They run races, they play with ropes and rubber balls, and at night the dog curls up at the side of the elephant's big trunk, and thus they sleep.

Prince is a bull terrier, 3 years old. Fanchon is 50, but such a harmonious union of youth and old age was never before known. The dog and the elephant met the first time during the parade in Chicago early last April. It was a case of love at first sight. The dog followed Fanchon back to the circus, and the elephant led the way into his pen in the menagerie.

When the animal superintendent attempted to eject the dog, Fanchon objected so vehemently that it was deemed wiser to let the "whelp" remain. George Hartzell, one of the clowns, took a fancy to Prince and taught him a number of tricks—thus he has been made useful as well as ornamental.

There are 30 elephants with the Ringling Bros. circus this year, which is more than one-half of all those in America. They range in size from Little Tottles, a wee mite, up to Old Baldy, who lacks but 250 pounds of weighing seven tons. These elephants alone eat more than 600 horses.

The greatest feature of this big menagerie this season is the only giraffe ever known to exist in the world, and the last one that will ever be seen in America, as the species is fast dying out. The combined wealth of all the shows in the world could not buy another of the animal. The giraffe is the most complete zoological collection in America.

The Ringling show will arrive in London early tomorrow morning on the longest special train in the world, and those who see it unload and enter its immense tents will soon realize that nothing like it has ever before visited Canada. Monday it will give a famous parade, and present a programme that abounds in genuine arctic novelties. Most of the feature acts will be presented by European artists new to this country. The main tent is the largest canvas pavilion ever constructed.

Monday morning a downtown ticket office will be opened at Northmead's piano and music store, 188 Dundas street, where those who wish to avoid the rush on the show grounds may buy reserved seats and admissions at exactly the same price as at the regular ticket wagons.

OLDEST MICHIGAN ODDFELLOW DEAD.

Monroe, Mich., June 21.—John H. Rauch, for 73 years a resident of Ida Monroe county, died yesterday, aged 91 years. He was the oldest living member of the Oddfellows in this state, having been actively connected with the order for 58 years, and with the local branch for 33 years.

NARROWLY ESCAPED CREMATION.

Rodney, June 21.—About 1:30 o'clock Colin MacKay and his family, who reside in Back street, awakened to find the house in flames. The family narrowly escaped cremation, and had no time to save anything. Mr. MacKay was quite badly burned about the head and neck. There was only \$450 insurance on the house and contents.

THE CIRCUS MANAGER'S TROUBLES

Details Involved in Conducting a Big Show Enjoin Big Responsibilities.

How Animals Must Be Fed—The Water Supply—Methods of Advertising—Incessant Questions of Persistent Patrons.

The detail involved in the management of a traveling show or circus enjoin a responsibility on the manager which is not overpaid by the proceeds of the performances. The manager of the circus is always fed according to native habits. Sea lions are fed on fish. No matter where they may be the Forepaugh-Sells Company received a shipment of fish for seals and sea lions from Boston, and in order to prolong the lives of the animals, which are short at best, every fish is cleaned, scaled and partly boned before being given to the sea lions.

Mountain lions, bears, panthers and wildcats and all similar animals live on animal meat, several beavers being cut up each day and distributed among the menagerie inmates. It might be remarked that the choicest quarters of the beaves go to the circus dining tents for the people of the show. If 20,000 gallons of water were required to quench the thirst of the score of elephants, 500 horses, 1,000 people and 200 menagerie animals, and there is no nearby hydrant or running stream, the circus manager at once orders the water wagons and in less than an hour water is arriving at the desired point by the thousand gallons. The manager never has any trouble, he figures that the quickest and simplest way out of the difficulty is the best.

The methods of advertising a circus are by no means the least interesting of its features. Big circus companies like the Ringling Brothers, the Forepaugh & Sells' annually paste or distribute as many as ten or twelve million pieces of advertising matter. To do this three trains of advance cars are employed. One of these travels three weeks to a day ahead of the show, the second one is two weeks ahead. Each crew has a different task to perform, and a vast amount of labor is involved.

The first car crew which is composed of about 30 bill posters and a manager, bills the town and the country leading to the point where the show is to be given. Several lithographers and programme distributors decorate the windows of business places with rich and attractive lithographs and visit a great many houses and leave a six-page courier, containing elaborate half-tone drawings of prominent circus features.

A week later the city is visited by the second car, sometimes known as the "excursion" car. Men are sent on every outgoing train to bill the smaller towns on the railroads for 30 or 40 miles around. The third car, which travels by dusk, and then return to the central point in time to catch their car, which then departs for the next city on the route. One week before the date of the show the third car makes its appearance to freshen up paper display wherever it has been damaged by the weather elements, and to complete whatever work the other crews may have overlooked in their rush in every city several teams are used to cover the country routes and the city bill boards. Paste is manufactured on the car, which is provided with an engine and boiler. Five barrels are consumed daily by each car for paste.

In addition to the worry of recurring detail the circus man is called upon to answer incessant questions put to him by persistent patrons. Of course, he loses patience occasionally and answers in a manner to corroborate a popular fallacy. This person wonders how the circus is enabled to exhibit in every city several teams are used to cover the country routes and the city bill boards. Paste is manufactured on the car, which is provided with an engine and boiler. Five barrels are consumed daily by each car for paste.

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FRUIT PROSPECTS

Indications of a Large Yield in the County of Huron.

The Ben Miller correspondent of the Huron Signal, of Goderich, supplies the following information regarding fruit prospects in that portion of the county: "An inspection of the orchards in this vicinity reveals the fact that the apple crop will not be up to a full average, especially with the late winter varieties. The cold weather and prolonged wet spell during the period of bloom sadly interfered with the dissemination of the pollen, and as a consequence the fruit has not set as well as might have been expected from the abundance of bloom in the trees two weeks ago. To enumerate varieties the principal apple grown here, the Baldwin, will be a very light crop indeed, and the same may be said of the Mann, Russet, Ontario, Greening and others. The fall varieties, Ribston, Cranberry, Holland, Seckels, King, Taiman sweets, etc., for some reason or other are showing better, possibly because they were fertilized before the late cold snap. The spels will be the most abundant of all, and they are the only variety that may be said to come up to the average of former years. Plums promise to be a good average crop, and if that pest, the curculio, does not sting them, there will be abundance of this delicious fruit this fall. Peaches are very light, the Bartlett's especially, and the most of the late varieties have no show of fruit at all. Cherries make a good showing, and as they are extensively grown here, there will be large quantities for export. Currants, Gooseberries and all small fruits will be plentiful, and are promising a heavy yield."

A SEA VOYAGE

Would Be More Enjoyable, If We Were All Good Sailors—Preventatives for Seasickness—What a Well-Known Traveler Says of Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets.

Seasickness affects nine out of ten of those who travel on the ocean. Those who contemplate such a voyage, or even a trip on the Lakes, cannot do better than supply themselves with a box of Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets.

Seasickness is caused by fermentation of the stomach. The churning it undergoes by the motion of the vessel turns its contents into a sour. Digestion is arrested, and vomiting follows.

Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets settle the stomach. They keep it sweet, and guard the work of digestion from interruption. This is the best preventive, and the sickness which follows it.

Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets are being used by ocean travelers more and more every day. They are so pleasant things to take, and so conveniently carried, that there is absolutely no drawback in connection with their use.

Pepsin, disease and other natural digestants, mixed in sugar, are their constituent parts, all perfectly harmless, all powerfully digestive. Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets are emphatically endorsed by business men and others who have to cross the Atlantic frequently.

"I am just leaving for my European trip," writes H. Hutchinson, of Chatham, Ont., "and would ask you to send me a box of Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets, three boxes of your Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets, as I find them the best thing possible to prevent seasickness, and I think that any party traveling should carry them for this purpose."

"On my last trip I gave away several tablets to different passengers who felt the sickness coming on, and in every case it seemed to settle their stomachs and prevent sickness. I have also found them a splendid medicine for indigestion, in fact that is the reason I tried them for seasickness. As I cross the Atlantic four times a year, I speak from experience, when I say that Dodd's Dyspepsia Tablets are a blessing to those subject to seasickness."

The steamer Chippewa ran aground in Toronto Bay early Friday morning. The passengers were taken off and it is believed the vessel is not seriously injured.

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