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A STORM ON THE PAMPAS.

The recent visit of Mr. R. J. Graham and party to Argentine and their crossing of the pampas or prairie of that country lends interest to the following realistic description of "a storm on the pampas" by Mr. W. H. Hudson in "Far Away and Long Ago."

"It was in sultry summer weather," says Mr. Hudson. "Towards evening all of us boys and girls went out for a ramble on the plain; we were about a quarter of a mile from home when a blackness appeared in the southwest and began to cover the sky in that quarter so rapidly that, taking alarm, we started homeward as fast as we could run. But the stupendous slaty black darkness, mixed with yellow clouds of dust, gained on us, and before we got to the gate the terrified screams of wild birds reached our ears, and, glancing back, we saw multitudes of gulls and plovers flying madly before the storm, trying to keep ahead of it. Then a swarm of big dragon-flies came like a cloud over us and was gone in an instant, and just as we reached the gate the first big drops splashed down in the form of mud.

"We had scarcely got indoors when the tempest broke in its full fury—a blackness as of night, blended uproar of thunder and wind, blinding flashes of lightning and torrents of rain. Then as the first thick darkness began to pass away, we saw that the air was white with falling hailstones of an extraordinary size and appearance. They were as big as fowls' eggs, but not egg-shaped; they were flat and about half an inch thick, and looked like bricks of compressed snow. The hailstones continued to fall until the earth was white with them, and in spite of their great size the wind drove them into drifts two or three feet deep against the walls of the buildings.

"It was evening and growing dark when the storm ended, but the light the next morning revealed the damage we had suffered. Pumpkins, gourds, and water-melons were cut to pieces, and most of the vegetables, including the Indian corn, were destroyed. The fruit-trees too had suffered greatly. Forty or fifty sheep had been killed outright, and hundreds more were so much hurt that for days they were limping about or appeared stupefied from blows on the head. Three of our heifers were dead, and one horse.

"The greatest destruction had fallen on the wild birds. Before the storm immense numbers of golden plovers had appeared on the plain. One of our native boys rode in and offered to get a sackful of plovers for the table, and, getting the sack, he took me up on his horse behind him. A mile, or so from home we came upon scores of dead plovers lying together where they had been in close flocks."

A COUNTRY OF GREAT POSSIBILITIES

Southeastern Europe is becoming a great interest to the boys collecting stamps. New countries like Czech-Slovakia, Hungary, Poland and Jugo-Slavia abound in that happy region. And there are possibilities other than stamps in these new-born states.

Jugo-Slavia is one of the most interesting of them. Inhabited by 11 or 12 million Slovenes, Serbs, Croates, Dalmatians and Montenegrins (the mountain variety of Serbs), it shows about the most mixed nationality, though the five or six people all speak a similar language. The territory of about 100,000 square miles is not much developed by railways, mining and modern agriculture or manufacture, but is full of promise. Wheat already is a rich yield and the Serbian pigs are celebrated. In 1917 the Austrians took from northern Serbia alone a total of 7,600 tons of dried fruits and 9,000 tons of fruit jam, besides 230,000 litres of wine. There are great prospects for beet sugar and with the extension of modern methods of livestock breeding, Jugo-Slavia will take an important place as the foremost European producer of not only pork and bacon, but cattle in general.

eral. Things are bad enough at present, with war-devastation, loss of male population, famine and disease, but with the resumption of labor and outside help, times will soon improve.

All over Jugo-Slavia are scattered vast deposits of copper, coal and gold, most of them never worked, some untouched since the Middle Ages, when the mineral wealth of the Balkan countries was a matter of popular fable. German management took hold of a copper mine in 1906 when its production was 800 tons, in 1912 it turned out 7,500 tons, and during the war it reached an annual output of 12,000 tons. That is how the Germans got some of their copper to make up for the loss of American supplies. The main copper deposits are still inaccessible on account of the lack of railways, and it is the same with the Bosnian iron and salt mines. But hydraulic power awaits the miner in almost unlimited quantities, as the mineral fields are in the mountains where waterfalls abound.

Timber covers one-third of Serbia, Bosnia, Montenegro and Carolia, the principal provinces of Jugo-Slavia. The development of mining, lumber and power resources calls for the investment of foreign capital, and for the aid of foreign engineers and experts. If Jugo-Slavia gets a fair deal at Fiume, at least an untrammelled passage of its commerce through that great port, the outlook for the future is excellent. As Canada, largely an inland country so far as good ports are concerned, breathes easily through Vancouver and the St. Lawrence, Jugo-Slavia proposes to breathe through Fiume on the west and the Danube on the east. Jugo-Slavia is as keen for the Adriatic outlet as we are for an ocean waterway to the head of the Great Lakes.

The cables do not record that Premier Venizelos was given a triumphal welcome to Athens upon his return from the San Remo conference of the Supreme Council, which is surprising when it is considered what he has accomplished for his countrymen. Through Venizelos Greek aspiration for a restoration of former glory has been satisfied. Under the conditions of the settlement with Turkey Greece gets Crete and the rich Cyprus, Epirus, the Isles of the Aegean, southern Macedonia, all of Thrace with the exception of a small strip close to Constantinople and takes over Smyrna as a mandatory. The fighting qualities of Venizelos, his foresight and patriotic thinking have won back for Greece much if not all that had been torn from her in some instances as far back as 500 years. He kept the honor of Greece clean when the treacherous monarch would have debased it in the interests of his Hun friends. In all the affairs of the war and the difficult aftermath, he has shown qualities of statesmanship not surpassed by any of the Allied leaders and equalled by few. Greek history of the period will forever shine with the great achievements of Venizelos, the nation's greatest son of modern times.

The overall craze has pretty well worn itself out in the United States. Now men's collars take the limelight. A crusade has been started at Chicago to make the wearing of the soft collar universal—that is the kind that is part and parcel of the shirt—in order to foil the soaring cost of the linen article that has for so long held the male in bondage. Where is all this craziness in regard to man's clothing going to end anyway? asks the Vancouver Sun, as follows:

Over the callous cables, crowded with discussions of the fourteen points, comes Dame Fashion's cryptic voice from Paris, curtly announcing that female skirts will be shorter than ever this year. Moreover the zephyrs of the Boulevard des Capucines, playing about the expanse of the female limb exposed to view by the brevity of the skirt, will caress not lisle or silk, but human flesh. Stockings will not be worn this summer, says the arbiter of fashion.

What murrain has afflicted post-war humanity that it takes so much thought of its vestments? The pallid philosopher, in the privacy of his closet, ponders the inward significance of these sinister happenings and casts a dubious eye upon the future. Are we on the eve of an era of dress reform, characterized by paucity of vestment, like that which swept over France in the days of the Directory? May we expect an uprising against socks in St. Louis? A rebellion against coats in Calgary? A revolution against derbies in Denver. A levee en masse against breeches in Boston? Is mankind now fretfully plucking at its garments, about to throw prudence and wearing apparel to the four winds of heaven and revert to primal nudity?

These are ominous doubts which assail us. We wait their answer as time goes on with no little inward trepidation.

Prepayment Difficulty Has Been Settled

OTTAWA, May 27.—The prepayment of freight difficulty which has held up coal imports in Eastern Canada for the past month has been settled as far as Ontario, except the Ottawa District, is concerned, and the railways will shortly make an arrangement which will provide for a similar solution of the difficulty for Montreal and Ottawa districts. The action of Canadian railways in agreeing to accept coal shipments with charges on Canadian haul, way billed "Collect," was rendered easy in Ontario by the fact that the rates to practically all Ontario points are made up on a combination of local rates to and from the International boundary. Arrangements with the Railway Association of Canada provided that coal importers in Canada can avoid paying for haul in Canada in United States currency, effecting considerable saving in the cost of transportation. The settlement affects only coal and coke shipments.

Shoe Manufacturers Opposed Minimum

OTTAWA, May 27.—The Shoemakers' Association, of which F. S. Scott, M.P., for South Waterloo, is president, will wait upon the minister of Finance in all probability this afternoon to make representations regarding the luxury tax on boots retailed at nine dollars and over. This was decided on this morning at an emergency meeting of the association.

It is understood the members will ask Sir Henry Drayton to raise the minimum price for tax to at least twelve dollars. The manufacturers claim that boots cannot be manufactured for retail at less than this figure and the delegation will attend the conference armed with statistics to show that they are manufacturing as cheaply as possible.

Representations on luxury tax continue to flood the Department of Finance and arrangements are being made to receive many delegations including jewellers and electrical men.

Development of Good Roads

Mr. L. E. Allen, President of Entertainment Committee Will Go to Winnipeg

During the week of June first there will be held in Winnipeg one of the most important meetings in connection with the development of good roads that has yet been held in Canada.

In addition to the Premiers of seven provinces, there will be in attendance many of the highway officials from all parts of Canada. A very interesting program has been prepared by the Canadian Good Roads Association under whose auspices the meeting will be held. The Ontario Good Roads Association has made arrangements for a special car to accommodate its members going to Winnipeg which will leave Toronto on Saturday evening. Among those who will be in the party are Lucius E. Allen, C.E., President Ontario Good Roads Association; Major T. L. Kennedy, M.P.; S. L. Squire, President Canadian Good Roads Association; Wm. Findlay, Manager "The Globe"; W. G. Robertson, Secretary Ontario Motor League; A. M. Dankin, M.P.; George Hogarth, Chief Engineer, Department of Highways of Ontario; C. R. Wheelock, C.E., County Engineer, Peel County.

OBITUARY

ROBERT JOHN FAYERS
Robert John Fayers, aged two years and seven months, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Fayers, 68 Great St. James street, died last night.

12,000 on Strike on Indian Railway

LONDON, May 27.—Twelve thousand workers on the Great Indian Peninsula Railway have struck demanding increased wages, says a Bombay despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Co. Yesterday afternoon the men adopted a threatening attitude, stoned workshop windows and disorganized traffic at Bombay. Trains were boarded by strikers who smashed windows, insulted passengers and held up traffic for an hour it is said.

Talk of the Town and of the Country

The Public Works Department is busily engaged in cutting down Grier Street Hill from Strachan Street North.

The Schooner Jamieson arrived in Belleville today with coal.

Mrs. R. J. Bell, Miss Parker and Mrs. David Lee of this city are delegates at the Anglican Women's Auxiliary Convention in Kingston for the Diocese of Ontario. The meeting began on Tuesday evening. Other delegates from the district are: Trenton, Mrs. Sills, Miss Annie Evans; Rawdon, Mrs. Stout, Mrs. Jeffrey; Deseronto, Mrs. Dalton, Mrs. Radcliffe; Frankford, Mrs. Malone, Mrs. Frost; Picton, Mrs. Gearing, Mrs. Barber, Miss Hadding; Stirling, Mrs. Bellshaw; Tweed, Mrs. Leal, Miss Nasmith.

Two bicycles were found last night near Campbell street, one a Peerless and the other a Ranger. Ivan Caldwell reported one stolen. A Peerless stolen from in front of Griffin's Theatre last night.

The police had a call to the vicinity of the Grand Trunk Depot last night some people having reported children for causing annoyance. The police officer who responded informed the parents of the young ideas, promise being made that they would look after the children.

Mr. P. Lee, of Belleville, has leased Miss Simmons' cottage at Victoria Beach, Colborne, and expects to move his family there this week.

ABOUT PEOPLE
District Governor Ladbury of Niagara Falls, N. Y., President Norman Tovell of the Toronto Rotarian Club, Governor-Elect Harry Stanton of Toronto, Bert Trestrail and numerous others will be attending the luncheon of the Belleville Rotary Club at the Hotel Quinte next Tuesday at 6 o'clock.

The civic committees will meet this evening and transact business for Monday's session of the city council. The Pinnacle street track problem will be one of the points for discussion.

The Standard Paving Company this morning began laying concrete at the corner of Catherine and Coleman streets.

Official Holstein-Friesian records for April 16th-30th, 1920 include the following:

Senior four-year-old Princess Artis Pontiac (W. H. Gough, Bloomfield)—521.9 pounds of milk, 17.75 fat pounds.
Junior four-year-old Pontiac Segis Alcartra Prescott (B. R. Leavens, Bloomfield)—491.9 lbs. milk, 24.87 fat pounds.
Senior three-year-old Segis Alcartra Echo (B. R. Leavens, Bloomfield)—536.6 pounds of milk, 24.19 fat pounds.
Junior three-year May Walker Artis (W. H. Gough, Bloomfield)—503.4 milk pounds, 20.42 fat pounds.
Junior two-year Lady Alcartra Echo (Clarence Mallory, Bloomfield)—415.4 lbs. milk, 16.07 fat pounds.

Armenians to Send Delegates to Moscow

PARIS, May 27.—The Armenians have accepted an invitation from the Russian Bolsheviks to send delegates to Moscow according to information received by the French Foreign Office. A Paris despatch says that the Georgians have already reached an agreement with Moscow under which the Tiflis government undertakes to prevent the Georgian territory being used as a base for attacks against Bolsheviks. The reported willingness of the Armenians to negotiate is explained by the fact that they are exposed to attacks by Turkish Nationalists on one side and Bolsheviks on the other and probably have in view an arrangement assuring them tranquility on their northern boundary.

Borisov Captured By the Bolsheviks

LONDON, May 27.—Town of Borisov on the Berezina River at its junction with the Minsk-Smolensk Railway line has been captured by the Bolsheviks in campaign against the Poles according to a Soviet official statement received by wireless from Moscow today.

Miss Maud Fleming of Cleveland, Ohio, is visiting friends and relatives in the city.

Collision at Yarker

Passenger Cars Remain on Tracks on a Bridge.

Kingston, May 27.—A passenger train from Kingston and a freight collided on the C.N.R. at Yarker on Friday evening directly in front of the village Methodist Church. The engineer and fireman of the freight jumped in time. The engineer of the passenger train escaped with a cut over the eye.

The passenger cars remained on the tracks, and very luckily so, for the collision was right at a bridge over the Napanee River, and these cars were on the bridge at the time of the collision. The passengers escaped with a shaking up.

A couple of freight cars were smashed to pieces and had to be burned. The tracks were cleared early Monday morning.

Happy hours are ahead, judging from the snappy posters that now flash out the glad tidings of the coming of the Hagenbeck-Wallace Circus on Wednesday June 9th, radiating a feeling of happiness that circus days always bring.

The bright lithographs and banners announce many new and novel features for the lovers of the tented arena. Trained animals are in abundance, offering an exhibition of skillful mastering of wild beasts, that will amaze the grown-ups and bewilder the kiddies. The winter months were spent by expert trainers at winter headquarters in West Baden, Ind., teaching these animals to answer the snap of the whip in performing feats heretofore unknown.

Famous circus headlines are listed as well. Prominent performers have been secured from Europe, along with the best known acts of this country. Nothing has been overlooked it is announced, in giving a performance that will surpass all others of former seasons.

Many additional wild animals have been brought to this country for the menagerie, which is causing widespread attention owing to its size. It is reported to be one of the largest collections of wild animals in the world. A magnificent street parade, more than three miles long, introduce the circus this season.

For the convenience of the public a downtown ticket office will be opened at Doyle's Drug Store, 221 Front street, where tickets will be sold during the stay of the circus here at the same prices charged on the show grounds.

FRANKFORD

Mr. P. C. Rose is modelling his house over he has purchased on the Stirling road, and is making great improvements in its looks.

Mr. C. Gossins has arrived home after spending a few weeks with his parents and friends in England.

Miss Ada Munn of Belleville, spent Wednesday afternoon with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Munn.

The Guild of Trinity Church were entertained by Mrs. Fred Cory at her home on Thursday afternoon.

The regular meeting of the W.M.S. of the Methodist Church was held at the home of Mrs. W. H. Weese on Thursday afternoon. In the absence of the President, Mrs. Geo. Benedict, Mrs. C. M. Hendrick, 1st Vice-President, took charge of the meeting.

The June meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Ed. Prentice, when it is expected that the report of the Branch will be given by the delegate.

The unveiling of the Soldier's Monument at Frankford, by citizens of Frankford and vicinity, will be on June 9. Prominent speakers are expected to be present. Everybody cordially invited.

Mr. W. J. Witton, has moved in their home on the corner of the Belleville and Stirling roads.

Mr. D. R. Ketcheson had the misfortune to break one of his wrists by falling from a tree on Thursday evening.

Mrs. Benedict and Ethel left on Saturday to spend a week with Mrs. J. Scott in Belleville, also with Mrs. C. Feddick at Rosemore.

Mrs. Willard Welbourn and son Wesley, left for their home in Peterboro on Friday, after spending a week with her mother, Mrs. Benedict.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Young and children of Trenton, spent Sunday and Monday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Asseltine in Sidney.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Searles spent Thursday in Belleville.

Miss Kathleen Simmons of Belleville arrived in town on Saturday to spend the 24th with her mother in Sidney.

Mr. Fred Cory shipped a car load of hogs and calves on Saturday.

Mr. W. J. Gallagher spent Saturday night and Sunday at his home in town.

Marjorie and Reta Badgley had St.

tea with their grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Badgley on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bell of Redner-ville spent the week end and the 24th in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McDonald of Shannouville, and Mr. and Mrs. Will Herman of Trenton, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Murney.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Finkle and daughter Edna of Trenton were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Meyers on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Badgley of town, also Mr. and Mrs. Lorn Badgley of the 5th of Sidney, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. M. Sine, at Sine.

There were a large crowd from town in attendance at the celebration at Stirling on the 24th.

Messrs. Marshall Smith and Fred Munn also the Misses Cecil Welbourn and Ruth Garrison spent the 24th in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilmot Scott of the 6th of Sidney, also Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Badgley of the 5th of Sidney, were Sunday evening callers at Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Badgley's.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bowman and Mrs. G. Hearn moved to Toronto on Sunday, spending the 24th in the city.

Dr. Simmons and Mr. Wm. Latta, attended the horse races at Picton on Monday 24th.

Mrs. Charles Cox of Stockdale spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. Meyers.

WEST LAKE

Mr. and Mrs. J. Brooks, Cherry Valley, Sunday at Stanley McConnell's and attended church here.

Mrs. (Rev.) Rufus Garrett, spent Sunday with Miss Hattie Allen.

Mr. Lillybridge has returned to Buffalo, Mr. Lillybridge was here for a time in the interests of the Brick Plant, which has closed down for a short time.

Manley Hicks has a fine new Chevrolet car, and W. Norman a new Grey Dori.

Mrs. Walter Coulter, Cherry Valley, visited friends here a few days last week.

Rev. Mr. Howard and Mrs. Howard of Wellington were guests at Mrs. E. B. Cunningham's on Sunday, and attended church here.

The West Lake brick and Produce Company, has closed down for a time and new machinery will be installed.

Mr. Stanley VanDusen, Black Creek, was a guest on Sunday at A. J. Lakes.

5TH LINE OF SIDNEY

The 24th passed off real quiet in this part of the vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Christie, spent over Sunday visiting friends around Stirling.

Mr. Earl Bird lost a very valuable horse one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Thrasher visited the latter's parents at Zion Hill, last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McCullough, has rented a house in Foxboro Village, and intend moving there in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Elliott of Halloway had dinner at the home of W. E. Bird, on Sunday last.

Mr. McClatchie has been on the sick list, we hope for a speedy recovery.

Mrs. J. Wilson spent a couple of days recently, visiting at her nephews, Mr. M. Hawley at Zion.

IVANHOE

A number from this vicinity spent the 24th in Stirling.

Mr. W. J. Moore and family spent Sunday at Mr. J. Moore's of Stirling.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Tummon and family of Trenton, spent the week end with relatives here.

Miss Mabel Jackson and Miss Lotie Moore took dinner with Miss Jessie Duggan on Sunday.

Miss Lillian Mitz was the guest of Miss Edna Rollins on Monday evening.

Mr. Earle and Ivan Tummon visited Mr. Clifford Mitz, on Sunday.

Miss Luella Benson is spending a few days with friends in Belleville and Foxboro.

Mr. Harper Shaw of Campbellford, was the guest of his brother Samuel Shaw, one day last week.

Miss Tillie Wood was the guest of Mrs. A. B. Frederick at the parsonage on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Burtch and Mrs. Arthur Deen and Mrs. Ernie Howell, of North Fredericks, motored to Belleville this week and paid a short call to Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Alexander.

Miss Edna Boddy and Peggy Hooper, of Oshawa, spent the holiday with Sybil Ross, 10 Charlotte

REPORT

Treasurer's

Contributions—
1918.
Feb. 28, Cash on hand
April Mr. Whiteside
Sept. 1, Mrs. Sweet
Sept. 12, Miss Rees
Oct. 16, Mr. Whites
Dec. 15, Mrs. Capt.
Dec. 18, Masonic Br
1919
Jan. 2, Peter Murry
Jan. 27, Miss Reeves
Feb. 3, Mrs. Capt.
Bank Interest

Total Receipts.

Disbursements—
1918
March 6, McIntosh
March 8, Stroud Br
April 9, The Schuster
May 2, Morton & H
May 27, 24 Bibles for
June 6, Mrs. T. Cart
June 6, The Schuster
Oct. 1, Taxes for 191
Oct. 16, H. F. Ketch
Nov. 18, C. S. Clapp
Nov. 18, Postage and
Dec. 9, James Lynch
Dec. 10, Upper Canada
1919
Jan. 2, H. F. Ketch
Jan. 13, The Schuster
Feb. 28, Balance on h

Total

TREASURER'S STATE

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Feb. 28, Balance on h
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P. Murray
Dec. 8, Masonic Breth
1920
Jan. 14, S. Clapsaddle
Friend
Interest

Total Receipts

Disbursements—

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The Schuster C
May 23, Books for Sund
June 5, Cleaning Miss
Oct. 9, Taxes for 1919
Nov. 27, Help to the N

Total Disburse

Balance on han

Total

We as a school have to be thankful for. O Father has been wond to us in sparring one another year, when so been taken by this dre enza," a great many of and their parents were it, yet no deaths are r to my knowledge we place of worship in the has escaped. Surely w with the Psalmist of old Lord, O my soul, and fo his benefits." Our Su meets every Sunday aft year round at 2.30. We to report an increase this membership is 63 schol ers and officers. We h primary class, 5 interned and an adult bible class we are trying to organiz class for men and are some of our former s grown to manhood and been overseas will with this class. It is very that some people have when they reach a cert are too old to attend Sun Twenty-four of our se their stand for Christ th

S. S. TREASURER'S

Balance from last year
Collections March 1918-1
Mr. Clapp's contribution
taker
Donations for picnic
Don. for last year's suppe
Sale of ice cream
Donations to Xmas Tree

Total am't cash receive

Expenditures—

35 copies of "Northern M
Caretaker
Reward cards
Quarterlies
Sunday School Association
Cradle Roll schools
14 Gospels of St. John
Bell
Express on Bibles
Class Books
Bus for picnic
Prizes for picnic