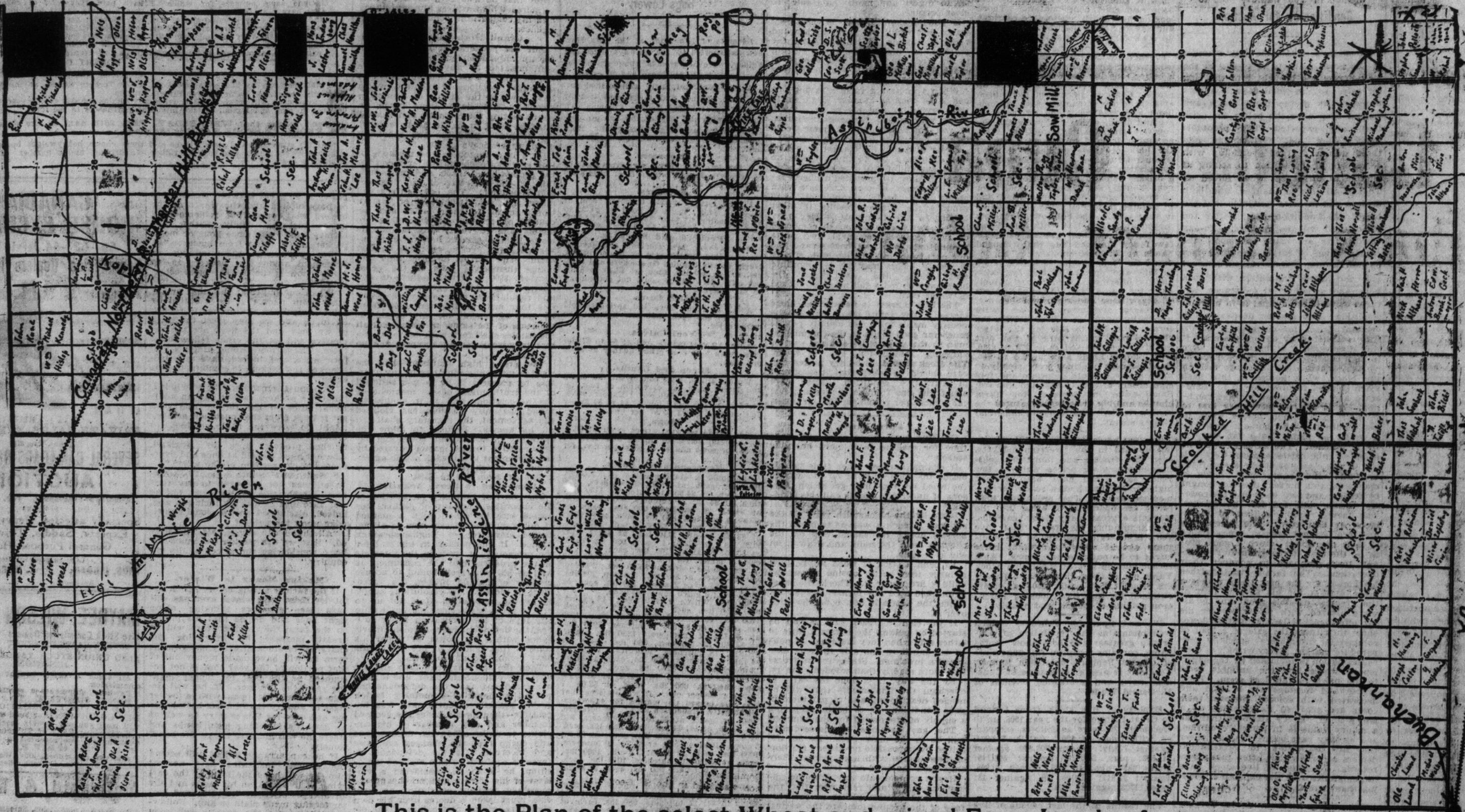


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GIRL UNDER HYPNOTIC SPELL HAS VANISHED FROM HOME

Victoria, B.C., Feb. 6.—A mysterious case is being investigated by the police. On Saturday evening Maud Newberry, a girl of 18 years of age, left the house where she was employed to go to her mother's residence, a few blocks away. Nothing has been heard of her since.

Miss Newberry was subject to strange hallucinations, alleging that she frequently heard voices whispering to her, and that she was subject to some hypnotic influences.

Note the Reduction
For the Mardi Gras festivities, New Orleans, a very low rate of \$3.95 for round trip, will be in effect from Toronto via Grand Trunk Railway, good going Feb. 21 to Feb. 26; returning until March 1. Call on C. E. Horning, city agent, northwest corner King and Yonge streets, for full particulars.

TERRIBLE PAINS ACROSS BACK SUFFERED EIGHT MONTHS WITH KIDNEY TROUBLE. WOULD HAVE TO STAY IN BED FOR THREE DAYS AT A TIME

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Mr. Thomas Fitzgerald, Hazelton, Ont., writes as follows: "I was a great sufferer from kidney trouble for eight months. I had terrible pains across the small of my back. I would have to stay in bed for three days at a time and could not do any work. I tried several remedies but of no avail, and also physicians but they were of no use."

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WILL BACK KEENE'S JUMPER IN GRAND NATIONAL CHASE

Racing and Other Sporting Gossip
From Across the Water—
Women in Hockey.

London, Feb. 6.—Foxhall Keene's horse, 'Hooper', will carry a good deal of American money for the Grand National Steeplechase, which is to cross-country racing the Derby is to flat racing. The American horse is in good; his impost is 145 pounds, while the top weight, 175 pounds, will be carried by Lester. It is true the students of racing do not think much of 'Hooper'. They rarely do of American horses in a race. The American contingent very generally will play him for the sake of patriotism, and it may be said that stranger things have happened than that.

Photographs have reached London showing the Prince of Wales standing over a tiger he has shot. The prince's friends are surprised to learn that he has developed into a mighty, fearless hunter of big game. A whisper comes from India that the hospitable Indian maharajah whom the prince visited arranged it so that the prince would be in danger from the tiger he shot. It is hinted that the wily humors of the maharajah's suite captured the tiger alive, drugged them, penned them and released them in the jungle just about the time the 'dooped' maharajah had no chance to escape and the prince had no chance to miss his target. Indian maharajahs are renowned for their hospitality—and cunning.

One rather curious result of the Russian-Japanese war is the demand for thoroughbred horses for breeding purposes. The weakest point in the Japanese army was in the cavalry arm, and this solely because of their lack of cavalry horses. The government already has taken steps to remedy this defect by going into the breeding of horses on an enormous scale. Already Japanese officers are at work making a careful study of the breeding of horses in Great Britain, the United States, France, Austria and Germany, and when the little brown men get ready to get to work they will probably teach Europe and America something about horse-breeding. Just how they have taught the west lessons about warfare, I understand the Japanese plan to contemplate the expenditure of something like \$10,000,000 in the business.

An Argentine breeder has offered Mr. Edmund Blane 24,000 guineas about \$125,000 for Val d'Or, the horse to be delivered at the end of the coming racing season. The offer was declined. A vain effort has been made, I understand, to purchase Jarvis.

PROFESSIONAL HOCKEY GOSSIP.

Chicago to Have Team Next Winter, Also Winnipeg and Buffalo.

Calumet, Mich., Feb. 6.—Hod Stuart, captain and organizer of last year's Calumet team, which won the hockey championship of the world, will organize a club to represent Chicago in the International Hockey League next winter.

Capitalists practically have agreed to furnish sufficient money to put up a modern ice rink in Chicago, and Stuart admitted while in Calumet with the Pittsburgh Club that he was scheduled to take charge of a professional hockey club there next year.

With the admission of Chicago, another club will be taken into the International League. According to present plans, Buffalo will play a series of exhibition games in Buffalo in the winter, and if the game proves popular there it is believed it will be taken up by a professional hockey club there next year.

Another new member of the league next winter will be the Pittsburgh team. The Pittsburgh Club will play a series of exhibition games in Pittsburgh in the winter, and if the game proves popular there it is believed it will be taken up by a professional hockey club there next year.

THE BILLIARD CHAMPION.

Willie Hoppe Instinctively Knows How to Make Difficult Shots.

Willie Hoppe, world's champion of the billiard cue, is the meekest of all title-holders. He came into Hoboken on the Kaiser Wilhelm, crossed the river on a ferry-boat like any ordinary citizen and went straight to his home in 99th-street, says a New York exchange. There his father and mother and brothers and sisters were waiting for him, with dinner on the table. Willie Hoppe was 18 years old on the last 14th of October. He is only a boy and he looks like a boy—a good, healthy, smooth-faced boy. There's nothing prematurely wise or old or wrinkled about him. His list of triumphs, and even this latest one over Vignaux, the great French champion, has left his natural boyish modesty untouched.

A friend shook hands with Hoppe. His hand was surprisingly soft. It was a strongly muscled hand, yet so flexible that it seemed absolutely boneless. The skin was soft and white, the fingers smooth and round. No knuckles showed. Playing billiards is a gentleman's game, and prize-fighting is a gentleman's game.

"I had a fine trip this time," said Hoppe. "This was my third, and the Frenchmen treated me very nicely. No man likes to be beaten, but after the games Vignaux came and shook hands with me. 'If I must be beaten, I would much rather lose to you than any one else,' he said. He took his defeat like a gentleman. He said he'd like to meet me again in June—just in a match—not for the championship."

"Did you train hard for the tournament?" "No," said Willie. "I never really train. Of course I play a great deal, and every morning here at home I go out for a long walk. That keeps my eyes clear and my nerves steady. I never drink or smoke, so I am always in condition."

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R. P. Rowe of Barrie Must Explain to Sub-Committee.

To Avoid Sunday Funerals.
Berlin, Feb. 6.—At the regular meeting of the Twin City Minn. Association the following resolution was unanimously passed: Moved by Rev. J. R. Gilchrist and seconded by Rev. S. Eby, that the Minn. Association respectfully request the members of the several churches to avoid, as much as possible, the custom on the part of so many who do not give it sufficient consideration, of holding funerals on the Lord's Day.

Board of Trade Banquet.
Woodstock, Feb. 6.—The committee appointed by the Woodstock board of trade to arrange a banquet has decided to hold it on or about Friday, March 2. A list of possible speakers, including members of the government and of the opposition in the local legislature was made out and these will be communicated with.

Must Sell Out.
D. Arnot of Sloon, B.C., who is visiting his father, Peter Arnot, the well-known contractor at 104 Duke-street, does not desire to return to the centre of the rich silver mining country. Mr. Arnot carries a general stock of merchandise and does a business of \$15,000 a year. He has the agency of the Slater Shoe for the town and carries other exclusive lines. "I have been seven years in the town, which is 45 miles by rail from Nelson, but I must sell out on account of my health failing."

Dr. Alex. Hamilton has sold his house on Harbord-street and removed temporarily to 25 Bellevue-avenue.
The Aberdeen Association will meet in the lieutenant-governor's parlors at the parliament buildings, on Friday.

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Browning Club.
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