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### Passed Away.

"Uncle Tom's Cabin" and Other

Hartford, Conn., July 2.—Harriet Beecher Stowe, the famous authoress, is dead. She had been suffering from congestion of the brain and paralysis, and had been unconscious since yesterday. She passed peacefully away at noon yesterday, surrounded by the nbers of her family.

Harriet Beecher Stowe was the third daughter and sixth child of Rev. Lyman and Rosanna Foote Beecher, of Litchfield, Conn. She was about 4 years old when her mother died. That

NO ORDINARY CHILD

was evident enough at an early age. Fancy a girl of 9, unable to spell correctly, or to do more than print her sentences, handing in to her teacher difference between the natural and the moral sublime," and of arguing (at the age of 12) at a school exhibition the negative (or any other) side of the amazing question, "Can the immortalfty of the soul be proved by the light of nature?" Shortly after her 12th Shortly after her 12th birthday she was sent to Hartford, where she remained for some years, first as pupil and afterwards as assoclate teacher in the school which had been established in that city by her elder sister. Catherine Beecher.

LITERARY CAREER BEGUN. In 1832 Mr. Beecher removed from Litchfield to Cincinnati, and a little later on Catherine and Harriet followed and established their school in that tributor to the National Era and Godey's Magazine, and subsequently contributed, with more or less regularity. to the Atlantic and other periodicals

In 1836 she married Prof. Calvin E. Stowe, of Lane Theological Seminary. "UNCLE TOM'S CABIN."

"Uncle Tom's Cabin" was printed in the National Era, the publication be-ginning in the summer of 1851 and concluding in March, 1852. It is said that when Mrs. Stowe proposed the publication of "Uncle Tom" in book form, the firm receiving the offer "declined with thanks." The proposal was subsequently accepted by another publisher, who, within a few months after putting it upon the market, was able to place at Mrs. Stowe's disposal, as first installment of her share of the proceeds, the sum of \$10,000. "More money," said Prof. Stowe, "than I had ever seen in my life," and a sum immeasurably beyond Mrs. Stowe's wild-

"Uncle Tom's Cabin" was translated into every European language, and also into Arabic and Armenian, and one immense bookcase in the British Museum is filled with its different franslations and editions. Within six months after its publication in America 150,000 copies had been sold, and 240,000 copies were sold in London in one month.

### OTHER WORKS.

"Dred," "The Minister's Wooing,"
"Agnes of Sorrento," "The Pearl of works followed "Uncle Tom's to 4:30: Cabin" in leisurely succession, and her literary reputation was fully and firmly established both at home and

In 1852 Mrs. Stowe, accompanied by her husband, made her first visit to the old world, and this delightful exomed with unbounded enthusiasm, and received such private haspitality and public demonstrations of respect admiration as are rarely accorded to royalty itself. During these foreign visits she made many warm personal friends, among whom were George Ellot, Mrs. Gaskel, Lady Byron, the Duchess of Sutherland, Lord Palmerston, and others whose names and fame are equally well known.

HOME OF HER OLD AGE. In 1864 Prof. and Mrs. Stowe removed from Andover, Mass., where Prof. owe had for several years occupied famous theological seminary, and made for themselves a home in Hartford, Conn. There lived many of Mrs. Stowe's kindred and friends, and there, too, clustered many dear associations of her early youth. And so there was no sense of newness or strangeness in this home-coming to Hartford. Old friends welcomed her, ngeness in this home-coming to freshing sleep. hearts and homes were eagerly thrown open to this woman of gentus, and there, for 24 years, in joy and in sorrow, in sickness and in health, and in the loneliness of her widowhood, she eceived in full measure the love and ffectionate regard and the sincere distration of her fellow-townspeople.

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### Yesterday's Excursions.

Springbank Caught the Largest Crowd Again.

Port Stanley Came Next-How the Other Ont-of-Yown Excursions Were Patronized.

Springbank caught the largest holiday crowd again yesterday, and, like the corpse at the celebrated Scotch burying, there was no complaint. Everybody was satisfied. Early in the day it was seen that the riverside resort was going to be well patronized, and, as the day wore on, the crowd even exceeded the most sanguine expectations of the street railway people. The delays of May 25 were not repeated, and the 6,000 or 7,000 people were handled without a delay or blockade of any kind. The increased switching accommodation and double-tracking proved to be of immense advantage, and enabled the a composition with such a title as "The eight trains to maintain an eightminute service and pass one another at the switches without more than a

day wore on and not a hitch of any kind occurred they occasionally found

Every attraction that was adver-A display of fireworks was also given from the north side of the river, while a number of lime-light views were shown on the canvas placed on the face of the hill. A series of tub and swimming races, and exhibitions and swimming races, and exhibitions his return Gates again tried to induce the boy whom he took away for said to have had its beginning in the cafe, and they furnished unlim- six weeks last year to again go away Semicolon Club, some of her best ited amusement. The beacon light enabers which she read before it (notababled the picnickers to pick flowers papers which she read before it (notably her "Uncle Tim") appearing a little later on in the Western Monthly Magarine and in the Mayflower. After-Port Stanley secured the next largest crowd, and no less than six trains ten cars; 10:30, eleven cars; 1:30, twelve tences to run concurrently. cars; 2:55 eleven cars; 5:25, ten cars, and 7:15, fourteen cars. Half of St. Thomas was also at the lake side. The day was an ideal one, the water was just warm enough to make bathing a pleasure, and the fish were just hangry enough to make fishing good. The big crowd was handled without accident. The excursion of Court Orient, C. O. F., to Detroit, over the Grand Trunk, was patronized by about 400. Court Magnolia, A. O. F., took 300 people over the same line to Niagara Falls. The Young People's Union of the Talbot Street Baptist Church ran an excursion to Stag Island, which was taken advantage of by nearly 400 people. Nearly 200 people patronized Court Forest Queen's excursion to Detroit over the M. C. R.

### RISING ARTISTS HONORED

Certificates for Pupils of the Western

School of Art. The principal of the Western School of Art, Mr. Griffiths, has received the following certificates, which have been awarded to his pupils at the recent Government examination. Students proceeded by way of Waterloo, Rich- He had been on a hunt and was on may get them at the school on Mon-Orr's Island," "Old Town Folks," and day or Saturday afternoons, from 2:30

Primary course, grade B—Kate Fra-ser, memory or blackboard drawing; Notice Belinger fractional drawing; Notice Belinger fractions of No. 1 Company, R. R. C. I., was on the field in case of any cas-Nettie Robinson, freehand, model and memory or blackboard; Lily Grimshaw, and soldierly, and the horses, harness ed violently to the ground. Luckily practical geometry; J. Alston, memory and guns presented a fine appearance, or blackboard drawing; Flo McCon- and as the battery are fortunate in tossed him, or he might have been or blackboard drawing; Flo McConperience was supplemented by two key, practical geometry, linear per-subsequent visits. Each time she was spective, memory or blackboard; John as well as one of the smartest officers

Advanced course, grade A-Lily Grimshaw, shading from flat examples, drawing from flowers and shading from the round; J. Alston, shading from flat examples; Flo McConkey, shading from flat examples, shading from the round, outline from the round, drawing from flowers; John McCue, shading from the round; Flo Line, outline from the round; Sara Griffiths, outline from the round; Stowe had for several years occupied Laura Cooper, industrial design; Ed-the chair of sacred literature in the mund Nobbs, outline from the round. Extra subjects-Mrs. Yeates, china painting; Miss Bryden, drawing for lithography; Sara Griffiths, sepia.

> Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies the blood, overcomes that tired feeling, creates an appetite, and gives re-Dr. Jameson denies the report that he is going to marry a peeress.

Piles! Piles! Itching Piles! SYMPTOMS-Moisture; intense itching and stinging, mostly at night; worse by scratching. If allowed to continue, tumors form, which often bleed and ulcerate, becoming very sore.
Swayne's Ointment stops the itching and bleeding, heals ulceration, and in As a matter of fact, Ayer's Pills not

In the Central Prison, the Penalty Imposed on George Gates.

is an Individual of the "Weary Walker" Type-Other Cases Disposed Of.

The police magistrate this morning had before him a hard-looking case in the person of George Gates, who had three charges opposite his name -vagrancy and assaulting Constable saulting Mr. Costelano, of whom Gates inquired the time, but as Costelano did not speak English very well, he merely replied: "I don't." This repeated expression raised the ire of the begging tramp, who struck him on the mouth cutting his lip police. He has been hanging around the northeastern part of the city for the past ten days, begging and living Manager Carr, Superintendent De Harte, and Assistant Superintendent Robinson were busy more than the superintendent boy in the East End to make the days, begging and living as best he could. Last year he paid London a visit and induced a little Robinson were busy men, but as the him. He made the youngster beg, day wore on and not a hitch of any and frightened him into submission. He would not let the boy go too far away from him, so that the little fellow could not escape. One day, howtised was put on. The band of the London Musical Society furnished excellent music afternoon and evening. ran away and came home. The as-

ward she became an occasional con- a regular fairy scene. The last car oner was without money and any reached the city at a seasonable hour. visible means of livelihood, having done no work since last fall. The magistrate sentenced Gates to six were required to transport it. The one months in the Central Prison on each leaving at 10:05 a.m. was made up of of the charges of assault, the sen-

Detroit, was another bright specimen of the "Weary Warker" type, and he and Francis McGee, who originally came from Cleveland, and walked to London from St. Thomas, were al-John Munn, an old man arrested

for being drunk on Tuesday night, was allowed to go next morning, and was again arrested at night for a tried the efficacy of a little liquor, which led to his being locked up again. He was given another chance.

The London Field Battery Parade Under Their New Commander.

FIRED THE SALUTE.

The London Field Battery, now known officially as No. 6 Field Battery, paraded at the gun shed at 10:30 yesterday morning under command of Sergt. Irvine in charge of the left, and ner. they fired a salute of 21 guns in honor ualties. The men looked clean, neat McCue, freehand, memory or black-board; Clara Barton, freehand draw-ing: George Haylock, freehand draw-head of the list before many seasons behind a tree. He still held his gun,

ed by Mr. Sargent and others, and his life. everybody soon became more interested in the horse vs. man race than snort was heard, and a big elk apin the salute, until a young man on a peared on the scene. The cow perbicycle started in, and soon made the ceived a new antagonist in the horse a prisoner. Nothing was broken. and turned upon him. The next mo-The horse is 22 years of age, and ment the two animals rushed together,

After the salute the battery returned to the gun shed, and before being dismissed, the major supplied the men watch the fray, and then made the with a cordial to wash the dust and best possible time homeward. grime from out their throats.

A German expedition for the scientific exploration of the South Polar re-

gion will start soon on its three years' "One of my sick headaches," you will most cases removes the tumors. At druggists, or by mail, 50 cents. Dr. tually remove the cause of this distressing complaint, and so bring about a sons & Co., Montreal, wholesale agents.

### A Winnipeg Tragedy.

Middlesex County Man Found Drowned in the Red River.

Sad End of Mr. James Ross, a Wellknown Barrister.

Winnipeg, July 2.-Yesterday afternoon, floating in Red River, was found the body of James Ross, barrister. Mr. Ross, while ill and despondent, jumped off Broadway bridge Sunday night, claims to be from Owen Sound. He having previously arranged his affairs and left letters to relatives saying that he was weary of life and would never be seen again. The body had floated Hobbins and an Italian man named a mile from the bridge. Mr. Ross was Lo Costelano. He was arrested on a brother of A. W. Ross, ex-M. P. for Richmond street last night for asdlesex county, his father being the late Donald Ross. He was one of the pioneer citizens of Winnipeg, who made considerable money during the real estate boom of 1882. Since that time. however, he met with financial reverses and also became greatly shattered in health. Everybody knew Jim Ross, and everybody liked him, and Winnibadly. Gates is well known to the peg deeply mourns his sad end. His wife lives in Ontario.

### Treatment of Sunstroke.

What is known as sunstroke or heatstroke occurs in two forms; first, those with cold, white hands and face, sunken, dimmed eyes, cold and clammy skin, bathed in perspiration, breathing interrupted and sighing, and the general appearance indicating weakness and faintness. These are in a state of collapse, and need perfect quiet and stimulants.

If this weakness and faintness is extreme, under no consideration must they be raised with the head high, or jolted in moving, or brought any distance to the station or hospital, until they have been examined by a physii cian. Place them with the head low in some shady place and administer, in a little water only, one-half teaspoonful doses of a brandy and ammonia mixture-which may be obtained at any druggist's-every five or ten minutes, until the doctor arrives or they show some signs of revival Lifting them in the wagon and shaking them up for a mile or two will often bring them dying at the hospital door.

The other class of sunstrokes will present an entirely different appearance. The face will be bluish, or red. or purple, with the veins of the fore-head and neck distended; they will, unless too far gone, have the head burning with heat, the eyes will be bloodshot, in fact, the whole appearance will indicate full-bloodedness of the head and face, and the breath-ing will probably be very harsh and coarse. In these cases, raise the head moderately, and apply ice freely to the head and back of the neck, and give no stimulant, unsess ordered by a physician.

An Unexpected Deliverance. Cows, which are commonly inoffensive creatures, become dangerous sometimes when the safety of their calves is menaced. An incident occurred in Montana recently where Major B. Shaw-Wood, with Sergt - a man came near losing his life from Major Alf. Taylor in charge of the this cause, but was relieved from his right section, and Quartermaster- perilous situation in a peculiar man-

mond, Dundas and Adelaide streets to his way home, when an enraged cow, Carling's Heights, where at 12 o'clock which had been standing in some they fired a salute of 21 gurs in honor bush with her calf, rushed out upon

cow outran him, and before he had gone a dozen yards her sharps horns caught in his clothing and he was hurltossed him, or he might have been severely gored.

While the cow vented her rage upon and was making ready to shoot, when Among the spectators on the hill was
Mr. Isaac Sargent, who thought he had
an old soldier in his horse, for when
the better come saw him dodge behind the the battery came into action he left tree and dashed after him. The next the horse standing untied while he watched the battery; but when the first gun was fired the horse thought till the man was near the limit of his that it was safer to be at a greater distance, and started at a run, follow-

and their heads struck with a re-

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