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CARRICK NOMINATIONS.

FOR REEVE.

MOSES FILSINGER, proposed by Fred Weiler and John D. Miller.
ECKHARDT SIEGNER, proposed by J. M. Fischer and Con. Schmidt.

FOR DEPUTY REEVE.

WILLIAM J. POMEROY, proposed by A. Murat and Christian Weiler.

JOHN M. FISCHER, proposed by Conrad Schmidt and John Renwick, (resigned)

FOR COUNCILLORS.

LEOPOLD KRAMER, proposed by C. Liesemer and Conrad Sieling.

CHRISTIAN WAACK, proposed by Louis Braun and William Loth.

JACOB MILLER, proposed by Fred Weiler and Henry Reuber. (Resigned.)

HENRY BOETTGER, proposed by John G. Weber and John Lints.

HENRY REUBER, proposed by Aloys Murat and Conrad Hill.

CONRAD SCHMIDT, proposed by Simon Goetz and John Lints.

CONRAD SIELING, proposed by William Loth and Seraphin Herring. (Resigned.)

Seldom in the history of the township has there been such a large attendance of ratepayers at the nomination meeting.

The spacious hall was packed to the door. The nominations were received from 12 to 1 o'clock, and the meeting then adjourned until two o'clock to give every ratepayer an opportunity of being present.

At that hour the township clerk was appointed chairman, and called upon the speakers in the following order:

Fred. Weiler, mover of M. Filsinger for reeve, said that gentleman had proved himself a capable man, and was worthy of the office of reeve. Taxes were lower this year, in spite of the many genuine improvements throughout the township.

The 1907 council had been careful and economical, and no charges could be laid against them.

John D. Miller said the township never had a better man for reeve than Mr. Filsinger, and in the County Council his counsel and advice was always sought after. The township can't afford to throw a good man down, and advised all theratepayers to support the old reeve.

Mr. Filsinger thanked his proposers, and then reviewed the year's business, explaining each department. He went fully into all the details of the cutting of the Formosa rock, the deviation and the hospital grant. In reference to the bridges recently assumed by the county Mr. Filsinger informed the electors that he had opposed the idea of making them county bridges from first to last. Mr. Pomeroiy and he had been successful in having the county assume all costs in connection with the approaching litigation re the deviation, and the county had

also reimbursed the township of all the costs of the appeal at Toronto. In conclusion Mr. Filsinger asked the ratepayers to support him again if they thought that he was deserved to be returned again to the position of reeve.

John M. Fischer in moving E. Seigner for Reeve, said that his nominee was a shrewd business man, a self-made man and the township would make no mistake in electing him. The county rate, he remarked, was \$1000 higher than four years ago, and would like to know where the money went to. He insisted that the County Council acted foolishly in assuming the three large bridges, as in his opinion they were not legally compelled to do so.

Conrad Schmidt seconded Mr. Seigner for reeve, because he was a good man for the office. He was defeated last year through the circulation of false reports. Mr. Seigner was a capable man in his own affairs, and was worthy of good support on election day.

Mr. Seigner thanked his proposers for bringing his name before the electors. He had not much fault to find with the township affairs, but the county rate needs looking after. Special meetings and bridges seem to be absorbing more money than necessary. Mr. Seigner was not against the hospital grant, and couldn't condemn the County for supporting this institution. Some people say that he is a retired farmer, but he contributes a good liberal share of taxes to the township just the same. Asked the electors to mark their ballot for him on Monday next.

A Murat appeared as mover of W. J. Pomeroiy for Deputy Reeve. Mr. Pomeroiy was as good a man as it is possible to secure for that office. Mr. Murat took up the expenditures in Mildmay and proved conclusively that Mildmay pays in even more than it received from the township. This year's improvements had been well looked after and money carefully spent.

Christian Weiler of Formosa then took the platform as seconder of W. J. Pomeroiy. It is 18 years since he attended a nomination, and he was here now to defend the straightening of the Formosa road. He congratulated the township on having such good representatives as Filsinger and Pomeroiy in the County Council. He gave strong reasons for the cutting of the rock at Formosa, and his address was a convincing one.

W. J. Pomeroiy thanked the electors of Carrick for their liberal support in times past, in return for which he done his best in the interests of the township. In the County Council, the very best legal authority, including a decision on the matter by Judge Meredith, declared that the County must assume three large bridges, and the County took them over in order to avoid a lawsuit.

John Renwick, seconder of J. M. Fischer, wanted to see a new council altogether, arguing that new men will have new ideas on municipal affairs.

J. M. Fischer informed the electors that he was not a candidate for the Deputy-Reeveship of Carrick having had all the honors of the position in years past.

C. Liesemer moved Leopold Kramer because that corner of the township requires a representative. Mr. Kramer was defeated by 1 vote last election, but would undoubtedly go in by a good majority this year. Mr. Liesemer defended the County in assuming the bridges when they were backed up by such competent legal authority. The cost of fighting a lawsuit would go a good way in erecting one of the bridges.

Conrad Sieling had sat in Council with Mr. Kramer for eighteen months and was glad to have a chance of saying a word in his favor. He had always been economical in council matters, and deserved liberal support.

Mr. Kramer thanked his proposers for nominating him. He was no stranger to the ratepayers of Carrick, and had always done his best while in office. Wished all a happy New Year.

Louis Braun proposed Chris. Waack for councillor because he was a man of good common sense and experience and deserved to be re-elected.

William Loth challenged any person to say anything against his neighbor, Christian Waack, who is again in the field for 1908. Mr. Loth was well satisfied with the 1907 council.

Mr. Waack thanked his proposers for their kind words. He was elected last year by a majority of one vote, defeating a good man, and asked for a good support again this year. He wished all

the electors a happy and prosperous New Year.

Fred Weiler wanted to have the old council re-elected by acclamation.

Henry Reuber nominated Mr. Miller for councillor, but he understood that he wasn't in the field for re-election. Jacob Miller thanked the electors for their very liberal support last election, and resigned in favor of Mr. Reuber.

John G. Weber moved Henry Reuber for the office of councillor, because he is a good man in the public service. He had held several public offices and had proved himself a capable man.

John Lints thought the people of Carrick were intelligent enough to recognize a good man for a public position, and on this ground he appealed for support to Mr. Boettger.

Henry Boettger said the taxes were somewhat higher than usual, and that they could be reduced if capable men were elected.

Simon Goetz moved Conrad Schmidt for Councillor because that gentleman had served the township well and faithfully in the different offices which he has held, and should be supported again.

Conrad Schmidt stated that he had been approached by a great many asking him to stand for councillor, and he had decided to do so. However, if he could avoid an election by retiring from the fight he was willing to do so. He promised the township his best services if elected.

William Loth, said that Mildmay needs a representative in council, therefore he had nominated Conrad Sieling. Mr. Sieling is a good business man, and should be in the council again.

Seraphin Herring assured the audience that the name and reputation of "Conrad Sieling" was enough to recommend him to the electors of Carrick. Mr. Sieling is a capable business man, and one who could say "no" when the occasion demands it. He learned that Mr. Sieling had some intention of retiring from the fight, and if that were true, the township would be a distinct loser thereby.

Conrad Sieling had been approached by a great number asking him to stand again, but he would not let himself stand in the way of the council being elected by acclamation. The affairs of the township had been well and carefully managed during the past year.

A Murat learned that some of the members of 1907 council intended retiring from the position, and he advised the electors of Carrick to elect Mr. Henry Reuber to fill the vacancy. Mr. Reuber is a man of excellent judgment and considerable municipal experience.

Mr. Reuber informed the electors that he had been in the council for two years, and had done his best while in office. There were a good many capable men in the field, and he had no doubt the ratepayers of Carrick would elect the best. He solicited a hearty support at the polls on Monday next.

BELMORE.

A tea meeting will be held in connection with Belmore Presbyterian church, on Friday, Jan. 3rd. Tea served from 6 to 8 o'clock in the hall; program in the church. Addresses are expected from a number of ministers; there will also be recitations, solos, and music by the choir. Admission, 25c; children, 15c.

Farmers Institute meetings under the auspices of South Bruce Farmers Institute will be held in the Foresters' Hall, Belmore, on Saturday, January 11, 1908, commencing at 2 p. m., when the following addresses will be given: 1.—The Chairman's Address. 2.—Raising Feed for Live Stock" by John Gardhouse of Highfield. 3.—"Am I raising the most Profitable Horses" by W. F. Kydd of Simcoe, Ont. All are invited to take part in the discussions. At the evening session, 7:30 p. m., addresses will be given by W. F. Kydd on "Small Fruits and Care of Grape Vines" and J. Gardhouse on "How to improve Present Farm Conditions". All are invited to attend these meetings, especially the ladies at the evening session. A program is being prepared for the occasion. Any farmers having choice roots, corn or grain of any kind bring a sample of it to the meeting and let us know how you grow it.

Statisticians have figured out that a woman talks about 8 times as much as a man. Well, the average woman has about eight times as much time to talk.

Christmas Fare

CHRISTMAS CAKES.

Farmers' Fruit Cake.—Chop fine half a pint of dried apples; cover with half a pint of cold water and let them soak over night. The next morning add a cupful of golden syrup; simmer gently for one hour. Stand aside to cool. Beat half a cupful of butter to a cream; add one cupful of granulated sugar. Dissolve a teaspoonful of soda in two tablespoonfuls of water and add it to half a cupful of buttermilk or sour milk; add this to the batter; add two teaspoonfuls of cinnamon, half a teaspoonful of cloves, and one egg well beaten. Sift two cupfuls of flour; add a little flour, a little of dried apple mixture, and a little more flour until you have the whole well mixed. The batter must be the thickness of ordinary cake batter. Pour this into a well greased cake pan, and bake in a moderate oven for one hour.

Poor Man's Fruit Cake.—A delicious cake, but must be made most carefully to bring about good results. It, like all fruit cakes, is the better for standing. Seed and chop fine one pound of layer raisins. Dissolve a quarter of a teaspoonful of soda in two tablespoonfuls of warm water; then stir it into half a cupful of New Orleans molasses; add to this half a pint of thick sour cream and a cupful of dark-brown sugar. Sift three and a quarter cupfuls of pastry flour; add to it the mixture, and beat thoroughly; then add a tablespoonful of allspice and a tablespoonful each of cloves and cinnamon; add the raisins, floured. Turn into a square or round pan and bake in a moderate oven for one hour and a half.

Domino Cakes.—Dominoes are not difficult to make. Beat half a pound of butter to a cream, adding gradually two cupfuls of sugar; add the yolks of four eggs. Beat thoroughly; then fold in the well beaten whites and three cupfuls of pastry flour sifted with two teaspoonfuls of baking powder. Pour into greased shallow pans to the depth of half an inch. Bake in a moderate oven for fifteen minutes. When done turn out on a cloth to cool, and when cold cut with a sharp knife into oblong pieces the shape and size of a domino. Cover the top and sides with white icing; when this has hardened dip a wooden skewer into melted chocolate and draw the lines and make the dots of the dominoes. Children always are delighted with these little cakes.

Sand Tarts.—Beat half a pound of butter to a cream and add half a pound of granulated sugar; then add the yolks of three eggs and the whites of two, beaten together; add a teaspoonful of vanilla and just a little grated nutmeg. Mix in sufficient flour to make a dough. Dust your baking board thickly with granulated sugar. Take out a piece of dough, roll with a thin sheet, cut with round cutters and bake in a moderate oven until a light brown. Dust the top of the sheet with sugar instead of flour, to prevent the roller from sticking. By adding half a pound of cleaned currants to the above recipe you will have Shrewsbury currant cakes.

CHRISTMAS CANDIES.

Confectionery is one of the prerogatives of childhood and is looked for as Christmas by people of all ages, and as choice French candies are beyond the capacity of many a purse, and cheap ones are often made unwholesome, if not positively dangerous, by adulteration, home-made candies become popular, many delicious and attractive varieties being as easily made as any other toothsome dainties.

A preparation called fondant—made by removing boiled syrup from the fire just before it will harden is the foundation of nearly all French candies, and when once the art of making this is mastered, a large variety of candies are easily made.

Fondant.—To one pound of sugar add one-half pint cold water and one-fourth teaspoonful cream of tartar and boil rapidly for ten minutes without stirring. Dip the fingers into ice water, drop a little of the syrup into cold water, then roll it between the fingers until it forms a soft, creamy, adhesive ball. If not hard enough boil a little longer, and if too hard add a little water, boil up, and test again. Set aside in the kettle to become lukewarm, then stir the mass with a ladle until it is white and dry at the edge. It should then be taken out and kneaded, exactly as one would knead dough, until it is creamy and soft. By covering with a damp cloth and keeping in a cool place it will keep well for several days, and several times this amount may be made at one time. In making several pounds it is better to divide the mass before kneading, and each part may be flavored differently.

Chocolate Creams.—Dust the molding board with as little flour as possible and roll a piece of fondant into a cylindrical shape. Cut in into regular shaped pieces, roll between the palms of the hands until round, lay on paraffin paper, and let harden until the next day. Melt a cake of chocolate in a rather deep vessel that has been set in a pan of hot water, add a piece of paraffin half as large as a walnut, the same amount of butter, and one-fourth teaspoonful of vanilla. Roll the cream in this by using a steel fork or croch-



"Whew, here I am with presents for little boys and girls."

needle, and place again on paraffin paper.

Nut Rolls.—Take equal parts of whatever variety of nut meats you prefer and fondant. Mix well and form into a roll. Cover this with plain fondant, roll in granulated sugar, and let harden until next day, then cut crosswise.

PLUM PUDDING.

One pound of butter, one pound of suet, chopped and free from strings, one pound of sugar, two and a half pounds of flour, two pounds of raisins, seeded and chopped, two pounds of currants, stemmed and washed, one-quarter pound of citron, shredded, one dozen eggs, yolks and whites beaten separately, one pint of milk, one cup of brandy, one-half ounce each of cloves and mace, two grated nutmegs. Cream butter and sugar, add the yolks of the eggs, the milk, and brandy, and spice, after that the fruit, dredged with flour. Last of all pour in the whites of the eggs, alternately with the flour. Steam for five hours.

CHRISTMAS HINTS.

Raisins for Plum Pudding.—Remember that muscatel raisins will give the puddings a richer flavor and better color. You can buy them cheaply if loose and not in bunches.

When Choosing the Turkey.—Medium sized turkeys really are far more tender than those gigantic birds so proudly displayed by poulterers.

Christmas Pudding.—Allow the Christmas pudding to stand for at least five minutes before turning it out of the basin to serve; it lessens the chance of it sticking.

Currants.—When washing the currants for mince meat and Christmas pudding bear in mind that if left all damp they cause heaviness and if they are dried in a hurry before a quick fire their flavor is spoiled.

For the Boys.—When the housekeeping purse will allow it, an extra batch of perhaps plainer mince pie, etc., give great pleasure to the various errand

boys and messengers who may come to the house during Christmas.

To Frost Holly Leaves.—For dessert dishes pick some nice leaves from the stalks of holly and wipe dry, then place them on a dish near the fire to get quite dry, but not too near to shrivel; dip them in oiled butter, sprinkle over them some coarsely ground sugar and dry them before the fire.

Pudding.—A good recipe for Christmas pudding: One pound of raisins, one pound of currants, one pound of raw sugar, half a pound of sultanas, one pound of finely chopped suet, one pound of flour, one pound of bread-crumbs; two ounces of candied peel, half ounce of bitter almonds, one ounce of sweet almonds, four eggs, one teaspoonful of allspice, one pint of milk, one gill of brandy or rum. All mixed well together and boiled for eight hours.

AT LAST! EXPLAINED.

Jack Sprat he wanted fat,
His wife she longed for lean,
For he was as thin as a rail, and she
Weighed two hundred and seventeen.

ONE WAS ENOUGH.

Mrs. McStinger—"If I should die you would never get another wife who would look after you as I have done."
Mr. McStinger—"No, not if I could help it."

THE CHRISTMAS TABLE.

Do not overdress the Christmas table. Holly is always beautiful and appropriate, while white chrysanthemums seem the very best possible flower. A handsome centerpiece is a high dish, silver or glass, piled with several colors of grapes, or other fruit, with leaves if possible; nothing is prettier than rosy apples, with a few green leaves. The cloth at the bottom of the dish is wreathed with holly. This is about as simple as possible, but it is good. If flowers be desired, a white chrysanthemum at each cover will serve.



AN AFTERTHOUGHT.

Mr. Christmas Shopper suddenly remembers that he has not paid last year's coal bill.

FUN FOR CHRISTMAS GATHERINGS.

The following jolly game was recently played after this fashion: The guests were arranged in a circle around the room. One young man occupied a revolving chair in the centre of the circle, so that he could easily face any one in the room.

"Ladies and gentlemen," he said, "I am here for criticism, advice and condemnation. I am not sensitive, and it doesn't matter what I get, but the principal words of your answers must begin with my initials, J. C. F." Turning to the first one he said, "What sort of a chap am I?"

"Jolly, careful and frisky," was the prompt answer.

To her right-handed neighbor he said: "What sort of a wife ought I to have?"

"Jaunty, cunning and fast," was a rather disconcerting reply.

"What ought I to eat?" he asked the next person.

"Jam, custard and fish," she answered.

"What profession am I best fitted for?" was asked the next person.

"Janitor, carpenter or fisherman," was the reply.

"I don't agree with you," he exclaimed.

Appealing to the next person he said: "What do you think I am best fitted for?"

"Judge, commercial lawyer or financier," was the more flattering answer.

And so the game went on. When a person failed to make an answer he was obliged to change places with the questioner, and, giving his own initials, ask questions about himself. No question is allowed on any other subject or about any one else. Only two minutes is allowed for thinking of an answer.

DUMB CRAMBO.

To play this game the guests are divided into companies of six, who take turns in leaving the room. When the first six go out those remaining select a word, then a word rhyming with that one is mentioned to the outside party, who then re-enters the room, one or more, or all at once, and proceed to act other rhyming words, until they find the right one.

For instance, the company who first left the room were told that they must act a word that rhymed with "dell." One of them immediately came in ringing a tea bell.

"No," said the audience, "it is not bell."

It will be observed that the audience is obliged to guess what word the company is acting, while the company must guess the word the audience wishes acted.

Sell, well, tell and Nell were acted to no purpose, but when "cell" was represented it was pronounced the right word.

RHYMING COURTS.

The players in this game choose a judge and a sheriff. The judge takes a seat and the sheriff immediately runs after the rest of the players till one is caught. The prisoner is taken before the judge and the sheriff makes a charge. The charge may be anything. For instance, "I caught this person stealing some hay."

The prisoner must answer in such a way as to make a rhyme. Thus he may reply:

"The sheriff's brain must be astray."

The sheriff must respond at once with testimony, as, for instance:

"Why, I saw the prisoner do it." And the prisoner may answer:

"He wasn't there, and he knew it."

This continues till the prisoner fails to find an answer that rhymes, when he or she is thrust into a dungeon. If, however, the prisoner answers in rhyme at least six times, the judge thunders something like:

"Discharge the sheriff for not being right." And if any of the other players can respond immediately with a rhyme, as, for example, "Give me his job and I'll work day and night," that player gets the office, while the prisoner is released and promoted to be assistant judge.

Thus the game continues till all the players are either in prison or promoted to be assistant judges.

MAGIC CIRCLE.

Tell your audience that it is in your power to place any person present in the middle of the room and draw a circle round him, out of which, although his legs and arms are free, it will be impossible for him to escape without taking his coat off.

"I shall use absolutely no force to detain you," you must say, "and I shall not bind you in any way, but all the same you will not be able to get out of the ring, struggle as you will, without partially undressing."

Your audience will be considerably puzzled, and some one is sure to offer to be put in the magic ring. Place the person in the middle of the room, blindfold him, button up his coat, and then take a piece of white chalk and draw a line right around his waist, outside the coat. When the handkerchief has been taken off his eyes he will see that it is impossible for him to get out of the "ring" without taking off his coat, and the audience will laugh heartily at the joke.

BASTE THE BEAR.

To play the game of "baste the bear," one of the players is chosen bear. He sits on a stool with a rope about four yards long tied around his waist, the other end being held by the bear's master. The other players run around them, flicking at the bear with their handkerchiefs, the master trying to catch them

without letting go the end of the rope or pulling the bear over. Should he do so, he must give his place to the player last touched. Each player captured takes the bear's place.

DICK'S MODEST WISH.

I wish I had a rubber sock
And it was ten foot long,
And big around as sister's frock
And everlastin' strong!

And then when dear old Santa came
He'd laugh and say, "Ho ho!
That's pretty big!" But just the same
He'd fill it up I know.

You know dad said last Christmas
Time
That why there wasn't all
For me that I had wanted was
My sock was lots too small.

But if I had that whopping sock
I'd sit up nights to write
A list of things I'd like to have
Put in it, Christmas night.

I'd wish an auto-car for dad
With lots of gasoline,
And for mamma the very best
Piano ever seen.

And sister should have lots of dolls
Packed round in all the cracks
And I would have a bicycle,
Just like my cousin Jack's.

Last year I wished a rocking-horse
But seven's too old for that—
I'd rather have a real live one;
Sis wants a long-furred cat.

If all the little boys and girls,
Yes, every single one,
Had such a dandy sock as that,
Say, wouldn't it be fun?

WHAT CHRISTMAS MEANS TO ME.

By Mary Baker G. Eddy, Founder of Christian Science.

To me Christmas involves an open secret, understood by few—or by none—and unutterable except in Christian Science. Christ was born of the flesh, born of Spirit—and not of matter.

Jesus, the Galilean prophet, was born of the Virgin Mary's spiritual thoughts of Life and its manifestation.

God creates man perfect and eternal in His own image. Hence man is the image or likeness of perfection—an ideal which cannot fall from its inherent unity with divine Love, from its spotless purity and original perfection.

Obscured by material sense, Christmas commemorates the birth of a human, material, mortal babe—a babe born in a manger amidst the flocks and herds of a Jewish village.

This homely origin of the babe Jesus falls far short of my sense of the eternal Christ. Truth, never born and never dying. I celebrate Christmas with my soul, my spiritual sense, and so commemorate the entrance into human understanding of the Christ conceived of Spirit, of God and not of a woman—as the birth of Truth, the dawn of divine Love breaking upon the gloom of matter and evil with the glory of infinite being.

Human doctrines or hypotheses or vague human philosophy afford little divine effulgence, delicate presence or power. Christmas to me is the reminder of God's great gift—His spiritual idea, man and the universe—a gift which so transcends mortal, material, sensual giving that the merriment, mad ambition, rivalry and ritual of our common Christmas seem a human mockery in mimicry of the real worship in commemoration of Christ's coming.

I love to observe Christmas in quietude, humbly, benevolence, charity, letting good will toward man, eloquent silence, prayer and praise express my conception of Truth appearing.

The splendor of this nativity of Christ reveals infinite meanings and gives manifold blessings. Material gifts and pastimes tend to obliterate the spiritual idea in consciousness, leaving one alone and without His glory.

THE SIGN OF PLENTY.

Master Tommy followed in the footsteps of that patron saint of feeding, Jack Horner, of Christmas pie fame, but instead of retiring to a corner, Tommy made a little glutton of himself at the family table.

His uncle one day noticed Tommy gobbling up mince-plex, jam, and cake with alarming rapidity, and thought it time to interfere.

"Tommy," he said, "you are a very greedy little boy. If I had eaten like you do when I was your age, my mother would have spanked me. Do you ever feel as if you've had enough?"

"Oh, yes," replied Tommy, "often." "How do you know when you're satisfied?" asked his uncle, with considerable anxiety.

"I just keep on steadily eating till I've got a pain, and then I eat one more rich cake to make sure!"

GEOLOGICAL.

Miss Dora—Papa, Jack told me the other day that you wouldn't believe he had money enough to support me unless he showed it to you. Has he done it?

Prudent Papa—Yes, dear. He proved it by the testimony of the rocks.

Some men have such weak eyes they actually couldn't tell the truth if they saw it.

THE SACRIFICE;

OR
FOR HER FAMILY'S SAKE.

CHAPTER XXIII.—(Continued).

Lora had gone to bed. Her mother had given up her own room to her. She would gladly have given her life for the poor child, if thereby she could have made this wretched marriage as though it had never been.

She sat beside the bed and held her daughter's hands, and asked again and again: "How do you feel now, Lora? Are you comfortable? You are not crying?"

"Oh, so well, mamma. It is so sweet to be at home," was the reply. "And when uncle comes you will let him come up here and tell me about it, won't you?"

"Yes, my child, and I hope he will bring good news."

"I hope so, mamma."

They both hoped it; but their idea of "good" differed widely.

At length he came. He sat down on the edge of the bed, and took the young wife's hands in his.

"Well, my dear little girl?"

It sounded as though the old soldier were trying to choke back a tear.

"Tell me, uncle," she entreated.

"H'm! Yes. Well. Lorch, for the present you will stay with your mother, or with me, if you will. You see I have taken a nice, sunny little apartment in Rome, near the Forum Trajanum, for the winter; you shall go there with me, and when we are tired of all the sights and sounds, you shall make a nice, pleasant home for your old uncle. It will be good for him to take his tea at home in the evening, and not have to float round among cafes and restaurants. And how delightful it will be for him to show the wonders of the Eternal City to a pair of younger eyes, and—"

"Uncle!" She sat up in bed. "I will know the truth—tell me, is she married to him?"

"Ah, the truth, Lora; you see the courts must decide that. But there will be a horrible scandal. It is of no consequence to you whether she is married to him or not; in any case he has betrayed the poor creature, and has sinned against her child. He is a scoundrel any way. and—I beg your pardon—I mean you will be separated from him, whatever happens."

She sank softly back on her pillows and folded her hands.

"But will he consent to it, uncle?" she asked, in a disappointed tone.

"Yes," replied the old general decidedly.

"He said he would never, never give up his claim upon me," she murmured anxiously.

The general turned away; his eyes were wet. He could not let her know that her marriage was null and void, that she had been the victim of a monstrous fraud; that in the eyes of the world she would be only a dupe with no claims to the rights of a wife, even of a divorced one, if the affair were settled according to law.

"Yes, he will give you up, Lora, if you wish it," he said. "If I am not mistaken, Lora, you do not love him. You could not love such a fellow as he is, eh, you mouse?—or am I a bad reader of character?"

"I, uncle? I could not have endured living with him. I would rather have—"

She stopped and looked down.

"Did he understand her aright? He looked suddenly with actual terror, at her face, which, at these words, had taken on an expression of determination.

"Well, then, the separation will not be hard for you, Lora," he continued slowly, "and you can escape the gossip in this little place. Afterward we will get you back your maiden name."

"Can you, uncle?"

"Oh, yes; they will do it as an especial favor. But, first, we will go to Rome, eh? And, first of all, we will go to sleep—dixi. Good-night!"

She lay back on her cushions with soft, wide-open eyes.

"Uncle, how good it is that you are here. It is like a miracle that you should have come to-day. Good-night, uncle; good-night. Where is mamma?"

"She has gone downstairs. I will send her up to you. I am very tired, and I will go straight back to the hotel."

Downstairs, in the dining-room, the general stood talking to his sister-in-law a few minutes.

"It is all true," he said, not very pleasantly. "The scoundrel is married to the little American. I was really sorry for the fantastic old goose over there, when she found the proofs of the fraud. She was as limp as a rag, and looked wretched enough. But now you must keep your own counsel, Marie. For Heaven's sake, no letting out the secret! Lora must be allowed to think that she was legally married and legally divorced. Do you understand?"

Frau von Tollen put both hands up to her head. "William!" she shrieked. "My God, William!"

"Yes, yes. You would better have let that spendthrift run away to America, than force the poor girl into such a marriage," he wanted to say; but he

kept it back, for the poor woman was too despairing in her grief.

"Come, don't give way like this," he said good-naturedly, "but thank God it is no worse. What if the girl, in her despair at having to live with such a fellow, had thrown herself into the water some day, eh?"

He was thinking of the look on Lora's face a few minutes before.

Frau von Tollen looked at him in horror.

He nodded gravely and then he said quickly, "Go up to Lora, now; and now good-night, Marie. All this has made me devilish tired."

When he reached the hotel, he sent for Mrs. Becher, to come down to the public parlor.

"Madam," he said, "if you will take my advice, you will go back at once. If the steamer does not go for a day or two, you can stay in Hamburg; but you must not stay here. The affair will arrange itself after that. You will have your husband back again; my niece makes no claim to him."

"Ah! I do not wish to live with him again," she said sadly. "I only want him to acknowledge the marriage, and have the child brought up as his son. I want nothing more from him. It is long, long since I ceased to care for him. Ah, the poor, beautiful girl whom he has so betrayed!"

"Moreover, I entreat you, madam, not to say a word about the matter, either here or there; if you do you will send your child's father to prison."

"Oh, I will not, Herr General."

The old general then went quickly away.

"Poor woman," he thought; "what a reception she will get from that scoundrel!" and in fancy he loaded a pistol and aimed it at the thick-headed, broad-backed fellow, whose picture he had seen to-day in Frau Eilfrieda's salon.

"Like a mad dog," he said, half aloud so that the little waiter who was lighting the lamp in his room, turned round with a start. "Like a mad dog," he repeated; "it would be a benevolent deed."

It was the month of March. Brilliant blue skies, golden sunshine, and the wonderfully soft, warm air, had awakened hopes of an early spring, of blossoms and green grass.

The brown buds were swelling on the lindens in the Tollens' garden, and the swallows had come back to their nests under the eaves, and were singing and chattering about their traveling experiences in the far south. Possibly that had brought the story which was circulating through all Westenberg, the story that Lora von Tollen was going to be divorced from her husband; that he, tired of her haughty airs, wished it. What didn't Westenbergers know about it? No one could blame him. Immediately after the wedding, she had refused to accompany him to America. She wouldn't go to that country of shop-keepers, she had declared. But good gracious, if he had his business there! It was, no doubt, much more aristocratic to spend the winter in Rome with her uncle, who was a general. There was nothing left for poor Frau Becher but to go to her son, so she might have a home at least. Oh, these Tollens!

And to-day placard had really been put upon the Becher villa, just beside the locked iron door, on which was printed: "This estate to be sold immediately."

And that was the result; the owner of this beautiful estate had lost all desire ever to live here again.

Frau von Tollen knew what the people were saying among themselves, and what was openly announced at all the coffee parties. She suffered from it frightfully for her child's sake, but it must blow over after awhile. And, thank God, Lora was far away and need know nothing about it.

And to-day with the golden sunshine a gleam of hope, for better times had also fallen into the little house and into her heart.

The postman had delivered a letter from Rudolph, and the anxious look on his mother's face, as she opened it, gave way to one of joyful surprise as she read the contents:

"Dear Mother:—
I became engaged to Lieschen Maikat yesterday; the tears of my betrothed finally conquered her father's energetic opposition.
Through this marriage I am placed not only in a comfortable, but even in a brilliant position; and, besides, my future wife is very amiable and good-hearted. You see, your wild son has had more luck than he deserved.
I shall very soon be in a position to cancel my obligations to Becher, as well as to Victor, Heinemann and Levy will give me credit on the strength of my engagement. It is a delightful feeling to wake up in the morning with the pleasant consciousness of no longer being a beggar, and of not being obliged to ask your brother, or his ecclecy, in Rome, for a little pocket-money.
As soon as I am married,—and I

hope my father-in-law will consent to have the wedding after the autumn manoeuvres,—I shall try to improve your circumstances, my dear mother. Excuse so short a letter. A man has his hands full of business when, besides his daily duty, he must be an attentive lover.
My love to Katie, and much for yourself, from
"Your faithful son,
"RUDOLPH."

Frau von Tollen drew a long breath, as if freed from a terrible weight. She was not disturbed by the very commercial tone of the letter; she had long looked upon riches as the foundation of all happiness. She went to the door and called Katie. The young girl, who soon came into the room, which was full of the morning sun, looked pale. She was to pass her examination for a teacher in a few days, and had been working too hard for the past few weeks; she found this hard, for all her thoughts and all her interests were elsewhere. She dreaded the examination; she would be very glad if something should happen beforehand to make this torment unnecessary, that would give her hope of something else in life than being a governess.

"Thank Heaven," she said coolly and ironically, "he is provided for, and when I am a governess, you and Lora can live here quite comfortably, mamma."

As she spoke she threw down the letter on her mother's work-table.

"From Lora?" said her mother, taking it up quickly.

"My dear sister," she read. "I wrote to mamma the other day; so now it is your turn. Uncle has gone to sleep, tired with a visit to the collections of the Vatican, and I am sitting in my sunny room, listening to the plashing of the fountain in the little court, and looking at the crimson blossoms of the camellias, peeping through their dark green leaves. In the quiet hours, when I am alone, as today, I feel an irresistible longing for you both—for my cozy little Mansard room at home.

"Katie, I have a favor to ask of you—give me back my little room when I come home; it was my happiest resting-place on earth for many long years. Am I asking too much?"

"I will write to mamma soon with regard to the condition of my affairs. Soon, ah, very soon, I shall be free. I shall come home to you."

Frau von Tollen dropped the letter.

"Yes, Katie," she said gently, "she must have her room again."

Katie was silent; her eyes were full of tears, but her mother did not see them.

"You shall have my bedroom," she continued, "for we shall go upstairs, if we let the room below. I will take papa's bedroom, and we will have his study for our sitting-room. You will do it, won't you, Katie? And who knows what may happen, after all? You may be going away yourself very soon."

"Yes, among strangers," replied the girl bitterly.

"Perhaps your uncle will take you on a journey with him some time."

"Me?" in a very contemptuous tone. There was a pause.

"Are you going to the Schonbergs again to-day?" asked her mother at length.

"Of course; what else is there to do?" was the reply, but her lips parted with a slight smile.

"Then do, Katie, come home earlier," pleaded her mother, "you don't know how lonely I feel when I sit here so long alone. You go there almost every evening now, and afterward you will try to make up for lost time by studying at night, and you will be sure to fail!"

But the daughter made no reply except "I will send Aunt Melitta to keep you company, mamma." She went back to her books, but she sat at the table without opening them. Within her thoughts seemed whirling about in a strange confusion. Lora should occupy this room again? Never! On the play-ground across the way the third and fourth classes were laughing and shouting, while the first and second walked about in a dignified manner. The groups of teachers were standing in the bright sunshine, in front of the arched doorway, talking together. He towered over them all with his fine, slender figure. To Katie's gloomy eyes it seemed as if he were constantly looking up at her window. It might be so, he had been so friendly with her lately, so very kind and attentive.

Whenever she went to see his mother, he appeared almost immediately, and talked and read aloud to them, sometimes playing duets with Katie; she generally, with trembling fingers and numberless mistakes, which he patiently overlooked, as he also patiently permitted her attentions to himself.

Did he love her? Had he not been quite different with Lora?

She threw the pen away, the end of which she had been biting.

If his eyes would only light up at her approach, if he would only say once, "Katie, my Katie!" She knew well enough how he could say it, and now, Lora would come back free, quite free, with the same ardent love in her heart. She wouldn't bear it—it would simply drive her mad.

"This evening," she said suddenly, pushing back her hair behind her dainty ears. And as she gazed with wide-open eyes down upon the now quiet school-yard, she lost herself in the sweetest dreams of the future.

It was nearly six o'clock when she went to say good-bye to her mother. Frau von Tollen was in the garden, walking up and down in the mild air. Rudolph's engagement had been like talm to her soul; she had a feeling of repose, for the first time since her husband's death.

She looked up with a glance of pleased surprise as her daughter came up. Katie looked strangely beautiful in the rosy twilight of the spring evening; she had a little bunch of snow-drops in her bosom; her simple hat with the long crape veil gave something fantastic to her appearance—or was it in the deep, glowing expression of her black eyes?

"Good-bye, mamma," she said.

"Good-bye, child; give my love to the Frau Pastorin."

Katie found the Schonbergs, mother and son, in the open air. They were walking together through the box-bordered paths of the long garden, breathing the warm air of the summer-like March evening.

"Here comes Katie," remarked the Frau Pastorin, and she stooped to pick off a blossom that seemed drooping.

"Good-evening, child," she called out; "what do you say to this weather? It is exactly like May."

"Yes," said Katie, looking at the doctor.

"The air is almost intoxicating," remarked the latter, after he had greeted the young girl. "How your father used to sing the 'Spring Song,' and do you remember how the spring storms used to sweep over the meadow behind our house, and you used to bring me the first anemones?"

"Yes, to be sure," he replied, and was about to say something more, but his mother suddenly started off toward the house. She had seen the maid digging in the vegetable bed.

"Stop, stop," she screamed; "what are you doing? I have sowed spinach in that bed!"

(To be Continued.)

STUDYING THE DIVINING ROD.

French Scientist Says Changes in Density in the Earth Cause Its Action.

Louis Probst, a French scientist stationed at Oboyon Ste. Marie, in the Pyrenees, thinks there is something in the divining rod. His theory is that it does not point to water or a precious metal, but that its action is controlled by any change in the density of the earth's crust over which the rod is carried.

Thus he believes it would make the usual response if it were carried across the line of a subterranean watercourse which had run dry just the same as if water were flowing in it and it would respond to deposits of oil or natural gas just as readily as to water, ore or precious metal or coal. He thinks that an important change in the earth's density such as is caused by a subterranean river may be detected in passing over it in a carriage or even a railway train. If a subterranean watercourse crosses the line of a superficial one he thinks the line of the hidden one may be traced with the rod by a person operating it in a boat on the surface stream.

The fact that divining rod experts can operate successfully when the ground is covered with snow effectually disposes of the theory that they are guided by surface indications. It would be possible for them, he thinks, to find a package of bank bills buried in a ploughed field just as easily as if their value in gold were there. For in reality it would be neither the paper bills nor the gold that would attract the rod but the place where they were hidden, the place where the homogeneity of the soil was disturbed. He further holds that it is not during the time when it is over a spring or a vein of ore that the rod is disturbed, but at the moment when it passes from ordinary ground to the site of the hidden pocket or from that site back to ordinary ground.

He considers that the phenomenon is one of magnetism. The earth attracts the rod differently according to the hidden features of its structure. If the operator wears rubber soles or if he grasps the rod with rubber or silk or other nonconducting gloves nothing will happen. A magnetized rod, on the other hand, will give far more positive results than a plain rod. He has, he says, authenticated this by giving the two alternately to a blindfolded operator. Though he never knew which rod he had, the magnetized one always showed far greater activity.

Really, however, it is indifferent what materials is used. Operators usually prefer a hazel twig, but M. Probst thinks whalebone or malacca better; but best of all is a thin rod of steel about an eighth of an inch in thickness with the ends wrapped in fine copper wire.

The Farm

WINTER EGG PRODUCTION.

Poultry keepers are everywhere complaining that their fowls this season are very late in commencing to lay. The cause of this may, in part, perhaps, be attributable to the cold backward spring, but in most cases it arises from keeping too many old hens, lateness in the moult, pullets too young, and not feeding for egg production. Take the last cause first. How seldom it is that the ordinary poultry keeper will take the trouble to change the food or his manner of feeding it. The birds' requirements will change with the seasons, but the owner and his methods, never. Yet common sense should teach men to feed their birds according to the circumstances under which they are compelled to live.

Fowls in the winter require a heat-producing diet such as sound good grain and some animal food; the latter in moderation. The meat is necessary to replace insects which they were able to obtain during the summer months. If the pullets are sufficiently well developed and stimulating diet of this character is supplied them, they will usually lay early and continue to do so through the winter months.

Pullets to lay early in winter should be specially bred for that purpose. As a rule a pullet does not sufficiently mature to lay until she is at least six months old, but some forward strains will do better, and it is no uncommon thing to have Plymouth Rock pullets hatched early in May laying early in November.

When suitable conveniences are at hand, it may be well to produce a few broods of chickens in April to ensure early winter layers, though in our climate these early chicks require more attention than the average farmer is disposed to give them.

It is useless to expect any old hen to start laying early in the winter, she will do so in her own good time, but it depends entirely upon when she gets over her moult. If she is kept laying steadily all through the summer and is not permitted to sit, she will moult late, and not lay again until spring, when eggs are plentiful and cheap. If she is of value as a stock bird, this is all very well, but as a mere egg producer there is no profit in her.

Generally speaking, it will be found that pullets and hens in their second year will be the best winter egg producers, provided they have been brought into winter quarters in good condition.

A very good method of feeding for winter is to give a mixture of table refuse, meat scraps, bran and shorts in the morning. At noon throw a quantity of barley tailings amongst the litter provided for a scratching place, and at night give a liberal feed of whole corn, this with a plentiful supply of sharp grit and crushed oyster or fresh water mussel shells will keep the birds in good laying condition. Of course, attention must be paid to cleanliness in the houses, and dusting places must be provided so that the fowls can keep themselves free from vermin.

As a substitute for the green food of summer, mangolds, clover hay, or pea straw may be supplied, and if at any time cabbage leaves are available, these should be given, as they are greatly relished.

Birds treated in this way will give the maximum of profit at the minimum of cost and trouble, and this winter the farmer who has a flock of good laying hens has the prospect of making money out of the eggs they produce.

BARLEY AND RYE FOR FOWLS.

Barley and rye are both excellent foods and will prove a satisfactory addition to a ration where the fowls will eat the grains readily. Some flocks seem prejudiced against barley and do not eat it readily, while others will refuse rye unless starved to it. Rye is eaten much more readily when fed in the bundle. When the fowls can scratch it out of the fresh straw themselves they seem to enjoy it.

PITH, POINT AND PATHOS.

Too much cordiality gives birth to the suspicion that the salesman has a gold brick.

Thrift is the golden mean between prodigal wasting and a narrow stinginess.

You can judge of a man by comparing the brand of cigars he smokes with the brand he gives his friends.

It apparently worries some people a lot puzzling over how the world will get on when they are gone.

Experience is the cost to a boy of becoming a fully developed man.

The more valuable the lesson learned the harder it is to get over the effects of the learning of it.

A gentleman is a man born with the necessity of thinking of others before he does of himself.

It isn't half as distressing to worry about keeping riches as about how to get them.

When a man gets angry he shows his enemy just where his weakest spots are. Because a woman is in tears is no sign that she is really very unhappy.

AGRICULTURE IN DENMARK.

Denmark there are 224,000 rural land-owners. More than half have not more than one acre, 96,000 have less than four acres, and only 2,000 have more. The small land-owners occupy themselves with the egg and fowl industry.

RECIPROCAL.

"It takes a man to sit on a jury," said Smith to his wife.

"Yes," she responded, with a glitter in her eye, "and it takes a woman to sit on a man."

Smith collapsed.

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COUNTY AND DISTRICT.

A case of leprosy has been discovered at the Winnipeg General Hospital. This is one of the rarest and most loathsome diseases known, and is almost incurable. Not for a number of years has a case been discovered in the West. The present patient is Swan River, where he has been suffering for eight years.

Invented Safe Headache Cure—Away with headaches, be done with dizziness, bad stomach and biliousness. A cure has been found—use Dr. Hamilton's Pills and enjoy the health they so surely bring. Nothing but healthful vegetable extracts in Dr. Hamilton's Pills. They cleanse and purify the whole system, act as a perfect tonic. Safe for children, girls, women and men. Sold in 25c. boxes by all dealers.

A very distressing case of death from insanity occurred on the Durham road, this side of Enniskillen, on Wednesday of last week. John Hoffarth, a farmer, became mentally deranged several weeks ago and for a time was very troublesome. A feature of his insanity was that he refused to take food and this resulted in his death last week. He was buried at Formosa on Friday. A widow who was his second wife and several children survive.—Teeswater News.

There is a great army of unemployed in New York. The skilled mechanics have felt the unhappy condition of the money market the hardest. The stringency has compelled the speculative builders to wait until a time when money will flow more readily, and as a consequence it is estimated that more than 25,000 men in the building trades alone are out of employment, with a total of all trades of 125,000. The members of the Building Trades Employers' association say that building operations will be considerably less in 1908 than they have been in many years.

Do You Feel Used Up—You're discouraged and played out—scarcely enough energy to think, and less to work on. The reason? You are run down, blood is thin, nerves are like Indian rubber, not like steel as they ought to be. Use Ferrozone and the tired feeling will go—it cannot stay because rich nutritious blood and the bodily vigor Ferrozone makes, crowds out weakness of every kind. Use Ferrozone and you'll feel like a fighting king—full of energy—filled up with ambition—ever ready to work. No strengthening tonic so potent. Neglect not a day longer. All dealers sell Ferrozone in 50 ct. boxes at all dealers.

Don't worry—either about the past or future. To waste a single hour in regret for the past is as senseless as to send good money after that which has been irrecoverably lost. To fret one's self about what the future may have in store is about as foolish as to attempt to brush back the tide of the sea with a broom. Worries of whatever kind banish contentment, and contentment is a necessity of youth.

It is wise at times to submit to circumstances, and avoid trouble. Last week the owners of a stone quarry at Bedford, Indiana, reduced the wages of their men 2 1/2 an hour. The men were not foolish enough to go on strike, that their places would soon be filled; they took another way out of the difficulty. They decided that "short money" ought to mean "short shovels," so they went to the machine shop and had 2 1/2 inches cut off their shovels. Now the owners of the quarry are figuring out how much they gained by the reduction in wages.

Don't Neglect Your Cough—You may dislike taking medicine—but coughs are best cured without medicine. The modern treatment is "Catarrhozone"—it isn't a drug—it's a healing vapor, full of pine essences and healing balsams. It spreads over the surfaces that are weak and sore from coughing. Every spot that's congested is healed, irritation is soothed away, phlegm and secretions are cleaned out, and all symptoms of cold and catarrh are cured. Nothing so quick, so sure, so pleasant as Catarrhozone. In 25 ct. and \$1.00 sizes at all dealers.

The port factory deal has gone through and in a very short time killing and curing operations will be resumed. London and Co., whose headquarters are in Strathaven, Scotland, are the proprietors. The firm also owns and operates a packing house at Tilsonburg, Ont. They have plenty of capital, are in the meat and provision business on quite an extensive scale in the old country, and have no difficulties to overcome in finding a market for their products, so that it is safe to say that the factory here will be run to its full capacity while hogs can be procured.—Paisley Advocate.

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WINTER TERM OPENS JANUARY 6.

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Clifford.

Mr. Jacob Fritz has lately taken the contracts of Wm. Bennett's large red brick residence; and Philip Stroh, who is building a well compact house; also Mr. John Holt, of Fordwich, contract for one of the largest houses he has ever taken.

Mr. George Gibson was in town last week. He is now a fireman on the Grand Trunk Railway at Palmerston, and is preparing his examination for engineer.

We hear it stated that last week beef was offered by the quarter at 2c per lb. at Mount Forest, and lots unsold.

Mr. Daniel Rahn and Miss Lovine Bieman, eldest daughter of Mr. Daniel Bieman, were happily wedded on Wednesday afternoon last, at the Lutheran church here, by Rev. Mr. Bruer. There were over 100 invited guests at the residence, the Band serenaded, a crowd chivariated, and the guests danced until 6 o'clock in the morning. Dan is a lucky fellow, as he not only captured the charming daughter, but also acquires the butcher business as well.

A Cure For Colds—Cheap acid preparations are useless—use the old standard—Putman's Corn Extractor. For fifty years Putman's has been the one, painless cure.

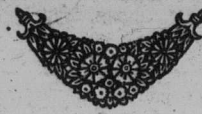
During the seven and a half months since the opening of navigation over six million bushels of grain have been received at the Owen Sound elevators. This is about three quarters of a million bushels more than last year.

When the Stomach Heart or Kidney nerves get weak, then these organs always fail. Don't drug the Stomach, nor stimulate the Heart or Kidneys. That is simply a makeshift. Get a prescription known to Druggists everywhere as Dr. Shoop's Restorative. The Restorative is prepared expressly for these weak inside nerves. Strengthen these nerves, build them up with Dr. Shoop's Restorative—tablets or liquid—and see how quickly help will come. Free sample test on request by Dr. Shoop, Racine, Wis. Your health is surely worth this simple test.—J. Coates.

The lawyer said sadly to his wife on his return home one night: People seem very suspicious of me. You know old Jones? Well, I did some work for him last month, and when he asked me for the bill this morning, I told him out of friendship that I wouldn't charge him anything. He thanked me cordially but said he'd like a receipt.

Shareholders of the defunct York Loan Company, after their long waiting, will probably receive their share of the assets during the coming year. Referee Kappel expects to decide all the claims laid before him by January 30th, and the distributions of assets will likely begin a couple of months later.

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Notice to Creditors.

In the Matter of the Estate of AARON MOYER, late of the Province of Saskatchewan, (formerly of the Village of Mildmay, in the County of Bruce) Yeoman, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Ontario 1897, Chapter 139, that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the said Aaron Moyer, who died on or about the 22nd day of May, 1907, are required on or about the 1st day of February, 1908, to send by post prepaid to or deliver to Adeline Hymmen, Mildmay P. O., Ont., one of the Executors of the last Will and Testament of the said deceased, their christian and surname, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims and a statement of their accounts and the nature of securities, if any, held by them.

And Further Take Notice that after such last mentioned date the said Executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased amongst the parties entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have had notice and that the said Executors will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claim notice shall not have been received by him at the time of such distribution.

Dated 22nd day of December, 1907.
VERONICA MOYER, Executrices of the Will
ADELINE HYMMEN, of Aaron Moyer.
By A. Collins, their Solicitor.

Referring to the above, all parties who are indebted to the late Aaron Moyer, or the firm of A. Moyer & Co., by Promissory Note or otherwise are required to pay up all their said indebtedness on or before the 1st February, 1908, as the estate of the said Aaron Moyer must be closed up by the said date.

A. COLLINS,
Solicitor for the Executrices.

Trial Catarrh treatments are being mailed out free on request, by Dr. Shoop Racine, Wis. These tests are proving to the people—without a penny's cost—the great value of this scientific prescription known to druggists everywhere as Dr. Shoop's Catarrh Remedy. Sold by J. Coates.

Mrs. Switzer No. 2 will be tried before Judge Barrett on Jan. 20. The Crown is prosecuting the unfortunate woman under the following clause of the statutes. "Everyone is guilty of an indictable offence; and liable to imprisonment for five years, and a fine of five hundred dollars, who lives, cohabits, or agrees or consents to live or cohabit in any kind of conjugal union with a person who is married to another.

"Whiskey" said the parson to the man with the crimson beak, "is your greatest enemy."

"Perhaps it is," rejoined the old rounder, "but doesn't the good book admonish us to love our enemies?"

"Yes" answered the parson, "but not to swallow them."

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Sir William Ramsay related an amusing anecdote the other night at the dinner in London of the Institute of Chemistry. It concerned a little girl who was invited out to an informal dinner. She was told that she was not to be greedy, that she was to take what was offered, and was not to over-praise it. When she arrived home after the dinner, said Sir William, they asked her what she had eaten. "Well," she replied, "I had some pudding." "And did you say Thank you?" "Yes. I also said it was very nice what there was of it, and then I thought that sounded as if I had not enough, so I added—"I mean there is plenty of it, such as it is."

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TORONTO.**

There was a small but quite brisk market at the City Cattle market to-day. The run was small, and there were more would-be buyers in the market than were cattle to supply them. Business went off quite sharp at firm prices, showing an advance for medium to good butcher cattle of from ten to fifteen cts over last week's market.

The run was 26 loads, with 440 head of cattle, 490 sheep and lambs, 309 hogs and 39 calves.

Export—Market firm at \$4.50 to \$4.75 for choice cattle; extra choice, well finished, \$5.00; medium, \$4 to \$4.25; bulls, \$3.50 to \$4.25; cows, \$3.50 to \$4.

Butcher—Market a little firmer; choicest picked butcher, \$4.50 to \$4.75; good, \$4 to \$4.25; common mixed cattle, \$3 to \$3.50.

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Lambs—Market steady.

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Crawford and Co. sold a couple of lambs at an average of \$4.40 per cwt.

Wesley Dunn bought 100 sheep at \$4 per cwt., 350 lambs at \$5.40 per cwt., and calves at \$6 to \$7 each.

C. Zeagman bought a couple of loads of mixed common butcher cattle at \$1.75 to \$2.60.

G. Dunn bought a couple of loads of mixed cattle, cows, steers and heifers, at \$2.50 to \$3.50, and a load of choice steers at \$4.50.

James Corbett sold 16 butcher cattle, 940 lbs, at \$3.75; two cattle, 1140 lbs, at \$4.80; 18 cattle, 970 lbs, at \$3.30; two cows, 1060 lbs, at \$3.25; bulls, 920 to 1310 lbs, at \$2.50 to \$3.75; 50 lambs, about 85 lbs, at \$5.65.

LAKELT.

Arrangements have been made by the young people of the McIntosh church to have a tea meeting on Tuesday, 14th of Jan., 1908. Should Mildmay retain its reputation we will be able to look upon at least half a hundred of its inhabitants that night.

Revs. Husser and Johnston of Fordwich addressed a meeting in the Methodist Church here in the interests of the Local Option Campaign. There were but few present. Very little interest is being taken in the campaign here. There will be some votes for the measure and a whole lot against it at this polling sub-division.

As usual there were very few out at the Bible Society meeting here. The Rev. Mr. Eddy of Clifford delivered an excellent address. The Pres., Mr. Jas. Wright, occupied the chair. All the old officers were re-appointed. Henceforth the services of an agent will be dispensed with at this Branch. We can then have our meeting when we like. It was a very badly managed affair on the part of the agent this year.

Misses Edna and Maud Bushfield are spending the holidays at their home here. The former teaches in Minto and the latter is attending Wingham High School. Mr. Edward Underwood, who spent the summer in New Ontario, is home for the holidays. Miss S. Bell of the 17th, a pupil of the Wingham Business College is spending the holidays with her mother and sisters.

There will likely be a run for the different positions in this township for municipal honors again. Howick must have an election. We are not in a position to state as yet who the aspirants for the positions are.

Messrs. Murray and Caudle are cutting wood on shares in Thos. Inglis' bush. They have built a shanty in which they keep their horse and eat their dinner.

We hear that W. Renwick will again run for councillor in Howick. Walter should win and would win if it were not for the villages of Fordwich and Corrie. They have a big vote there and take care that their own men get their votes.

WORTH MONEY.

Bishop Williams, of Connecticut, for many years president of the Episcopal Church, lived all his life unwed. A friend mentioned that one of the States was imposing a tax on bachelors, to be increased a certain per cent. every ten years of bachelorhood, and added: "Why Bishop, at your age you would have to pay a hundred dollars a year."

"Well," said the Bishop quietly, "it's wuth it."

Rabbits, says a naturalist, have white tails, so that the young may be able to distinguish their mother in case of pursuit. The color of a rabbit is so like the ground that this would otherwise be difficult, if not impossible.

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REIBLING—DAMM.

Someone has said that chief among the numerous and inestimable benefits one may derive from a college course are the friendships formed among the students. Friendships are there and then formed among young people that shall endure a life-time. Nor is the arch-knave Cupid by any means inactive.

About three years ago Norman H. Reibling of Rostock, Ont. made the acquaintance of Miss Barbara R. Damm of Alsfeld, Ont., both being at that time students of North Western College, Naperville, Ill. The acquaintance developed into a friendship which became more and more intimate as the years rolled by, culminating in an engagement for marriage a few months ago the consummation of which took place at the home of the bride on Tuesday Dec. 24th, at 4 p. m. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. D. Damm, of Berlin, brother of the bride, assisted by Rev. E. D. Becker, of Alsfeld.

Only the immediate friends of the contracting parties were present. Miss Essie Becker played the wedding march from Lohengrin. Under a beautiful arch of evergreen with floral decoration the groom greeted the bride who was given away by her brother, Edward.

The bride was handsomely attired in a gown of cream cashmere with insertion and silk applique. After congratulations all repaired to the dining room, where a sumptuous repast was served. The bride and groom were the recipients of useful and valuable presents.

Mr. and Mrs. Reibling left Wednesday morning for Rostock, Stratford, Berlin and other points. The bride's travelling suit was of brown ladies' cloth, with hat to match.

They will take up residence at Naperville, where Mr. Reibling will complete his theological studies before entering the ministry of the Evangelical Association.

It requires a strong stretch of vision for a man to see beyond his own prejudice.

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"I will take it at that," said Donald; "but och, man, Dugal, I am awful surprised at you doin' business on the Saw-bath."

"Business!" exclaimed Dugal. "Man, sellin' a sheep like that for fifty shullin's is not business at all; it's just charity."

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The Huron county council held its fall session in Wingham, owing to the smallpox epidemic in Goderich, the county seat.

Cough Caution

Never, positively never poison your lungs. If you cough—even from a simple cold only—you should always heal, soothe, and ease the irritated bronchial tubes. Don't blindly suppress it with a stupefying poison. It's strange how some things finally come about. For twenty years Dr. Shoop has constantly warned people not to take cough mixtures or prescriptions containing Opium, Chloroform, or similar poisons. And now—a little late though—Congress says "Put it on the label, if poisons are in your Cough Mixture." Good! Very good! Hereafter for this very reason mothers, and others, should insist on having Dr. Shoop's Cough Cure. No poison marks on Dr. Shoop's labels—and none in the medicine, else it must by law be on the label. And it's not only safe, but it is said to be by those that know it best, a truly remarkable cough remedy. Take no chance then, particularly with your children. Insist on having Dr. Shoop's Cough Cure. Compare carefully the Dr. Shoop package with others and note the difference. No poison marks there! You can always be on the safe side by demanding

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About the House

RELIABLE RECIPES.

Fruit Cookies.—One cup of butter, one and one-half cups sugar, three eggs, one-half cup molasses, one cup chopped raisins, one cup currants, one-half teaspoonful cloves, one teaspoonful cinnamon, spice to taste, one teaspoonful soda. Lard may be substituted for butter with little change in results. Almost any kind of molasses may be used. I usually use syrup made from C sugar. This is an excellent recipe, and cookies will keep fresh longer than most cookies.

Grandma's Spice Cake.—Two cups brown sugar, scant half cup of butter, four eggs (save two whites for icing), one cup seeded raisins, one cup currants, one-half teaspoonful ground cinnamon; flavor with vanilla; one-half teaspoonful of allspice, one-half teaspoonful of cloves, one-half teaspoonful of grated nutmeg, one cup of flour, one cup of buttermilk; save about a tablespoonful of milk in a cup; two cups of flour; dissolve one-half teaspoonful of soda in milk previously saved; add soda last.

Fudge Nougat.—This is a delicious fudge that is a welcome relief from the usual chocolate. Boil two cupsful of granulated sugar, one cup of milk, butter the size of a walnut, and a pinch of salt, until they form a soft ball when dropped in cold water. Then add the juice of half an orange. Take from the stove, and after heating a minute, stir in one cup of chopped nuts, raisins, and figs. Pour into a buttered pan, and when cool cut into squares.

Prune Whip.—Take thirteen prunes, chip meat from seed, whites of three eggs beaten to a stiff froth. Add to the eggs five heaping tablespoons of granulated sugar, then stir in prunes. Bake in slow oven thirty minutes. Sauce—Take one quart of milk; let come to a boil; stir in yolks of three eggs, two tablespoons of sugar, one tablespoon of corn starch, and half a teaspoon of vanilla. Serve over pudding hot or cold.

Imperial Oysters.—Drain and wash a quart of large oysters, reserving liquor. Butter a baking dish, cover bottom with coarse bread crumbs, then add a layer of oysters, season with salt, pepper, and a little minced parsley. Sprinkle lightly with minced ham, then add another layer of oysters and bread crumbs; continue till oysters are used; have top layer with bread crumbs; cover with small bits of butter, pour over half the oyster liquor and enough cream or milk to moisten; bake in a moderate oven till brown.

Accessory Toast.—Have a pan of boiling water salted to taste, a teaspoon to a quart being the rule. Dip each slice of toast quickly into this; it must not be wet, but only moistened. Butter and pile on a hot plate. Poached eggs and minces are served on this form of toast, which is also nice with fricassee of chicken.

Fish Cakes with Beets.—One cup of cod, well picked and fine. Potato twice as much, be the fine. Diced raw and measured, and, perforate. Put on and boiled till done, of course. Drain well, then mash and stir till light.

Add salt and pepper, and not quite a teaspoonful of butter add. 'Twill much improve the whole, "be-dad."

Chop two small beets, an egg beat well.

Then mold and fry, and—ring the bell.

1-2-3-4 Cake.—One cup butter, two cups sugar, three and one-half flour, one cup milk, four eggs, one heaping teaspoon baking powder. Put together according to general directions; bake in two brick loaves or one large one. Using but half a cup butter and a scant measure of sugar makes a plain cupcake that is useful. A heaping tablespoon of yellow ginger for layer makes this cake a most delicious gingerbread. Omit the milk and add enough flour to roll out and it can be baked as jum-

bles, or with half the milk and flour to roll out, as cookies.

AROUND THE KITCHEN.

Funnel to Stuff Turkey.—Insert fruit can filler in turkey. You will not waste the dressing, or have any trouble filling the turkey.

Prevent Many Backaches.—Saw the handle from a broom, and insert the end in the hollow tin handle of the dust pan, after bending it perpendicular to the pan. This enables one to use the dust pan without stooping.

Cooks Should Take it Easy.—Many household tasks, such as picking over fruit, heating bread or cake, or using the chopping bowl, can be accomplished as quickly and much more easily while one is seated in the easy chair, which should always be found in the kitchen.

Onion Will Clear Soup.—There is only one secret about getting broth or soup clear without letting it get cold first and settle. No matter what ingredients you put into your soup or bouillon it will get muddy, but just put in a small onion or a piece of a large one and your broth will clear like magic.

Way to Use Sage.—When preparing dressing for fowl sage is generally used and the stems and leaves are found so disagreeable in the dressing. A good way of preventing this is to steep a tablespoonful of sage in half a cup of boiling water. Then this can be strained right into the dressing.

Egg Test.—Take a flat bottomed dishpan, put at least four inches of water in it and drop the egg in the water. If fresh it will lie perfectly level; if it rises at the thick end in the least it is not fresh. The older the egg the more it rises at the thick end. If it should leave the bottom and swim it is not fit for anything.

The Holder to Your Waist.—The most convenient thing about the kitchen is "a holder on a string." Make holder of some thick washable material. To one corner, fasten a white tape about one yard long. Tie or pin the other end of tape to your apron belt, and it is always there ready to use. This will save many steps.

Useful Tea Leaves.—Tea leaves have many uses and should not be carelessly thrown away. Drain them and they are useful to strew over a carpet or floor to keep the dust from rising while sweeping a room. They are good to clean glass water bottles; it is also good to leave fish knives and forks in the wet leaves to remove the disagreeable odor.

Cook's Hints.—Egg stains on silverware can be removed by rubbing them with common table salt. A dash of cinnamon in a cup of chocolate after it is poured, adds a nice flavor. In baking bread or rolls put a saucupan of boiling water into the oven; the steam will keep the crust smooth and tender. A little cream of tartar improves frosting and flour dusted over the top of a cake will prevent frosting from running.

Cooks Calendar.—Monday wash all the soiled clothes. Lots to be done as you may suppose. Tuesday iron and put away. That takes a body the livelong day. Wednesday darn, fix, and mend. Plenty of sewing, you may depend. Thursday, if shining, we visiting go. Then we are dressed in our best, you know.

Friday, then we go out to shop. Once you get started, 'tis hard to stop. Saturday polish, scrub, and bake. Tired out—hardly can keep awake. Sunday, O that day of all is best; Glad it is here; now we can rest.

Ruffles for Pantry Shelves.—Buy five yards of common white lawn at five cents a yard. Take the length of four yards of it and make ruffles five and one-half inches wide, including a hem of one inch, then measure the length of your shelves and out of the other yard make a narrow binding to sew the ruffles in. Tack to the edge of the shelf with brass headed tacks and your pantry will always look inviting. This amount of goods will do for four shelves two and a half yards long. It will cost only 25 cents, and can be taken off, washed and ironed, saving the expenses of paper and does not tear, which makes a pantry look disagreeable. In appearance it is far better than shelf oilcloth.

HOW CRIMINALS BEGIN

FIRST STEPS IN MISGUIDED CAREERS.

How Some Famous Law-Breakers Were Initiated Into Crime.

Druscovitch, the famous detective, once declared that while it was wonderful how some of the famous criminals he captured had become criminals, there were others who appeared as if they could never have been anything else. The first step in crime was made by persons of the first class under the most various circumstances—passion, temptation, despair—but by the persons of the second class, through what seemed sheer criminal instinct.

Many of the most notorious wrongdoers have, if their own impressions are to be relied on, been tempted to launch into crime by the most accidental circumstances. "Jim the Penman," the great forger, whose forgeries created a panic among London bankers for several years, and who was at last brought to justice by the confessions of two of his accomplices, when he was condemned to penal servitude for life said that the idea of forgery never occurred to him till it was suggested by the chance remark of a casual acquaintance whom he met in a London restaurant where he was dining.

HIS FIRST FORGERY.

The stranger chanced to allude to a forgery that had been committed, and remarked how clever a penman must be to be able to imitate a signature so closely that a skilled bank-clerk could not distinguish the forgery from the real one. "Jim" thought it would be easy, and pen, ink and paper were brought for him to try his hand at imitating the stranger's signature. The result was so wonderful that the stranger remarked: "You possess a dangerous gift, sir. A man might be tempted with it to do much, at a pinch."

Till that moment "Jim the Penman"—then James Seward, the barrister, desperately in want of money—declared he had never thought of forgery as a means of livelihood. The words rang in his ears as a revelation of how he might gain thousands. He became the cleverest forger of modern times.

A man does not become a coiner all at once. It requires long, laborious, and constant practice to acquire the proficiency to turn out base money which will pass undetected from hand to hand. But the most casual chance has led men to adopt coinage as a means of preying on their fellow-men.

FOR A WOMAN'S SAKE.

Woodstock, the coiner, samples of whose marvellous work are to be seen in the Black Museum at Scotland Yard, was, as a young fellow, a tailor's assistant. One Saturday afternoon he was in a public-house in the South of London, with the girl to whom he was engaged.

Upon her leaving, a stranger remarked to Woodstock how pretty she was, and jocosely asked when the wedding was to be. Woodstock lamented that there was not much chance of that happening for a long time. His meagre wages forbade the hope. The stranger was Draker, the coiner, and he hinted that if Woodstock such a nice-faced, respectable young fellow—was poor it was his own fault.

Draker had heaps of bad money he wanted passing. Woodstock was tempted, and, after a struggle with himself, consented to take some of the coins. He found them so defective, however, that they were difficult to pass, and he criticized Draker's work so severely that Draker invited him to "see if he could do better himself," and he would teach him all he knew. Woodstock easily surpassed his master. He had a wonderful gift for delicate manual work, and a brain to discover new methods. His "den," when he was at last run down by Inspector Fox, was found filled with all the latest scientific machines that could be applied to counterfeit coinage.

In the famous case of Martin Guerre, the launching on a criminal course was the result of an extraordinary chance and a sudden resolve. Martin Guerre was a soldier, and was mortally wounded in a skirmish in the North of France. Among his comrades was a man remarkably like him, and with whom Guerre had contracted a great friendship. The two used to be always together, and enjoyed the joke of their strange resemblance. Guerre's double was with him when he was dying, and Guerre, with his last breath, begged his comrade to carry some little trinkets he had to his wife at home. The double assented, and proceeded to fulfill his promise faithfully.

A "DOUBLE" DECEIVER.

When he arrived at the village on his mission he learnt that Guerre's wife had, during her husband's absence in the war, come into some little property through the death of a relation. He began to envy Martin Guerre's lot if he had lived. When the villagers saw him they began to exclaim, "Here's Martin Guerre!" By the time he arrived at the cottage door he had decided to act Martin's part, provided the dead man's wife was deceived by his similarity to her husband. She was, and the impostor took Martin Guerre's place. The wife only discovered the truth some twelve months later by the absence from the impostor's arm of a scar which Martin had borne.

The first step in crime in the case of Gaudie, the Liverpool bank-clerk, who robbed his bank of something like \$350,000, was "manipulating" the books so as to hide his taking \$200 to back a horse that was, the young fool thought, "bound to win." From the winnings he would replace the "borrowed money," while retaining a handsome sum himself. The horse, of course, lost; but the delation remained undiscovered, and Gaudie was tempted to repeat it for a larger amount.

The result everyone knows—fourteen years' penal servitude.

Robson, who defrauded the Crystal Palace Company of \$195,000, took a small amount at first for a Stock Exchange gamble. He lost, and went on. Leopold Redpath, who in 1857 was sentenced to penal servitude for life for defrauding the Great Northern Railway Company of close upon \$1,000,000, declared that the first forgery he committed was to obtain money to assist some poor people in great distress.

FOR CHARITY'S SAKE.

The statement might be regarded with a good deal of suspicion if his career did not disclose the fact that while Redpath was committing the most crafty and calculated frauds, he was at the same time scattering the money he obtained among various charities, and privately assisting scores of people in distressed circumstances. When he was sentenced at the Central Criminal Court there were persons in court who burst into tears. They were people whom he had befriended.

Harry Benson, the instigator of the Great Turf Frauds, and of numberless other swindles; the Bidwells, the great forgers; and Lefroy, the murderer of Mr. Gold on the Brighton line, are types of criminals who seem to have been such by some queer moral perversity born in them. In each of them there was a gradual development of the terrible "criminal instinct," showing itself in their earliest mingling with others—in the school and playground, in their very first companionships. No one can point to any particular event in their lives as the first introduction to criminal courses. It seemed innate, and showed itself in the prettiest trickery in childish intercourse.

"SEALED LIPS."

It has been noticed that the most notorious criminals in various spheres of crime are recruited from the ranks of persons engaged in special occupations and professions. The locksmith, safe-making and carpentering trades, have supplied the most accomplished burglars; engraving has been responsible for most of the great banknote manufacturers; and the professional murderers have generally had some medical training.

But the professional poisoner is a man accustomed to carrying the burden of ghastly secrets, and rarely does he do more than confess the justice of his sentence, and acknowledge the last crime which sends him to the gallows. His lips are sealed as to previous offences, and no one knows how the awful first step was taken.

A prison chaplain in one of our largest convict establishments once remarked that he was appalled by the continual lament of the criminals he found in that place of terror over "just one little thing." The "little thing" was the first step which had launched them on the career of wrongdoing which had brought them there.—London Answers.

TORTURED DAY AND NIGHT.

Zam-Buk Cures Piles.

That there is no end to the healing powers of Zam-Buk is being demonstrated every day. Mr. Julius Glacier, of Denbigh, Ont., was tortured day and night with blind bleeding piles, so bad that he says: "I could find no comfort standing, sitting or lying down, and was unable to do any work. One day my eyes rested upon a little sample box of Zam-Buk. I picked it up and read the words, CURES PILES. I started using Zam-Buk that night, and before I could purchase a large box I was already cured, and HAVE NOT BEEN TROUBLED SINCE. You may publish this if you wish for the benefit of other sufferers." This is only one of the many cases where Zam-Buk has healed piles when all else failed. Why do you go on suffering when such a splendid remedy is near at hand?

Zam-Buk heals sores, cures eczema, skin eruptions, ulcers, ringworm, itch, barber's rash, blood poison, bad leg, salt rheum, abrasions, abscesses, cuts, burns, scalds and all skin injuries and diseases. Of all stores and druggists at 50 cents, or from Zam-Buk Co., Toronto, for price, 3 boxes for \$1.25.

100 MILLION HORSES.

That is the World's Supply—Most of Them in the Temperate Zone.

Of the 100,000,000 horses known to exist in the world, 80,000,000 or four-fifths of the entire number are found in the temperate zone and nearly all among Occidental people.

According to the National Geographic Magazine, the remaining 20,000,000 scattered through the tropics are largely employed in the service of temperate zone visitors or residents and are but feeble representatives of that animal as he is known to the people of Europe or America.

In the United States and Canada we have 1 horse for every 372 persons; in South America 1 for every 7; in Mexico 1 for every 12; in Japan 1 for every 30; 1 for 40 in Turkey, for 50 in the Philippines, for about 150 in Africa and for 200 in India and southern China.

The llama will carry from 50 to 200 pounds; a man from 75 to 150 pounds; the donkey 100 to 200 pounds; an ox 150 to 200 pounds; a horse from 200 to 250 pounds; the camel from 350 to 500 pounds; the elephant from 1,800 to 2,500 pounds.

Anyway, a bald man doesn't have to worry about gray hair.

When a man calls his wife an angel the chances are that he has been drinking again!

IS SAID TO BE SIMPLE

EASILY MIXED RECIPE FOR WEAK KIDNEYS AND BLADDER.

Tells Readers How to Prepare This Home-Made Mixture to Cure the Kidneys and Bladder.

Get from any prescription pharmacist the following:
Fluid Extract Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Kargon, one ounce; Compound Syrup Sarsaparilla, three ounces.

Shake well in a bottle and take a teaspoonful dose after each meal and at bedtime.

The above is considered by an eminent authority, who writes in a Toronto daily paper, as the finest prescription ever written to relieve Backache, Kidney Trouble, Weak Bladder and all forms of Urinary Difficulties. This mixture acts promptly on the eliminative tissues of the Kidneys, enabling them to filter and strain the uric acid and other waste matter from the blood which causes Rheumatism.

Some persons who suffer with the afflictions may not feel inclined to place much confidence in this simple mixture, yet those who have tried it say the results are simply surprising, the relief being effected without the slightest injury to the stomach or other organs.

Mix some and give it a trial. It certainly comes highly recommended. It is the prescription of an eminent authority, whose entire reputation, it is said, was established by it.

IRONY ON COINS.

Maybe Unconscious, but Often Apt—An Italian's Collection.

In view of the discussion over the motto, "In God We Trust," on United States coins, a collection of such mottoes made by an Italian student, Amerigo Scarlatti, and recently published in *Minerva*, an Italian periodical, is interesting. Scarlatti is of opinion that such inscriptions, though not intended to be cynical, too often admit of such an interpretation through the irresistible habit of the public of ignoring the intention of the designer and applying the motto to the coin itself.

Thus, when Charles II., King of the Two Sicilies, had engraved on his silver ducat the Latin words "Unus non Sufficit"—meaning "One is not enough"—all the world insisted on forgetting that the King referred to a single sceptre and enthusiastically agreed with him that one ducat wasn't enough for any one.

On the contrary, a storm of ironical opposition was aroused when Louis de Bourbon, King of Etruria, in the early part of the last century inscribed "Videant Pauperes de Lactente" on his coins. The words mean "Let the poor see and rejoice," and of course every one wanted to know why a poor man should rejoice at merely seeing a piece of money.

On the Papal coinage of 1573 bearing the arms of Gregory XIII. are the words "Et Super Hanc Petram" (And upon this rock). Of course the Pope and the artist who designed the coin meant the words to refer to the Papacy, but the evil minded applied them so maliciously to the coin itself that the issue was speedily stopped. A similar opportunity for evil tongues was afforded when the Knights of Malta, coined an issue of dollars with the sign of their order, the Maltese cross, and their motto, "In hoc Signo Militamus" (In this sign we combat). The ribald affected to take it as a confession that with them money was truly the sinew of war.

A Venetian lira dated 1474 has the somewhat ambiguous motto, "In Tibi Solo Gloria" (To Thee alone the glory). A sequin coined by Cardinal Rezzonico in 1774 bears the words "Veni Lumen Cordium," or "Come thou light of hearts." Clement XI. issued a coin with an image of the Madonna with the legend "Causa Nostrae Lætitiae" (Cause of our joy), and a Venetian piece with an allegorical figure of Justice with the words, "Nostra in hac elicitas" (Our happiness in this). All of these inscriptions were irreverently diverted by contemporaries from their true objects to the money itself.

HARD LUCK HONESTY.

"Honesty is the best policy" is a time-honored maxim, but numerous cases have come to light recently which go a long way to prove that such is not always the case. In a large English town quite recently a lady was standing outside a shop in a crowded thoroughfare, when her pocket was picked. The thief was clumsy, and, noting that his action was detected, ran away. Within a few hours the stolen purse was picked up in the gutter by a poor man, who, although out of work and half starved, took it to the owner's house, having found the address inside. He was accused of having stolen the purse, and given into charge. He was fortunate in being able to prove an alibi.

At a fashionable shop in London a few days ago a lady received nearly half-a-sovereign too much in change, and, returning, she informed the shopwalker of the fact. The result was that the cashier was dismissed for his carelessness. Some banks put aside a small sum daily to cover possible errors.

No well-bred millionaire boasts of his dough.



Is your baby thin, weak, fretful?

Make him a **Scott's Emulsion** baby.

Scott's Emulsion is Cod Liver Oil and Hypophosphites prepared so that it is easily digested by little folks.

Consequently the baby that is fed on **Scott's Emulsion** is a sturdy, rosy-cheeked little fellow full of health and vigor.

ALL DRUGGISTS: 50c. AND \$1.00.

Mr. Kipling's Canadian Tour.

Ontario and all Eastern Canada is deeply disappointed that Mr. Kipling, upon the occasion of his recent visit to Canada, should have only seen "The West from a Car Window" and the East not at all. The older provinces are always proud and never jealous of the West, into which they are sending their shekels and their sons. With all his powers as a word painter, it is hardly to be expected that Mr. Kipling can do justice to all of Canada. He has not seen the thriving cities and towns of Ontario, with its splendid railways, mills, and manufacturing industries. He had only a fleeting glimpse of Toronto, and saw nothing of the score or more other industrial centres of the Dominion. It is too bad, Canadians believe, that he should have spent the most of the time which he was able to give to the study of conditions in the Dominion to the troubled shores of the Pacific. With no desire to minimize the seriousness of the labor disturbances out there, or to disguise the fact that Canada is in sore need of more men to carry forward the work in hand, Canadians would have been proud of some pen pictures by Mr. Kipling of the industrial East, where the people are prosperous and happy. This conviction is by no means local—it is widespread, universal. ("Canada," London, Eng., Nov. 16th, 1907.)

PICKINGS.

A stiff walk will cure headache.
A good rhinoceros is worth \$4,500.
The lark is the only bird that sings while flying.
To keep the mouth closed is the best preventive of cold.
Automobiling has caused both smoking and drinking to decline.
The ostrich is the swiftest animal. It can do a mile a minute.
Suicide in the American army averages twelve in the 1,000. This is the record.
Blenheim Palace, the Duke of Marlborough's seat near Oxford, cost \$1,500,000.
Butter perfumed with violet or rose is sometimes served at fashionable dinners.
Holding the pen between the first and second fingers cures writer's cramp invariably.
The speed of transmission in overhead wires is 16,000 miles a second, in submarine wires, 6,020 miles.
Piano playing, a French scientist claims, is to be blamed for the majority of nervous disorders from which young girls suffer.
The owl cannot move its eye, but, by way of compensation, can turn its head round in almost a complete circle without moving its body.

Sudden transmission from a hot to a cold temperature, exposure to rain, sitting in a draught, unseasonable substitution of light for heavy clothing, are fruitful causes of colds and the resultant cough so perilous to persons of weak lungs. Among the many medicines for bronchial disorders so arising, there is none better than Bickie's Anti-Consumptive Syrup. Try it and become convinced. Price 25 cents.

A wife may pay little attention to her husband's remarks in general, but she's more than attentive when he talks in his sleep.

All women know what it is to have violent pain; some take one thing and some another. Our advice is, to place "The D & L" Menthol Plaster over the seat of the pain: it will do more to give you comfort than anything.

It's a pity that the woman who knows how to manage a husband never had one and never will have.

They Never Knew Failure.—Careful observation of the effects of Parnee's Vegetable Pills has shown that they act immediately on the diseased organs of the system and stimulate them to healthy action. There may be cases in which the disease has been long seated and does not easily yield to medicine, but even in such cases these Pills have been known to bring relief when all other so-called remedies have failed. These assertions can be substantiated by many who have used the Pills, and medical men speak highly of their qualities.

A lion or a tiger could outrun a man for half a mile, but both animals are very short-winded, and in a three-mile race the man would easily win.

Pale, sickly children should use Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator. Worms are one of the principal causes of suffering in children and should be expelled from the system.

HEALTH HINTS.

Relief for Choking.—A raw egg swallowed immediately will generally carry a fish bone or other substance down which cannot be removed from the throat by the utmost exertion.

Remedy for Chilblains.—Melt a little rabbit fat and rub the feet well with it. Tie cloths around them and let them remain on all night. After two or three applications you will have no more suffering from chilblains.

Remedy for Bruises.—Should the eye or any part of the body become blackened by a fall or blow, apply a cloth wrung out of hot water, and renew it until the pain ceases. The moisture and heat liquify the blood and send it back to its proper channel.

Comfortable Covering for Sick.—When the weight of bedclothes is annoying to a sick person remove the two long boards on one side of the wooden frame that holds table leaves and lay it across the bed, drawing covers over it. The frame is high enough to allow the person to move about.

CURTAILED FACILITIES.

"What makes you think those are not thoroughly informed about case?"

"They have been locked up night and not permitted to read newspapers."

As the Oil Rubs In, the Pain Out.—Applied to the seat of any part of the body the skin, the soothing liniment under brilliant and the patient obtains almost instant relief. The results of the Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil have of many who were unacquainted its qualities, and once known not be rejected. Try it.

Miss Knox—"Yes, he actual your cheeks were like roses." Passay (cooly delighted)—"Oh, now, that's laying it on pretty." Miss Knox—"Yes, he remarked that, too."

Mirrors are a nuisance in the house whose face is branded with eczema. Reflection shames him. Let him anoint with Weaver's Cerate and purify his blood with Weaver's Syrup.

"No truer words were ever than these: 'A fool and his money soon parted,'" said the lecturer. "so," said a voice from the rear hall: "we all paid twenty-five cents to get in here!"

Holloway's Corn Cure is a specific for the removal of corns and warts. You have never heard of its failing, and it will move even the worst kind.

The man who points out our faults is a true friend, yet we would kick him all the same.

An inheritance of weak lungs is a handicap, but Allen's Lung Balm takes first signs of a cough will ensure immediate cure. Don't trifle with this dangerous defect.

BRIEFS.

Filemakers usually die of coronitis.
A pound of wool makes one yard of cloth.
The average man uses eight matches a day.
Blind men outnumber blind women two to one.
In war it takes a ton of bull to kill one man.
Colombo has four tides daily, has none at all.
The menometer is a new machine to measure the will power.
Automobilists must pay an extra premium for life insurance.
Policemen, trying doors at night one in every 400 unlocked.
An electrical spanking-machine is in use in some of the Italian prisons.
The 762 varieties of arctic flowers have but two colors, white and yellow.

ITCH, Mange, Prairie Scratches, every form of contagious Itch on humans or animals cured in 30 minutes by Ford's Sanitary Lotion. It never fails. Sold by all druggists.

Ethel (sobbing)—"Oh, dear, disapproves of George, and I'm afraid he will succeed finally in driving away!" Maud—"He isn't brutal to him, is he?" Ethel—"No. He borrows money of him!"

A Purely Vegetable Pill.—Parnee's Vegetable Pills are compounded from roots, herbs and solid extracts known virtue in the treatment of and kidney complaints and in general to the system whether enfeebled by overwork or deranged through excess in living. They require no test. Their excellent qualities are known to all those who have used them and they commend themselves to dyspeptics and those subject to biliousness who are in quest of a beneficial medicine.

PROGRESSIVE WOMAN.

Singleton—"Your wife seems to be an up-to-date woman."
Wedderly—"Huh! She's away at the date. Why, she has a lot of trouble borrowed for next year."

Fever the Curse of the Tropics.—In the and tedious recoveries from this and all diseases "Ferrovim" is the best tonic. Remember the name, "FERROVIM."

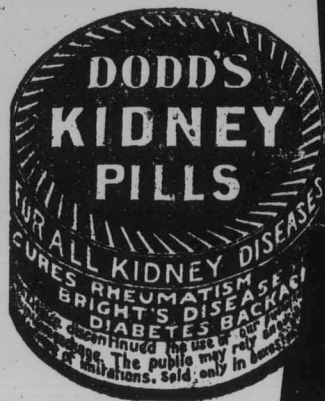
THEOLOGICAL.

"What is the meaning of false doctrine, Willie?" asked the Sunday school teacher.

"It's when a doctor gives the wrong stuff to a sick man," replied the fellow.

FISHY.

When it comes to fishing for compliments some people have a good line talk.



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This has been a record year for us in every way.
Business has increased wonderfully, and we have on
our list dozens of new customers. To these and all
our old friends we wish

A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

We trust the year has been equally prosperous
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