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BEER

Miss Jennie Brock of Exeter spent Monday with her sister Mrs. B. Clarke. Mr. Graham spent Sunday in Exeter.

What is the matter with the rink? The young people spent a pleasant time back at J. Smiths on Monday evening. All report a good time.

The election which was held on Monday came off very quietly. The voters came out fairly well with the following results: Reeve, Samuel Switzer; Deputy-reeve, W. D. Sanders; Councilors, Messrs. Yeariv, Love and Kellarman.

Don't be bald Nearly Anyone May Secure a Splendid Growth of Hair

We have a remedy that has a record of growing hair and curing baldness in 93 out of every 100 cases where used according to directions for a reasonable length of time.

We are so certain Rexal '93 Hair Tonic will cure dandruff, prevent baldness, stimulate the scalp and hair roots, stop falling hair and grow new hair that we personally give our positive guarantee to refund every penny paid us for it in every instance where it does not give entire satisfaction to the user.

Meeting of the Board of Education on Monday evening, resulted as follows: O. R. George, Chairman; W. Wm. H. Wenzel; J. B. Herb; C. K. Bluet; of Crediton, assistant principal of St. George's school, requested the president by the transference made Brown to Aberdeen principal. He goes to Aberdeen to be highly recommended.

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Mr. Hardy left for London on Saturday after spending a few days visiting with his daughter, Mrs. John Kellarman.

Mr. W. Clarke of Granton spent Monday in town visiting with his parents.

Mr. Arthur Holtmann left on Monday for Napier, N.Z. He was accompanied by Miss Louisa Bisset, who intends to take up a commercial course. We wish her every success.

Mr. and Mrs. E. King returned home after spending a week in Michigan visiting friends and relatives.

We are glad to report that Mr. Conrad Kuhn is improving rapidly. Hope he will continue so.

Miss Dorothy Kuntz is spending a few days with her aunt Mrs. E. K. Kuntz.

The young people are of joying good skating these nights.

School re-opened on Tuesday. Miss Schneider and Miss Watson are occupying the two lower rooms.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Baker of Woodstock spent a few days in town visiting with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Finkbeiner and Mr. J. Braun of Newburg, Mich. and Mr. A. Brown of Glenhien, spent a few days with their families here.

Miss E. Finkbeiner left for London on Monday where she will visit friends for a few weeks.

The Young People's Alliance of the Evangelical Church will be held on Sunday night after the service instead of Thursday evening. Hope everybody will stay here.

Quite a number of people around here are up with the grippe.

SIXTEEN ARE KILLED

Boiler Blows Up in Ice Plant at Pittsfield, Mass.

Men Waiting to Go to Work Cutting Ice Are Near Boiler When It Explodes, Murling Fragments of Iron and Timber Into the Mass of Human Beings - Bodies Found 200 Feet Away From Disaster.

Pittsfield, Mass., Dec. 30.—Sixteen workmen were killed yesterday by the explosion of a boiler at the plant of the Morewood Lake Ice Co., near this city. In addition twelve men were injured, two of whom, it is feared, will die.

The City Council yesterday afternoon passed a resolution with a view to supplying the wants of those left fatherless, and to help the injured. Within a short time nearly \$5,000 were subscribed.

Gathered in and about the little boiler building some distance from the icehouse, were about 125 men, mostly Poles and Italians, awaiting to go to work cutting ice. With a crash that was heard for miles around the boiler burst, and bodies of men and fragments of iron and timber were hurled through the air. Those of the workmen who were not killed outright were either seriously injured or dazed by the shock.

Physicians, ambulances and automobiles were rushed from this city to the lake, and the injured men brought to the hospital here. In some instances the bodies of the dead were so badly mutilated that identification was impossible for many hours.

Parts of the bodies were found some 100 to 200 feet from the site of the destroyed building. The icehouse and the boiler itself were broken into hundreds of pieces. The icehouse was damaged but little, and the entire monetary loss will not exceed \$500.

No definite determination as to the cause of the explosion is likely until the state officers have completed their investigation.

Japs Not Plotting. Washington, Dec. 30.—Reported publication of statements that Japanese activities in the Philippines have given rise to the belief that plots are being laid against the United States day called forth from the War Department the assertion that no information has been received there to justify such statements.

The officials insist that it would have been the duty of the Governor-general, or of Major-Gen. Duval, the commander of the Philippine division, to have cables been sent to prepare for the discovery of spies, or of agents that threatened American sovereignty in the Philippines, and, as no such reports have been received in Washington, it is assumed that neither Governor Forbes nor Gen. Duval has any such information.

Pope Favors Cremation. London, Dec. 30.—There is apparently confirmation for the recent report from a French source that the Pope is preparing a decree authorizing cremation. The official organ of the German organ of cremation goes so far as to state that Pope Pius X. is personally greatly in favor of cremation, and that as Cardinal Sarlo he made strenuous representations to Leo XIII. in order to procure the latter's consent.

Die Flamme understands that the Pope has given directions for the cremation of his own body although, of course, no absolutely authentic confirmation of this is obtainable.

Discharged From Bankruptcy. Pittsburg, Dec. 30.—Harry Kendall Thaw, who killed Stanford White, the New York architect, in that city, was discharged from bankruptcy by Judge Orr in the U. S. District Court here yesterday. James G. Graham, who had filed exceptions on the ground that Thaw was insane when this bankruptcy petition was filed, withdrew his objections. Attorney Charles J. Thaw's recognized creditors would receive 20 per cent. of their accounts. According to the bankruptcy petition, Thaw's liabilities were \$453,140, with assets of \$128,017.

Reciprocity Negotiations. Ottawa, Dec. 30.—An effort is being made to induce Sir Richard Cartwright to accompany Hon. W. S. Fielding and Hon. William Paterson to Washington to take part in the reciprocity negotiations, but it is unlikely that he will go. The proceedings there will begin probably on Jan. 12. Mr. Fielding, while still suffering from his facial trouble, is in much better health than he was in the autumn. It is expected that he will be in his seat in the House after his return from Washington.

A Kidnapping Case. New York, Dec. 30.—On the identification of six-year-old Giuseppe Di Stefano, Giacomo Crimi was formally charged with kidnapping yesterday, and held to answer before the grand jury.

Crimi was taken by the police on Wednesday night in a raid on the Sicilian quarter, in which 18 men were arrested. The Stefano boy picked him out of the line of suspects, and the others were allowed to go.

Two Extradition Cases. Ottawa, Dec. 30.—The Dominion police have two more extradition cases on hand, the arrests having been made at the instance of the Belgian Government.

The first was taken into custody by the Mounted Police at White Lake, on a charge of being a fugitive from Belgium. The second was taken into custody at White Lake on a charge of being a fugitive from Belgium.

Know the Stars in the Dragon?

Winding in and out between the stars of the Great and Little Dipper is the constellation of the Dragon. The tip of the tail lies between the polestar in the Little Dipper and the large star in the Great Dipper, but must nearer the latter and only a few degrees below the pointers. The rest of the constellation, outlined with faint stars, curves downward and around the Little Dipper, when with a final coil it terminates with the two bright stars Gamus and Betn, which mark the head of the Dragon, or, in fact, its eyes. Aratus in describing the constellations speaks of the Dragon as "with eyes oblique retorted, that askant cast gleaming fire."

Its leading star, Alpha, near the tail of the Dragon and halfway between the middle star in the handle of the Great Dipper and the lowest star in the bowl of the Little Dipper, is known by the name of Thuban. Four thousand years ago it was the pole star.—Mary Proctor in Chicago Tribune.

Does Your Cat Cough?

Poor puss! If this memorial charges against her of keeping us awake at night and of eating canary birds whenever she gets the chance were not enough, the doctors have just discovered that for years she has been responsible for the spread of diphtheria. Dr. G. J. Auburn of Manchester, England, having traced an epidemic of this disease in a suburb of that city to a pet cat belonging to one of his patients, he found, after much investigation, that all cats are peculiarly susceptible to diphtheria affections of the throat. He has therefore recently been warning all families who own cats to watch them carefully and if they develop coughs to forbid their being hugged and petted. Dr. Auburn further recommends that if the cough persists and the cat begins to grow thin to have the animal destroyed at once. The only really safe way, he says, is to let the first whetse be puss's death warrant.—New York World.

Left to a Worse Fate.

The business man was sitting in his office thinking of starting for home when a suspicious looking person came in with a leather bag in his hand.

"If you don't give me up," said the visitor, coming at once to the point. "I will drop this on the floor."

The business man was cool. "What is it?" he asked. "Dynamite," was the brief reply. "But will it do if you drop it?" "Blow 'em up," was the instant command. "My wife told me when I came home this morning to be sure to send up a bag of flour, and I forgot to do it. It will take just about as much dynamite to have cables sent to prepare me for the blowing up I'll get when she sees me!"

"She's a worried up girl," said the dynamiter and quietly slipped out.—Illustrated Bits.

Shied at the Price.

A noted painter sold at the Art club in Philadelphia, apropos of picture prices: "I am glad there are not many buyers like an old farmer in Center Bridge. A very distinguished etcher, sketching in Center Bridge, made a study of the farmer's barn. The farmer happened to appear and said he'd like to have the sketch."

"'Et' tain't too dear," he added cautiously. "Oh," said the etcher, who makes \$12,000 a year, "I won't charge you anything for the sketch, but—"

"His eye lighted on the pigpen." "But I'll tell you what. You can give me one of those nice little pink sucking pigs there."

"Why, man," said the farmer with a frown, "do ye know what them pigs is worth? They're worth a dollar apiece!"—Exchange.

Strong on Length.

Richard Carle engaged as cook a Swedish girl who proved unsatisfactory. On departure she asked for a written testimonial, and Dr. Carle presented her with the following: "To whom it may concern: I have lately had in my employ Hulda Swanson, who was engaged to cook for a family of three and do such other things as would be possible when not cooking. Under this head might come a little dusting and dishwashing and answering the doorbell. Taking all these things into account, I wish to say that Hulda is absolutely the tallest cook I ever saw."—Success Magazine.

The Post Again.

He had long hair and a pensive look. He wrote a poem entitled "Why Do I Live?" He signed it Augustus and sent it to a magazine. The editor wrote him as follows: "My dear Augustus, the reason why you live is because you sent the poem I mailed instead of bringing it personally."—Paris Modes.

A Marsh Order.

On the beach near an English town a sign bearing this legend was nailed to a post: "Notice.—Any person passing beyond this point will be drowned. By order of the magistrate."

A Great Help.

"Scribble—I understand your wife is of great assistance in your work; I had no idea she was so helpful." "She isn't. She just scribbles."—Philadelphia Record.

MILLINERY NOTES.

Shapes That Lead in the Fashionable Melange of Hats.

Hat shapes are of three sorts—the large wide brimmed hat, the cloche or Charlotte Corday and the turban. As a variant on these there is the big hat with a mushroom brim in a wide variety of shapes, all usually following the mushroom line.

The cloche shape comes more often in black satin, with a trimming of wide crush band and a flattened bow of satin. Underneath the brim is a fall of white lace.

There is a little French shape on the cloche order that covers the head like a moccasin. It has a slightly puffed crown of black satin and an inverted Newport brim plainly covered with cretonte in floral pattern. Immediately in front, fastened to the base of the satin crown, is a broad ornament of dull gilt.

Huge bows of long looped ends of ribbon finishing a band of the same



SMART MODEL FOR SMALL MAIDEN.

Tippet is a favored trimming of the season.

The simple frock that is made with a straight flared skirt is a generally smart and useful one that is always in demand. The blouse of this frock is of a distinctly new line, but is quite simple.

This May Manton pattern is out for six of eight, ten and twelve years of age. Send 25 cents to this office, giving number, 600, and it will be promptly forwarded to you by mail. If in haste send an additional two-cent stamp for letter postage, which insures more prompt delivery.

HERE AND THERE.

The Long Straight Bang Fashionable For Children—Chanticleer Aftermath. Little children are again wearing the straight cut bang reaching nearly to the eyebrows, the rest of the hair being combed smooth and cut round.

The chanticleer craze has left a trace in many made up effects in feathery snuff on millinery—in the feather arrow placed upright at the side of the tall turban and in the queer placing of feathers of all kinds at the back of the hat in resemblance of the chanticleer's crest.



SEVERE WANT FOR BUSINESS WOMEN.

St. Clair's tail. Aside from these traceable evidences of the last season's madness, however, chanticleer is past. Skirts retain their narrowness, whether for walking or for dress modes. The width decreed in Paris is two yards at the hem.

The shirt waist that is laid in plaits over the shoulders is a becoming one and greatly in vogue this season. This model includes plaits at the back also and will be found appropriate for all waisting materials.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

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NEWS TOPICS OF WEEK

Important Events Which Have Occurred During the Week

The Busy World's Happenings Carefully Compiled and Put into Handy and Attractive Shape for the Readers of Our Paper—A Solid Hour's Enjoyment.

WEDNESDAY.

Christmas mails to Great Britain are the largest on record.

John D. Rockefeller has donated a fund \$10,000,000 to the University of Chicago.

Centennial celebrations in commemoration of the Battle of Lake Erie will be held in 1913.

Deposits in Canadian banks at the end of November amounted to over \$200,000,000, as shown in the Government's monthly statement.

Trade returns for the last eight months show an increase in both exports and imports amounting to \$73,000,000, or nearly 17 per cent.

Elmer Lapine, a Windsor teamster, shot and wounded his wife and her sister and then fired a bullet into his own head. The women will probably recover.

Josephine Brimaocobe was found dead in a room at the Hotel Bristol in Colborne, and there are circumstances leading to the belief that she was strangled.

James Wills, aged about 65, crawled into the purifying room of the gas plant on Queen street, Kingston, and was found at an early hour yesterday morning asphyxiated.

Alexander Menzies, aged 61, of Massham, Quebec, while attending a horse at Ottawa, was kicked and badly cut. His jugular vein was opened, causing death in a short time.

James Weber, Niagara Falls, miraculously escaped death at the plant of the Ontario Power Co. when he took hold of a cable charged with 2,800 volts. His hands were frightfully burned.

The Norwegian bark Petra, Captain Hansen, for Halifax from Mediterranean ports, struck at the entrance to Halifax harbor Monday night during a terrific gale and storm. She is a total wreck. The crew got ashore safely.

Norman Kimball of London, who was terribly injured when a bus was burst and killed John Dickerson, died in Victoria Hospital. His daughter, Nina, who was to be married on Christmas day, also died very unexpectedly as the result of an operation.

THURSDAY. Claude Dickout, the young man who escaped from Welland jail, has been captured.

The Canadian Wrecking Co. has floated the steamer Dunelm, which grounded on Isle Royal.

Hanlan Wright, a young man of Harrow, paraded the streets of Toronto by the streets of the Winnipeg River below Lac Du Bonnet, with small companies and dummy officers, which applications for charters, which will probably be incorporated into one large company.

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Black Hand Outrage. New York, Dec. 30.—Because Giordano Sargona, a wealthy Italian grocer, refused to pay tribute to the Black Hand, his home at 54 East 124th street, was dynamited yesterday.

This lower floor was wrecked and Sargona's bride of two months, and his aunt, had narrow escapes from death. At the time of the explosion a special Black Hand squad from police headquarters was at work almost within a stone's throw of the outrage, looking for suspects.

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PLANS FAR-REACHING

Premier Asquith's Program is an Extensive One

Veto Bill, Local Government For Ireland, Redistribution, Electoral Reform, \$1,500 a Year to Members of Commons; State Insurance, and Welsh Disestablishment Are Among His Bills.

London, Dec. 30.—It is learned on good authority that the Asquith Government, feeling that the result of the recent general election justifies them in the belief that they have received a mandate from the people to carry out far-reaching measures, have decided to introduce the following program:

1. Veto Bill.
2. Local government for Ireland, and possibly for the Channel Islands.
3. Electoral reform, including:
  - (a) Re-distribution according to population. The basis will be about 12,000 voters for one member.
  - (b) One man one vote.
  - (c) Elections on one and the same day. (Elections now last three weeks.)
  - (d) Payment of members—\$1,500 a year.
  - (e) Reduction of the legal expenses of elections.
  - (f) Stringent regulations as to voters.
  - (g) Three months' residence to qualify for a vote. (It now takes about 18 months.)
  4. State insurance against:
    - (a) The poll tax.
    - (b) Sickness.
    - (c) Invalidity.
    5. Disestablishment of the Church of England in Wales.

The Ulster Firebrands. London, Dec. 30.—"Many Irishmen have been sent to penal servitude for life for doing nothing worse than the Orangemen are now boasting of in Ulster."

This declaration in The London Leader by Harold Spender, the best-informed publicist in the Liberal ranks, shows how the Liberal leaders are in the throes of an Ulster uprising, in the event that Parliament eventually grants home rule.

"I do not suggest that the terrible punishments which the Orangemen joyfully saw meted out to their opponents in 1866 should now be meted out to them," Spender says. "But I do suggest that when people, defeated at the polls, begin to advertise in German newspapers for weapons with which to fight the forces of the crown, the Government would be wise to keep a careful eye on their activities."

A Corner on Power. Winnipeg, Dec. 30.—Accord local paper, private corpora working out a plan to acquire by the electric power of the Winnipeg River below Lac Du Bonnet, with small companies and dummy officers, which applications for charters, which will probably be incorporated into one large company.

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