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The Pine Crest Literary Society will have an election of officers on Saturday, December 18th, in the Mt. Zion Church. All those who intend becoming members are requested to be present.

Misses Clara Walker, Millie Corman and Hilda Lee have returned from Guelph College, where they have been spending a few days.

Erland Lee has returned from Oklohoma, where he has been spending a week.

Mrs. C. Honkins and son of Hamilton visited Edward Hopkins on Wednesday

The Manitoba Legislature will meet on February 17. instead of the first. Miss Mary Hoadley Dodge, daughter of the late William Earl Dodge, of New York, is the donor of the \$350,000 towards the plan for a Shakespeare memorial theatre in London. The donation was made some months ago, but her name was withheld. Miss Dodge's father many times williamite and week. was many times a millionaire, and was for years the president of the Y. M. C.

KING DEAD.

Leopold Passed Away at the Palace This Morning.

His Nephew, King Albert, Now Reigns in His Stead.

The Somewhat Checkered Carerr of the Dead King.

Brussels, Dec. 17 .- King Leopold died at 2.35 o'clock this morning, his aged and wasted body being unable to stand the strain upon it. The collapse occurred suddenly, and at a moment when Synopsis of Canadian Norththe doctors seemingly had the greatest hopes for his recovery.

West Land Regulations.

A Ny person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old, may homestead a quarter-section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. The applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or subgrave of the district. Entry by proxy and the property of the district. Entry by proxy lands are not as an advantage, brother or sister of intending homesteader.

Duties—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of like homestead on a farm of at least 50 acres, which were also considered and coupled by him or by his care, mother, son, daughter, brother or size to certain conditions, a homestead in souther series. The public at large was satisfied that the King was on the road to recovery, but within the pavilion where the King lay there was a feeling of anxiety, chieflay there was a feeling of anxiety, chiefly because of Leopold's great age. After a restful day, the patient was able to sleep for a brief period early in the evening and the night passed quietly, until 2 o'clock, when alarming symptoms appeared. Suddenly the King turned and called to Dr. Thiriar: "J'etouffe, docteur, Statutfe," I am sufficesting!

peared. Suddenly the King turned and called to Dr. Thiriar: "J'etouffe, docteur, j'etouffe" (I am suffocating).

Dr. Depage was summoned and the two physicians did everything possible to prolong life, but without avail. The end came quickly, and, after a spell of weakness, peacefully. Prince Albert arrived at the deathbed about 25 minutes later. He was accompanied by Princess Clementine. Albert kissed the dead King and left the chamber weeping. Baron Goffinet, the King's secretary, started immediately for Brussels to notify the members of the royal family.

It appears that the doctors were totally unprepared for such a fatal termination. It was a nun, acting as a nurse, who first noticed the heavy breathing of the King. She called Dr.

breathing of the King. She called Dr. Thiriar to the bedside. Both Drs. Thiriar and Depage resorted to injections of morphine, but these had no efforts the state of the state

tions of morphine, but these had no effect.

Shortly after the end had come the Ministers were notified, the first official to arrive in the death chamber being the royal chaplain. The Ministers remained in the chamber for a considerable time, discussing the sudden death and matters of state in subdued tones. It is stated that Baroness Vaughan was alone with the priest when the last rites were administered to the King-Prince Albert, who is now King, his wife and Princess Clementine were excluded from the room in which the King was dying.

was dying.
It will be recalled that the marriage

of the King and baroness was often re-ported, and as often denied, but the statement is now ascribed to the clergy-man who administred extreme unction man who administred extreme unetion to him, and this is regarded by most people as settling the question. The clergyman is quoted as saying: "I assured myself beforehand that the King's position with regard to the church was perfectly satisfactory. I never would administer extreme unction to anybody, not even a king, if his life was not in accordance with the church's commands." President of a Gold Refining Co.

mands."
This is taken to prove that King Leopold and Baroness Vaughan were regularly married. It is held, however, that their marriage does not establish any claim of their two sons to the throne, although it may determine the destination of the King's private fortune.

alias MacFarlane, a miner from Cobalt, were placed under arrest yesterday at ternoon by Detectives Mckinney, Guthrie, Murray, Tipton and Wallace. Dr. Wilkinson was later bailed out for \$20,000 by Mr. D. A. Dunlop, Secretary-Treasurer of the La Rose Consolidated Mines. Leopold II. was born in 1835, the son of Leopold I., former Prince of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, and Princess Louise, Coburg-Gotha, and Princess Louise, daughter of King Louis Philippe of France, and succeeded to the throne in 1865, on the death of his father. At the age of eighteen he married Marie Henriette, daughter of Archduke Joseph of Austria. She died in 1892, leaving bim with three daughters, the Princess Louise, Stephanie and Clementine. From the two former he had long been estenced. compaint had often been made that ore was being stolen, and in the particular case involved in the arrest it is alleged that the plan was for a miner or some one in Cobalt to secure the ore and bring it to Toronto for treatment. The Cobalt

the ore and bring it to Toronto for treatment. The Cobalt man either sold out or shared with some one, and it is now alleged that Wilkinson secured the ore in this way. The ore alleged to have been stolen is very high-grade, and is said to have been secured by dishonest workmen in small quantities at a time of particularly came back to the palace to attend

high-grade, and is said to have been sectived by dishonest workmen in small quantities at a time of particularly choice ore being mined. Upon the complaint of certain officials of some of the Cobalt mining companies, the detective department has been watching suspects for some time.

The charge against Littlejohn is of receiving the stolen ore, and bringing it to Toronto to dispose of. During the past few days the detectives have been watching the arrival of the trains from Cobalt, and yesterday morning Littlejohn arrived at the Union Station and the courts of Europe by eloping with a young Austrian officer, Count von Matasich-Keglevitch. King Leopold's agents size deep on his orders and fory a time she was confined in a French msane asylum. A commission of French physicians, leavel the was leavel to attend a received the stands. He's got a conscience, and it specifies the courts of Europe by eloping with a young Austrian officer, Count von Matasich-Keglevitch. King Leopold's agents size he was confined in a French msane asylum. A commission of French physicians, leavel the stands are a leavel to attend the was the promoter, Loose the work-the was the was the promoter, Loose the work-the w watching the arrival of the trains from Cobalt, and yesterday morning Little-john arrived at the Union Station and was followed to 43 Simcoe street. He was aparently suspicious that he was being watched, for he, it is alleged, entered the house and slipped out immediately by the back door, proceeding straight to the J. E. Wilkinson Comshe was confined in a French man asylum. A commission of French physicians, after a lengthy examination, pronounced her perfectly sane, and she was released. King Leopold's exploitation of the Congo bought down on him in his lifetime the bitter criticism of the whole civilized world, a criticism which he is said to have felt more keenly than he admitted. When he undertook the administration of the affairs of the Congo

ministration of the affairs of the Congo Free State in 1885, he was a poor man. Free State in 1885, he was a poor man. He kept up a great establishment, but was always in debt. At first the Congo only increased his expenses, but before many years returns began to come in; and though the rubbergathering natives suffered torture and death, Leopold reaped a bountiful harvest. At the time of his death his private fortune was variously estimated at from twenty to sixty million dollars, while his personal expenditure during the last few years was not less than five millions annually. On more than one occasionh the King's misrule in Africa came very Mr. E. Kelly, of Winnipeg, has bought the Tilbury canning factory.

close to causing serious international complications, but Leopold's native shrewdness and his thorough knowledge of the details of European polites saved

of the details of European polites saved him.

Prince Albert, who now succeeds to the throne, is a son of Prince Philip, Count of Flanders, Leopold's younger brother. Prince Albert married in 1990 Princess Elizabeth of Bavaria. They have three children, the eldest of whom, Prince Leopold, is eight years old.

Prince Albert has travelled and studied in America, and is a great student of economics and politics, is a splendid hoveseman, and is interested in aviation and motoring. He has even made a flight in a dirigible.

C. N. R. SHOPS

To be Built at Ashbridge's Bay, Toronto.

Three Vessels Already Purchased For Atlantic Trade.

Toronto, Dec. 17 .- "We will erect re pair shops and a roundhouse in Toronto next summer. Should we be given the right of entry, Ashbridge's Marsh will probably be the site on which they will

be built."

This statement, foreshadowing the construction here of railway shops in time, through the development of On-tario lines, are expected to rival the big C. P. R. establishment in Montreal, was

C. P. R. establishment in Montreal, was made to a reporter by Mr. D. D. Mann yesterday. The C. N. R. vice-president also outlined in part the policy that the company will follow in the establishment of its steamship business.

"When our eastern and western lines are coupled up," said Mr. Mann, "we will have to have very extensive shops in Toronto. And as our eastern line is being built under a year's contract, and should be finished as far as Trenton next fall, we will have to start constructing these shops in the start constructing these shops in the summer. They will be large enough for the requirements of our two lines running out of Toronto, and will be made just as fast as the exigencies of

made just as fast as the exigencies of business demand. The suggestion has been made that Ashbridge's Marsh would be an excellent site, and should the city grant us the right to construct a line down there the district may be adopted."

When questioned about the development of the steamship services to be established by the C. N. R., Mr. Mann replied that the details had all been completed for the rearrangement of the Cairo and Heliopolis by the builders in Glasgow, and that the formation of a steamship department was well under way. "Our railroad in British Columbia will not be completed for four or five years," he exist!" pleted for four or five years," he said, "but it is our intention to have

a line of steamships in operation the Pacific before that time . MORE FAKING.

Capt. Loose Said to Have Confessed to a Fake.

Was Story of Loose and Duckle Concocted For Sale?

New York, Dec. 16 .- Captain S. Osbon, of this city, Secretary of the Arctic Club, has written Capt. Jos. E. Bernier, captain of the Canadian steamer Arctic, at Ottawa, and others, that Captain August W. Loose's story of his dealings with Dr. Cook, as pub-lished in The New York Times, was con-

cocted for sale, without regard for the truth. "In the presence of witnesses," said

Captain Osbon to-night, "I heard Loose say: 'I was out for the money, and I didn't care how I got it."

Captain Osbon does not believe that Loose's narrative, as supported by his affidavits, was a part of any plot to disaffidavits, was a part of any plot to discredit Dr. Cook.
"The idea originated with Loose and Dunkle," sayt Captain Osbon.
"They had for sale matter in this contro-

versy so explosive that nobody dared handle it. When they found that out they cast about for something else. Dun-kle was the promoter, Loose the work-

smarts.
"I wrote these facts in private let-ters to Captain Bernier and others, and their premature publication is a mistake, and may spoil what would have been complete documentary proof of my assertion, sworn to before a no-tary.

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"Loose had an appointment to-day to sign a confession, which has already been drawn up. He did not appear and now he has just twenty-four hours' grace. If he does not sign to-morrow, the substance of the confession will then be printed from notes of the conversations on which it is based." A despatch from Fort Cheppewyan, Alta., says: This year has been one of misfortunes so far. The potato crop has failed and fish are exceedingly scarpes wild geese were also scarce, and unless the lake freezes up quickly the settlers will be reduced to worse than siege ra-tions. Indians are already in a very bad state, and are only keeping themselves

state, and are only keeping themselves alive by eating muskrats, without anything else.

The Toronto Railway has been exonerated from all blame for the death of Gordon Holmbeck, who was killed by a car on Dec. 9th.

GORDON'S

Particulars of the Accident That Caused His Death.

His Engagement to Miss Asquith Was About to be Announced.

London, Dec. 17.-The accident which ost Hon, Archibald Gordon, son of Lord Aberdeen, his life, happened on

cost Hon. Archibald Gordon, son of Lord Aberdeen, his life, happened on November 28, as the young man was driving toward Andover with his chauffeur. He was a mile from Winchester when, as he was passing a cross road from Haverstock, another motor caremerged on to the Andover road. This car was driven by Mr. Saunders Clarke, of Sparsholt, who was with him, his chauffeur and a friend.

The two cars collided with great violence. Mr. Gordon's car was struck about the centre and turned completely over, landing in the opposite hedge and pinning Mr. Gordon underneath it. The chauffeur had his collar bone broken.

Mr. Spencer Browne, who lives near by, and cottagers and farmers who heard the crash, at once went to the help of the injured motorists. Mr. Gordon was extricated from the wreckage. He was found to have been badly hurt, but remained conscious. He asked to be taken to the Royal Hampshire County Hospital, and was placed on hurdles and carried to a cab, which conveyed him to the hospital.

It was found that Mr. Gordon had been so seriously injured that an operation was necessary. After the operation the patient was better, though his condition was still very serious.

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the patient was better, though his condition was still very serious.

He was the third son of the Earl of Aberdeen. This week his engagement to Miss Violet Asquith, whom the poet William Watson accused of having "the serpent's tongue," was to have been announced. Miss Asquith had been in almost constant attendance upon her fiance since the accident, and was with him when he died.

ON PARTY.

Victoria Avenue Baptists Won the First Debate.

The first of the City League debating eries was held last evening at Victoria Avenue Baptist Church between the Law Students and the Victoria Avenue Society. The subject was, "Resolved, that the abuses attendant on party politics are greater than the beneifits." The affirmative was upheld by the students, T. Crossthwaite and W. Schwenger, and the negative by E. Zimmerman and J. Peebles for the Victoria Avenue Baptist Society.

Society. T. Crossthwaite in an eloquent way

T. Crossthwaite in an eloquent way outlined the abuses party politics were responsible for, claiming that there was no representative government, as the M. P's. represented only their party.

Mr. J. Peebles retaliated and endeavored to down the arguments of his predecessor, claiming that although the representatives in a measure kept to politics, it was not a detriment, as the competition in politics tended to bring competition in politics tended to bring out good generalship, and in such a way

out good generalship, and in such a way the party would help the country.

W. Schwenger, for the affirmative, endeavored to show where the party politics were not for the good of the country, but for self. and Mr. E. Zimmerman concluded the debate by his forceful argument.

The judges, J. A. Sule and Rev. J. B. Paplin were some time in arriving at a decision, but finally awarded it to the negative by a margin of one point.

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AFTER 16 YEARS. Long-missing Husband Gives His Wife a Surprise at Hull.

Ottawa, Dec. 16 .- After hearing no vord of her husband for sixteen years, and not knowing whether he was alive or dead, Mrs. Henri Gariepy, of Huli, opened the door of her house yesterday in response to a ring, and found her long missing spouse standing on the doorstep. Mr. Gariepy left Hull for the west in 1893, leaving behind him a wife and four young children. For twelve years he was in the far north of the western Provinces, where there or the western Provinces, where there was no mail service. Three years ago he came to Winnipeg, and yesterday returned home unexpectedly, bringing with him a considerable pile of money amassed in the west.

BLACK HAND.

Three Moncton Boys Are Under Arrest as Black Handers

Moneton, N. B., Dec. 16.—A few days ago Alex. Torrie, proprietor of the Grand Opera House, received a Black Hand letter threatening his life if a sum of money was not placed in a certain place. Torrie turned the letter over to the police. To-day the mystery was cleared up by the arrest of three boys, all aged about 16 years, who confessed. One admitted writing the letter, another drew the "black hand" on it, and the third sprinkled it with blood. The boys are all dime-novel readers and treat the matter lightly. ter threatening his life if a sum of

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There he was caught, the detective allege, in the act of selling to Mr. Wilkinson at \$1 per pound, 102 pounds of ore, which he had carried in his pockets and in a bag. The arrest followed

The arrest of Dr. Wilkinson took place at his office an hour later, on a warrant charging him with receiving stolen property.

John Lawther, an old farmer of Dun-wich Township, was found dead in bed on Thursday by his daughter, with whom he was spending a few days. He was born in Nova Scotia and has lived nearly all his life in Elgin County.