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The Attempt to Kill an Entire Ice

and his two small children, took up their residence with the widow. In a short time idence with the widow. In a short time infant child of Mr. Freeman died. the police at once, and Mrs. Robinson was arrested. The widow screamed loudly for help when told that she was under arrest, and struggled violently to escape. Mr. Smith was just entering the house, and he true representatives." too was arrested. Then the widow fainted, ostraightening out as rigid as it dead. Smith, Salisbury's speech, s who is a Methodist Sunday School superntendent, asked the officers if he might pray for the mother and boy who was so near the point of death, and kneeling down made a fervent camp-meeting prayer. Then the couple were taken to the station. The young man William died at 3 o'clock this morning in horrible convulsions, with every symptom of arsenical poisoning.

The prisoners were brought up before

Judge Story to-day. The woman trembled n every limb and showed great mental bric dress; with long widow's weed and black bonnet. Her face is refined and intelligent. Mr. Smith pleaded not guilty to a charge of mingling poison with medicine with intent to kill Wm. J. Robinson. Mrs. Robinson, when called upon to plead, the works hered were the many time when the works in a dwarf in which the works were the works. threw her head back in a dramatic manne and in an agonizing tone cried out: "No sir; I am not guilty of poisoning my own shild! No, sir! My God! My God!" sir; I am not guilty of poisoning my own child! No, sir! My God! My God!" A moment later she turned sobbing to her

ounsel and asked theatrically : " Is Willie for trial on Aug. 18th.

The motive for Mrs. Robinson's crime is said to him, "How did you chose supposed to be the insurance money ou the lives of the victims. All were insured for them into his breast." I then asked him \$3,000 each. Just before he died her boy William said: "My mother and Mr. Smith poisoned me, and I knew it at the time. was black and cold before I left the house." but I thought I could be cured. Since I

sale poisoning by Mrs. S. J. Robinson, of Somerville, and her alleged accomplice, Thos. R. Smith, are of the most damaging nature. The physicians who attended the members of her household that have died during the past four years all say they have no doubt that their respective patients died by poison. They declare that a woman is one of the most cunning and the the throat, and removed it, but the unfortunated had been dead for some time. have no doubt that their respective patients died by poison. They declare that a woman is one of the most cunning and skilful of poisoners. All of them were puzzled and two or three of them were suspicious at the time they were engaged on the cases, but Mrs. Robinson always succeeded in allaying suspicion by her apparently genuine and extreme grief over the condition of the patients. She always seemed willing, too, that there should be consultations of physicians, but she would not consent to a pos mortem examination in any case. It is now charged that Mrs. Robinson it responsible for poisoning upward of 100 persons at the strawberry festival of Park Avenue Methodist Church in June last. was reported to Hicks, the Charlestown caterer who furnished the ice cream for the festival, yesterday that Mrs. Robinson was one of the ladies who dished out the cream that evening. Upward of 80 people were poisoned and vomited all night, and every-body attributed the cause to the ice cream which they lad ate. Mr. Hicks served several hundred gallons of cream for other parties and no complaints were made. The symptoms were those of arsenical poison-ing. Chief of Police Parkhurst, of Somerville, has a constant stream of people coming into his office offering information regarding the woman, and he will have 40 or 50 witnesses for the State.

THE LAST OF LITTLE POPLAR A Half-breed Takes the Indian Chief's Lite in Belt. Detence.

A despatch from Maple Creek, N.W.T., says: "Two white men, just in from Fort Assimibcioe, report that the Indian chief, little Poplar, was shot and killed by a half-breed two miles from that post on half breed two miles from that post on Tuesday last. No particulars have been received, further than that the breed was ooking for stolen horses when the dispute occurred. The killing seems to have been e in self-defence, as Poplar fired seven shots with a revolver at the breed, Ward, who replied with three shots from his Win heater rifle, all taking effect.

I Ritter, of Wenas, W. T., was showing wife a new breech loading rifle when it accidentally discharged. Neither was a but the fast that their Areas and discovered a deposit of human bones. ; but the fact that their 2-year-old wno had been sleeping on the bed, did not awake, led them to hurry to the bed-side. They found the child dead. The ball had entered the left groin, came out at the chest, entered again at the chin, and he chest, entered again at odged in the top of the head.

on a hunting expedition. They were met at the head of French River by a tribe of At a recent picule near Chicago, held by the Central Labor Union to raise money to defend the indicted Anarchists, pictures of August Spies, which were offered for sale. bought eagerly by the women, many of whom kissed the portrait.

"Pa," said Bobby, sleepily, "can I ask "I am looking for employment," said a of the case represent dogs at rest—the eyes from one of the acjacent corner of the animals being of diamonds. Jewelly from one of the acjacent corner of the animals being of diamonds. Jewelly from one of the acjacent corner of the ask of the animals being of the animals being of the ask of the acjacent corner of a ripe old age than a green old age ?"

MODERN LUCRETIA BORGIA. THE LORD MAYOR'S BANQUET.

SIR ADOLPHE CARON SPEAKS.

A last (Wednesday) night's London cable says: A banquet was given by the Lord Mayor this evening. The usual loyal toasts were responded to.

Sir Adolphe Caron, Canadian Minister of Militia, who responded to the toast of he "Army and Navy," reference of the content of the content

daughter died suddenly. Subsequently she removed to Dawolf street, and while there ber sister died suddenly in South Boston, and her sister's husband, James Freeman, and her sister's husband, James Freeman, anxious with ourselves, only succeeded temporarily and to an imperfect extent— we possess an advantage over our prede-cessors, which we hope to turn to good use. We bear a mandate from the people residence with the widow. In a short time an infant child of Mr. Freeman died. This death was followed by another change of residence to No. 54 Boylston street, where Mr. Freeman was taken suddenly ill and died. Then Mrs Robinson removed to Holland street, where. Acrimonths ago, her eldest daughter, Eigan months ago, her eldest daughter, Eigan bethe other relatives, died soon after. This the other relatives, died soon after. This death was followed a month ago by the death of the other Freeman child, who was 7 years old. These last two deaths caused suspicion. for in neither case could the cion, for in neither case could the not unworthy to remark that most of the ore determine the nature of the illness. voices in favor of separation have been Suspicion, for in neither case could the doctors determine the nature of the illness. The suspicion was increased when, a few days ago, Mrs. Robinson's son William was taken with similar symptoms. Dr. White secured part of the contents of the young man's stomach and had them analyzed at Harvard College. Large quantities of argenic were found. Dr. White informed the policy of the contents of the policy of the contents of the young man's stomach and had them analyzed at the solicy of the contents of the young man's stomach and the manalyzed at the policy of the contents of the young man's stomach and the manalyzed at the policy of the discount of the discount of the discount of the doctors in fact of the contents of the doctors in fact of the deparation between the policy in the contents of the doctors of the doctors of the doctors in fact or of the property of the great states and upon other considerations and upon other consideration. I believe that our opponents will eventually admit that this is England's final decision, are discount of the doctors of the doctors of the doctors in fact or of the property of the days of the doctors of the days of the which is the only cause of its discontent I am convinced that in such a policy we shall find the strongest support in the enormous population of which you are

The Daily News, commenting on Lord Salisbury's speech, says: "Lord Salisbury's speech fails to give promise of a smooth course in Parliament. It showed only too plainly that in his opin ine for Irish disorder is a good dose

KILLED BY A CHERRY STONE.

How a Father, Playing With His Son

Thirty Years With Two Wives on His

A Chattanooga, Tenn., despatch says

A domestic romance was brought to

house Starns was horrified to find that the

followed and the two wives were intro-

duced, but each exhibited marked coolness

dictionary over there—er—among the E's." \$2,000.

It is not known what the parties will do.

Hands.

A Boston despatch says: A letter published here this afternoon from San lished here this afternoon from San Domingo gives the first details of a revo-lution that broke out there attending the late Presidential elections. The letter is dated San Domingo City, July 8 h, and reads as follows: The Presidential elections took place here on the 26th of June, General Uysses Hereaux being elected by Caused the Death of the Boy. At the Enfield Petty Sessions, before Messrs, H. C. B. Bowles and A. G. Kitching, Divisional Justices, Edward Fenn. of Ishambrook Cottages, Alma road, Edfield a large majority. General Mayer, the defeated candidate, left for Savager two days after the election and raised an army of 3,000 men and attacked Santiago, and Wash, bootmaker, was charged, on his own confession, with causing the death of his son Edward, aged 5 years, by throwing a cherry stone down his throat. The prisoner was defeated by the Government forces on being placed in the dock seemed much General Hereaux, the President elect, left bere to-day, leading 5,000 men to reinforce affected, and his wife, who was weeping on her entrance into court, became hysterical and had to be carried away. A constable deposed that on Monday afternoon he was on duty near the church at Eufield High-General Duperon at Santiago. General Scaraman left Portau Plat, on the north side, with 5,000 men, and will join Hereaux making an army of 10 000 men. This way, when the prisoner came up to him and said, "I have choked my son." Mr. Bowles-What state did he appear in? Witness-He seemed in great distress, the strongest insurrection that has started in San Domingo for some years, but the revolt will be of short life, as Hereaux is a brave man and understands how best to and collected. Both prisoners were held and was crying very much. I said to him, "How did you choke him?" and he replied, "I was playleal with such difficulties.

AN EX-CONVICT'S ESCAPADE.

He Elopes With a Chicago Heiress and Marries Her at Montreal. Fred. Rickner alias French Fred, who eloped with Miss Kessler, a Chicago heiress, last week, is in Montreal and the police but I thought I could be cured. Since I have been sick I have taken neither food nor medicine from anybody else. All I have had they gave me."

A later telegram says: The facts coming to light regarding the charges of whole-ing the charges of the total the police testimony authorities have been notified. It appears that Miss Kessler's father, who was a flour merchant in Chicago, died about three weeks sgo, leaving an estate valued at about three weeks sgo, leaving an estate valued at about three weeks sgo, leaving an estate valued at about the number may be less. All the charges of whole-ing the charges of whole-i

police, found the enerry stone that he had beaten ner out we should be the throat, and removed it, but the unfortunate lad had been dead for some time.

The Bench were informed that notice of the courrence had been given to the coroner, and the prisoner was remanded on bail to await the result of the inquest paid to await the result of the inquest possible to exemony performed. Rickner consulted a well-known criminal lawyer, who advised him that his marriage with Madame Choquette is null, inasmuch as the divorce she obtained in Chicago is not the course of the binding in Canada. Miss Kessler, the runaway heiress, is very handsoms.-Montreal

climax here last evening. Over thirty years sgo there resided near this place James Starns, a young farmer, his wife and two little boys. In 1854 Starns con-cluded to try his fortune in the West, and HE LOVED UNTO DEATH. A Young Man's Devotion to His
Affianced Cours 121m His Life.

A Detroit despatch says: Joseph
Pfister, of No. 156 Napoleon street, who went to California. A month later, having found a pleasant settlement, he sent his wife money with which to join him. Mrs. Starns wrote that, she would start in two months, but at the end of that time she present contagion. His was a neguliarly present contagion. His was a neguliarly months, but at the end of that time she had received no reply. Starns wrote letter after letter, to his wife and relatives and she wrote to him, but neither ever received a word from the other. Ten years afterwards Starns sent his wife \$500, but the money went back to him as no one called for it. By this time both husband and wife supposed each other dead. Starns went to Michigan and from thence to Wisconein, where six years ago he married that Michigan and from thence to Wisconein, was proven to be correct in his alarm it was proven to be correct in his alarm it was proven to be correct in his alarm it was too late. The young man had constrained fisher that the contagion, and was in a few week, but no one remembered him, and he could find no trace of his folks. Yesterday

Dr. Carver's Valuables Sold. A report from New York says : To obtain advances of money, Dr. William F. Carver, the noted rifle shot, pledged some time sgo with the American Exchange in Europe, Limited, the rifles with which he had per-formed his feats, and articles of jewellery aged white haired lady who received him was his first wife, and he then realized that he had two wives. An explanation and ornaments presented to him by high personages of Europe. He did not repsy the loan, and yesterday Auctioneer John F. B. Smyth proceeded to sell the pledges at his auction room, 63 Broadway, Thir teen of the Doctor's rifles were put up. Eddie Cabill bought three, and William P. Kirk, ex-President of the Boodle Board of Aldermen, tid in one of them. Buffalo Bill and some of his men got the rest. The bones of nearly 200 forms were found Other things sold were a diamond ring given by the Emperor of Germany, and a watch given by the Prince of Wales. The in the one hole. Since the discovery it has been learned that these were the remains of a tribe of Irequois, who about 200 years ring contained forty-two diamonds, the ago came up from the head of Lake Ontario centre one being at least 1 inch in diameter The ring bore the inscription: Presented by His Majesty the Emperor of Germany to Dr. William F. Carver, Berlin, Juce 15,

ONTARIO CROP PROSPECTS.

Woman Believed to Have Murdered Bleven Reintives to Get Their In-Acreage and Estimated Produce-Effect of

POISON BY WHOLESALE

Plays Pranks in a Chicago Office.

A Chicago despatch says: The State Grain Iuspector's branch office at Centre avenue and 16th street narrowly escaped being destroyed by a thunderbolt during

other side of the cffice, taking the glass, sash and all with it. A messenger boy, who was sitting on the table, was thrown ten or twelve feet through the open door and knocked insensible, and the telegraph

operator, whose hand was on the key

dames were speedily extinguished.

SAN DOMINGO TROUBLES.

Defeated by the Ballot he Tries the

the Drought-Wages of Farm Hands. Following is a summary of the report of the Bureau of Industries for August—the progress of harvesting, state of the crops, and estimated yield being based upon information supplied by 578 correspondents of the Bureau on the 2nd inst., and the statistics of areas, number of live stock, etc., being compiled from returns made by farmers on the 25th of June: The breadth of wheat land sown last fall was 982,753 acres, but the injury by winter exposure was so severe that 76,171 acres A Boston despation says: The people of West Somerville were startled to-day to learn of the arrest, last night, of Mirs. Sarah J. Robinson, a comely widow of 45, for poisoning her son William, 23 years old by administering arsenic in his food. Developments to-day indicate that the woman has been engaged in the poisoning husiness for years, and that her husband, her three children and seven other 'people have fallen victims to her cold-blooded scheming.

The widow Robinson has lived for a year in Holland street, Clarendon Hill, and has supported herself by taking boarders. A frequent visitor at her house since her tusband? set adden death, four years ago, has been Thomas R. Smith, a married map, fay years, has deed much comment, and he is now under arrest, charged with being her accomplice. When her husband died, trom drinking ice-water while overheated, as was supposed, Mrs. Robinson with the integer of the condraint of the supposed accomplications. The money in most cases fell into this woman's hands. The sense of the frequent visitor at her house since her tusband's ended neath, four years ago, has been Thomas R. Smith, a married map, fay year old, who lives with his fainly at Hyde Park. His intimacy with the widow has excited much comment, and he is now under arrest, charged with being her accomplice. When her husband died, trom drinking ice-water while overheated, as was supposed, Mrs. Robinson was accided much comment, and he is now under arrest, charged with being her accomplice. When her husband died, trom drinking ice-water while overheated, as was supposed, Mrs. Robinson was nived to the widow and earrest, charged with being her accomplice. When her husband died, trom drinking ice-water while overheated, as was supposed, Mrs. Robinson family seven in the fall whese distribution of the widow and the case is now under arrest, charged with being farmed and provided to the comment of the widow and the case is now before the Supreme Court. It is stated when any of Mrs. Robinson's family were since the death time, but a succession of showers in the second week of July saved them from serious harm. The cereals and peas are uniformly reported as short in straw and elightly thin on the ground over the whole dry area, but there was no appearance of rust and searcely any of insect enemies, and the crops were maturing favorably. In

> and the barley crop is likely to be dis-colored to some extent. The acreage and estimated produce of crops are presented the following table : 18,057,794 9,527,783 19,695 830 58,231,517 1,146 371 16,452,255 . 886,402 . 677,465 . 735,478 ...1,621,901 20.4 16.5 26.8 35.9 16.9 23.4

the eastern portion of the Province, and especially in the St. Lawrence and Ostawa counties, the rainfall has been abundant and vegetation is luxuriant. Complaints

are made of rust and mildew in localities

operator, whose hand was on the key at the time, had his right arm paralyzed, and was partially stunned. The telegraph apparatus was melted, the table thrown across the room, and all of the occupants of the apartment were stunned and partially deafened by the shock. The bott looked like a round ball of fire, about as large as a man's head. It that in as far as the table and distremental interests.

the table and disappeared with a flash, leaving the crowd standing bolt upright, with their limbs rigid, and their ears ringing painfully. The effice, took fire, but the

Horses, 569,649; cattle, 2018,173; sheep, 1,610,949; hogs, 860,125; and poultry, 6,968,915. The number of sheep is 144,666 less tag last year; in each of the other classes—there is an increase. The wool clip is 5.547.867, boing 690,480 less than the average of four years.

The average wages of farm hands for the

Province is \$158 with board and \$251 with-out board, per year; and \$17.06 with board and \$26.64 without board per month of the seeding and harvesting season. These figures are slightly lower than last year. The rate of wages of domestic servants is \$1.52 per week; last year's rate

OPIUM PIPES IN TORONTO. Prevalent Use of the Infamous Drug-A

It is not known that Toronto has so far graduated in the scale of modern vices as to maintain a regular opium "joint," but the World learned yesterday on good authority that considerable of the drug is now used in the city. "There are about twenty-five Chinamen in the city," said a gentleman who has taken an interest in thus class of our population, "but I don't believe that over half a dozen of them use opium. In fact the number may be less?

porter that it was a positive fact that two private "pipes" were maintained in the private papes were maintained in the unritheastern part of the city. Only a few friends of the owners visit the houses where they are kept. Some of them are ladies, "I was there by accident one night," said the club habitue, " and I was considerably surprised to make the discovery. I was invited by the gentleman of the house to have a pipe; but I respectfully declined. I tried the experiment once in Buffalo, and

I want no more of it."

About six months ago an elderly female made her appearance on the streets of Toronto. She can still be seen on King stree at night. "That woman," said a physician "is a confirmed opium eater. She does not use the pipe, however. I treated her for a couple of weeks, but could do nothing for her. The quantity of the drug she con sumes is appalling. Look at her color."
The same authority said that the use of morphis and kindred drugs is greatly on the morease both in the United States and Canada. It was now a common thing for men to carry around hypodermic syringes and a bottle of morphia, which they resorted to quite often. He recorded the case of a young man whom he had treated for a gun wound. During his illness he gave him a few hypodermic injections of morphia. The young man secured a syringe of his own and used the drug in large quantities unknown to his physician. When he got better he did not relinquish the needle, and he is a confirmed morphia user.—Toronto World.

OPENED HIM UP.

A Man Swallows His Teeth and They ar Cut Out of His Stomach

A Boston despatch says: On Thursday a remarkable surgical operation was per-formed at the Massachusetts General Hos-pital by Dr. Maurice H. Richardson, of this city. About a year ago John McCarthy swallowed a set of artificial teeth. The passage of food to the stomach was almost wholly prevented, the patient grew emaciated and weak, and it became evident that unless relief was had he must soon die. Dr. Richardson made a transverse cut in the left side of the abdomen, through which the man's stomach was drawn ou and then cut open, when by the insertion of his arm to the elbow Dr. Richardson was able to reach and remove the teeth. The internal opening was then closed with fine silk and the stomach replaced, the external out being also closed with stitches. The whole operation was completed in forty-five minutes. The patient is doing well,

The passers by on Young street were shocked, yesterday afternoon, at seeing three boys, the sldest not over 8 or 9 years of age, carried out of the yard adjoining It is said that electricity will put a piano out of tune. We have many pianos that diamond merchant, was a bidder. The have evidently been struck by a whole broadside of lightning.

"I am looking for employment," said a word and a most below a struct of a party of the case represent dogs at rest—the eyes of the animals being of diamonds. Jewel-voung man entering a merchant's office. Its was bought by James H. Wells for \$600. Mrs. Lynch, the well-known in a most belows. In or a most belows the case state of intoxication, and are described by a gentleman who witnessed the scene as part of a party of the case represent dogs at rest—the eyes of the animals being of diamonds. Jewel-voung man entering a merchant's office.

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MILK AND BEEF FROM PERMANENT PASTURE,

By William Brown, Professor of Agri

The United States agricultural press has The United States agricultural press has taught for many years that "Grass is King." This sound aphorism is built largely upon what nature gives, for with all their age, wealth and enterprise our neighbors have done comparatively little with cultivated permanent pasture. They find, as Ontario can also tell in her experience, that it can also tell in her experience, that it requires fully three acres of the average cusivated hay and natural meadows to maintain one cow, or one 2-year-old store. This is no adequate return for these days, when other agricultural products here and elsewhere are in such keen competition. There is no doubt of the fact that the present limit of North American pastures is 1,300 lbs, of milk, or 85 lbs. of beef per agre per season of five and one half months. tell in her experience, that it is 1,300 lbs. of milk, or 85 lbs. of beef per acre per season of five and one-half months. These at three-fourths of a cent and five cents per lb give \$9.75 and \$4.25 respectively, or an average value of \$7 per acre, with the very marked difference of nearly 130 per cent. in favor of the milk product if these deserve to be called "King," what may the future as indicated by the following. The pasture seeded down in 1884 is still holding two cows per acre easily, and pro-ducing at the rate of 7,692 lbs. of milk per

season of five and one-half months by com

mon grade cows-cows which under

conditions never give over 25 lbs. per head daily. Were they Holsteins, Ayrshires or Shorthorns, the season's produce would amount to about 14 000 lbs. of milk per acre. The two common 6 year old cows in this experiment are also adding to their weight at the daily rate of fully three-quarters of a pound each, which therefore may become an unfavorable feature of this pasture; for so far as known, matured cows in full milk on ordinary pasture hold their own milk on ordinary pasture hold their own good-condition weight only, and may reduce rather than increase in fiesh. Four acres of these experimental plots were laid down last year with our selected eight varieties of grasses and five clovers, the conduct of which is given in last year's annual report. This year, the first of their depasturing, one-fith of the area consisting of low-lying spots was killed by frozen lodged water in spring. Elsewhere the pasture is very wealthy. The continuous heavy spring rains delayed occupation until 20th May, when two 2 year old and two yearling store steers were put on. Had

As it was, we kept under by mowing and mulching the early grasses on June 11th. I am of opinion that our mixture contains too much clover, and as cattle prefer good grasses to clovers our future recommenda-tions will have to note this among other things. Why cattle also often choose dandelion and prefer the maturer but unseeded grasses on the outside of a field as against grasses on the outside of a field as against the more tender and less branchy ones of the like kinds in the closer conditions of the crop, we have yet to learn precisely.

The four steers are not able to keep the conditions of the crop, we have yet to learn precisely.

down the four acres (or rather the three and one fifth acres of fully covered ground) which are divided into two fields of two cres each, the cattle being rotated weekly and receiving unlimited water and rook salt. No grain and no top-dressing has been given. The rain, which fell on sevenbeen given. The rain, which fell on seven-teen days during the period, amounted to 5 017 inches; maximum temperature in the shade, 89.8°; minimum, 33.3°;

perience is gathered is not unlikely. Meantime is the future to be \$58 for dairy produce, or \$31 for beef per acre per summer?

A British authority in 1872 said that

may be other qualities that will show how much they are deserving attention by selection and proper management.

I submit to the Outario farmer, under every measure of coution, that our pasture tests even now are decisive enough in the sense of showing how much we have yet to learn of certain lines of our profession, and that the possibilities of Canadian climate and soil are but height touched area. and soil are but being touched upon.

Strawberries not a Fruit

Botanically the strawberry belongs to the genus Rosaccω, or rose tribe, and the part we cat is not a berry or even a fruit, part we eat is not a berry or even a fruit, says Longman's Magazine, but is merely a taken her doctor's degree at Barcelona. She began her university studies at the age of 8, when 13 she became a B. A., and now, which are scattered over its surface in form at the ripe age of 19, after coming out first in the scattered over its surface in form of minute grains, looking like seeds, which they really are not, for the seed is inclosed inside of the shell of the carpel. This is exactly the contrary to the raspberry; here you throw away the receptable under the name of the core, never suscepting that it name of the core, never suspecting that it is the very part you have been feasting upon in the strawberry. In one case the receptacle robs the carpel of all their juices in order to become gorged and bloated at their expense, in the other case the carpels act in the same selfish manner upon the

recaptacle. Canada and the British Association A special cable despatch from London says: The meeting of the British Associa-tion, which will take place at Birmingham tion, which will take place at Dirmingnam on September 1st, promises to possess peculiar interest for Canadians. Sir William Dawson has been selected to precide, and will deal in his opening address with the geological history of North America. Prof. Macoun will read a paper on "Canadian Botany;" Alexander Begg will lecture on the Canadian Pacific Railway, and Professors Fream and Lowe, of Ottawa, will hold forth on various educational subjects connected with the Dominion.

not have been preserved," said Mr. Cags. It would have materially assisted in eduing the masses in religion."
'I don't know about that," replied Mr. "If it were in existence, Barnum

would have it."

Merchant Traveller.

A NOTED BURGLAR'S DE ATH. Gilbert Yost, the Safe Operator, L'xpire

in an Indiana Prison. Gilbert Yost, the noted safe burglar and inventor of burglars' tools, has just died, so Detective Robert A. Pinkerton learns, in the Northern Indiana Prison, where he was serving a fourteen years' imprisonment. He was the inventor of a set of burglars' He was the inventor of a set of burglars' tools, weighing less than five pounds, which enabled him or any one understanding the tools to open any ordinary fireproof safe in less than fifteen minutes, wishout making the slightest noise. "For a number of years Yost worked with these tools without the secret of his invention becoming known to other parties outside of those who were his immediate associates and worked with him. This whole set of tools could be carried in an inside coat pocket without

him. This whole set of tools could be carried in an inside coat pocket without being noticed. Yout and his confederates with this set of tools confined themselves almost entirely to robbing safes of country jewelry stores, and so successful was their work that the wholesale jewelers found it necessary in order to protect retailers, who in many instances were their creditors to large amounts, to form what is known as the Jewellers' Security Alliance, for the purpose of following up and punishing burglars who robbed its members. The Alliance retained the Pinkertons as their detectives. He was arrested for a jewelry Alliance retained the Pinkertons as their detectives. He was arrested for a jewelry robbery in Iudians, for which he was serving out his sentence when he died. Yost had a great habit of feigning insanity when arrested, and on this dadge succeeded several times in getting out of his trouble. When sent to prison in Northern Indiana for the Veil burglary the keepers recognized him as a former inmate of the prison who had feigned insanity, and this time, although Yost had pretended to be insane and refused to do any work, he was kept in close confinement from the time of his arrest until his death.

The Linen Industry of Uleter. Ulster is the home of the flar plant, the grateful blue blossoms of which give such delight to the summer fields, affording a pleasant relief to the many acres of meadows carpeted with the snow white meadows carpeted with the snow white linens which the factories have produced from this same plant. The manufacture of flax belongs almost to the beginning of things in Ireland, its introduction into the country being anterior to the period of historical record. The first English representative to manifest any real sympathy

The result was most gratifying, the next year's crop being a hundred times larger in quantity than the previous yield, while in year's crop being a hundred times larger in quantity than the previous yield, while in quality it was greatly superior to any that had formerly been raised in the country. In this, as in other things, the Lord Deputy was "thorough," and in promoting the lineu manufacture of Ireland spent in one year £10,000 of his own private fortune. At his own cost he had a hundred of the best his own cost he had a hundred of the best linen looms brought over from Amsterdam. linen looms brought over from Amsterdam, these were distributed amongst the most worthy of the Irish weavers. Thus the linen trade of Ulster came to be a powerful factor in the sum of Irish industry, and had the foundations of its prosperity sub-

stantially laid.

In the Province of Ulster there is now not less than £50,000,000 invested in flax spinning and power-loom weaving, three-fourths of that sum being credited to Belfast alone. There are over 20,000 looms and 900,000 spindles at work, giving direct employment to about 100,000 persons. The full capital embarked in the Ulster linen

of the most improved perience is gathered is not unlikely. Meansime is the tuture to be \$58 for dairy produce, or \$31 for beef per acre per summer?

A British authority in 1872 said that
'first-class land is that which will
produce twenty imperial stone (26) "first-class land is that which will produce twenty imperial atone (280 lbs.) of meat per acre without artificial assistance;" and in the public press of last month it was stated that "in Scotland the average of permanent pasture and rotation that forms so unwelcome a feature of other acres to the conditions of the construction of Religant itself. average of permanent pasture and rotation pasture requires 1 96 acres to each dairy cow." Compare these with the results we have obtained for nearly two seasons at this experimental farm.

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We have in view to test the value as pasture of several of our best native grasses, and though not looking for results equal to a proper mixture of varieties, there may be other qualities that will show how much they are deserving attention by selection and proper management.

I submit to the Ontario farmer, under every measure of caution, that our pasture every measure of caution, that our pasture of their own individual enterprises and the of their own individual enterprises and the advancement of the general good, and to-day can show as noble a roll of industrial names as almost any city in the empire.—

London Society.

A Female B. A. Thirteen Years Old. The advance of the ladies is as marvellous as it is irresistible. Here is Miss Dolores Lleonart y Casanovas, M. D., who has just taken her doctor's degree at Barcelona. and prescribing for her brothers and sisters But it is what we have got to expect, and the fair Spaniard is to be congratulated on being the first of her sex to show what can be done in the way of rapid development Miss Dolores, etc., may be fairly addressed like her namesake sung of by Mr. Swin-burne, as "wise among women and wisest, our Lady of Pain."—Pall Mall Gazette.

Shabby Clothes of Premiers. Mr. Gladstone is some times censured by ritics of the school who think that the tailor makes the minister, for not dressing up to the level of his part. But he is dandyism itself compared with Lord Salisbury, who may plausibly claim to be the worst dressed man in London. Mr. Gladstone brightens himself up with a rose in his button hole and with the white weist-coat and light trousers of festivity. Lord Salisbury never departs from the costume of a distenting minister-solemn black from head to foot, and the long surtout in which he is rivalled alone by Mr. Bradlaugh. The edifice is crowned by a masher that was im-Mr. Jags and Mr. Cags were talking bout religious matters.

'It is a great pity that Nosh's ark could shape, and usually brushed the wrong way, shape, and usually brushed the wrong way, the whole terminating in the Wellington boots of his boyhood.—New York Evening

"What have you for supper?" asked the epicurian boarder of the girl with red hair and spit curls. "Beefsteak and toadstools," "Yes, I suppose," mused Cags. "Either arnum or the United States navy." was the startling answer. He ordered plain beefsteak.

PUBLIC SCHOOL PRIZES.

Ontario Teachers' Association Protest Against the Custom.

THE NEW OFFICERS ELECTED. The Ontario Teachers' Association con-cluded the business of its annual session last evening. These officers were elected vithout opposition:
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Secretary—Robt. W. Doau, of Torento.
Corresponding Secretary—D. H. Hunter, of Woodstock.
Treasurer—W. J. Hendry, of Toronto.
The retiring officers were warmly thanked for their services. Mr. McAllister, as President, spared no efforts to advance the interests of the association, and as Chairman of the convention he acted with a fairness and business proportings above.

man of the convention he acted with a fairness and business promptitude that gave general satisfaction.

Mr.D.C. McHenry, of Cobourg, read an able paper on "Prizes and Soholarships." He contended that prizes were a failure. They incited to a competition among teachers and pupils in which the higher and truer aims of education were often lost sight of. He held that all who reached a fixed standard should get a prize, as it was manifestly unfair that one who happened to obtain a few marks higher than another should carry off all the honors. He moved a series of resolutions which were adopted as follows:

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in our schools and colleges involves the
expenditure of a large amount of money
that should be devoted to better uses in
advancing the interests of education; and that should be devoted to better uses in advancing the interests of education; and whereas the incentives employed and motives thus appealed to tend to retard rather than aid the teacher in trying to employ the higher methods of culture; whereas competitive examinations are not sufficiently reliable in case of awarding prizes, and whereas the awarding of scholarships, estensibly to aid needy students, is ineffective and misleading,

"Resolved, 1. That it is the opinion of this association that prizes, medals and scholarships should be abolished in all our educational institutions. 2. That public money now devoted to this purpose should be used to increase the general efficiency o the Provincial University. 3. That prize

alents of poor boys, and it was the t of bringing out the hidden treasures of the mind that reconciled him to remaining in

the profession.

Mayor Howland addressed the members

Mayor Howland Behool Hall last night on in the Normal School Hall last night on "Practical Education and Industrial

In the High School SECTION.

In the High School section, Principal Dickson, of the Upper Canada College, was elected Chairman.

Mr. W. McBride moved, seconded by Mr. J. E. Dickson, That in the opinion of this Section a County Board of Examiners, composed only of the Head Masters of High Schools (or Collegiate Institutes) and the the shade, 89.8°; minimum, 33.3°; mean, 60.47°.

These ordinary Short-horn grade steers have made an average daily gain of 303 lbs. per head from 20.h May- to 31st July. This is at the rate of 3.79 lbs. per acre per day, or 625 lbs. of beef on foot per acre per season of 165 days.

That these facts will surprise many we do sincerely hope, and that they may have to be reduced when several years' experience is gathered is not unlikely Man. gool work. The motion was can

Moved by Mr. Strang, seconded by Mr. Birchard, That a committee consisting of Messrs. MacMurchy, Embree, Fessenden, McBride, J. E. Dickson, John Henderson, Wetherell and the mover be appointed to wait upon the Minister of Education after his return, and to call his attention to the bjectionable character of many of the papers at the recent departm and for teachers' non-professional certifi-

ates.—Carried. The committee appointed to consider the advisability of a change in matriculation and first year English reported as follows (1) That for 1888 there should be substituted for Cowper's Task, Book III.:— Lines on Receipt of My Mother's Picture, John Gilpin, The Castaway, and such other of Cowper's minor peems as will be an equivalent. (2) That for 1890 the Eng-lish be Childe Harold, Canto III., and The Prisoner of Chillon or Epistle to Augusta, Ode to Napoleon and Napoleon's Farewell. (3) That the play of Shakspeare, chosen r honor junior matriculation of 1887, viz. Timon of Athens," is quite unfit read in mixed classe me other play be, if possible, substituted

On motion, the third clause was adopted. The first and second clauses were referred to the Executive Committee and the High

Talmage's Opinion of Reporters

"Talk about reporters not being truthful and honest," said Rev. Dr. Talmage, when his attention was called to a recent report of an occurrence in New York City,
"I think, that they are, as a class, more
truthful and honest than those who say
they are not. I personally know a great many of the reporters on the papers in New York city and they are all perfect gentle men. I have never been misrepresented during all the years that I have been acquainted with newspapers and newspaper men. I have never had a reporter break faith with me. Whenever they have promised to return a manuscript anything they have invariably done just as they said they would do. That there are nistakes in newspapers I am willing admit, but I am not willing to admit that

they were made purposely.

"The trouble with most men is that they are constantly trying to keep somethey are constantly trying to acc. thing back instead of being perfectly open, frank and free. This the reperters invariably discover and they will invariably invariably discover and they will invariably find out what that semething is. Most of the mistakes and misrepresentations made in reports are mistakes that can almost always be charged up to some one outside of the newspaper office—usually an inter-ested person."

A small boy stopped a railroad train near Westerly, Conn., by frantically waving his hands, and told the engineer there was a drunken man on the track. The fellow was aroused and got off, but he swore like a pirate at being awakened, and threatened to thrash the boy who had saved his life. It is said that Boston's tax rate will be \$12 65 on \$1,000 this year, an increase of 15

cents on \$1,000 over a year ago.