

NO CLUE YET IN KINRADE MURDER

City Detectives Find It Difficult to Work Out a Theory, But Are Not Ready to Admit the Story That Murderer Was a Tramp.

Council Has Offered a Reward of \$500---The Whole Detective Staff at Work---Many Stories About Strange Man in West End.



MISS ETHEL KINRADE, Victim of the shooting at the home of her father, Mr. T. L. Kinrade, 105 Herkimer street, yesterday afternoon.



MISS FLORENCE KINRADE, Who witnessed the shooting and tried to wrest the revolver from the hand of the murderer.

THE TRAGEDY.

One of the Most Sensational Crimes in the City's History.

Well-known young woman slain by a tramp in her father's home, 105 Herkimer street.

The victim—Miss Ethel Kinrade, 23 years of age, shot five times and instantly killed.

The murderer—Unknown thug, 35 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches in height, medium dark complexion, long, dark wavy mustache drooping over the mouth, wore a black slouch hat over his eyes, black overcoat, black undersuit.

Time—About 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

To be foully murdered in her own home, in broad daylight, by a man who emptied the contents of a .38 calibre, five-chambered revolver into her body before making good his escape, was the cruel fate that befell Ethel Kinrade, twenty-three years of age, second eldest daughter of T. L. Kinrade, principal of the Cannon street school, yesterday afternoon.

The remarkable feature of the tragedy is that the mother of the dead girl was at police headquarters appealing for protection against the brute who slew her daughter when the murder was being committed.

Although the police were quickly notified, and had the drag net out within ten minutes of the time of the shooting, scouring the city and surrounding country, no trace of the man sought for has been secured yet.

TWO GIRLS WERE ALONE.

The murdered woman and her sister, Miss Florence Kinrade, a well known singer, were alone in the house at the time of the tragedy.

Going to the door she was surprised to see a man about five feet seven inches tall, of medium build, with a dark, wavy mustache, and wearing a slouch hat and dark clothes.

She recognized in him the man who had been hanging around the place for several days, and was preparing to ask him his business when he curtly demanded that she supply him with food.

"Give me what money you have!"

"I won't," said the frightened girl, as she backed towards the stairs and tried to scream.

"If you yell, I'll shoot," he said.

The desperado repeated his demand that she hand over what money she had. She went upstairs to get it, and he attempted to follow.

Having heard the noise downstairs and alarmed by her sister's warning, Ethel bravely attempted to leave the house by the back entrance and summon help.

KILLED HER IN COLD BLOOD.

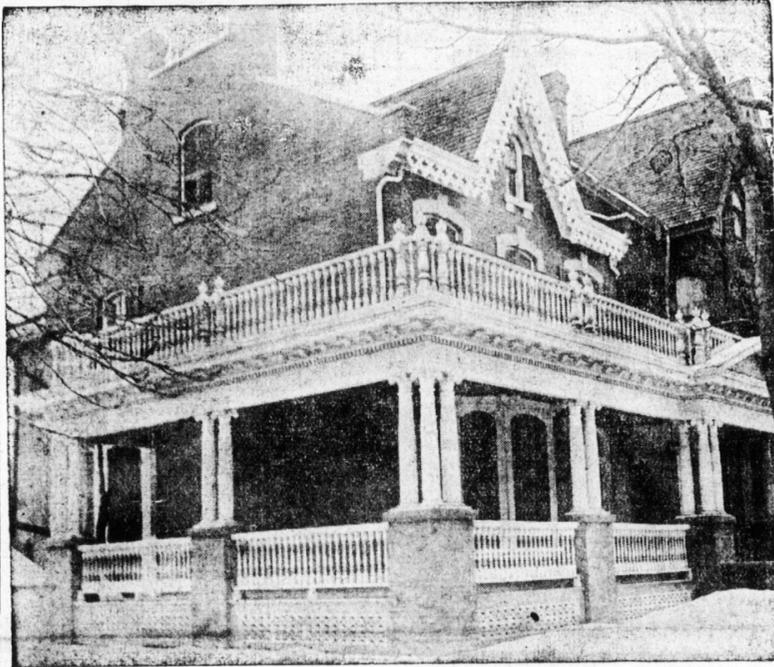
When Ethel was confronted with the man with the revolver she attempted to scream for help. This alarmed the stranger, who said, "Don't scream or I'll shoot you."

The unfortunate girl did not heed the warning, and her sister Florence, convinced that the man meant all he said, tried to wrest the revolver from him.

Mr. Hunt and a clerk, grabbing long meat knives and a hatchet, rushed to the Kinrade homestead.

He had his horse hitched up and was just preparing to start out on his afternoon rounds when somebody rang him up and informed him that he was wanted at the Kinrade house.

Mr. Hunt and his companion rushed into the house and found Ethel Kinrade stretched out on the kitchen floor, at the foot of the back staircase, in a pool of blood.



SCENE OF THE MURDER OF MISS ETHEL KINRADE.

This picture, taken this morning, shows the Kinrade homestead to good advantage. It is a solidly built two storey brick house on the south side of Herkimer street, east of Caroline.

IS SERIOUS.

Mrs. Kinrade's Condition Causes Considerable Alarm.

This morning at the house where the terrible tragedy of yesterday was enacted there was gloom and sadness.

Mrs. Kinrade was first told that there was something wrong, and then the terrible thought came to her that her son was being brought home dead from Montreal, and the woman collapsed.

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Break It Up.

That cold that is just beginning. Get after it now and break it up. A 20c box of Parke's Laxative-Quinine Cold Cure will break up an incipient cold in twenty-four hours.

POLICE TRYING TO GET THEORY.

Miss Florence Kinrade Examined by Detective This Morning.

Naturally, There Are Discrepancies in Her Story.

That the murder is a sensational mystery, with a host of baffling features, which may lead to startling developments at any minute was intimated by the police this afternoon, after detectives had gone over the ground thoroughly.

The police frankly admit that they have abandoned the tramp and burglar theory. They will not say what they think Mayor McLaren had a conference with the Chief and Detective Bleakley at noon, when the aldermen decided to offer a reward of \$500 for the capture of the murderer.

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through the room both going and coming. She ran out of the front door and gave the alarm.

"This morning when I interviewed her she told the same story about being alone with her sister. She changed her story of the night before, however, in this respect. She said that when she came down stairs with the money the man was standing in the hall, and she turned into the second parlor and raised a window.

"I called her attention to the fact that she told me last night she had a tussle with the man, the second time she returned, and then she said that was right, she forgot to mention it this morning.

"Miss Kinrade was also somewhat doubtful about the description to-day, and was not sure whether the man had a dark or brown mustache, although she says she would know him again.

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CORONER'S INQUEST IS OPENED.

Jurors View Body and Comment on Brutality of the Murder.

A patrol wagon called at the house of Constable Robert Lentz yesterday afternoon shortly after Coroner McNicol issued the precept, and he was called out of his bed to summon the jury, all other officers being out after the murderer.

The jurors met at the City Hospital at 8.30 last night and viewed the body in the morgue. It was fully dressed and the hat was still on the dead girl's head.

CRIME CREATED A PROFOUND SENSATION

Charitable Officers Say Hamilton Is Winter Headquarters of Tramps.

No crime in recent years has created such a tremendous sensation as this brutal murder. The news swept like wildfire over the town and the tragedy was on every lip.

Hamilton HOME OF TRAMPS. It is a well-known fact among men engaged in charity work here that Hamilton is the headquarters in winter of hordes from all over the country.

There are mysterious features in connection with the affair that puzzle the police. Why this man should haunt the vicinity of the Kinrade homestead, peep in the windows, try to break in, and finally murder the girl in broad daylight, and yet not molest the other neighbors, are points that have the police guessing.

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There is little doubt that the murderer is one of the many tramps who make this city their headquarters in winter, finding cheap lodgings at the various institutions and spending their

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TO LET

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FOR SALE

FOR SALE—ESTABLISHED GOOD paying business on King street, capital \$1500. Apply Box, 25 Times Office.

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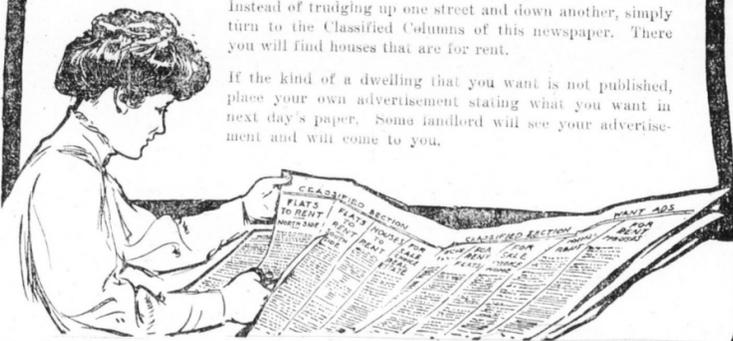
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Call for letters in boxes 1, 3, 6, 7, 13, 34, 35, 36, 38, 47, 49.



House hunting used to be toil.

Many a woman has endured hardships during the period of house hunting preceding the period of moving that has told heavily on her strength. Do not wear your- self out looking for a house. Save your strength. You will need it in these first few days when you want to straighten up your new home.



Instead of trudging up one street and down another, simply turn to the Classified Columns of this newspaper. There you will find houses that are for rent.

If the kind of a dwelling that you want is not published, place your own advertisement stating what you want in next day's paper. Some landlord will see your advertise- ment and will come to you.

HARD COAL

Large clean No. 2 Nut, quality Vaverly, the best free \$5.00 burning coal on the market.

Stove and Nut \$6.00 EASTBROOK & BRYAN, Phone 2187, 14 John St. North.

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STONEY CREEK

The Pine Crest Literary Society had a very successful meeting on Tuesday evening. The musical treat was the main feature of the evening. While Mr. James Bertram and Mr. W. W. Lee held up their side in a debate, "Resolved, that bachelors should be taxed."

Miss B. Fowler has returned home, after an enjoyable visit with friends here.

Mr. Harrington, jun., and wife, of Smithville, were the guests of Mrs. and Mrs. Tullman, of this place.

SUMMIT

Several from here attended the Dis- trict Epworth League Convention at Cainsville on Wednesday.

Rev. Dr. A. L. Gee, of Brantford, will preach at Zion Hill Church on Sunday afternoon, Feb. 28th, at 2.30. Every- body welcome.

Miss Richards has been visiting friends in Hamilton.

Miss Brecken spent Sunday at her home in Waterdown.

Mrs. Frank Wilson and Miss Frances who have been spending a few days with the former's parents in Hamilton has returned.

A little son has come to gladden the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pollington.

Mrs. C. L. Howell is spending a few days with her brother in Hamilton.

ANCASTER NIGHT.

Two special cars will convey one hun- dred people from Ancaster and surround- ing country to the Alexandra Roller Rink to-night.

Hamilton patrons will surely turn out in force to give the visitors a hearty welcome. Special music will be given, fifteen numbers, and one band for An- casterites alone. No advance in prices, Balcany will be ten cents.

Knew How He Felt Himself. Wife—Oh, hear that parrot swear! Hub—No wonder, with a big bill like that stuck in front of his face.—Boston Transcript.

FISHERVILLE

Mr. John Rider is laid up with a broken shoulder, the result of a kick he received while attending his stock.

Mr. Nicholas Bacher purchased the premises lately occupied by Mr. Jacob Benner, and will soon occupy the same.

Mr. Nicholas Last sold a splendid team of horses to Mr. Beswick, of Hagersville, for a high figure.

The entertainment under the auspices of the orchestra on Tuesday evening was a success in every respect. The Town Hall was crowded to its utmost capacity long before the programme opened, and large numbers of people were unable to gain admittance. All acquitted themselves in a very satisfac- tory manner. The entertainment will be repeated on Friday evening. Mr. Alfred Pain and Mr. Bert Ayers, of Hamilton, ably assisted the orchestra in rendering some very fine musical numbers.

VALENS

Miss May McMillan, of Georgetown, was the guest for a couple of weeks of Mrs. Ed. McGachy.

Miss S. Moore and Miss Elsie Valens attended the teachers' convention in Hamilton on Friday and Saturday of last week.

Mrs. Samuel Gilbert is visiting this week with friends in Rockton.

A lecture by Rev. A. I. Snider, of St. George, will be given in the Kirkwall Presbyterian Church on Thursday evening. Music by the choir, Mrs. (Dr.) McQueen and others.

Miss Mary Jamieson is at present visit- ing with her brother, Mr. Robt. Jamieson, of Dumfries.

Messrs. Robt. and Earl Valens spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. McClure, of Sheffield.

Mr. Wm. Robson is making prepara- tions to build a new barn.

Miss Marion Harvie and Miss B. M. Parker, of Kirkwall, spent Sunday the guests of Miss Sadie Colarn.

ATTERCLIFFE

Butter 22c. Eggs 21c.

Mr. George Clark is getting material on the ground for a new house.

Mr. Cullver Cosby will finish moving to his new home here this week.

Mr. R. J. Gracey is in Toronto this week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Lemon Randall spent last Sunday with friends in Boyle.

Wm. Laidlaw and J. K. Tisdale have their ice houses filled.

Ed. Angle had ten teams at his stone hauling bee last week.

A few from here attended the Masonic ball and supper at Wellandport last Friday evening.

Mr. Ed. Harvey has returned from Sydney, N. Y., where he has been visit- ing his aged mother, who is quite poorly.

Mr. Ira De La Matter, of Pelham, sold a quantity of potatoes in this village last Friday.

Dr. Shupe is attending Mrs. J. K. Tis- dale, who is suffering with an acute at- tack of heart and stomach trouble.

CASTORIA

The Kind You Have Always Bought

HELD DEBATE.

Y. M. C. A. Reception Com- mittee and Literary Society.

The Y. M. C. A. Reception Committee and Literary Society held their regular meeting last evening. There was a large attendance. Much interest was manifested in the programme of the evening, which was a debate, "Resolved, that the commercial barons of the present day are a greater menace to the country than the feudal barons." Messrs. Free and Jagger supported the affirmative, and Messrs. Currie and Morgan the negative. The judges were Messrs. Burton, Ven- ater and Pirie. They brought in a deci- sion in favor of the negative, by a small margin. It was apparent to all that the young men had spent much time and effort gathering and arranging infor- mation. The work of Mr. R. Currie was particularly effective. The critic of the evening was Ross Head, whose criticisms at the close were of a very compliment- ary nature.

WE PASS.

How High Can a Lady Hold Her Skirt and Still Remain a Lady?

Milwaukee, Wis., Feb. 25.—How high can a woman hold her skirt on a damp night and still remain a lady?

It was up to Judge Neelan in District Court to decide it, and he made a ruling in which he fined Miss May Walters \$5 for getting past the "lady" stage.

Patrolman Becker was one of the experts, and he said that when a woman's skirt was up 14 inches in the rear, nine in front, and had a waist attached which was more or less peck-a-boo, the limit had been reached.

A LONG SESSION.

Washington, Feb. 26.—After debating over the sundry civil appropriation bill until 3:21 o'clock this morning the House of Representatives gave up the attempt to pass the measure and took a recess until 11 a. m. All records for this session, it having extended over a period of 16 1/2 hours.

TRAVELLERS' CHEQUES FORGED

New York, Feb. 26.—Word was received at police headquarters of the arrest of Milan, Italy, of four men ac- cused of forging traveller's cheques of the American Express Co., amounting in all to \$2,400,000. It is charged that they planned to circulate the cheques simultaneously in London, Paris and Berlin, but were caught before they could carry out their intentions.

BALDWIN DYING.

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 26.—A tele- phone message from Dr. Truworthy, upon attendance upon E. J. Baldwin, to-day was that he did not expect the aged millionaire to live many hours.

CARTOONIST DEAD.

Paris, Feb. 26.—Emmanuel Poiré, bet- ter known under his pen name of Caran D'Ache, the English comic artist and cartoonist, died in this city to-day.

A SARCASTIC JOLT.

Housewife—If I give you ten cents will you spend it for drink? The Beggar—No, ma'am, I want it to buy an automobile and a fur coat.

W. D. FLATT "Choice Building Lots" In Southwestern Residential Section Beulah Survey and Addition Offer 60 Desirable Home-Sites Prices \$15 to \$20 Per Foot Frontage, Cement Sidewalks and Sewers, All Paid For—Easy Terms. Special Price to Intending Builders. H. H. DAVIS, Manager, Phone 635. W. D. FLATT, Room 15, Federal Life

A FAIR TRIAL Is the only means of deciding whether you can save money by using our GENUINE GAS COKE We are not afraid of comparisons in price or quality. We know we have the cheapest fuel, and you'll know it if you try it. Phone No. 89 to-day. HAMILTON GAS LIGHT COMPANY PARK STREET NORTH

Fun For Our Readers

Correctly Defined. Little Girl—What's an intelligence office, Mamma? Mother—It's a place where one goes to find out what wages cooks are charging.—New York Herald.

Rather Personal. "So the togetherness at the banquet last night made a bad break. What was it?" "He called on a gentleman who had lost a leg and an arm to respond to the toast 'Our Absent Members.'" Boston Transcript.

One Sided Obligation. The fat passenger accidentally stepped on the street car conductor's foot. "I beg your pardon, sir," said the conductor. "Not at all; I beg yours." "But you don't have to do that, you know. Passengers are not expected to be polite to conductors." Besides, the unexpected apology flushed the conductor, and he rang up two fares.

Due Respect for His Memory. "Is this all wool?" asked the custom- er. "If you'd asked me that question any other day in the year, ma'am," hesitat- ingly answered the salesman. "I should have said yes, but I can't tell a lie on George Washington's birthday. That's half cotton, ma'am."

Lines. Amateur Dramatist—"Well, you've seen my play. Tell me what you think of it." Dramatic Critic—"I will. I'll tell you some straight talk." Amateur Dramatist—"Straight talk? Great Scott! Are you going to draw the deadly parallel on me?"

His Claim to Distinction. The rising statesman on his wedding tour was revisiting the scenes of 14 childhood. "This, my dear," he said to his bride, "is the old homestead where I was born. Do you see that ancient log cabin?" "Yes." "You have no idea what strange emo- tions fill me when I look at that little cabin, Myrtilla. I—I wasn't born in it, you know."

Charming Frankness. "My dear, is your mother opposed to my coming to see you?" "No, Perry, since I told her there was no—er—likelihood of your ever propos- ing to me she has withdrawn her objec- tions."

No Liberties with History. "I think, Lycurgus," said the young professor's wife, as she leaned fondly over the cradle of their first born, "we'll have to name him after you." "Yes," responded the young professor, "about 200 years after me. His name, my dear, will be Solon."

No Walking. Mrs. Psmith—Your husband hasn't done much walking since he bought his auto, has he? Mrs. Kjosne—I should say not. He got thrown out and broke his leg the first time he tried to run it.—Cleveland Leader.

Unprofitable. Kind Old Lady—Why, my dear lit- tle boy, what is the use of crying like that? Little Boy—"Tain't no use. I've been cryin' like this all mornin' an' nobody ain't giv' me a penny yet."

Diagnosis What He Wanted. Doctor—No, I shouldn't advise you to take whisky for the grip. Guzzler—Well, I don't believe I've got the grip. It must be something else. Say, Doc, what disease is whisky good for.—Philadelphia Record.

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THE HAMILTON TIMES

FRIDAY, FEB. 26, 1905.

A SHOCKING MURDER.

The horrible murder of Miss Ethel Kinrade in the family home on Herkimer street yesterday is one of those crimes well calculated to shock our citizens out of their sense of security in the orderly habits of our society and the protection which its organization affords to person and property.

It would seem that the man had been noticed, and that his actions were regarded with suspicion by the family, his hanging about having been reported to the police. Miss Kinrade has been able to give a fairly definite description of the criminal. Little time intervened between the shooting and the presence of the police in force upon the scene.

The Times joins with our citizens generally in extending its sincere condolences to the parents and family thus cruelly bereaved.

COAL STRIKE PROSPECTS.

For six years there has been peace in the anthracite coal region. Most of us have unpleasant reasons for remembering the last labor difficulty in 1902. The Coal Strike Commission appointed in that year set about not only settling the strike then existing, but to provide means for avoiding future disputes.

It is worth some effort and expense to secure this instalment of national development. It means prosperity not only to the West, but to the East. We all share in the advantages this healthy growth brings. Let the partisan slanders be still, or rather let him express pride in and hope for his country's future. There are few countries which so well justify the pride of their people as Canada.

pling the voters' lists during the last five years there had been gross irregularities.

1. In the names of persons who were qualified to be registered as electors, and who took the proper steps to secure registration of their names, being left off the lists, thus depriving such persons of the franchise.

These are serious charges. Hon. Mr. Rolin refuses to permit them to be investigated, and, instead, appoints a committee for an entirely different purpose, and his organs chuckle at his lot of dodging.

PRIDE IN CANADA.

There were 49,154 homestead entries in the west in 1904; the number in 1907 was 29,436. In September, 1908, there was 14,279, the new Dominion Lands Act coming into force with that month.

Think of it. Nearly 50,000 new families of farmers to produce and consume. It means more money brought into the country. It means a greater output of natural produce. It speaks of larger demand for the products of our shops, mills and factories.

And in spite of all criticisms, the class of settlers which we are getting is good. Even the most grouchy Tory, now that the elections are over, will admit that probably 20,000 settlers from across the line will take up their homesteads and begin work on them this spring.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

Don't you think you see the walls of that Great Technical College that Whitney is for isn't it? Give Hamilton rising in majestic grandeur!

Those British Suffragettes are fired by the idea of martyrdom. Their method of campaign is a little better, however, than that of the bomb-throwing nihilists.

It now appears that the rumor of a strike in the Intercolonial shops at Moncton was set afloat by a number of Tory papers for party effect.

The retrial of the Standard Oil case, in which a fine of \$20,240,000 was imposed, is on again in Chicago. Perhaps now that the Presidential election is over, there will not be so much of the spectacular in the hearing.

It is a very poor time for a moulders' strike, poor for the men, bad for business. Can't those interested most directly get together and by applying common sense settle the difficulty by reasonable methods?

The course of the Ottawa Opposition in trying to manufacture a grievance out of the non presentation of the Waterways Treaty to Parliament up to this date shows the littleness of the men in control of the party. They are perfectly aware of the circumstances, and they fully understand that in dealing with the matter the Government is bound to follow the course laid down by British practice with regard to international conventions.

The long promised reduction in telephone rates is announced by the Manitoba Government, but it is very far from "cutting in two" the old rates of the Bell Telephone Company.

The power monopoly organ now admits that Hamilton's power contract stipulates that the rates for incandescent lights in Hamilton shall not be more than ninety per cent. of the rates for incandescent lighting charged by the city of Toronto to users of incandescent electric lights operated by power furnished under an agreement with the Hydro-Electric Power Commission of Ontario.

The facts are that the Roblin Government did not authorize this committee to make the inquiry demanded by the Opposition, but restricted its powers so as to render its work entirely ineffective. The charges made by the Opposition, and against which they complained in the Federal House last session, were most explicit. They alleged that under the Manitoba system of com-

mercial and residential lighting, it is possible that the clause will be of value." Great Scot! What would the organ have us think Toronto is spending from two to five millions in a lighting distribution plant for? Does it think our people are all fools? Does it think Toronto is foxing?

The "Indian" provision of the License Act will become ineffective and farcical unless there is devised some means of identification; for it is not to be supposed that every licensed vendor and his servants can recognize by sight every one of a list of several hundred of the forbidden. It would be unreasonable to expect them to do so. It would be no hardship to compel the "Indians" to wear an official badge, the decoration to be exposed at all hours under a penalty of ten days at the stone heap.

The Toronto Mail and Empire enlarges Mr. Currie, M. P. for North Simcoe, as "an active and wide-awake legislator" because he discovered "the flaw in the boundary treaty with the United States" by which the word "not" is omitted from the printed copy which fell into his possession, "before it was too late!" The word "not," however, is in the treaty, all right, and if Mr. Currie had never emerged from his obscurity in the back seats of the Opposition the serenity of the world would never have been disturbed.

At Washington just now they are considering a change in the mode of paying customs collectors along the Canadian frontier. It appears that the official salary paid to the collectors does not by any means represent their total emoluments. It appears that there is a provision in the law which permits the collectors to sell to railway companies official blanks at the rate of not over 10 cents per blank. The railroads can print them themselves if they choose to do so, but instead buy of the collectors. It is said that an officer under a \$3,000 salary receives many times that amount from this side income.

OUR EXCHANGES

A Funny Paragraph. (Brantford Expositor.) A honeymoon to be spent in Galt ought to be called a honeymoon.

Good for Them. (Within one year the employees of The Reporter have added six to the population of the town. Watch Galt grow.)

The Cow. (Toronto Star.) Whatever is said about pasteurized milk, the pasteurized cow is better than the one that is fed on baled hay the year round.

More Bosh. (Toronto Telegram.) Hamilton and Peterborough are two pre-arranged communities that have never done anything but bite the Hydro-Electric hand that is feeding their factories.

Changed Daily. (Lindsay Post.) The first edition of Toronto's lease commissioners has been published. The others will follow shortly.

Want the Facts. (Kingston Whig.) Whatever may or may not be done in the Commons, respecting the McAvity case, the courts will probably bring out all the facts. St. John's merchant.

Jail or School. (St. Thomas Times.) Chief Justice Sir William Mulock puts the case for education in a nutshell when he says that if people do not spend money to put a child in school they run the risk of spending money later to keep him in jail.

The Outside Service. (Ottawa Free Press.) The truth is that in the Ottawa post office last year no fewer than 30 men got increases of \$30, four got an increase of \$20, one got an increase of \$50, one got an increase of \$100, three got \$8 a month more, and 31 got an increase of 25 cents per day. This was in the Ottawa city post office proper.

Mr. Pickup. (Kingston Standard.) A young man named Pickup, who is in his last year at Knox College, has already been chosen as assistant to Rev. Dr. Gilray, pastor of the College Street Presbyterian Church, Toronto, at a salary of \$1,000 a year. Mr. Pickup is to be congratulated on living up to his name. It is a nice job to pick up so early in the game.

Human Limitations. (Catholic Record.) There is this to be said on the other side: that the man who cries for light knows that there is light, though he himself is sitting by the wayside blind. The man too who longs for truth knows that there is such a thing beneath the edifying currents of thought and the wavelike disputes of men. The Oxford professor concludes his letter with a narrow question: "Is it easy to reconcile this Italian catastrophe with the providential government of the world?" It may be difficult for us who see but dimly and whose vision is limited. If we take particular events and measure them by our own ideas of God's providence, we shall wither away through fear or perish in our own conceit. After we have laid down our premises with all possible self-satisfaction, after we have drawn with intellectual pride our conclusions, and added a corollary, there remains the greatest act of the mind to

DEBATES IN THE LEAGUE.

St. John and Barton Young Men Were the Winners.

"Resolved that women have more influence than men," was the subject of a debate in St. John Presbyterian Church schoolroom last evening, when St. John Young Men's Guild and the Victoria Avenue Baptist Literary Society came together for a friendly discussion of the subject. This was one of the series of the Hamilton Debating League, which is making such splendid strides in the development of the young man in the art of public speaking.

The affirmative side was taken by St. John Young Men and it was represented by Robert Murray and James Taylor. J. Peebles and W. McCullough were for the negative side. The Victoria Avenue Baptist Church. The affirmative was by a fair margin. The negative side, however, had nothing to be ashamed of, for the address of Mr. Peebles was indeed a masterpiece. He summarized the facts in his argument by one, with telling effect, and was well supported by Mr. McCullough. Mr. Murray proved very pleasing and forceful, and had his address well in hand. He spoke of the influence of the woman in the home, and said that the well-known adage, "The hand that rocks the cradle rules the world" was more than literary. Evidence could be produced to emphasize the effect of the adage, and he went on to produce it and show how women have influenced their husbands for right, and of how well great nations had progressed under the successful reigns of women.

The judges were Lt.-Col. Logie, Magistrate Jells and Byron Smith, and it took them some little time to reach a conclusion. Messrs. James Taylor for the affirmative and W. McCullough for the negative were the best speakers for their respective sides. While their remarks to a large extent were the same as those of their leader's addresses, still they proved interesting and were enthusiastically applauded for their efforts.

Before the debate began Mr. James Jolley, President of the Debating League, addressed the audience on the objects of the League. He stated that he was more than pleased with the success that has been achieved so far. During the evening the following musical programme was given: solo, Mrs. Biddis, Miss Virginia Schultz, and Miss Spaulding; piano solo, Miss Eckert, solo, Mr. Alex. Newlands; solo, Miss Hobson.

TALK OF AN APPEAL

But It Isn't Likely That Malone's Counsel Will Go Further.

Since, Feb. 25.—Although Malone's lawyer has announced an intention of appealing to a higher court to quash the conviction and the life sentence imposed yesterday on the ex-chief of police, it is not believed that this step will be taken.

There is a good deal of speculation as to whether Malone's counsel will determine not to submit any evidence. It is said that preparations had been made to call a number of witnesses, but that the crown had also secured a number of witnesses in rebuttal, and that the change in the plan was decided. Provincial Detective Miller left for Toronto this morning after having spent the last three weeks in preparing the crown's case. So thoroughly was this done that he had secured actual measurements and diagrams of the town, that assisted materially in the work of the prosecutor.

CLAIMS YOTT IS INNOCENT.

Letter From Wm. Riley, of New York, Saving He Stole the Horse.

Chatham, Feb. 25.—A letter was received here today, dated New York, signed by Wm. Riley, stating that Geo. Yott, counsel for the man charged with stealing the horse of Mr. MacFarlane, of Dover, now serving a seven-year sentence at Kingston, was innocent. Riley being the actual thief. Riley claims he hired Yott to drive the horse to Detroit for him, Yott claiming to be a stolen horse. The letter has been handed to the authorities, who incline to the belief that it is a bluff.

The London Murder and Suicide.

Montreal, Feb. 25.—Mr. J. Tempest Dawson, who committed suicide at London, as told in an Associated Press dispatch, was a brother of Mr. S. S. Dawson, of Ottawa, until recently known as Prince Albert, V. Dawson, of Montreal. He left Montreal thirty years ago. While here he was a member of the firm of Dawson, Bros., book-sellers. He was married twice, his second wife being an American lady. He was about seventy years of age, and had been in poor health for some time. Ill-health is blamed for his rash act.

Photographing the Eye.

Maladies of the eye can now be watched and their course recorded and diseases localized by means of a new photographic apparatus made by Doctors Kohler and Rohr, under the direction of Dr. Zimmerman, of Graz. On a massive and absolutely rigid table is fixed a powerful arc lamp, the rays of which are concentrated by a lens upon the eye, the rays first passing through a tank of water to absorb the heat. The light is directed upon the eye through the tube, at the end of which is a shutter, so that the light can be shut off instantly. By means of an arrangement of circular mirrors the light can be cast on the outer portion of the eye, whence it is reflected back into the interior, so that pictures of the back of the eye can be obtained.

The Ideal. "Is your daughter learning to play the piano by notes?" "Certainly," answered Mr. Cummings, severely. "We always pay cash."—Universalist Leader.

A Display of Spring Suits and Coats

An Authoritative Showing of New York's Latest Styles

We have stepped from Winter to Spring in the Garment Section, which is resplendent with all the latest New York styles in coats and suits. Never has so much beauty been revealed as this year in the opening of them, styles and trimming effects are so different and yet they convey New York's latest fashion ideas. Space prevents us from telling you much about them here, but the "Princess" and semi-princess styles seem to be the favorite and, in fact, we are showing the largest range of exclusive styles and novelty weaves this store has yet made. We invite your inspection to-morrow in both Suits and Coats.

Prices in Suits at \$18.50, \$20.00 to \$35.00. Prices in Coats at \$5.00, \$5.50 to \$11.50.

Panama and Serge Suitings, 54 inch, 75c, Saturday 49c

A stylish, light fabric for spring suits, separate skirts and children's wear, 54 inch, all wool Panama Cloth in navy, brown, myrtle and black, also English all wool Serge in cream or navy, and Cheviot Serges in brown, myrtle, navy and black. See these goods; 75c, Saturday 49c.

Fancy Spring Suitings, \$1.50, for 98c

All wool shadow stripe effects in Scotch Cheviots, also best German makes in new chevron and radiant stripe effect, worsted finish. Dark grounds with brown, olive, navy and myrtle effects. Value \$1.50, Saturday 98c.

Rush Out of Muslins, Etc. Values to 50c for 19c

A great price opportunity for Saturday shoppers. A clearing of Cotton Voiles, Dresden Organzies and Dotted Swiss (white, navy or black). Stylish patterns in stripes and floral effects in all the wanted colors for spring and summer wear. Consist Regular 35c to 50c, Saturday 19c.

Crossbar Muslins 15c, Worth 25c

Fine white Crossbar and Over-pleated Muslins, also white Figured Vestings in a new range of patterns, stylish for blouses, etc. Value 25c, special 15c, road.

Bleached Cotton 9c, Worth 12 1/2c

Fine English Bleached Cotton, also softest pure, soft finish, 36 inches wide, worth 12 1/2c, on sale 9c.

FINCH BROS., 29 and 31 King St. W.

The Hotel Manager's Wife

The wife of the manager of a big uptown apartment hotel was unbosoming herself to a party of women friends. "The next time that I live in the hotel of which my husband is the manager—well, I won't," was her plaint. "The wife of a hotel manager who lives in the hotel is what my husband calls 'in bad.' The women guests carry all of their little grievances to her instead of to the hotel desk and take it out on her if the grievances are not fixed up instantly. My apartments has become a sort of kick bureau to which all of the women in the house promptly repair when things don't happen just to their liking.

"For example, the hotel's filtering apparatus got out of order a while ago and the water came out of the faucets rather rusty and unpleasant looking. Well, every blessed woman in the house to whom I had been introduced and a few that I hadn't met at all rushed here to my apartment to hold me personally responsible for the trouble.

"Why, I wouldn't even bathe my dog in such looking water, half a dozen of them told me, as if I cared what they bathed their dogs in. I told them that I perceived that the water was a bit rusty, but that I myself had to wash in it or get unwashed; but that didn't appease them.

"I didn't want to be rude and I couldn't come out plainly and tell them that the rottenness of the water was a circumstance over which I had no more control than over the revolutions of the planet Saturn, and so I had to just sit and listen to their wails and do the best I could to comfort them.

"At dinner the other day the fish wasn't exactly up to the mark. No less than time of the women guests hurried straight to my room right after the meal.

"Where on earth did you get such perfectly dreadful fish? They all asked me breathlessly, imploring me with their reproachful eyes.

"I told them that no doubt the fish had accidentally escaped the inspection of the hotel steward.

"But that's no excuse at all," they fairly shrieked at me. "There ought to be somebody to see that the fish served here isn't— Oh, well, I shall spare you what the matter is about the fish. From the pining glances that they all bestowed upon me it was perfectly obvious that they thought that I ought to be that somebody to inspect the fish.

"No use in my telling them that I had absolutely nothing to do with the management of the hotel; that I had never even set foot in the hotel kitchen, and so on. If I had told them those things they would have gone off among themselves and called me snippy and stuck up. Women living in an apartment hotel, you see, don't consider it seems that the hotel manager's wife has any right or license to live in the hotel as a guest.

"They take it that she ought to do something for her board and keep, and the 'something' that they plainly expect her to do is to stand for all of their moans and wails over the terrible mismanagement.

"The hall outside my door hasn't been swept this week," a teaty old lady hurried to my apartment here to tell me while I was taking breakfast in my room the other morning.

"Yes? Have you seen the housekeeper about it? I couldn't help but ask and she flared up instantly.

"No, I haven't seen the housekeeper," she retorted. "I am not accustomed to making complaints to servants."

"But the housekeeper has the management of the chambermaids in her hands," I told her as gently as I could.

"Well, the housekeeper doesn't attend to her business then," she came back at me, and there ought to be somebody around here—fixing me

Natural Shantung Silk, 26 inch, 50c, Saturday 39c

We have just received another shipment of that beautiful shantung silk at a special value. It comes in natural linen in an even pure silk quality, the best for washing, 26 inches wide; your best silk chance of the year, regular price 50c, Saturday sale 39c.

34 inch Shantung Silk 75c for 50c

Another part lot in the shipment, in the 34-inch width, in the fine or rough knobby finish, stylish for summer dresses, wraps or blouses, usually sold 75c, Saturday at 50c.

White Cambric Underwear, Specially Priced

All our new spring stock of Ladies' Cambric Underwear is in. Today we tell you of the Pretty Skirts and Night Dresses, in all the new styles, with pretty lace and embroidery trimming; they are all specially priced at 75c, 98c, \$1.00 to \$1.50.

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with her bird-like eyes—"to see that she does attend to her duties."

"Perhaps," I suggested, "it might be well for you to make complaint at the hotel desk."

"What should I do that for?" she asked me, with every evidence of amazement in her expression. "Am I not making my complaint here to you?"

"But, madam, I had to say to her, 'I have nothing whatever to do with the management of this hotel. I have no more to do with its supervision than you have. I live here simply because my husband happens to be the manager of the house. But he considers my health too fragile to allow me to work around here in any capacity. Even if my health were rugged I doubt if he would permit me to serve as an attaché of the house.'

"But at the same time she went off muttering tart things about the women of these days never loving their husbands, but sitting around all day with their hands in their laps or reading novels, and she has been quite distressingly austere toward me ever since."

"The other evening I was at dinner in the dining room when one of the new table guests, a woman whom I had only met once, left her table and switched over to mine.

"I was very aware of the fact," she asked me in a most resentful tone, "that the maid on my floor hasn't put out any towels in my room yet today, and here it is dinner time! I wish you would bring some towels to my room—this is my room! I wish you'd have some sense, but you don't give me no opportunity to tell her—as I certainly should have told her—that any time she ever found me fanning around a note book with a pile of towels on my bed distributing them that time would synchronize with the falling of a foot of pink snow in August."

"And the worst of it is that every time I tell my husband how all of the women in the house do me personally accountable for everything that goes wrong in the hotel, why he only pukes up his lips and grins and then whistles the refrain of that horribly shabby song 'Somebody Has Got to Be the Boss.'"

"I am, however, at length ceasing to extract amusement from being constituted the kick bureau of a large family hotel, and I know of one hotel manager who has been so good and a wife in some little kind of an establishment of her own next fall or else have no peace of his life."

The Airfarin' Pirate's Tale.

"From the Denver Republican." "Iuster fly in a pirate ship," says the airfarin' tar, says he.

"She was named by the bloodiest airfarin' tar that ever set a foot on a pirate ship, if I rightly recollect, and I was the captain of the craft, an' I walked the parrot deck."

"We boarded a ship a mile above the top of old Pike's Peak."

"Twere a Chinese crew, and they walked the plank too bloody scared to squeak; We found six million toots aboard, and I catch 'em then and there."

"In the midst of a big black cloud that hung like an island in the air."

"The very next week our pirate ship hit the Fairlorn Building saved me—but I was the only one."

Since then I've been a 'driftin' round, a-hopin' to strike that cloud, Where I hid the gold in the strenuous days of the airship pirate crew."

"But the cloud ain't near Pike's Peak no more, but it's driftin' round the earth, And it's leadin' me a merry chase, and I'm losin' weight and girth; So take the advice of an airship tar, when off on a freebootin' flight, Don't hide your gold upon a cloud unless it is anchored tight."

—Arthur Chapman.

Mayor Thorne, of Woodstock, N. B., editor of the Carleton Sentinel, is dead. Charles Sams, of Brockville, a brakeman, on Thursday was blown off a car near Summerstown and killed.

CONFERENCE ABOUT FRUIT

And the Way the Express Companies Handle It.

Companies Say They Cannot Accept the Proposed Rates.

But Are Willing to Meet Shippers in Other Matters.

The conference between the express companies and the fruit growers was continued yesterday afternoon in the Board of Trade rooms.

Captain Murcheson, of Oakville, spoke of the need of a shelter in place of the small platform, which is being used at present.

Mr. Allan, one of the officials, said there was good accommodation at that point, and stated that a shelter could not be erected within five feet of the tracks.

Mr. H. S. Rittenhouse, of Jordan, said there was little chance of success at his station, with the shed accommodation, but there was with the roof of the shed, which allowed the rain to run into the wagons when unloading.

Mr. Bryce gave Mr. Samuel Culp assurance that the sheds at Beamsville would be attended to.

Mr. Frank Randall, of Grimsby, had a complaint to make against the accommodation at that point.

Mr. Walsh said that the Grimsbyites must understand that the electric cars gathered the fruit from along the line for the company.

Quite a bit of discussion ensued over the accommodation at Burlington, Bronte, Lorne Park and Clarkson, and it was decided to leave the matter between the fruit growers at the different localities and the express companies.

The question of train service was next taken up. The fruit growers contended that, in the Niagara district, there should be two trains a day to pick up all the fruit.

The last question taken up was that of rates, and this left the fruit growers and the officials further apart.

Mr. Walsh, for the Dominion Express Company, said that he could not accept such terms, and Mr. Bryce said that the fruit growers would not accept the terms of the accommodation.

Mr. T. H. P. Carpenter wanted to know why the express companies could not give a lower rate on fruit products going to Western points.

Mr. Walsh replied that the conditions were altogether different, as the express companies could not carry fruit at express rates, on the Winnipeg trains, and make money out of the traffic.

The conference was then brought to a close, but it is likely that something definite will be arrived at in the near future.

HOME OF THE FRIENDLESS. The committee for the Home of the Friendless and Infants' Home acknowledge with thanks the following donations for the month of February.

MONTREAL'S ASSESSMENT. Exempt Property Valued at Sixty-four Millions—City Growing.

Montreal, Feb. 25.—According to civic statistics, the exempt property in Montreal now runs up to over sixty-four million dollars in value.

The value of taxable property in the city during the past year has risen from \$216,540,000 to \$234,821,903, an increase of 17,181,903.

DUNDAS.

Y. M. C. A. Ladies' Auxiliary Gives a Fine Concert.

Dundas, Feb. 26.—The concert given last evening in the Y. M. C. A. parlour, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. ladies' auxiliary, was a gratifying success.

The attendance was greater than the parlour would accommodate, and many were obliged to remain in adjacent rooms.

Uhas, Sturrock, who has, for the past twenty-five years, or longer, carried on a very successful coal business here, is about to retire from active business.

After a long and critical illness James (Fuzzy) Smith, of G. C. Wilson & Co's., is able to be out again, which gives much pleasure to his large circle of friends.

Prof. Wrong, of Trinity University, will lecture this evening on "Wainwright's 'Lydils of the King'."

NEW SPRING GOODS.

A Superb Showing at the Right House.

Vast stocks of new spring goods are piling into the Thomas C. Watkins store for the new season, and they invite the people of Hamilton and vicinity to visit the store and study the authoritative new styles for spring and summer.

Several special sales to-morrow at The Right House will add zest to the great displays. Wonderful underwear offerings will be made in lace curtains, fancy draperies and summer hosiery.

Mr. Morgan Campbell, who won the second prize for the most beautiful Canadian woman in Buffalo, was Miss Lulu Moore, daughter of Charles Moore, formerly of the Bank of British North America, this city.

George Stewart, whom the authorities at Orangeville feared to remove from jail to stand his trial for the double murder in Melancton township, has been adjudged insane and will be removed at once to the ward for the criminal insane at Hamilton Asylum.

A BEAUTY.

Hamilton Woman Wins in Buffalo Prize Contest.

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WILBUR AND SLOANE.

At the meeting of the Sodales Club of Central Church last night Wilbur and Sloane, the original "Pavement Patter Boys," provided fifteen minutes of solid fun for the members when they presented, by request, their original comedy team act, "Those Were the Joyful Days."

HAMILTON GIRL GRADUATED.

Miss Bertha M. Greenwood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Greenwood, of Markham, graduated from St. Luke's Hospital, Newburgh, N. Y.

A Big Sensation.

The last day of Treble's great February shirt sale is on Saturday, and the final day prices are bound to cause a big sensation, for long will be the day before such high grade shirts will be bought again at the prices.

School house No. 9, West Adelaide, about nine miles northwest of Strathroy, was burned down on Thursday.

TWO MEN SHOT.

Protest Against Sale of Cheese in Brantford Market.

Wife Desertion Case—Want New Collegiate Building.

(Special Despatch to the Times.)

Brantford, Feb. 26.—What might have proved a very serious shooting accident occurred shortly before noon at the Verity Plow Works yesterday, when George Kingdon and J. Draper, two young men, were talking in an adjacent coal shed to the factory where they are employed.

The local Grocers' and Butchers' Association sent a strong deputation last night to wait on the members of the Buildings and Grounds Committee of the City Council, with the request that a by-law be passed prohibiting the sale of cheese on the local market.

FOR WIFE DESERTION. Acting on instructions from Chief Hubert Berlin, Russell Thomas, an alleged wife deserter, was arrested here yesterday. He will be taken back to Berlin for trial.

TO GUARANTEE BONDS. The Sanderson-Harold Company, whose place at Paris was destroyed by fire on Christmas last, has decided to remain in Paris, and will erect large new buildings.

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J. S. RALSTON.

Former Hamilton Man Now President of Great Company.

The United Press Syndicate of New York publishes a sketch of J. S. Ralston, formerly of this city, and who for several years carried on a real estate and brokerage business on John street, between King and Main.

Mr. Ralston was born at Hamilton, Canada, in 1865, the son of Robert and Sarah (Springer) Ralston.

He successfully practiced his profession for a number of years in Chicago, but retired in 1904 to organize the now defunct, Hamilton Steel Car Company, of Columbus, Ohio.

Mr. Ralston was married in 1889 to Miss Annie Marr, of Caledonia, Canada. They have three children, Florence, Benjamin and Joseph.

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THE PORTRAIT. The room was a marvel of studied disorder. He looked exactly the proper professor of unfinished canvases.

On the dais, a few feet away from him, sat the magnificent creature he was painting. He was at work on her left eye.

When the silence had lasted quite two minutes the sitter broke in. "Then you do consider Lady Bentwood Twigg good looking?" she asked, sharply.

"The painter, as all conscientious painters ought to be, was absorbed in his work. As a matter of fact he had got her left eye in a bit of a mess. After a pause the question was repeated. He started.

"The lady threw up her head with a gesture of impatience. "Oh, please don't move!" he entreated. The head came slowly down again.

"There, that's splendid. Now, please keep quite still." He spoke as though he were a child, and went on painting. At length, when he was satisfied, or as satisfied as a painter has any right to be, he changed his brushes. The left eye was finished.

Having mixed a fresh tint, his eyes sought hers, and crossed them distantly. Then he glanced at her mouth. It was an imperious mouth, rather too full, perhaps, and just a shade too large; but, still, by no means unworthy of his genius.

But first the magnificent creature must be induced to smile. As a rule he did not trouble about such precautions, but Miss Trelawney was a great personage, and consequently art demanded for her an especial fidelity.

And she had four sisters, none of whom had been painted. So, with the brush poised in mid-air, and his head thrown slightly back, he assumed a dazzling smile. It was one of his most effective poses; there were unkind people who said that his reputation had been built up on such poses.

But just as he smiled it occurred to him that he had not answered her question. What it was he had forgotten, and, of course, it would never do to ask her to repeat it.

However, he fancied that it had been of a somewhat positive and affirmative nature, and surely that was sufficient. Accordingly, he raised the brush a little higher, as though a sudden recollection had seized him, and cried, softly: "You asked me a question just now, and I haven't answered it. Will you forgive me? Of course, I should have said 'Yes'—that I entirely agree with you."

"The lady sat up, her dark eyes flashing. "What! You think she is?" she cried. The painter's face took on a mild perplexity. Could it be that he had not said the proper thing. However, as it was never his way to confront a difficulty, but rather to evade it gracefully, he flung out his hand in pained remonstrance.

"Oh, please," he implored, "don't talk. Then, as quickly as he thought consistent with the dignity of his expression, he smiled again. "Now," he cried, sweetly, "I want you to smile. The faintest, tiniest, most bewitching little smile that the most bewitching of women can invent, and at each adjective he gave the brush a tiny wave.

and of the dais, she gathered her skirts together with an ominous rustle.

"The Painter stood before her with the frozen remains of his smile still glued to his lips.

"Stop!" he faltered. "She looked him full in the face. 'Will you be good enough to ring for my car?'"

"The studio swam before his eyes. "On my word of honor—"

She stepped the floor impatiently. Suddenly the painter underwent a transformation. In spite of his poses and his affections he was still a man, though he frequently overlooked the fact.

"Miss Trelawney," he began, in a voice that almost made him jump. "If you would tell me of whom you are talking I should be glad. There are times when even I find that my work demands the whole of my attention."

"I was speaking," said the lady, with just a shade of embarrassment, "of Lady Bentwood Twigg."

"And I," he answered, "do not as much as know her ladyship by sight."

They surveyed each other in silence. Slowly the expression on the lady's face changed. The frown vanished from her forehead, the glitter from her eyes. Presently the faintest, faintest, most bewitching little suspicion of a smile appeared at the corners of her mouth.

"Ah!" cried the painter ecstatically, as he ran to the easel, "that's the very expression I was waiting for! Just keep like that for two minutes! No, never mind the chair! There!" Spenser Edge, in Black and White.

New Publications. The Strand Magazine for March provides its readers with a budget of good things and is particularly strong in fiction.

The trolley cars during the rush hours are full of men who are mere hangers on.

AMUSEMENTS

Charles Mack, of vaudeville fame, will appear at the Grand to-night and to-morrow matinee and evening in the Irish picture play, as it is called, "Come Back to Erin." There is nothing so pleasing as a good realistic Irish play that reminds those who have left years previous the land of their birth, or those who have descended from parents of the Emerald Isle to see reproduced scenes and incidents, that are familiar from the cradle. In the presentation of "Come Back to Erin," with the famous Irish comedian, singer, dancer and pianist, Charles Mack, the theatre, it is said, will have an opportunity of witnessing a play, and an artist that is a worthy follower of "Seaton." The play, which is of a romantic order, with an absorbing plot, introduces true Irish life and customs, sparkling with comedy, sentiment, and music. The Irish bagpipers stir a strong sentimental and patriotic feeling, not only in true Celts, but also an interest with the theatregoers who enjoy a good play, interpreted by clever performers.

SALE OPENS TO-MORROW. The sale of seats for the grand recital by Marie Hall and two other English stars, opens at the Grand Opera House to-morrow evening at 9 o'clock. As orders for about half the seats on the lower floor have been received from subscribers, the indications are that the whole house will be sold out for the big musical treat.

AT BENNETT'S THEATRE. The headliner at Bennett's next week will be "Handkerchief 13," introducing the most unique of all comedians, Frederick Bond, who is considered by New York critics to be the cleverest artist in his line of work on the variety stage to-day. He has a rare sense of humor and this sketch is said to be uproariously funny. He played thirty weeks, solid, in New York, and was rated as one of the best paying headliners of this season. A feature that should make a solid hit in a city where Scottish sentiment is as strong as in Hamilton, is Jack MacKay, a bonnie Scotch comedian, whose work on the bagpipes is wonderfully artistic. He has some rare Scotch tunes that are bound to rouse enthusiasm. His work is fashioned much along the lines of Harry Laurier, the celebrated Scotch comedian. An act that really merits headline position is that of Cartmell and Harris, one of the best sketches of its kind ever seen in vaudeville. There is a merry ledge of pug and music. A number of other attractive numbers have been booked.

Desmond and Bailey, two clever colored comedienne, delight with their singing and dancing. They have excellent voices. This act replaced the Conely sisters, who were obliged to retire on account of the illness of one of the girls, and their work has made a very favorable impression. The merriest little playlet ever seen here is the Gardner Crane sketch, "Pixley's Prodigal Parents," which has delighted playgoers all this week.

AT THE SAVOY. Miss Marie Pettes has made a big hit this week at the Savoy theatre in the part of Nell Gwyn, the willful-empire-of-horror-actress, passionate, laughing, meek, mild, many dispositioned lady, she made a great hit. That she will become a favorite here is assured. This character is supposed to be one of the hardest to portray on account of the many moods and speeches. Bursts of applause greeted her even though she was going through one of her tantrums of fierce temper. The next instant she would be a serene and happy faced actress again. The little actress has much ability, youth and beauty to help her. Her delightful characterization makes her love her and there certainly could not have been a better role chosen to show off her many gifts. The scenery is scrumptious. There are four acts and all beautifully mounted. This elaborate production will be seen all this week at the Savoy.

A WESTERN DRAMA. "Montana," the attraction at the Grand next Wednesday and Thursday evenings, shows ranch life in all its phases. The scenes are laid on the prairie and the play is peopled with ranchmen, cowpunchers, Indians, etc., who inhabit that locality. A remarkable feature is that it is free from so much sentimentalism generally seen in dramas of this kind, and there is very little gun play. "Montana" is meeting with considerable favor in Toronto this week, where it is well spoken of. Seats go on sale Monday morning.

TWO HANGED. Refused to Plead Guilty to Get Life Imprisonment Sentence.

Wethersfield, Conn., Feb. 26.—A double hanging took place in the Connecticut State Prison early this morning. Raffaele Carfano and Giuseppe Campagnolo were executed for the murder of D. Sheehan, of New Haven. The two men who were hanged lived in Montowese, just outside of New Haven. They attacked Sheehan as he was walking with a young woman last August, mistaking him for a melon thief. Sheehan was shot and pitch-forked fatally.

Carfano and Campagnolo were tried at the October term of the New Haven Superior Court and sentenced to death at this time. They were offered a sentence of life imprisonment during their trial if they would plead guilty, but Carfano, who was only 19 years old, refused to do so. Campagnolo was led from his cell shortly after midnight. Warden Garvin sprang the trap at 12:04 o'clock, and the body was taken down at 12:25 o'clock. The man's heart continued to beat for four minutes. Carfano was led to the gallows at 12:30 o'clock and the body was cut down at 12:46 o'clock. He went to the gallows with a smile on his face. Campagnolo trembled and showed signs of extreme nervousness.

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White Blankets—A Sale

Union Blankets, \$4.00 for \$2.50. Pure Wool Blankets, \$4.50 for \$2.95. Pure Wool Blankets, \$6.00 for \$4.50. Pure Wool Blankets, \$7 for \$5.00

Children's and Misses' Dresses

Dresses to fit girls from 8 to 12 years, made of good, heavy quality of fast colored wrapperette, navy and cardinal, well made and perfectly cut, \$1.25 values, to clear at, each \$0.95

Dresses to fit girls from 2 to 6 years, made of similar goods, nicely braided and finished, worth \$1.25 to \$1.50, to go for \$0.95

Misses' and Children's Dresses, made of fine Cashmeres, Panamas, De Laines, etc., beautifully finished and very stylish, nearly all high-class samples, on sale at LESS THAN HALF PRICE.

Corset Covers Made of fine Cambric, with lace trimming, equal to most \$35 kinds, for \$25c

Wool Gloves Boys' and women's, black and colors, 35c kinds for \$19c

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Wool Gloves, All Wool Ringwool's, women's and misses', 25c kinds for \$15c

Toques Honeycomb and plain knit, white and colors, 50c, for \$30c

Cashmere Hose Women's sizes, plain and black Cashmere, 25c, for \$19c

Children's Hose All Wool Cashmere, "Little Darling" make, 25c, for \$19c

The Late Dowager Empress of China

(Fortnightly Review.) Truth becomes stranger than fiction, history more fascinating than romance, when the late Dowager Empress of China is the biographer's theme. For Tsu Hsi was one of those massive world-figures—demigods of whom the ancients were wont to worship and the moderns are willing to immortalize. As a Hibernian admirer of hers once remarked, "We have to go back to very ancient times for a parallel to Tsu Hsi, and even then we do not find one." A sketch of the main episodes of her living and striving, her reverses and triumphs, painted in colors sufficiently deep yet faithful to the tones of history, would stir the souls of impressive readers with strong emotions. For despite many serious defects of mind and soul, Tsu Hsi was not only a commanding personality in her age and country, but she was also endowed with some of the sterling qualities of absolute greatness. Like the green leaf of the lotus that sprouts up from the slime, she raised herself aloft by innate worth, tact and will-power from nothingness to a dizzy height, where she maintained herself for forty years in spite of the rigorous prohibition of her country's laws and the stern disapproval of her country's enemies. Alone she fought the battle of individuality against a nation of 400 millions of living men and myriads of the dead, whose spirits are still quick and influential there. And by dint of energy, resourcefulness and perseverance she scored a signal victory over them all.

Seventy-four years ago one of the busiest, wealthiest and most populous haunts of men was Hankow, on the Hankiang. Even at present it is one of the most prosperous municipalities in China, but in those halcyon days its inhabitants, counting the population of the two adjacent towns, numbered several millions, with not a white-skin among them. That, however, was before the rebel Taipings destroyed it, before foreign consuls were admitted, when only sail and steamships plied on the river. One sultry evening in August, 1834, a quaint Chinese houseboat, bearing a widow with her two daughters, and a coffin, was moored to the left bank of the Hankiang. The lady's husband had been serving the Crown in the province of Szechuan. The widow's only son, who was walking with her, had been a melon thief. Sheehan was shot and pitch-forked fatally.

Sticky Sweating Palms after taking salts or cathartic waters—did you ever notice that weary all gone feeling—the palms of your hands sweat—and rotten taste in your mouth—Cathartics only purge by sweating your bowels to a lot of hurt—Try a CASCA-RET and see how much easier the job is done—see how much better you feel.

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Saturday's Mantle Sale will be a wonder—Half price is the average—a few on either side of the line. It's the mantle event of the season. Sizes 32 to 48.

Women's Mantles, black and colored, worth \$10 and \$12, on sale for \$4.95. Women's Mantles, worth \$15 to \$17.50, on sale for \$7.50. Women's Mantles, worth \$20 to \$25, on sale for \$10.00. Women's Coats, worth \$30 to \$40, on sale for \$15.00. \$50.00 Fur Coats \$45.00 Fur-Lined Coats \$25

Big Purchase of Dress Skirts—Sale 300 Women's Skirts, all high class garments, purchased this week from a large wholesale manufacturer, clearing out his entire stock of samples, Venetians, A. W. G. styles, etc., finished with strappings of silk and satin and buttons. These are the cut prices: Women's Skirts Worth \$5.00 and \$6.50, on sale for each \$3.95. Women's Skirts Worth \$7 to \$8.50, on sale for \$5.95. Women's Skirts Worth \$10 to \$12, on sale for \$7.50

Women's Waists, made of cashmere, lustre and lawn, \$1.00 value, for 49c. Women's Waists, made of black net, silk slips, nicely trimmed with silk lace and insertion, \$1.00 value, for \$1.95. Women's Waists, made of cream net with long tucked sleeves, \$1.00 value, for \$2.95. Women's Waists, made of lustrous, delaine, cashmeres and fancy, \$2.00, for 95c. Women's Waists, made of net and silk, in white, cream and black, long three-quarter sleeves, \$3, \$3.49. Women's Waists, made of cream and white net and point d'esprit, full \$6.00 value, for each \$3.95

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Blouses! Blouses!! Blouses!!! The Shea Blouses and Shirt Waists have already set the standard of value for the spring season. Saturday's showing of Lawn Waists will prove this to be a keen judge of value and design.

One special lot of high class Waists, some all-over embroidered lawn, others with fine inserted lace and embroidery, all made of beautiful sheer lawns, various new sleeve styles, on sale Saturday as a value demonstration, for each \$1.00

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Women's Knit Underwear Union and Pileed Vests and Drawers, natural or white, 35c. Turnouts: Flat Knit Vests and Drawers, all sizes, worth \$1.25, for 79c. Wood and Cotton Mixed Vests and Drawers, worth 75c regular, \$1.00 value, for 50c. Knit Golf Waists, white and colored, worth \$2.00 to \$2.50, for \$1.19

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Women's Suits Women's New Spring Suits, cut in the new styles of coat and skirt in rich cloth, black and colors, good \$15.00 value, here for each \$10.95

Women's Suits Browns, blacks, navys, greens in stripes and plain cloths. Coats silk lined, skirts in new plain good styles, \$20.00 value, for \$15.00

Children's Cashmere Coats, infants' sizes, embroidered and very nicely trimmed; two special prices, \$2.75 and \$3.95.

Women's and Children's Mantles Nearly 100 to clear, all sizes and colors. \$4.00 for \$1.95. \$5.00 for \$2.50. \$7.50 for \$3.95. \$10.00 for \$4.95

Flannelette Blankets—Low Priced All "Ibex" Brand, the best Canadian Cotton Blanket, all perfect white or grey, note the prices, 10-4 size, for 80c; 11-4 size, \$1.10; 12-4 size \$1.29. Batting Bed Comforters, about 50 left for Saturday, 60x72, worth \$1.05, to clear at each 90c

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40c Tabling for 25c. 60c Tabling for 35c. 50c Tabling for 37 1/2c. 75c Tabling for 50c. 60c Tabling for 45c. 80c Tabling for 60c. Grass Bleached Table Damask Satin finished and most artistic designs, most of it direct imported, new wide double border, a special feature. 50c Damask for 35c. 60c Damask for 50c. 75c Damask for 55c. 90c Damask for 65c. \$1.00 Damask for 75c. \$1.25 Damask for 95c

Towelling Both Tea and Roller, worth 10 to 12 1/2c, for 7 1/2c. Bleached Sheeting 72 inches wide, in plain only, 30c, for 23c. Women's Belts Black Elastic, with black buckles, 40c, for 25c. Women's Belts Black and Colored, plain and with steel studs, 75c, for 50c. Women's Collars Embroidered, stiff laundered, all sizes, worth 25c, for 15c

Table Napkins 5 1/2 size Union, in good pattern, worth \$1.50, for 95c. Flannelette 35 inches wide, in good, dark and light stripes, 1 1/2c. Dress Goods Grey Venetian Cloth, 50 in. wide, \$1 value, for 50c. Black Dress Goods French Taffeta and English Panamas, 75c for 0c. Ruching Silk and Chiffon, 5 and 6c frills, in box, worth 50c, Saturday for 25c

same day the houseboat sailed down the Yangtze, bearing the girl, whose name was Yehonala. (At her birth, a Chinese girl receives a temporary name, which is generally suggested by an object just seen by one of the party—as, for instance, a flower, a bird, or seven years later another name—containing a flattering allusion—is substituted for this, but nobody may utter it excepting her grandparents, parents, and professors. Her brothers are not excepted, on to the high seas of life, where, under the name of Tsu Hsi, she was to grapple successfully with circumstance.)

Twenty years later the curtain was raised on the second scene of this little drama. Meanwhile a deep debt had been left on the history of the Celestial Empire, deeper than any of its predecessors, which had made Hankow had been destroyed in the Taeping rebellion, which cost the nation twenty million lives. China, therefore an embalméd corpse, enfolded in silk coffins, covered with ancient inscriptions, was being slowly shaken out of its lethargy. At this moment Tsu Hsi came and vanished, the dynasty had been endangered, the throne shaken, the empire itself had well-nigh gone to pieces. But Wu Tang had survived all changes, plodding tamely on with the flawless serenity of spirit which so many of his countrymen possessed. He had dogged perseverance and length of service at last won recognition. Wu Tang was promoted and transferred to the province of Kan Si. Joyful he set out on a visit to his new chief. But the Marquis Tseng—a polished man of the world and moderate reformer—was not to be deceived by the name of his subordinate. Tseng, who was striving just then to gather around him a band of enlightened workers, had no use for Wu Tang as subprefect, and deemed it his duty to get the appointment quashed. The Viceroy accordingly dismissed his visitor curtly, and sent a damaging report about him to Peking.

In the fullness of time there came a strange report. Tseng was informed that the Empress-Regent had been pleased to raise Wu Tang from the post of sub-prefect to that of Prefect. At this news Tseng was dumfounded. The Empress, he concluded, could not have received his report. He therefore wrote again. Quicker than before came the answer. It was another edict of promotion. It now pleased Her Majesty to appoint Wu Tang to the post of Tao Tai, or Governor. The mystified Viceroy sent for Wu Tang. "Who are your influential friends at court?" he asked. "I possess no friends, no influence, no acquaintances there," was the answer, and its accents carried conviction. "Then it is a mistake after all," the Viceroy argued, as he turned the matter over in his mind, "and it must be set right. So he despatched another letter to the Empress, this time asking that Her Majesty would vouchsafe to honor Wu Tang with an audience.

Shortly afterwards the new Tao Tai was summoned to Peking. On the morning fixed for his departure he entered the palace in trepidation. His eyes were fixed on the new Tao Tai, who stood in front of the imperial throne, congruously with custom, he fell upon his knees. The Empress commanded her steward subject to rise up and draw near. Startled at the voice, which caused a dim memory to flit before his eyes, the new Tao Tai did as he was told, his gaze riveted to the floor. "Look into my eyes," was the next behest. A hasty glance brought back Wu Tang's thoughts to years gone by, and he recognized in the all-powerful monarch the girl who had once pressed her forehead to his. The new Tao Tai's daughter, on the site of old Hankow. The helpless little Yehonala had become the mighty Tsu Hsi. And he trembled with tumultuous emotions. But the Empress, in caressing accents, told him how glad she was to meet again the benefactor whose friendly hand was once stretched out to help her. From among her attendants of the grey world, at sight of which her child's heart was swelling. She then dismissed him to his post, promising to turn a deaf ear to all calumnious denunciations of him.

But to return to her early career. Soon after her father was laid to rest in his native soil, Yehonala was presented at court. The maiden's good looks, blithe temperament, grace of gait and bearing, and those winsome ways that elude analysis and are connoted by the word charm, induced the palace authorities to receive her. Accordingly she entered the "sacred precincts," which no girl candidate, once admitted, can ever quit alive. Like the Roman vestals, they are cut off from the world whose pleasures they have renounced. During several months of probation under the eye of the Empress Mother, their aptitudes are noted, their defects corrected, their manners polished. They are taught Mandchu, the official language, and the rites of ancestral worship, and trained to conduct themselves as behoves future companions of the mightiest mortal on earth. The goodly number whose shortcomings appear glaring or incurable, or whose positive qualifications seem inadequate, are gradually struck off the list of candidates, and even of the many who are allowed to compete, relatively few are ultimately chosen. Yehonala's name, however, remained on the list, and she went, rising in relative position as time went on. On the decisive day the lists of the lucky were read. One girl was gazetted Empress, two became lawful spouses, and the third became a concubine of the Emperor, soft feline ways, royal felicity of utterance, and imperial voice. WAS MADE A CONCUBINE of fifth rank. A splendid success for the little maiden who had had such a narrow escape from starvation, this might well seem but a poor start for one whom Fate destined to raise to the throne of China. For concubines enjoy few privileges. They are cloistered in a pavilion, where they fill in their day with sewing, embroidery, breeding silk-worms, sampling the tea, the spacious grounds, or boating on the garden lakes. They rarely receive their parents, and never anyone else. If, however, one among them becomes the mother of male offspring, she has established her right to a high-sounding title during the remainder of her life, a tablet over her grave, and household worship after her death. And that seemed the dullest height attainable by Hsien feng's fifth concubine, who was then a winsome girl of sixteen. Five more years rolled over the Empire of China and the harem of Hsien feng, and the fifth concubine had become a favorite. The Son of Heaven, yielding himself more and more to the soothing spell of the daughter of earth, made her his ground, and made a fight for the rights of his house and his empire. But her advice was disregarded, and Hsien feng repaired to Jehol in Mongolia. Tsu Hsi, ever a model spouse, followed her lord and consort, zealously guarding her principles and treasury. The five-year-old son, through whom she had won title, dignity and power, and benefit of whom she would again become the merest cipher—secluded for the remainder of her life in a palatial prison. Such was the political debut of the charming woman who, as a pretty maiden, had a few years before so narrowly eluded the grip of misery on the banks of the Hankiang River. Within that brief span she had raised herself to a loftier eminence than that now occupied by Semiramis or Cleopatra. Catherine II, or Maria Theresa. She now held the destinies of a fourth of the human race in the hollow of her hand. And she bore good fortune splendidly. In

At this period of her career, Tsu Hsi, the new as in the old role, she was simple, ready, resourceful. That she retained her modesty is proof that it was deep-rooted, for her advisers did their utmost to cure her of it. Fitness for great opportunities and a capacity to create lesser ones were among her main characteristics. Success never seems to have intoxicated her, no failure to have demoralised her. In politics, which may be described as the art of the possible, Tsu Hsi, like the world's great statesmen, was an opportunist. She made the most of changing circumstance, and when unable to alter conditions to suit her plans, she modified her plans and adjusted them to the conditions. Hence she has been charged by the conservatives with excessive readiness to humor the white men, and by reformers with harboring rancorous hatred of everything that was newer.

CHINESE NOR MANDCHU. In truth, she merely utilized the foreign element for the good of her empire, her dynasty, her personal weal. It was ever her way to use mankind as a bridge over which to pass to her goal, and having reached it, to generally trample on the people after her.

During her first regency Tsu Hsi, then in the flower of her age, indulged, it is said, in the passions of a Mesalline and the cruelty of a Blindevard, putting several of her obscure favorites to death. A priori the story may be true. It is safe to assume, however, that many acts of the regent, which Europeans would condemn and Chinese condone, have been magnified by enemies into heinous crimes. As a western critic once indignantly put it, "half the calamities spread about the land are in all probability untrue." Doubtless Tsu Hsi perpetrated crimes enough to kindle raptures of moral indignation in the West. But it would be well to remember that she had not only no scruples of any sort, but no indwelling source of any conscience formed no part of her equipment. She dwelt beyond the domain of right and wrong.

Thus Tsu Hsi, who was the first Empress, was also the last autocrat of China, an autocrat by nature as well as by law. In a country where centuries of peaceful toil and military quiescence had contributed to the decay of energetic passions, she was an epitome of much that was great in healthy human kingship. And her death was worthy of her life. Such was Tsu Hsi's zeal for the public service that during her last agony she insisted on being present at a state council, and, lying dressed on her couch, she took such part in its deliberations as the rapid advance of her malady permitted. For the freshness of her soul was unimpaired in a body that year had enfeebled and disease undermined. "I can bear no more," were the last articulate sounds that passed her lips. A few minutes later the colorless figure that had dominated China for over forty years had faded to a memory and a shadow. And the Dalai Lama bent down over her pale, rigid face in silent prayer. E. J. Dillon.

Increasing His Patrimony. "My boy, I have nothing to leave you but debts." "Yes, dad." "But be diligent, and no doubt you can increase your inheritance."—Washington Herald.

No, Maude, don't, we shouldn't advise you to consult an ear specialist for erysipals. DR. A. W. CHASE'S 25c CATARRH CURE... is sent direct to the diseased parts by the Improved Blower. Meets the ulcers, clears the air passages, stops droppings in the throat and permanently cures Catarrh and Hay Fever. Blower free. All dealers, or Dr. A. W. Chase Medicine Co., Toronto and Buffalo.

JACK--THE--RIPPER CAUGHT IN BERLIN.

Attacked Young Woman in Street This Morning and Was Caught--May be More.

Berlin, Feb. 26.—The man who during the past fortnight has been delivering a series of attacks upon women on the streets of Berlin was captured this morning. He made an attempt to stab a young woman on the Friedrichstrasse, one of the crowded shopping streets of the city. The clothing of his intended victim was cut, but she herself suffered no harm. The woman screamed, and her assailant fled into a house on an adjoining street, where he was at once seized by a policeman. He is a young man, but he has not yet been identified.

To-day's attack was the 36th "Ripper" affair since the beginning of the outrages. The descriptions of the assailant do not agree, and for this reason it is believed that various men may have been engaged in the work.

There has been an actual state of terror among the women of Berlin, many servants refusing to go on the streets alone after nightfall. The police have made every effort to capture the assailant. They even had special detectives dress up as women and saunter through the streets inviting attack, but all to no purpose. The assaults have been made by day as well as by night, on the open street. The assailant quietly strike at her swiftly with a sharp stiletto, and then make his escape during the ensuing confusion.

The police made inquiries concerning the assault of this woman, and as a result they are inclined to doubt that he is the "ripper" they are after. He is being held on a charge of assault.

BOTH GUILTY OF STEALING.

Edward Rock and Thomas McCarthy Sentenced To-morrow.

Remand in Serious Charge Against Percy Doan.

City By-Law Cases in Police Court This Morning.

Edward Rock and Thomas McCarthy were found guilty this morning by Magistrate Jelfs at the Police Court on the charge of entering the office of Harry Stephens and stealing several watches, chains, stick pins, etc., amounting in value to about \$200. Mr. M. J. O'Reilly, K. C., appeared for Rock and Mr. Geo. S. Kerr, K. C., for McCarthy. Both pleaded not guilty, at the outset, but Rock's lawyer changed the plea after the evidence had been put in.

Stephens said that he had a shop at 90 1/2 King street east. It was entered on Friday last while he was out collecting, and the above amount of jewelry taken. In his own words, "it was a general clean-up." He said he had reason to believe that Rock and McCarthy were the men who took the stuff. He had known both young men ever since they went to school. In answer to a question by the Crown Attorney, witness said that any simple key would fit the door of his office, although he had not given Rock a key to get in with.

Stephens identified all the articles produced in court as belonging to him. A cross-examination by Mr. M. J. O'Reilly, witness said that he did not see any craps games in progress in the office at any time.

"You are quite sure that nothing of the kind happened in the office on a certain Sunday?"

"Say, do you think I am running a gambling joint for the benefit of the public and the police?" asked Stephens.

"Why, Mr. O'Reilly, you know that there are no craps games going on in the city now, don't you?" quietly inquired Mr. Washington.

"Are you sure that there was no whiskey on the premises at any time, Mr. Stephens?" asked Mr. O'Reilly.

"Yes, I am quite sure there was none." "Ever have any women up in that famous room?"

"Not to my knowledge." "I suppose you would close your eyes if there were any around?"

"I might," replied Mr. Stephens.

"Well, that is just what I thought of you," said Mr. O'Reilly.

"Ever play poker up in this office of yours?"

"No."

"Are you quite sure?"

"Well, we did play one afternoon, I think it was a Sunday, but at the end of the game we gave Rock his money back," said Mr. Stephens.

L. Strauss, pawnbroker, 37 James street north, told of Rock going into his store on Friday afternoon last, and pawing a silver watch, for which he gave Rock \$2.

John Mehl, 28 Hunter street east, said that he had met Rock and McCarthy on the same afternoon, and that Rock was very drunk. The latter asked him to take a watch for him, and keep it for a while. Mehl said he gave Rock \$2, as he had told him he needed some money.

Andrew "Punch" Carnegie was the next witness. He said he had known the two boys for two or three years, and on Saturday afternoon had seen them "out" on James street. Rock was the worse of liquor, but witness did not see any jewelry. On Friday afternoon Rock had shown him a copper ring.

"A love token, I suppose," said the Crown Attorney.

"Let me see, weren't you sent out for to get whiskey on the Sunday afternoon the poker game was played?"

"Don't drink," was Carnegie's short and gruff answer.

NO CLUE YET IN KINRADE MURDER.

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who had aroused their fear by his actions. Afraid to open the door, she told him to go away, that they were tired of this sort of thing, and it would have to be stopped. The man muttered an oath and walked away. The murdered girl and her sister Florence Kinrade were out at the time. Mr. Kinrade, fearing for their safety, grabbed a poker, walked down the street to meet them. He waited for them and escorted them home. During the night they were alarmed by a noise at the front of the house. They turned on the lights, and this apparently frightened the assailant, for they heard somebody walk off the verandah. After waiting for a while and making sure that he was gone, they retired for the night. An examination in the morning revealed the fact that an attempt had been made to pry open the bay window, which opens on a verandah on the front of the house. A large chip had been cut off the bottom of the sill, which made it look as if a strong "jimmy" had been used.

Mrs. Kinrade was even further alarmed when she discovered this man loitering along Herkimer street, yesterday morning. She told the other members of the family about the incident and went down to see Magistrate Jelfs. In the afternoon she called at police headquarters and informed Detective McMahon of what had occurred and asked that a policeman be sent up for a few nights to protect the house. While she was making the request her daughter was being murdered.

SEARCH FOR THE MURDERER.

It was not more than two minutes after Mrs. Kinrade stepped out of the office before the telephone rang and Inspector McMahon was told of the call for the patrol and detectives, and police hustled to the scene. The la-

dy had aroused their fear by his actions. Afraid to open the door, she told him to go away, that they were tired of this sort of thing, and it would have to be stopped. The man muttered an oath and walked away. The murdered girl and her sister Florence Kinrade were out at the time. Mr. Kinrade, fearing for their safety, grabbed a poker, walked down the street to meet them. He waited for them and escorted them home. During the night they were alarmed by a noise at the front of the house. They turned on the lights, and this apparently frightened the assailant, for they heard somebody walk off the verandah. After waiting for a while and making sure that he was gone, they retired for the night. An examination in the morning revealed the fact that an attempt had been made to pry open the bay window, which opens on a verandah on the front of the house. A large chip had been cut off the bottom of the sill, which made it look as if a strong "jimmy" had been used.

Saturday at Shea's.

The big feature of this busy store to-morrow will be skirts. Hundreds of them, bought this week from a large wholesale manufacturer. All the very latest styles of plain gored and modified Directoire styles, black and all the good colors. Volles, Panamas, venetians, poplins, silk and satin, trimmed, on sale at following reductions, all in separate racks for quick choosing, \$5 and \$6 for \$3.95; \$7.50 to \$9.00 for \$5.95; \$10 to \$12.50 for \$7.50. Finest mantle reductions for Saturday will make a record for cut prices in the Shea store. All sizes, 32 to 48, in stock; \$25 to \$35 coats for \$15; \$20 coats for \$10; \$10 to \$15.50 coats for \$5; other coats at \$1.95 and \$2.95. Suits, new and natty, actual \$15 value, special Saturday offer, each \$10.95. Children's and misses' coats half price and less. Silk underskirts for less than ever before; full \$5 and \$6 value, in black and colors, for \$2.95. Women's waists were never offered in better values; lawn waists, the best value in Canada, at \$1; net waists, worth \$4 and \$4.50 for \$1.95, and untrimmed, at \$2.95 and \$3.49. Fur, at about 1/2 price, and women's underwear at less than manufacturers' cost. A special line of the new smoke shade Venetian cloth, to clear at per yard 50c. Hooks and eyes, and other dress-makers' wants at 1/2 usual prices. New belts and frilling. Bed comforts at 90c, worth \$2. Shop early.—James Shea.

HAD SMOKER.

Monthly Event of Court Transportation, C. O. F.

Court Transportation, C. O. F., held its monthly smoker and concert last night in the Canadian Foresters' Hall, John street south, which proved a great success and was enjoyed by a goodly number of the members and their friends. Clay pipes, tobacco and cigars and the following programme were provided:

Piano solo, Mr. L. Carroll; song, Mr. F. Hall; song, Mr. A. Waddup; comic sketch, Bennett and Featherstone; four-round boxing bout, Liddycoat and Matthews; song, Mr. J. B. Jardine; song, Mr. Nichol; juggling, Mr. W. Seymour; wrestling bout, Pettis and Matthews; song, Mr. Manix; song, Mr. C. Servos; song, Mr. Gordon; musical turn, Bennett and Featherstone; song, Mr. Manix; wrestling bout, Sheridan and Gerres.

The evening's entertainment was arranged for by the entertainment committee, Bros. Servos, Jardine, Liddycoat and Widdup.

The Store of Quality and Satisfaction.

Early shoppers will find Finch Bros. up and ready to serve them well with everything that is new and fashionable for spring wear. Their advertisement to-night tells of some of the new things, but there are many others. Many are taking advantage of the early showing of the new goods for spring and buying now. Besides the new goods many special Saturday bargains are advertised for to-morrow, which should interest every shopper and lead them to this popular west end shopping place, the best store for women, for the house of quality and satisfaction.

Indicator For Health and Pleasure Points South.

While the climate and scenery of Ontario appeals to lovers of nature in the summer months, there is no denying the fact that a great many people find the changeable spring months hard to bear, and they long to visit the milder climate of the sunny south, California, Mexico, Florida, etc. The excellent service of the Grand Trunk Railway system and connecting lines makes these tourist resorts easily accessible, moreover, the rates are very reasonable, placing a trip within reach of not only the rich, but also those in moderate circumstances. Full information regarding rates, etc., may be obtained from Chas. E. Morgan, C. P., and T. A. or W. G. Webster, depot agent.

DOCTOR IMPROVING.

Welland, Ont., Feb. 26.—Dr. Glasgow, of the second dragons, president of the Ontario Medical Association, is recovering from an operation and is expected to be able to be out shortly.

pector and Detective Coulter were among the first to arrive. Detective Bleakley, Sayers and Campbell, Sgt. Finch and other officers were there within a few minutes. Detective Sayers was off duty on account of his brother being killed by an electric current on Wednesday. The body is at his house on Robinson street, and he was called away from the side of the coffin to join in the chase.

After getting the best description they could of the murderer the plan of campaign to capture him was mapped out. Chief Smith called into service every available man. They were furnished with the description and this was also supplied to the night squad. The men were instructed to pick up suspicious characters answering the description.

A rigorous search was made of all the haunts of a character of this kind might inhabit and it was hoped that he would be landed within a few hours. So far, however, he has succeeded in eluding capture.

"We have notified all the places in the surrounding vicinity," said Chief Smith last night, "and furnished them with the description. If we do not get our man by the morning the description will be flashed all over the country."

The police are at a loss to understand how this man could enter the house, commit such a crime and make his escape without being seen. "If this man was seen by anyone," said the Chief, "they are keeping still. It is rather a difficult neighborhood in which to get information as people do not care to be dragged into these cases."

The police, however, have strong hopes of getting the man positively identified if he is captured. Miss Flossie Kinrade would instantly recognize him, and she is sure to be able to give him in daylight on the street.

IS A HOUSE OF SORROW.

Tragedy Was a Terrible Shock to Members of Kinrade Family.

The Kinrade home at 105 Herkimer street was a house of sorrow when the newspaper men called there shortly after the body had been taken away. The heartbroken father received a terrible shock. He knew nothing of the affair until he walked up to his home and found it surrounded by a group of awestricken people. He almost collapsed when he heard the story. Stalking around the room, running his hands through his hair, he gave vent to his grief. Between sobs of emotion he cried out: "She was one of the sweetest girls God ever made and to be taken from me like this. I would give my life a thousand times for Ethel." Time and again he repeated this, and refused to be consoled by kind neighbors who sympathized with him in his terrible hour of affliction.

THE STORY OF AN EYE WITNESS.

Florence Kinrade Tells How She Saw Her Sister Foully Murdered.

The only eye witness to the terrible tragedy, Miss Florence Kinrade, was interviewed yesterday afternoon by a Times reporter at the home of Mrs. F. J. Hickey, where she was staying with her mother. She was completely unnerved by the horrible ordeal, and it was with difficulty she told the story of how she saw her sister shot down in cold blood. Her mother, completely prostrated with grief, was in an adjoining room, under the care of kind friends.

"This man," she said, "first appeared a week ago Sunday when we were returning from church. We had just entered the house and seated ourselves when we noticed him peeping through the dining room window. When he saw us he disappeared. His next appearance was last night, when he knocked on the door and asked for a ticket for a night's lodging. On account of the lateness of the hour and his suspicious appearance my mother was afraid to admit him and told him to go away. He then walked off the porch. My mother returned to the dining room and told father that it was the same man who had peeped in the window on the previous Sunday. Father, fearing for our safety, armed himself with a poker and walked down the street to meet Ethel and I.

"I was awakened during the night by a grating noise as if someone was trying to raise one of the front windows with an instrument. The other members of the family were also awakened by the noise, and father got up and turned on the lights. This scared the man away.

BAD FEATURE OF CHEAP LODGING HOUSES

Men Get Orders For Meals and Beds and Sell Them to Get Whiskey.

Yesterday's shocking tragedy has set the police and citizens thinking about the numerous cheap lodging houses around the city. In connection with some of these places a custom prevails which is only evil in its results. It is the custom of some of these

breakfast or for supper, bed and breakfast.

Then comes in the abuse. It is positively stated, and so the police have been advised, that men have been known to take the orders to certain lodging houses, sell them for cash, getting probably 15 cents for a 25 cent order, or 10 cents for a 15 cent order, and with the money thus received, the tramp goes off and gets liquor, taking a chance on getting another order for his bed, if, indeed, he has not two or three already.

The Times was told this morning by two good citizens that they had given their last order. They are strongly opposed to the cheap lodging house trade, and believe that the city or some trustworthy person appointed for the purpose by the united charitable societies should have charge of the places, and that every private lodging house that caters to this class should be under the most rigid supervision.

Of course there are cheap lodging houses where abiding of the sort referred to are not carried on.

MR. BROWN'S STORY.

This morning D. M. Brown, grocer, who keeps a store at the southeast corner of Caroline and Herkimer streets, was seen by a Times reporter. He was in Mr. Hunt's store across the corner, and was talking to Lank Copple, the clerk there. Suddenly a girl rushed into the store. It was Miss Florence Kinrade, and she was in a state of utter collapse.

"There is a burglar in the house and he has shot my sister. She is lying on the floor now bleeding," said the girl, and she fell forward over the counter. Mr. Brown told Copple to call the police and a doctor, and just then Mrs. Hickey came in and helped to take the girl to her home. Hunt and Copple called Dr. McNeil, and went to the scene and found the terrible results of the fiend's work.

Copple has been for seventeen years a clerk at Hunt's, but left last evening after a run-in with the proprietor, and the police have not been able to see him to interview him yet.

Many are the stories of persons who have seen the supposed murderer, and the possibility is that all are wrong. Last evening at 6 o'clock a man was seen running down Lougheed street. The people were alive with the news of the occurrence, and immediately decided this was the murderer. Why or eight blocks of the tragedy two hours after it happened is a thing the police bucked on when they heard the story.

SEEN ON BECKETT DRIVE.

Men in plain clothes patrolled the district last night. Constable Brannon, who was covering the section at the head of the Beckett Drive was approached by a minister who lives back on the mountain and told that a man was in that vicinity about 5 o'clock, or a little later, an hour after the tragedy.

"What was he like?" queried the officer.

"He was about medium build, and rather dark, and wore a slouch hat," said the minister who had seen no description of the man at the time. The minister then asked what was wrong, and when told a minister who had been committed, he was greatly distressed. "This man seemed very greatly agitated; that was why I noticed him," said the pastor. "He was pacing quickly and nervously back and forth between the Beckett Drive and the Ayclim," he added. Brannon searched around that district all night, but found no trace of the man.

ANSWERS SAME DESCRIPTION.

On Wednesday morning a man called from an alley near Herkimer and Locke streets to a lady of that neighborhood and made offensive gestures. He attempted to grab the woman, but she ran away and called up the police. It was some time before the officers responded, and by that time the man had made a getaway. The lady in question met Constable Brown, and gave him a description and offered to go out with him to see if the man was still in the neighborhood. The description of the man tallied in every detail with that of the supposed murderer.

MANY VAGS AT NO. 3.

"Extra. All about the murder!" That was all one could hear on the streets last night. This grand harp on the ears of tramps and shiftless characters, who expected that all tramps would be arrested on suspicion. For the past few nights several men have applied each night for lodgings at King William street police station, but last night no less than eight men applied. They recognized the fact that if they went voluntarily to the police with their alibis and stories they would be sheltered and protected.

Constable Robert Lentz had an experience three nights ago while on the beat in that district. He met several tramps, and one of them he spoke to, and told to go home. This man looked something like the man described as the murderer, but it has been discovered that his name is Hattie, and the resemblance is not close at all.

HOW MANY SHOTS?

There is a difference as to how many shots were fired by the murderer. Miss Florence Kinrade thought six were fired at her sister, but it is likely there were only five. The reports of Drs. Edgar and Balfe will decide this, but it will not be made public till all given at the inquest on Wednesday night next.

This morning a policeman stated that there were five wounds on the body—two in the breast, one in the side of the face near the ear, one which grazed the right hand and the right neck, cutting in a quarter of an inch, and the fifth in the mouth. The one in the mouth, the officer stated, had broken off several of the girl's teeth, and passed into her neck at the base of her skull.

MRS. HICKEY'S VERSION.

Mrs. F. J. Hickey, 106 Herkimer street, was seen by the reporters this morning. She said that she heard no shots fired, and all she knew was that the half-fainting girl rushed over to her place and rang the bell suddenly. She let her in and the girl screamed out: "They have shot Ethel; shot her six times."

Mrs. Hickey thought the girl was mentally deranged, and tried to calm her. "Believe me," she begged, "get a doctor; she is killed."

Mrs. Hickey at once went next door and notified the police, and when she returned Miss Florence Kinrade was rushing for the corner stores to get help. The police were soon there, and Coroner McNeil came at once. Ethel was past all human aid, however, and the body was left there till the police arrived.

THE FAMILY.

Mr. T. L. Kinrade is the son of a man who came here from Ireland many years ago. He was born in this city, and got his education here. He graduated at Toronto University, and has taught school here for years. The children were all born in the old homestead on

The Right House

"HAMILTON'S FAVORITE SHOPPING PLACE"

Spring wash goods: Novelties

EXCLUSIVE styles in the very latest creations. Women are choosing among the many novelties and exquisite new weaves now. The stock is at the top notch of excellence now. We want to show you all of these pretty things to-morrow. Come in and see them whether you wish to buy or not. Our policy has always been exclusiveness, and this season we have gone farther, in this regard, than ever before. The best producing centres of the world have been visited and the most beautiful styles secured and confined for our exclusive selling. A handful of hints:

TISSUE PLISSE 20c—A hand-some new Crepe Stripe on Taf-feta ground. Pretty shades of wistaria, old rose, amethyst, red-seda, green, sky, French blue, champagne, mode, brown, grey and ivory.

SATIN STRIPE VOILE COSTUME \$10—An exquisite, crisp silky weave with a self-colored satin stripe, amethyst, champagne, French blue and pretty new greens. The costume lengths at \$10.

RAJAH SUITINGS 35c—A silky Weave that resembles the fashionable Shantung Silks; pink, grey, catwabs, canard and French blue, sky, old rose, a very smart dress or suiting material.

EVENING MULLS AND CRYSTALLINES 65c—Very beautiful for evening and afternoon gowns, ivory, wistaria, grey, champagne, fawn, old rose, sky, navy, etc. Full 46 inches wide.

Lovely new Spring dress goods

EXCLUSIVE! Of course. We selected the very cream of the new Spring things and had them confined solely to us for Hamilton. It's time now to plan the new Spring outfit—not a bit too early if you wish to have it made promptly. You know what a scramble there always is to get a good dressmaker when the season gets in full swing. The lovely new fabrics on display here are at once exclusive, dainty, superior in quality and altogether different from any you'll find elsewhere. Don't miss seeing these handsome Spring materials to-morrow.

CHIFFON BROADCLOTHS \$1.50, \$2—Rich, satiny, all-wool weaves in the correct Chiffon weight for tailored wear. They are unspottable, uncrushable and thoroughly shrunk—full 54 inches wide, women of fashion will use them for tailored wear, dresses, skirts and evening wraps. All the new shades are included—taupe, wistaria, rose, French blues, navy, green, brown, red-seda, merle, champagne, fawn and mode. They are really wonderful values, at \$1.50 and \$2 the yard.

NOVELTY WORSTEDS AND SERGES—Light, medium and dark stripe effects; some have satin stripe, very firm, superior qualities, for business or street wear; 52 inches wide. Prices range \$1, \$1.15 and \$1.35.

SATIN STRIPED TAFFETA CLOTH 75c—New shades of Paris tan, fawn, French blue, taupe, brown, red-seda and other good colors. Beautiful self-colored satin stripes. This will be one of fashion's favorite weaves for the season, per yard 75c.

Fancy linens: A tremendous stock-adjusting sale: Read

Centre pieces, tray cloths, 5 o'clock tea cloths, d'oylies, runners, sideboard scarfs, covers

9c, formerly 12 1/2c
13c, formerly 18c
19c, formerly 25c
37c, formerly 50c
78c, formerly \$1.00

98c, formerly \$1.35
\$1.19, formerly \$1.65
\$1.59, formerly \$2.00
\$2.13, formerly \$2.75
\$3.19, formerly \$4.00

JAPANESE hand-embroidered and drawn work pieces, Japanese hand-drawn and embroidered pieces, Roman lace pieces and lace edged and inserted pieces. All sizes in scores of styles. A stock adjusting sale of all small lots, broken ranges and surplus stocks—Thousands of pieces are included in the sale.

A special display and sale of Swiss pattern lace curtains

\$4.88, formerly \$6.50
\$4.98, formerly \$7.00

ABOUT 235 pairs are gathered together in these two great groups and marked down for immediate clearance. They are all fresh from their packages, but are in small lots of one to twelve pairs of a kind. Many pretty patterns in floral and conventional effects; very lacy and pretty; full large sizes; white and ivory.

THOMAS C. WATKINS

HAMILTON ONTARIO

WIZARD BURBANK.

Company Formed to Exploit His Many Discoveries.

Will Push His Spineless Cactus and Other Productions.

San Francisco, Feb. 26.—In order that his discoveries may be generally distributed and, incidentally, that his work may not be hampered by the business worries, the brains and genius of Luther Burbank, the plant wizard, have been capitalized for several million dollars.

The men who have secured the sole right to distribute to the world the plant discoveries of the Santa Rosa millionaire, are Hartford Law and his brother, Herbert E. Law, two well-known capitalists of this city, and Oscar E. Dinner, a wealthy eastern capitalist.

There is no limit to the rights which the men have secured, except one or two small contracts, which Burbank is fulfilling. Working alone, Burbank has not had time to give the results of all of his experiments to the public, but now a systematic effort will be made to distribute both his past and future products to the world.

One of the first things to be undertaken by the new company will be the fuller development of the spineless cactus, which promises to transform the desert wastes into grazing lands for cattle. In this connection it is announced that Burbank has developed a cactus capable of producing such a matter which will yield both sugar and alcohol.

Burbank, when asked regarding the formation of the new company, made the following statement: "It is a fact that Mr. Herbert Law and his brother, and Mr. Oscar E. Dinner have secured the sole rights to the handling of my products, with the exception of a few varieties, which already had been sold. I am glad to be rid of the business end. It will give me so much more time for the development of more fruits and flowers."

The company will be called "The Luther Burbank Products, Incorporated."

MR. TAFT.

Cardinal Gibbons Thinks New President is All Right.

Baltimore, Feb. 26.—Cardinal Gibbons, who has returned from New Orleans, speaks of Mr. Taft in the highest terms. "Mr. Taft," he said, "possesses an iron hand in a silken glove, and I believe he will conduct his office admirably." The cardinal said Mr. Taft was enthusiastically received in the south, and that in New Orleans the people could not do enough for him.

"Mr. Taft is a man of fine calibre," said the cardinal, "his tact and diplomacy are matched by his kindness of spirit and his open-heartedness. He filled all who met him with love toward him, and I am sure he made few or no enemies. His good executive ability, combined with his judicial judgment, will all go to make him an excellent president. I feel that he is a man of principle, who will respond to his duties nobly."

INSTANT DEATH.

Restaurant Keeper Electrocuted in Front of His Business Place.

Erie, Pa., Feb. 26.—John Knoebel, a prominent restaurant keeper on the East Side, was killed by a live wire in front of his place of business, on Parade street, yesterday afternoon. Linemen of the Bell Telephone Company were engaged making repairs to the system, disarranged by the recent storm. Mr. Knoebel stepped out-side in his shirt-sleeves to watch the work, when a dangling wire, which had become crossed with the electric light high voltage cable, struck him in the face. He fell to the pavement without a murmur. Friends rushed to his assistance and an ambulance was hurriedly summoned, but examination proved that he was dead. Mr. Knoebel is survived by his widow and three daughters.

MARKETS AND FINANCE

TORONTO MARKETS

FARMERS' MARKET. The receipts of grain to-day were small, with prices firm. Wheat is nominal at about \$1.04. Barley firm, 200 bushels selling at 60c per bushel. Oats also firm, 100 bushels selling at 50c.

TORONTO EXCHANGE.

Thursday Morning Sales. Chambers-Ferland—500 at 76, 100 at 75. Foster—100 at 40, 60 at 35. Peterson—2,500 (60 days) at 29 1/2.

STANDARD EXCHANGE.

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OTHER MARKETS

WINNIPEG WHEAT MARKET. Wheat—Feb. \$1.09 1/4 bid, March \$1.08 7/8 bid, July \$1.12 3/8 bid, May \$1.11 3/8 bid. Oats—February 41 1/2c sellers, May 41 1/2c sellers.

COBALT MINING STOCKS

Heavy unloading of Peterson Lake caused a flurry on the Standard Exchange at Toronto yesterday, and the price suffered a depreciation of five points very quickly.

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NEW YORK STOCKS

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COFFIN NAILS.

Price of Cigarettes to be Increased—Means Millions. New York, Feb. 26.—The proposed increase in the price of cigarettes, announced yesterday, will cost the consumer about a cent or two per package.

A Hayseed From Missouri Fell Into the Hands of Gamblers on an Ocean Liner.

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OPIUM TRAFFIC. Commission Urges Restriction of Manufacture of Morphine.

Shanghai, Feb. 26.—The International opium commission practically concluded its work here. Nine resolutions were adopted. One recognized the unwavering sincerity of the Chinese Government's efforts to suppress the opium traffic, and the real, though unequal, progress already made. In another resolution the commission finds that unrestricted morphine traffic constitutes a grave danger and that the morphine habit shows signs of spreading and urges upon all governments the importance of drastic measures to control the manufacture, sale and distribution of morphine and other noxious derivatives of opium.

FLORIDA SOLD. Ship That Sank the Republic Brings \$225,500 Under the Hammer.

New York, Feb. 25.—The Italian steamship Florida, which collided with the Republic off Nantucket shoals last night on Jan. 23, was sold at public auction to-day by United States Commissioner Alexander, who was appointed trustee in the limited liability action brought by the Italian Societa di Navigazione, the owners. She was sold in the same condition that the collision left her in, with the bow smashed back to the bulkhead.

DIED POOR.

Was at One Time Rich and a Power in Business World. Los Angeles, Feb. 26.—Peter B. Weare, at one time a power in the business world of Chicago and later a factor in business in the Northwest, is dead. At the time of his death he was virtually penniless.

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Duties—Six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 50 acres solely owned and occupied by him or by his father, mother, son, daughter, brother or sister of interested homesteaders.

"Certain conditions a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter-section acreage. Duties—Must reside six months in each of six years from date of homestead entry (including the time required to extra homestead interest and cultivate fifty acres extra. A homesteader who has cultivated the homestead right and cannot obtain a pre-emption may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price \$3.00 per acre. Duties—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate fifty acres and erect a house worth \$100.00.

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After dinner he found that Mr. Carroll was very anxious to watch the bridge game again and obstinate in his resolve to play no more seven up that night. Arguments and inducements were alike in vain. The chin whiskers were

combed out with renewed energy and emphatic declarations were made in favor of the bridge table.

The next day, at four or two before luncheon, Mr. Smith succeeded in getting Mr. Carroll into another game of seven up and he proposed, just to give him an opportunity to get even more quickly, to make it for fifty dollars.

To this proposition Mr. Carroll assented with an air that suggested that the matter was too trifling to waste any time over, asserting that it was all the same to him whether he played for five dollars or five hundred. While Mr. Smith did his best to conceal his satisfaction at such an announcement he still had presence of mind enough to propose that they should make it a hundred.

By the time the lunch bell rang Mr. Smith had the pleasure of closing his fingers around three nice hundred dollar bills, he having won four games out of five.

As the three gamblers did not sit together at table and otherwise did their best to create the impression that they had never met before this trip they had waited for the promenade deck and the riggers to learn of Mr. Smith's good fortune. They at once agreed that he was doing much better than the bridge game, in which the victims were getting a little shy, perhaps because one man who had had a hundred and one hand against his four times in one afternoon was talking about it too much.

After lunch the seven up players sought out a secluded corner of the smoking room and resumed their game. The gentleman from Missouri seemed to have an extraordinary run of luck in the matter of giving a point or announcing the cards. Every time Mr. Carroll dealt a hand with a winning combination the cards would be run without a moment's hesitation. Every time he found himself without a trump the same alacrity would be shown in giving him a point. Although he "cut" himself out to have a high hand, Mr. Carroll seemed to have before him "heaven tell of it." Seven up was his game, he said, and he "allowed" he could beat any man on the boat "playing of it."

The poker games in the corners had nearly run their course. He had seen that game off and on for night on fifty years, he said. "But this here game where one fellow puts down his cards and lets you play 'em" seemed to take his fancy from the start. Allowing the "cut" of his hand, Mr. Carroll was in the scoring, and he soon realized that the piece de resistance was the no trump. Whenever such a declaration pulled itself out of a small hole or made a grand slam he would comb his whiskers and give a little "heaven tell of it," but this here game's most as good as seven up."

During the course of the explanations which the dummy or the onlookers were good enough to give him while dodging his excited tobacco juice it developed that Mr. Carroll's appreciation of any game depended entirely on its merits and demerits when compared to his standard of excellence, seven up. He was ever tired of insisting that seven up was the greatest game ever invented.

Once sure of his ground in the matter of bridge tactics, he developed an extraordinary desire to bet upon the result. When sitting behind the dealer he would glance over two hands and then offer to bet any amount from a dollar to five hundred on the odd trick, at the same time pulling out an immense roll of greenbacks and licking his right thumb, as if ready to count off any amount desired.

At first this thing was amusing, but after a very short time it got to be a nuisance. Mr. Carroll always apologized or turned it off good naturedly with a "Well, I swear! It's your deal, isn't it? Shuffle 'em again and I'll eat 'em right this time."

But this did not give Mr. Smith the hand he had so dexterously run up for himself, neither did it control the jack on the bottom of the pack, where it could be pushed forward with the fingers of the left hand. In fact, it simply reduced Mr. Smith's skill to the level of a plain ordinary shuffle.

After losing three straight games, as he was not quite sure that the profits at the bridge table had been large enough to meet such an obligation as \$2,000, in case he should lose the fourth straight.

In this supposition he was very nearly correct, but in the hurried consultation after luncheon it was agreed that he must get his money back somehow, the blond woman being particularly insistent on going ashore with plenty of sugar in the kick, as she expressed it.

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THE TIMES SPORTING PAGE

Gossip and Comment

Among the Hamilton racing fans who witnessed the Dorando-Shrub race at Buffalo last night was Mr. Sol. Mintz, who has had the distinction of entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Tom Longboat this week, and who is still their host.

From the Toronto World: That Shrub could have beaten Longboat last night is most probable, especially if the Indian had accepted Promoter Murray's \$2,500 proposition, made two days ago, when he was in no kind of condition.

In the Hayes-Dorando race Dorando always led, and the time at fifteen miles was 1:31.43 3/5. In the first Longboat-Dorando race the Italian was ahead at fifteen miles in 1:30.02 2/5, and also the second in 1:29.54 2/5. Shrub was, of course, ahead at fifteen miles against Longboat in 1:28.28 4/5.

Tom Longboat holds the Canadian fifteen-mile record, 1:25.43 2/5, made in Montreal, J. Appleby's record was made in England.

In answer to several inquiries, Jim Jeffrey did fight several lots of times. He beat Peter Jackson in three rounds in San Francisco on March 22, 1898, and licked Bob Armstrong in New York in ten rounds, also 3 of the same year.

According to the despatches from Albany an old friend, Fred Paige, has lost to "his name" in California and yearning for this dear old Chicago, understands the situation now. Chicago was passionately fond of horse racing until it became acquainted with the un-speakable element that butted itself into the control of it.

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The magnificent army of the 74th Regiment had about 1,000 visitors last night, a very fine turnout, considering the difficulties and doubts about the race, which was originally arranged between Shrub and Longboat as the complement of their race over the Marathon distance in New York.

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CANADIAN CURLERS IN AULD SCOTLAND.

On Monday they were again at Crossmyloot, where they played the last of three test matches against the Scottish Provincials.

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On Tuesday they played twelve links from the Dominion "scree" Lochleven, Tenth, East Lothian, Cupar, West Lothian and West of Fife.

The Canadian curlers continue to meet with that remarkable success which, in spite of an occasional reverse, has characterized their tour as a whole, says the Glasgow Scotsman. After beating Dundee and Perth by 46 shots on Thursday of last week, they rested over the week-end in Edinburgh, where one party visited Inverleith and witnessed the Rugby international match between Scotland and Wales.

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Knocking Down the Pins

In the City Ten Pin League at the Brunswick alleys last night the Hamilton H. took two games from the Westinghouse L. Laing was high man with 573. The scores: Westinghouse L.—Peecock, 194; 167; 174; 534; McKelvey, 163; 184; 211; 558; Thomson, 193; 161; 155; 462; Smith, 149; 182; 156; 487; Mitchell, 148; 158; 167; 473; Total, 841; 852; 812; 2535.

At the same alleys the St. Patrick's took two games from the Thornton Duff's team. Battella was high man with 451. The scores: Thornton Duff's—Fitzgibbon, 156; 125; 127; 398; Riggs, 87; 122; 154; 381; Thomson, 139; 132; 119; 381; Butler, 164; 141; 179; 421; Carmichael, 122; 130; 171; 423; Total, 457; 433; 463; 1381.

John B. Swanberg, the Swedish runner, has arrived in New York to have a try at American honors on the championship Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse. Swanberg is ticketed to trainer Ernie Hjertberg, who is also in charge of Johnnie Hayes, and the Swede will work together while waiting for work for their close legs. Swanberg is unlike the ordinary distance runner, for he can go any distance from five miles to the Marathon route. Mr. Shrub will be unaccompanied, or Matt. Maloney can have a try at the Swedish crack, who has really run and won many hard races abroad.

THISTLES LOST

Hamilton Curlers Defeated at Toronto.

Toronto, Feb. 26.—The Hamilton Thistles visited the Granite Club last night and were beaten by 19 shots, as follows: Hamilton Thistles, Granites, J. Thomson, 7; H. T. Wilson, 18; H. T. Gates, 12; W. E. McMurtry, 9; Dr. Oldmsted, 7; A. E. Trow, 18; Dr. Coleman, 10; C. H. Badenach, 10; Total, 70; Total, 85; 55; M'DIARMID STILL UNBEATEN. London, Feb. 26.—(C. A. P. cable.)—At the Villars Sur Ollon international hospital in Switzerland yesterday, in the fifth round, M'Diarmid of Manitoba, made 12 to 9 for Little, of Bristol. In the sixth round M'Diarmid made 26, and Egger Kandersteg 21.

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PAIGE'S ANNUAL.

Mr. Fred. Organizing Another Baseball League.

ALBANY, FEB. 26.—The Eastern Association of Professional Baseball Clubs was organized at a meeting here yesterday, which was attended by representatives of Johnston, Gloverville, Schenectady, Pittsfield, Mass.; North Adams, Mass.; Kingston, Poughkeepsie, Newburgh and Middletown. Fred Paige, of Poughkeepsie, was elected temporary president, and Hugh MacKinnon, of Kingston, N. Y., temporary secretary and treasurer.

IT IS NOT LIKELY.

New York, Feb. 26.—George Bernard, a well known Australian sporting man, who has just arrived in London, tells a remarkable story about the Burns-Johnson night. He says that before the mill began Johnson and his manager, Sam

BEAMSVILLE BEATEN.

St. Catharines Hockey Team Won, 16 to 6.

Galt Defeated Brantford Professionals.

The City Indoor League Games Last Night.

St. Catharines, Feb. 26.—The Niagara Centrals, of St. Catharines, defeated Beamsville in an intermediate O. H. A. hockey series last evening in a listless, one-sided game by the score of 16 to 6. This was the second of the home-and-home games, the first resulting in a win for the Niagara Centrals on Tuesday evening at Niagara Falls by 9 to 1, making the score of both games 25 to 7. The locals proved themselves a much faster and stronger aggregation, and scored at will, although Beamsville at times put up a good argument. The score at half time stood 10 to 3 in the locals favor.

In the second half the Niagara Centrals netted six more, while Beamsville was successful in scoring three, making the final score 16 to 6. A fairly large crowd was in attendance. The Niagara Centrals will now play Lindsay in Toronto in a sudden-death game on Monday evening next, and will likely run a special team. The line-up and officials were as follows: Beamsville (6)—Goal, Davey; point, Hewitt; cover, Juliker; rover, Beatty; center, Gibson; right wing, Walker; left wing, Kelter.

INDOOR GAMES.

Soundrels and Victorias Last Night's Winners.

Two interesting games of indoor baseball were provided by City League teams at the Armory rink last night. The first game was between the Victorias and the Nationals, the former team winning by a score of 9 to 4. Bridges, for the Nationals, pitched a good game, but was hit at opportune times.

AMBITION'S MR. IRVING.

Guelph, Feb. 26.—"Buck" Irving, manager of the Galt champions, intends to go after the Stanley Cup. He has a strong team, and believes that he will be able to make the easterners go some to hold the silverware. It is anticipated that Galt and Brantford will play off at Ottawa on Monday while the Whintop Shamrocks and Galt will play off. The winners of the two series will then play for the honor of contesting the possession of the cup with the champions of the O. H. A. L.

GALT BEAT BRANTFORD.

Guelph, Feb. 26.—In the latest game seen here for years the Galt professionals gave Brantford a decisive trimming. The score finally ended 7-1. This result is a fair indication of the merits of the respective teams, the Brantford aggregation being in another class. The game started lightning fast, and in a short time Services tallied for Galt. He scored four more and made the full 7-0. Brantford got their only tally on a neat rush by Tinsop, and Dussome added one more on a pass from Doherty. The half-time score ended 4-1.

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In the second half the Niagara Centrals netted six more, while Beamsville was successful in scoring three, making the final score 16 to 6. A fairly large crowd was in attendance. The Niagara Centrals will now play Lindsay in Toronto in a sudden-death game on Monday evening next, and will likely run a special team. The line-up and officials were as follows: Beamsville (6)—Goal, Davey; point, Hewitt; cover, Juliker; rover, Beatty; center, Gibson; right wing, Walker; left wing, Kelter.

INDOOR GAMES.

Soundrels and Victorias Last Night's Winners.

Two interesting games of indoor baseball were provided by City League teams at the Armory rink last night. The first game was between the Victorias and the Nationals, the former team winning by a score of 9 to 4. Bridges, for the Nationals, pitched a good game, but was hit at opportune times.

AMBITION'S MR. IRVING.

Guelph, Feb. 26.—"Buck" Irving, manager of the Galt champions, intends to go after the Stanley Cup. He has a strong team, and believes that he will be able to make the easterners go some to hold the silverware. It is anticipated that Galt and Brantford will play off at Ottawa on Monday while the Whintop Shamrocks and Galt will play off. The winners of the two series will then play for the honor of contesting the possession of the cup with the champions of the O. H. A. L.

GALT BEAT BRANTFORD.

Guelph, Feb. 26.—In the latest game seen here for years the Galt professionals gave Brantford a decisive trimming. The score finally ended 7-1. This result is a fair indication of the merits of the respective teams, the Brantford aggregation being in another class. The game started lightning fast, and in a short time Services tallied for Galt. He scored four more and made the full 7-0. Brantford got their only tally on a neat rush by Tinsop, and Dussome added one more on a pass from Doherty. The half-time score ended 4-1.

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END DELAYS AT SIX MONTHS.

Attorney-General Deals With Tardy Judgments.

Minister's Caustic Comment on Overdue Bench Decisions.

Liberals Aid in Securing Necessary Changes in Statutes.

Toronto, Feb. 26.—It was a sitting of lawyers and technicians yesterday. The professional members of the Legislature plodded their way, in a rather dull, monotonous manner, through the statutory steps necessary to take the results of the labors of the Judges on the Statute Revision Commission to the "third reading" stage of blossoming legislation.

Just prior to adjournment, however, the Attorney-General submitted a measure to amend the judicature act, the hurried preparation and introduction of which, he explained, had been made necessary by exigencies occasioned by the recent appointment of Mr. Justice Anglin to the Supreme Court. There were in existing statutes, Hon. Mr. Foy explained, no provision in such an occurrence as had arisen, for the delivery of reserved judgment in cases which the Judge had heard, alone or jointly with other Judges.

Under the amendment he submitted the Attorney-General proposed a section providing that "where a Judge of the High Court resigns his office or is appointed to the Supreme Court of Canada or to the Court of Appeal for Ontario, and any action, cause or matter which has been fully heard by such Judge either alone or jointly with other Judges, stands for judgment, he may give judgment therein as if he were still a Judge of the court, and any such judgment shall be of the same force and validity as if he were still such Judge, provided that such judgment of the Judge be delivered within six weeks after his resignation or appointment to the Supreme Court of Canada or to the Court of Appeal for Ontario."

Incident to the matter under consideration the Attorney-General stated that, in his opinion, the time had come when some steps should be taken by statute to minimize the annoyance and discomfort sometimes experienced by the long delay of judgments.

"I am informed," observed Mr. Foy, "that in certain cases judgments have been delayed for a period of four years. We must remedy, so far as is in our power, such an unfortunate condition. It must be made impossible."

SIX MONTHS' ARREARS LIMIT.

The Attorney-General accordingly proposed a section under which six months is determined as the maximum period any judgment may be delayed. If judgment is not given within a longer period the Government proposed to provide that any party to the action, having served one month's notice of his intention upon the other party and the senior Registrar of the High Court, may secure its summary trial by a summary court upon the evidence adduced before the delaying Judge, and the appellate court shall direct judgment. A proviso will also be made that, upon the consent of both parties, the case may be set down for trial in the same way as if it had not been previously tried or heard.

Mr. Foy proposes that the section shall also apply to County and surrogate courts. The measure passed its first reading.

Hon. A. J. Matheson, the Provincial Treasurer, intimated that he would bring down the public accounts at today's sitting, while the estimates will be forthcoming early next week.

The resolution of the Attorney-General providing for a minimum salary of \$1,200 to Sheriffs was put through committee.

THE SITUATION AT GOWGANDA.

In response to inquiries by the Liberal leader Hon. Frank Cochrane stated that the Government had taken steps towards providing police protection for the new mining camps of Gowganda and South Gowganda. Constables had already been appointed for the district. A town site had been laid out at Gowganda and the sale of lots advertised, the tenders to be opened on March 15. No site, however, had been laid out at South Gowganda. A mining division had been created and a recorder appointed. A Provincial inspection had been made, the Minister added, of the mining claims staked out between the Montreal River and the district of Algoma, and the Government had under consideration the question of continuing the branch of the T. & N. O. Railway from Charlton to Elk Lake and Gowganda.

LIBERALS WATCHING LEGISLATION.

Several of the statutes consolidating measures passed by the committee stage. In dealing with the act respecting witnesses and evidence the Opposition secured consideration of two changes. Hon. A. G. MacKay pointed out that under the present wording of the clause protecting a witness from incriminating himself he was required to formally invoke its provisions. "It means," said the Liberal leader, "that if the man has come through a lawyer's hands and is posted he gets protection, whereas if he has no counsel he may be proceeded against on his testimony. If there is any doing of it I would like to see all witnesses protected."

Hon. Mr. Foy said the point was worth further consideration. Mr. D. J. McDonough (East Ottawa) drew attention to an oversight in section 8—reckoning communications between husband and wife privileged, through which the intent was clouded. He suggested inserting the words "to him," otherwise the communications of the wife to anyone would be privileged. Sir James Whitney, for the Government, accepted the amendment.

RECOGNITION FOR OLD POLICEMEN.

Under the private legislative bill of Major J. J. Craig (East Wellington), it is proposed to give municipalities the right to superannuate policemen after 25 years of continuous service. The measure, which will be introduced today, makes the basis of gratuity one-half of the previous salary. The granting of superannuation is not made compulsory, but gives the power. Mr. Craig submitted a similar measure at last session, but it subsequently was withdrawn, on the Government's



An Example of Injurious Conditions at Harry Four Homes

NATURAL GAS EXPLOSIONS.

Mr. W. S. Brewster (Brant) has a bill under which he proposes to make insurance companies liable for damages caused by natural gas explosions. When the present statute was framed natural gas was apparently not contemplated, explosions from coal oil and other similar commodities alone being specified. Mr. Brewster states he has received requests and complaints from Hamilton and London regarding the oversight in the act, and proposes to remedy it.

PREMIER ON WAR.

Never Again Will War be Waged on Our Soil.

Still Sir Wilfrid Says We Should be Prepared.

Ottawa, Feb. 25.—The annual meeting of the Dominion Rifle Association was held this afternoon, with the President, Col. Sam Hughes, in the chair, and a large number of militia officers present from all parts of Canada. Preceding the meeting Col. Hughes tendered a luncheon to the members of the association, at which the guests included Earl Grey, Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Mr. R. L. Borden. In responding to a toast in his honor, Sir Wilfrid declared his belief in the necessity of providing for the national defence of Canada. He believed that there would never again be war on Canadian soil, since the Dominion's only neighbor came of the same Anglo-Saxon stock, and a war between these two countries would be as damnable and improbable as a civil war. But though a war was almost beyond the range of possibilities, still, said Sir Wilfrid Laurier, it did not follow that Canada should not be prepared to defend herself. "We must be prepared for war," he concluded, "but may the day never come when we shall have to show the world that we are prepared and ready to defend ourselves."

In responding to a vote of thanks for the association for his interest in rifle-shooting in Canada, Earl Grey deplored the fact that so few rich men of the country sought to encourage accurate shooting among the militia by donating prizes for annual competitions. Canada's wealth per capita, he believed, was greater than that of any other country, and the best way to secure the defence of the country was to train the citizens in the use of the army rifle. To further encourage rifle-shooting among cadet corps he promised a challenge shield for competition. The shield will be awarded to the city having the largest number of qualified cadets and to the corps in that city which shall be declared to be most efficient.

A FOG 'PHONE.

A Brooklyn Man's Contrivance Which Will Prevent Collisions.

New York, Feb. 25.—Robert H. Marriott, of Brooklyn, announced yesterday that patents had been granted to him for a device which he calls a "fog phone," and which he believes, from practical tests, will be an absolute preventive of collisions between ships in fog. He said the contrivance is simply an amplification of the present system of wireless telegraphy, also making use of wireless telephony and the submarine bell. The basic principle of it is the fact that sound travels through the air at a rate of approximately one thousand feet a second and through water at a slightly greater speed, and that when sound is reproduced by means of wireless waves its velocity is practically that of light, or 186,000 miles a second.

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The plans for the case of the Wisconsin Central to the C. P. R. are rapidly nearing completion.

An insane woman made her way into the City Hall at Philadelphia and threatened to kill the Mayor unless he kept her fare to Buffalo.

WAR ON CONSUMPTION ILLUSTRATED.

Practical models of "how to do it" are a feature of the big tuberculosis exhibit now open at 919-921 Walnut street, Philadelphia. Proper and improper conditions in sickrooms are graphically shown, and one of the most interesting displays is a reproduction of a model cottage for patients. One day 1,000 school children visited the exhibition.



School Children Near Lecture

THE ESTIMATES FOR CANALS.

Mr. Graham Says No New Works Will be Undertaken.

The Annual Jibes Made at the Newmarket Canal.

Sir Wilfrid Reassures Major Currie—Carleton Member Introduced.

Ottawa, Feb. 25.—Under the guidance of Hon. Mr. Graham, the House of Commons spent a considerable part of today's session in a survey of the canal system, the estimates for which were under consideration. An effort was made by the Opposition to obtain from the Minister of Railways a statement as to the policy regarding canals, but Mr. Graham declined to be drawn. The House and country, he observed, knew his attitude on the whole question of transportation, and he would reserve any additional statement he had to make until the Intercolonial budget came to be considered. This year the policy of the Government was not to launch out on any new undertakings. Those under construction would be proceeded with and pushed to completion, but no new works would be taken up this year. While the waterways canal, of the best in the world, they were still capable of development, and he hoped such development would not be long in coming.

Inseparable from the consideration of the canal estimates are peculiar references to the Newmarket canal, of which it is officially designated, the Holland River section of the Trent Canal, for which undertaking the appropriation this year is \$1,000,000. "The Newmarket ditch," as the Opposition facetiously described it, is a political chestnut of great antiquity. This afternoon Major Currie (North Ontario) again resurrected it, and with the aid of more or less funny newspaper cuttings endeavored to raise a chortle by referring to Newmarket's prospects of a seaport, and so on in the old familiar way. But the House has grown weary of jokes on the subject. One practical statement is worth a score of jokes, and Hon. Mr. Graham was able to point to the report made by the engineers of the department, which indicated that, in their view the Holland River branch of the Trent Canal is a practicable proposition.

Occasion was taken by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, on motion to go into supply, to expose the "mare's nest" discovered by Major Currie in connection with the boundaries treaty. The Prime Minister explained that the omission of "not" from the copy of the treaty printed for circulation, upon which Major Currie had based serious apprehensions, was a typographical error. Mr. Borden covered his young colleague's retreat by again raising the question of the delay in submitting the waterways treaty to Parliament. In view of the publication of the alleged text of the treaty in certain newspapers and also of the address by Mr. G. C. Gibbons before the Canadian Club in Toronto, and reported in The Globe, it was, he said, little less than a farce

to the treaty should not be presented to Parliament.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier replied that he was able to state on authority that the treaty had not yet been officially presented to the United States Congress, although of course it had been submitted to the Senate. The Government were pressing for permission to lay the treaty on the table, and hoped to be able to do so very soon.

"What about Mr. Gibbons?" interjected Mr. Foster.

"I am afraid," said Sir Wilfrid, "that he discussed the treaty from what he saw in the newspapers, and without authority."

Mr. Foster—He was too fresh.

The Opposition made the most of the appearance of Mr. Edward Kidd, the new member for Carleton County, his introduction by Mr. Borden and Mr. Richard Blain being greeted with loud applause.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier secured the passage of a resolution authorizing the appointment of a special committee to strike the membership of the new commission on marine and fisheries, mines and minerals, and forests, waterways and water powers.

Mr. Lennox asked whether the statement of Mr. Edmond, of the Grand Trunk Railway Company, at the Board of Trade banquet in Montreal, as reported in the Toronto Globe of February 22nd, was based on fact. The statement was to the effect that the Grand Trunk Pacific idea originated in the brain of Mr. Charles M. Hays.

When Mr. Hays returned from the Southern Pacific in 1902 he broached the subject to Mr. Wainwright. On Sir Wilfrid Laurier's return from England Mr. Wainwright was sent by Mr. Hays to see Sir Wilfrid, and it was at this meeting that the subject was first brought to the notice of Sir Wilfrid.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said he had no information as to what passed between Mr. Wainwright and Mr. Hays. It was at the fall of 1902 that the Transcontinental project was first broached.

Seeing is Believing.

A United States agency that is selling books has a man who ought to write folders. Here is a sample:

"A ton of the world! What a fascinating prospect these magic words conjure up! A tour of the world! The first enchanting glimpse into the lands that lie beyond our doors; the mingling with entirely new peoples; the viewing of strange scenes and customs; the phenomenal mind broadening it effects; the liberal education it conveys. Perhaps you have longed many times to make this marvelous trip yourself, only to be obliged to dispel the idea because of business, health, family ties, or the question of finances. Is this so?"

Our answer to the question is, call upon Mr. Grant, city passenger agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway, get the tickets and see the things as they are, instead of staying at home and thinking how they may be. One thing is certain, wherever you want to go, whatever part of the continent or of the world, no company can take you as far or look after you as well as the C. P. R.

Fifteen Years Longer Life.

Dr. Fisher, of Yale University, stated, at a meeting of life insurance presidents in New York, that proper food and the preventing of preventable disease will lengthen human life—that M. Laxa-Food is the proper food.—A. W. Maguire & Co.

Fisheries Inspector James O. Weldon has sent to Hon. Adam Beck at Toronto a petition signed by 1,064 ratepayers of London, asking that seine nets be kept out of the River Thames, and that the regulations of prohibiting them be kept in force.



Lady Constance Richardson's Bare Feet Twinkle at Fete.



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TITLED DANCER.

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New York, Feb. 25.—The Elf light that sits through the sombre express of the Norwegian mountains illuminating the dance of the trolls, played through the wail motifs of Grieg this afternoon in the ballroom of Sherry's upon the bare interpreting feet of Lady Constance Stewart Richardson.

Many people in society who may know Grieg sat in the darkness of the ballroom to watch the light play upon the white ankles, and classic flowing draperies of Lady Constance, knowing full well that in this they were gaining a new education in the mysteries of the gloomy Norse composer's moods.

Lady Constance danced the gloom of Grieg. She tripped the wholesome north air interpretative spirit through the ecstasy of Rubenstein. She did all this in the garb of a Greek maid—a primitive maid from Boetia. The King of the night, too, her husband, the hall-room of Sherry's was well filled.

There was some reticence manifested by the women who collected the tickets at 55 cents before the door of the ballroom at 5 o'clock yesterday when they were asked to tell what women were the managers of the entertainment in which Lady Constance figured as the chief attraction. None of them knew really if it was his charge of the affair. It was thought, however, that Mrs. Belmont Tiffany, who is largely interested in charitable work, was chairman of the committee of women having the affair in charge.

The entertainment was given for the benefit of the infants' milk depots that are maintained by the New York Milk Company, of which Mrs. George Wickham is president. Lady Constance received \$500 for the dance.

There were about ten men among the audience of one hundred when promptly at 5 o'clock the lights in the ballroom were lowered and a soft golden glow rested along upon a small stage at the west end of the room draped in green, with curtains of green velvet forming the background. Signor Basso sat at the left of the stage at the piano. With him were three performers on strings from the orchestra of the Metropolitan Opera House.

Sign. Basso sounded the opening chord of Mendelssohn's "Spring Song." From behind the potted trees to the left of the stage appeared Lady Constance. She was clothed in a naive costume of a late blue, clinging, simple robe that stopped half way down from the knees after having been guided once at the bosom and again in soft folds below the waist.

Her arms were very bare. Bare was her neck. Her hair loosely drooped from her neck and was gathered by a fillet across the brows. The ankles and feet of Lady Constance were dressed as for a summer wading party and as she tripped lightly through the Norse woodland the audience was carried away with delight.

MEN WERE GIANTS.

Prehistoric Underground Habitation Found in Mexico.

Mexico City, Feb. 25.—Archaeological experts are greatly interested in a discovery made a few days ago on the Isthmus of Tehuantepec. A prehistoric underground habitation was found upon the ranch of Juan Mateo Castillanos. The cavern covers a great area. Fourteen large rooms have so far been explored. These rooms are elaborately furnished with articles of the prehistoric period. The stone benches are elaborately carved, and some of them are painted. Heads of Indian chiefs, tigers and other wild animals, carved in stone, hang upon the walls. Painted stone dishes and many other curious articles were found in the rooms.

The bodies of four men, all in a mummified state, were brought to light. They are very large, and do not resemble any of the Indian types found in Mexico now. A large quantity of rich gold ore was also found in the cavern.

TRAVELER'S GUIDE

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM

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THE ASSIZES NEXT WEEK.

List of Cases Entered to Come Up For Trial.

The following is the list of actions that have been entered for trial before Justice Latchford at the Spring Assizes, which open on Monday. There are three criminal cases to be tried—Louis Perrin, aiding and abetting impersonation; James McInerney and Harry Patterson, Dundas, highway robbery, and M. M. Robinson, criminal libel. Mr. Frank Arnold, K. C., of Toronto, will be the Crown prosecutor. The civil list is:

JURY CASES. McComb vs. Grace; \$10,000, death of workman; Lewis & Arroll, plaintiffs; Stanton, O'Heir & Morrison, for defence. Ross vs. Townsend; \$505.30, salary; Ross & Tolson; Stanton, O'Heir & Morrison. Brown vs. T. H. & B. Railway; \$10,000, death of workman; Lee & Farmer; Cahill & Soule. Howell vs. Patterson; \$300, breach of agreement; Biggs & Biggs, Toronto; W. M. McLennan. Lee Sing vs. Lee Hing; \$3,000, damages for false arrest; Puhlow & O'Neil; Kerr & Thomson. Brown vs. McLennan; \$1,500, negligence; Martin Malone; Lewis & Arroll. Dymont vs. Dymont; to recover \$5,000 legacy; W. E. S. Knowles; Creswick & Alexander; Barrie. Smuck vs. Smuck; \$1,150, breach of agreement; Lewis & Arroll; W. M. McLennan. Gibson vs. Hamilton Street Railway; \$5,000, injury; Kerr & Thomson; Gibson, Osborne, O'Reilly & Levy. Cox vs. Dickenson; injury to child; W. S. McBrayne; Lee & Farmer. Baldwin vs. Soule, et al.; \$200, damages, injury to traveller; Stanton, O'Heir & Morrison; W. H. Duff and Farmer & Scheffer.

NON-JURY CASES.

Martin vs. Union Trust; specific performance; Lee & Farmer; Kerr & Thomson. Webb vs. St. Mary's & Western Ontario Railway Co.; \$90,741.14, money due estate; Bell & Pringle; J. W. Graham; St. Mary's. Reid vs. Robertson; \$566.66 and \$33.34, wages and damages for wrongfully dismissed; S. F. Washington; Lees, Hobson & Stephens. Hamilton Tool vs. Canadian Writer; \$1,260, work done; Nesbitt, Gauld & Dickson; S. F. Washington. Bull vs. City; injunction; T. D. J. Farmer; F. R. Waddell vs. City of Hamilton; \$232.28, construction and sidewalk; W. A. H. Duff; F. R. Waddell. Proctor vs. Caracellan; to establish a will; Martin & Martin; Stanton, O'Heir & Morrison; E. D. Cahill, A. C. Beasley; Peter McDonald; F. W. Harcourt; Nesbitt, Gauld & Dickson. Gage vs. Nash; \$500, damages, trespass; W. A. H. Duff; Gibson, Osborne, O'Reilly & Levy. Kennedy vs. Martin; \$250, money lent; W. H. McLennan; Gibson, Osborne, O'Reilly & Levy. Burke vs. Landers; recovery of land; Lees, Hobson & Stephens; Stanton, O'Heir & Morrison. McGregor vs. VanAllen; \$1,215.61, wages; Stanton, O'Heir & Morrison; Kerr, Bull & Co., Toronto. Brown vs. Lee; damages for wrongful detention of machinery; Stanton, O'Heir & Morrison; Betty, Blackstock & Co., Toronto.

THEY HAVE ARRIVED

Fine Samples From Bartlett Mines. Beautiful specimens of native silver from the Bartlett Mines, with all the beauties of a typical blizzard, are on exhibit today at the office of John A. Street & Co., room 503, Bank of Hamilton building. If you have not seen them today, call this evening. The office will be open until 9 p. m. Mr. J. W. Bartlett, of the firm of F. R. Bartlett & Co., is on hand and will give full particulars of the property and of the wonderful future of the Gowanda silver land. E. F. Arthur is the Hamilton representative for the Bartlett Mines. The phone is 364.

GOLD WATCH

For Geo. Riach and Umbrella For Thos. Eaton. The twenty-fifth anniversary of the institution of Barton Tent, K. O. T. M., was celebrated last evening by the holding of a banquet at which there were about 125 of the members and invited guests present. Commander Geo. Riach presided and introduced a toast list consisting of "The King," "Canada," responded to by Sir Knight McLennan; "Sister Tents," by Sir Knight J. H. Robinson, and "Ladies' Hives," by Mrs. Links. The toast list was interspersed with songs by Fred Linke and Thomas Jones, and a recitation by Miss Pearl Bloom. At the conclusion of the programme Sir Knight Commander Geo. Riach was presented with a gold watch and Sir Knight Lieut.-Commander Thomas H. Eaton with a gold-mounted umbrella, on behalf of the Tent, as a token of its appreciation of their long continued and faithful services. Prof. Linke's orchestra provided music for the banquet and dance.

GOETZ CONVICTION QUASHED.

Mr. M. J. O'Reilly, K. C., moved before Judge Monck yesterday to have the conviction of Andrew Goetz, proprietor of the Franklin House, for selling liquor on Feb. 17 last, quashed, on the grounds that there was no evidence to support the conviction. Crown Attorney Washington opposed the motion. His honor quashed the conviction, and Goetz will get his money back.

Gentlemen—Our Store Window

Will be worth your attention the next few days. The swimming reductions on suits, overcoats and hats will wind up this sale in ten days. Be sure and see the bargains—Frueh & Co., 13 and 15 James street north.

Home From England.

Mr. Robert McKay, proprietor of R. McKay & Co., has returned home from an extensive buying trip to England and the continent. Mr. McKay has made elegant selections in all the latest spring specialties, and ladies will be delighted with the numerous goods now being

TEA TABLE GOSSIP.

Tom Longboat was the guest of Jacob Obermeyer, Union Hotel, Wednesday evening.

Some of the pupils of Miss Gertrude Stares will give a musical entertainment at the boys' home this evening.

A distinguished German ecclesiastic, the Archbishop of Lemberg, in Austria, is in the city on a visit to Bishop Dowling.

To-morrow's Times will contain a Paris and interesting letter from our Paris correspondent, "Chanteclair." Look for it.

The members of the Thirteenth Practice Band are requested to attend a regular meeting this Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. Alfred Hoodless, who is staying with Miss Marjorie Brouse, Toronto, will probably visit Mrs. Oliver Adams before returning home.

Before Judge Monck this morning the case of C. Reis and C. Giesler was laid over until Thursday next, pending a settlement. The matter is a fine fence dispute. Mr. A. C. Bessley appeared for Reis and S. D. Biggs, K. C., for Giesler.

In Picquet vs. Guelph & Goderich Railway, H. S. White, for defendants, moved at Toronto, yesterday to postpone trial. A. M. Stewart, for plaintiff, Trial postponed until March 8th, and motion enlarged until that day.

A large number of friends attended the funeral of the late David V. Lewis, which took place yesterday at 2:30 p. m. from his father's residence, 207 Locke street north, to Hamilton Cemetery. Rev. D. Drummond officiated. The pallbearers were three sons, Thomas, David and Winsor, and three cousins, David and George. Many floral tributes were numerous and beautiful.

POLICE TRYING TO GET THEORY

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INSANE MAN THEORY. All last night plain clothes men and detectives scoured the surrounding country for some trace of the man, but they were forced to admit this morning that they were baffled. There is much to give color to the theory that the deer woods have been that of an insane man. For several weeks that neighborhood has been alarmed over the action of a man, who has attacked respectable women and shocked young girls with his actions.

Incidents in the south end of the city, occupied a time portion of those alarmed by what they had heard of the tragedy, were brightly illuminated last night. There was a genuine scare along Herkimer street, and all night lights burned brightly on front verandahs and inside the houses. Several stout people have discovered that their front door posts have been marked with chalk, a sort of arrow-sign, which is said to be a sign to traps, that the occupants of such houses may be depended upon to assist with money or lodging tickets.

HOW DID HE GET OUT? Which way the supposed murderer left the house and which way he took to get out of the yard, front or back, is being cleared up now. There was a story that one of the neighbors had seen a man leaving the house a few minutes after 4 o'clock. Detectives Bleakley and Currier investigated this thoroughly, but could not find the person who is alleged to have been seen here. The detectives are thoroughly satisfied that the man did not go by the back fence, as there are no marks in the alley. The back door leads through a little summer kitchen and into the yard and other than this the only entrance to the yard is a gate in the back fence, but no person has been seen the man either leaving or entering the place is a mystery.

BEACH AND COUNTY

Deputation Before Mr. Cochrane Discuss Matters in Dispute. (Special Despatch to the Times.) Toronto, Ont., Feb. 26.—A deputation representing Burlington Beach and Wentworth county waited on Hon. Frank Cochrane this morning to try to come to an agreement in the matter of the Beach's contribution to the county rates. For the county, W. A. G. Wilson, M. P. P., presided, and the deputation consisted of the County Council, with John L. Counsel as legal adviser; for the Beach, Messrs. Morden, Birge, Parks and Montague. J. G. Farmer was spokesman. Col. Hendrie was present. The party was introduced by G. C. Wilson, M. P. P. The opposing interests presented arguments and then got on opposite sides of the Minister's office and tried to come to an agreement. Col. Hendrie urged a friendly spirit and co-operation. The county made the last offer to reduce the amount from \$250,000 to \$100,000. This was refused. The Beach delegates said they did not wish to exceed \$250 per annum in full of everything.

The matter was threshed out for two hours, but no agreement was reached. The whole thing will now have to be fought out in the courts.

IN QUEBEC.

Mrs. Hoodless Honored by the Women of Montreal. Mrs. Hoodless, of this city, and Miss Watson, Principal of the Macdonald School for Girls at Guelph, were the guests of Dr. Robertson, of the Macdonald School at St. Ann's, Quebec, the first part of the week, and thoroughly inspected the institution. Mrs. Hoodless delivered an address to the students, who gave her a great ovation as the pioneer of the work in Canada. On Thursday the ladies were the guests of the Presidential head of the Montreal Council of Women at a luncheon given at the Windsor Hotel. Mrs. Hoodless, who is chairman of the technical education section of the International Council of Women, gave an interesting address on the coming meeting of the International.

LONGBOAT AT SAVOY.

Tom Longboat, the famous Indian runner, will be the guest of Manager Jack Appleton at the Savoy Theatre to-night. He and his wife will occupy one of the front boxes, and it is likely a big crowd will welcome him.

THE MAN IN OVERALLS

It seems that Inspector Birrell's "Indian list" was ultra vires or something.

The commotion at the City Hall is said to be growing worse instead of better, and no man knows what will happen next.

If those girls who were in Police Court yesterday were padding around the streets at that time of night, what were they narrow thinking about? If they have any, they should be made to tell.

Of course, it is understood that the Board of Works will have all the money it needs, and that a good roads by-law is not now needed.

You will notice that, since he went to Ottawa, Mr. Stewart has done nothing for Hamilton, not even put in a good word for the reversion wall. It was a sorry day for Hamilton when Mr. Zimmerman got left.

I understand from a reliable source that the grocers' picnic will be held at Niagara Falls this year, at least that is the probability, although I have not yet seen Ad. Ford or Mr. Ballentine.

I think the easier way would be for the members of the Indian list to wear a distinguishing badge or medal for the hotel men to see.

When titled ladies gladly go to prison for an idea there must be something in it.

Is the Hamilton Improvement Society dead for good or only for a time? Another summer campaign might work wonders. The back alleys aren't too clean yet, and some of the boulevards are looking quite frowny.

What's become of the Desjardins Interurban Electric Railway that was knocking for admission at our western gates? Also, John Patterson might report progress as to when he will put up Dundurn Park.

Do you read the true-detective stories that are appearing in Saturday's Times? Quite interesting and getting better all the time. No, they don't hurt boys or anybody else who read them.

When is justice to be done to Hamilton in the matter of a technical college? Premier Whitney makes no promise yesterday. And Hon. Mr. Hendrie had nothing to say.

My two local contemporaries seem very anxious to have Mr. Heddle quit the City Hall. Is it an effort to compromise the man with the civic rulers?

The courage of these British women suffragists may be more remarkable than their discretion. But most reforms, and this may be one, have been gained by courageous leaders.

Truth is oftentimes stranger than fiction. If that Malone-Wilkins-Simcoe case formed the plot of a novel it would be deemed absurd.

Take a look at this evening's Times ads. You may see the very thing you want.

I am asked by the mountaineers to remind the aldermen when they are planning the new electric light not to forget Mount Hamilton. They don't want to fall over the brow in the dark and break their necks.

BARTLETT MINES.

Enormous Mining Plant—Contract Closed For Delivery of Complete Equipment. One of the largest contracts for mining plants has just been signed by the Bartlett Mines, Ltd., of Gowanda, due to delivery at once. The expenditure approximately will run about \$1,000,000, including supplies for the plant for one year. The plant foundations will immediately be prepared to receive the powerful party of the plant on its arrival. Among other machinery there are two 50 horse-power boilers of 10,000 pounds each, an air compressor of 40,000 pounds, power hoists and other appliances, including an air receiver, a feed pump and a steam engine, weighing in all 9,500 pounds. The smaller articles on the list include two buckets, each weighing 250 pounds, and 3,310 pounds of steel cable, 34 inch.

In an interview with Mr. H. F. Pemberton, General Manager of the Bartlett Mines, Ltd., he said to a reporter, "We are spending a fortune on the outfit. We have beside the list above quoted a condenser of 2,500 pounds weight, and 11,000 pound hoist, 2,000 pound blow pipes, and 100,000 pounds of pipe connections." There will be a great many difficulties encountered in the taking in of the machinery on sleighs from Sellwood, which will necessitate a transportation of 68 miles from this point to Gowanda. It will be necessary to balance evenly on sleigh trucks, the large boilers and compressor, which will be accompanied by a staff of men to each sleigh, with jacks, ramps, tackles, etc., to avoid upsets. In consequence of this, slow progress will be made in the movement of these large pieces of machinery, as sleigh accidents would probably prevent development in the mines for nearly a year. Transportation will involve a large expenditure.

Bartlett Mines stockholders should feel proud for the very businesslike way in which their interests are being handled, with the view for the most effective results.

ANOTHER BRANCH.

Yesterday the Lyons Tailoring Co., of Hamilton, opened at Windsor their sixth branch store in Ontario. The manager of their Windsor store, as in the case of their other branches, is a custom tailor and cutter of acknowledged repute.

The Lyons people have earned an enviable reputation for the production of snappy, stylish cut and splendidly tailored clothes to measure.

Starting in a very modest way, the Lyons business has assumed such proportions as to require upwards of 10,000 square feet of floor space, and is growing rapidly. "Keeping everlastingly at it brings success," and the proud position the Lyons Tailoring Co. occupy today reflects credit not only upon themselves, but brings an added prestige to Hamilton. We need more of these growing industries.

\$500 REWARD

Will be paid by the City of Hamilton, Canada, for such information as will lead to the arrest and conviction of the murderer of Ethel Kirade who was shot and killed at her home in said city on the afternoon of the 25th February, 1909. Description of murderer: Age about 35 years; height, about 5 ft., 7 or 8 inches; stout build, medium dark complexion, long wavy dark hair, mustache drooping over mouth. Wore dark suit and dark overcoat and black elouch hat. In case more parties than one claim a share in the reward the same shall be proportioned by the Board of Police Commissioners of Hamilton. S. H. KENT, City Clerk.

Habit

People often talk about the strength of habits—bad habits; but good habits are just as strong, and the strongest habit of all, when once acquired, is the Savings habit.

One dollar will open an interest-bearing account with the Dominion Bank.

GET THE SAVINGS HABIT.

The DOMINION BANK

Main Office—39 MacNab St. N. East End Branch—Corner King and Wentworth Sts. W. K. PEARCE, Manager.

DEATHS

COOMBS—In this city on Wednesday, February 24th, 1909, Jane Fisher, beloved wife of James Coombs, of Port William (formerly of this city) aged 48 years. Funeral from the residence of her brother-in-law, Mr. George Coombs, 131 Stanley avenue, on Saturday at 2:30 p. m., to Hamilton Cemetery. Kindly omit flowers. Fort William papers please copy.

INGLEHART—At the City Hospital on Friday, 25th February, 1909, James H. Inglehart, aged 72 years. Funeral from the residence of his son-in-law, V. H. Carpenter, 125 Main street west, Monday, Feb. 26, at 10 o'clock. Interment at St. Andrew's Church, Grimsby.

KINRADE—At No. 106 Herkimer street on Thursday, 25th February, 1909, Elizabeth Caroline, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Kinrade, aged 23 years. Funeral Sunday at 2 p. m. Interment at Hamilton Cemetery.

THE WEATHER.

FORECASTS—Fair and comparatively mild, local snow flurries to-night. Saturday northerly winds and mostly fair with a little lower temperature.

WEATHER NOTES. The storm is dispersing over the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The weather is decidedly cold from the Ottawa Valley to the Maritime Provinces and moderate and cold in Western Ontario and Manitoba.

Washington, Feb. 26.—Eastern States and Northern New York—Rain or snow, warmer tonight and Saturday, except fair in extreme north portion to-night; moderate variable winds, becoming southerly.

Western New York—Snow or variable to-night and Saturday; warmer to-night.

TWO IN ONE.

Court International Joins Forces With Court Orient.

There was the usual large attendance of members at the regular meeting of Court Orient, Independent Order of Foresters, last night. Four applications for membership were received and three initiated. One member received the first instalment of his old age annuity, amounting to \$250. An important feature of the business of the evening was the consolidation of Court International with Court Orient. This event had been in contemplation for some time, the result being a large turn-out of the members of the youngest court in the city to proceed with the formalities of amalgamation with one of the big, strong, healthy courts. Bro. Robert H. Foster, High Chief Ranger, performed the ceremony, while Bro. Wm. Allan, the presiding officer of Court Orient, warmly welcomed the members from the northeast end, and assured them that the action taken would certainly be of a beneficial character in the interests of Forestry, Bro. Thompson, Chief Ranger of Court International, in a graceful manner thanked the officials of Court Orient for the kindly feelings extended, and intimated that he and his associates would continue to exert themselves in the upbuilding of the membership and welfare of the combined court. After the regular business had been concluded, good cigars, pipes and tobacco were plentifully supplied, and progressive euchre took up the remainder of the evening.

DAUGHTERS OF THE EMPIRE.

The officers of Hamilton Municipal Chapter, Daughters of the Empire, held a meeting in the Y. W. C. A. parlour for the annual meeting, which will be held on Monday afternoon at 3:30 in Centenary Sunday school. Mrs. Nordheimer, Toronto, President of the National Council, and Mrs. George, Secretary of the National Council, will address the meeting. Mrs. P. D. Crear will entertain the ladies at 5 o'clock tea.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS.

February 26.—Aguilante—At New York, from Southampton. Rio d'Alente—At New York, from Genoa. February 27.—Adriatic—At New York, from Southampton. Genoa—At New York, from Trieste. Numidian—At Philadelphia, from Glasgow. Canadian—At Boston, from Liverpool. Cruise—At Queenstown, from Boston. Bostonian—At Liverpool, from Boston. Lancastrian—At London, from Boston. Ryndam—At Rotterdam, from New York. La Provence—At Havre, from New York. Columbia—At Madeira, from New York. Galathea—At Marselles, from New York. Groszer Kurort—At Genoa, from New York. Genoa—At New York, from Copenhagen. California—At Cape Haze, from Glasgow. Carlsbergian—At Halifax, from Glasgow. Pomeranian—At Halifax, from Havre.

NOTICE

The annual meeting of the shareholders of The H. Stone Company, Limited, will be held at the office of the company, No. 11 King street east, Hamilton, Ontario, on Wednesday, March 10th, 1909, at the hour of 11 o'clock in the forenoon. E. J. MOORE, Secretary. Hamilton, Ontario, February 25th, 1909.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

WANTED—EXPERIENCED HOUSEMAID. References required. Apply Mrs. R. Moodie, "Bliss Bonnie," Bay street south.

\$1.25 For Saturday \$1.25 For 69c

Last Day of Treble's Greatest Spring Shirt Sale-- Record Values in Final Sweep-Out

To-morrow night at 11 o'clock will bring to close the most successful shirt sale Hamilton has ever seen, and no wise man can allow this golden opportunity to pass unheeding, for long will be the day before such values will delight Hamilton men again.

WARNING—The last day values will not allow dilatory shopping, so be on hand early. Sizes 14 to 18.

Your Last Chance to Buy \$1.25 Spring 69c Half Price Men's Suspenders, Reg. 25c 50c, for

90c, Shirts, English Oxfords, regular \$1.25 and \$1.50. 40c, Boys' Shirts, regular 75c. 60c, Men's Night Shirts, regular \$1. \$1.50, Shirts, best English materials, regular \$2.00 and \$2.50.

Irresistible Values in Boot Dept. Corner King and John

\$2.75, worth \$3.50 \$3.75, worth \$4.00 Velour or Dongola. Men's Goodyear welts, box calf.

Leather \$3.39 worth \$4.00 Limited Box Calf Bluchers, solid leather.

TREBLE'S Two Stores N.E. Cor King and James N.E. Cor. King and John

Women's Accounts

are especially welcomed by this Bank. Not only is absolute safety assured, but every convenience is extended, and both officers and employees are glad to give every possible assistance.

There is a comfortable reception room, provided with writing materials and desks.

None but new money, whether coin or paper, is given to the Bank's customers.

THE TRADERS BANK OF CANADA KING STREET WEST

MEADOWS' TRIAL. Case of Buffalo Society Man is Up in Criminal Court. He is Accused of Failing to Deliver Stock Valued at \$72,000.

Buffalo, Feb. 26.—From the proud position of senior member of a brokerage firm that dealt in thousands of dollars' worth of stocks each day, to that of bankrupt; from a popular clubman and society man to face a charge of grand larceny, was the situation that confronted Harold G. Meadows yesterday morning when he seated himself in criminal court before Justice Brown, who is to preside at his trial.

William E. Silverthorne is the man who brought the grand larceny charge against "Harold" Meadows. When he obtained the warrant for the arrest of the broker, Mr. Silverthorne stated under oath that he ordered Mr. Meadows to purchase for him \$72,000 worth of U. S. Steel stock; that he received word that the stock had been purchased; that he returned to France on a honeymoon and returned to find the brokerage firm bankrupt, and that he has been unable to secure either his stock or the cheque for \$72,000 which he sent to Meadows, Williams & Co.

There are other indictments against "Harold" Meadows, but the Silverthorne charges were given precedence over all others, presumably because Mr. Silverthorne was the first to state that he would either get his money or try to send Meadows to jail. Mr. Silverthorne is a former lumber operator who is intimately acquainted with society leaders in Buffalo, Chicago and several southern cities. He is vice-president of a Chicago betting firm and is reputed to be a millionaire.

Have You Seen the facilities afforded by our new building for caring for your savings? You are invited to inspect the premises. THREE AND ONE-HALF PER CENT. ON DAILY BALANCE Landed Banking & Loan Co., Cor. James and Main

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Parke's Cough Balsam that they will refund your money if after you buy a bottle of Parke's Cough Balsam it fails to give satisfaction. This Balsam is recommended in all cases of coughs and colds. It is healing and soothing to the bronchial tubes, and by the liberal guarantee attached to each bottle you can't lose, because it is either a cure or your money back. Fifty cents per bottle.

Parke's Cough Balsam 17, 19, 21 & 23 Market St. 22 & 24 MacNab St. W.

AUCTION SALE Pursuant to the powers of sale contained in a certain mortgage, which will be produced at the time of sale, there will be offered for sale, by public auction on Saturday, the 13th day of March, A. D. 1909, at the hour of 12 o'clock, noon, at the office of William Howeman in the Bank of Hamilton Building in the City of Hamilton, auctioneer, the following property: Part of lots numbers 13 and 14 in Manby's survey, being 67 Stanley avenue, in the said City of Hamilton. TERMS OF SALE: Ten per cent of the purchase money to be paid down at the time of sale and the balance within thirty days thereafter. The property will be sold subject to a reverse bid, and also subject to a prior mortgage thereon, for the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars, and subject to the existing tenancy. For further particulars and conditions of sale, apply to Lees, Hobson & Stephens, Bank of Hamilton Building, Hamilton, auctioneer, for the vendor. Dated the 25th day of February, A. D. 1909.

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FORD AUTOMOBILE \$1,000.00 A capable of touring car, 50 H. P. Ford, 1908 model. Automobile Garage Co., 55 St. Bay north, Hamilton agents.

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AMUSEMENTS GRAND To-night The Irish Comedian CHAS. MACK Is a Member of Ireland's COME BACK TO ERIN SEATS ON SALE

SAVOY PHONE 2191 Mts.—Puss, Thurs and Sat. JOSEPH SELMAN CO. Presents The Great Musical Play NELL GWYNN PRICES: Mar. 10, 15, 25c. Feb. 15, 25, 35, 50c. Souvenir Matinee every Tuesday.

BENNETT'S Hamilton's Home of Variety Mr. and Mrs. GARDNER GRAY & CO. Presenting Pixley's Prodigious Variety JOHN W. WORLD & MINDEL KINGSTON. Damm Bros., Arthur Rigby and others. Matinee daily, 10, 15, 25c. Evening, 15, 25, 35, 50 and 60c. Seats now on sale. Phone 303.

ALEXANDRA TO-NIGHT Ancaster Session 15 SKATING NUMBERS. The Alexandra patrons should welcome the variety of skating with the crowd. No advance in prices. Balcony 10c.

THISTLE RINK Good Ice. Band To-night Also Saturday night if weather permits.

Britannia Roller Rink. TO-NIGHT 15 Skating Numbers SATURDAY NIGHT "LOWMYER" BAND. Skating 7:30-11 o'clock. Irish Carnival, March 17.

COLD STORAGE Rooms for the storage of Fruits, Meats, Vegetables, Cheese, Butter and Furs. APPLY TO F. W. FEARMAN CO., LIMITED REBECCA STREET

LISTEN TO THIS This is the last week of this giving away sale and it has been the best ever had. Every lady that came to our show rooms went away with a genuine bargain and now for these few days we will give you ladies' bonnets at half price, all felt shapes at half price. A number of those 10c felt shapes on sale yet. Come and get one. All trimmed hats in stock from New York. See these new black silk turbans for mourning wear just in from New York, only \$2.50 each. Come and see them. We are making this the best week of all to clear out the stock to make room for the imported goods that are coming in, also the novelties from New York, the result of Mrs. Hinman's visit to that great millinery centre. Edman Atkinson 4 JOHN ST. NORTH UPstairs

Spring Wall Papers Now Arriving A. C. TURNBULL 17 King Street East

HAMILTON GAS LIGHT COMPANY The Annual General Meeting of the shareholders of the above company will be held at the company's office, Park street north, in the City of Hamilton, on Monday, March 15th, 1909, at 12 o'clock, noon, to receive the report of the directors for the past year, for the election of directors for the ensuing year and for the transaction of other business. By Order JOHN KEILLOR, Superintendent.

For the Lenten Season Large Ciscoes, Extra Bloaters, Delightful Haddies, Boneless Cod, Loch Fyne Herrings. ALSO Large Marmalade Oranges. James Osborne & Son FEB. 18, 6, 30, 12 and 14 James St. S.

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