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## = Estate Administration = Sale

Like the flowing of a mighty river this great sale gathers strength as it goes along. Only ten days since it commenced and even now it is a rushing torrent of bargains from morning until night, never has there been such a sale in Chatham, just think of it.

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These are plain goods, Cashmeres, Serges, Whipcords, Russel Cords, etc., they're going quickly, better buy yours at once

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For little or nothing—Ribbons, Flowers, Feathers, at about 1/3 regular cost.

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#### CONCERNING LACES

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50c Laces 25c  
25c Laces 12c  
12c Laces 6c  
6c Laces 3c

## A BATTLE AT BELMONT

### British Gallantly Carry the Boer Position but With Great Loss.

London, Friday, Nov. 24, 5 a. m.—Before anxiety as to the situation in Natal had been relieved, there comes news of a great battle at Belmont. This has happened sooner than was expected. Only the official account is yet to hand, but so far as can be gathered the fighting appears to have been almost a repetition of the battle of Elandsbaag. A despatch of the previous day estimated that the Boers in that vicinity numbered 2,000, and that they had five guns, and judging from the absence of any statement to the contrary in the official despatch, it is believed that the British were slightly superior in numbers to the enemy. The Boers had chosen a position with their customary skill, and were strongly entrenched. The British were obliged to carry three ridges in succession. Apparently the Boers bore the brunt in carrying the last ridge by a bayonet charge after its defenders had been shaken with shrapnel. Nothing is said as to whether the positions thus gained were held, and the destruction of ammunition seems to indicate that the contrary was the case. While Gen. Methuen can be congratulated upon a brilliant victory, it is again with a cost of a heavy loss of officers and men.

#### THE OFFICIAL REPORT.

London, Nov. 23.—The Secretary of War has received the following despatch, through Gen. Foster-Walker, from Gen. Methuen, dated Belmont, Nov. 23:—

"Attacked the enemy at drybreak this morning. He was in a strong position. Three ridges were carried in succession, the last attack being prepared by shrapnel. The infantry behaved splendidly, and received support from the naval brigade and artillery. The enemy fought with courage and skill. Had I attacked later I should have had far heavier losses."

"Our victory was complete. Have taken forty prisoners. Am burying a good number of the Boers, but the greater part of the enemy's killed and wounded were removed by their comrades. Have captured a large number of horses and cows, and destroyed a large quantity of ammunition."

#### BRITISH LOSSES HEAVY.

"Brig. Gen. Fetherstonhaugh was severely wounded in the shoulder and Lieut. Col. Crabbe, of the Grenadier Guards, is reported wounded. Our other casualties are:—

#### GRENADIER GUARDS.

Third Battalion.  
Killed—Lieut. Fryer.  
Wounded—Lieut. Blundell, dangerously.

Second Battalion.  
Wounded—Lieut. Leslie, Lieut. Vaughan, Lieut. Gordon-Rebow and Lieut. Russell.

"Reported wounded—Lieut. Lyon and Lieut. Cameron.  
Grenadier Guards, rank and file—Killed, 26; wounded, 36; missing, 13.

#### COLDSTREAM GUARDS.

First Battalion.  
Wounded—Lieut. Grant.

Second Battalion.  
Wounded—Lieut. John Willoughby and Lieut. Burton, the latter severely. Rank and file—Killed, 8; wounded, 23; missing, 5.

#### SCOTS GUARDS.

First Battalion.  
Wounded—Maj. Hon. North Dalrymple-Hamilton, severely; Lieut. Bulkley and Lieut. Alexander.

Rank and file—Killed, 9; wounded, 34.

#### NORTHUMBERLAND FUSILIERS.

First Battalion.  
Killed—Capt. Eagar and Lieut. Brine. Wounded—Maj. Rushwood and Lieut. Festing, dangerously; Capt. Sapte and Lieut. Fishbourne, severely.

Rank and file—Killed, 12; wounded, 32.

#### NORTHAMPTONSHIRE REGIMENT.

Second Battalion.  
Wounded—Capt. Freeland and Lieut. Barton, severely.

#### SOUTH YORKSHIRE REGIMENT.

Second Battalion.  
Rank and file—Wounded, 3.

#### PRISONERS IN PRETORIA.

Men Are Well Fed and Not Suffering From Scoury.

Cape Town, November 24.—United States Consul-General Stowe has received information that the British prisoners in Pretoria are well fed and that there is no truth in the statement that they are suffering from scurvy. Sir Alfred Milner has issued a proclamation to the people of the colony, in the course of which he says:—

"It is my duty to dispel false reports regarding the policy and intentions of the imperial government. Misleading manifestos from beyond the border represent the imperial authorities as desiring to oppress the Dutch, and the idea has spread abroad that the Dutch will be deprived of their constitutional rights. There is absolutely no truth in such allegations."

"The imperial government desires the greatest freedom of self-government for both Dutch and British, and the extension, not the curtailment, of the constitutional rights that are solely en-

dangered by the rebellion. The imperial government adheres firmly to the principle of equal freedom for all loyal colonists."

Van Rensburg, the ringleader of the rebels at Colesburg, was arrested just as he was joining a Boer commando. Under orders from Gen. Gatacre he will be tried for treason.

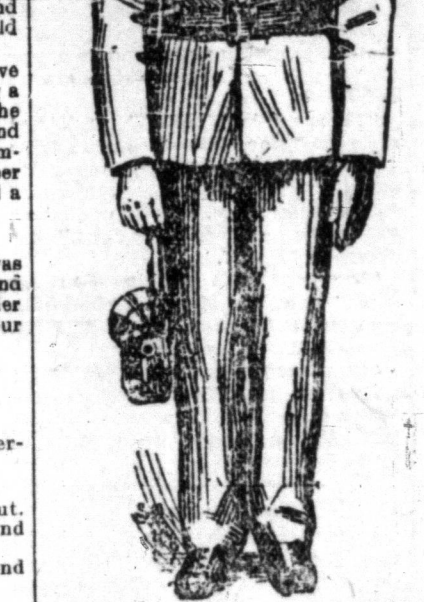
The military authorities have given permission to the Canadian contingent, on its arrival, to march through the city, which will be beautifully decorated and the day will be observed as a holiday.

The Boers occupied Steynsburg, south-west of Burgersdorp on Monday. Making was safe as late as November 15th.

#### SITUATION IN NATAL.

The Boers hold 17,000 British in Check and Still Have Men to Spare.

The situation in Natal remains obscure. Fighting is reported at both Estcourt and Ladysmith. It was at first reported that heavy firing had



During the battle at Elandsbaag a bugler boy of the 5th Lancers shot three Boers with a revolver. This plucky little chap, who is only fourteen years of age, was carried round the camp after the fighting was over. Our illustration is from a photograph of a troop of the 5th Lancers, owned by Trooper, E. O. Jones, of the A. Squadron, who is now with his regiment at the front.

been heard in the direction of Willow Grange, leading to a belief that Gen. Hillyard had made a sortie. Later despatches announce that Gen. White sorted from Ladysmith and inflicted a demoralizing defeat upon the Boers. It would be premature to give full credence to either report. What is quite certain is that Ladysmith, Estcourt and Mooi River station are all isolated, and the Boers seem able, after detaching enough troops to hold three British forces, aggregating 17,000 men, to push on toward Pietermaritzburg with some 7,000 men.

A disquieting feature of the whole campaign is the fact that the advancing British generals report meeting the Boers in force. In view of the brilliant success of Gen. Joubert in partially paralyzing the relieving columns, the question is being asked, what would have happened had he at the outset of the war, instead of setting down before Ladysmith, pushed on to Pietermaritzburg?

THE DUTCH ARE RISING.  
Gen. Gatacre's report that the Dutch are rising increases public anxiety, as it tends to confirm rumors that have been current. A special despatch from Durban announces that more big guns were landed Wednesday and hurried to the front. Prince Christian Victor left Mooi river camp before it was invested, bearing despatches to Pietermaritzburg. Late last evening it was asserted at Aldershot that the sixth division, now in process of mobilization, will be required for active service. Some of the yeomanry regiments have been warned for the mobilization owing to the scarcity of cavalry in Africa. It is also reported that another brigade of horse artillery will be mobilized.

The Daily Chronicle says:—"We learn that the cabinet has decided that the basis of settlement in South Africa will be a united South Africa, modelled upon the Canadian plan. The details have not yet been settled, but

it is practically certain that no terms of peace will be accepted by the British government short of the British occupation of Pretoria and Bloemfontein. The Natal Times says:—"During the night attack on Sunday Gen. White captured several Boer positions with guns and much material."

#### KIMBERLEY ALL SAFE.

Summary of Events From November 12 to 17.

London, Nov. 24.—The War Office has issued a despatch from Cape Town which is a brief official diary of events at Kimberley from Nov. 12 to Nov. 17. It shows that no serious engagement occurred between those dates, that the British losses have been infinitesimal and that the Boer losses were probably very small. The final entry indicates that the Boers, anticipating the advance of the relief column under Gen. Methuen, have taken up defensive positions to the south of the town. The despatch follows:—

Nov. 12.—The Boers fired 400 shells yesterday. Our expenditure up to date is about 200 shells.

Nov. 13.—There was a desultory bombardment to-day, the Boer practice being indifferent.

Nov. 14.—The bombardment continued to-day.

Nov. 15.—At daybreak our mounted troops made a sortie. The morning was misty and our scouts came suddenly upon the Boers, who fired wildly. An artillery engagement ensued. We had two men wounded.

Nov. 17.—There was another sortie at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon from Bulpreit, which drove the enemy to the edge of Alexandersfontein. Our only casualty was a captain wounded. It is reported that the Boers are concentrating south of Kimberley and now occupy laagers at Stagfontein station and Scholtz Nek. Their camp is practically surrounded by copies and the country is suitable to their tactics.

#### WAR NOTES.

For strategical reasons and to reassure the British population, Gen. Gatacre has decided on a partial forward movement after the reinforcements arrive.

The Hon. Mr. Logan, a member of the Cape Colony Executive Council, who has just returned here from Belmont, says the British troops engaged the Boers this side of Belmont, their artillery practice being splendid. The British infantry carried the kopjes at the point of the bayonet and drove the Boers from their positions.

## THE BLUFF FAILED.

### A Brandon Lawyer Threatened to get After Sir Charles Tupper

### For Saying He Peddled Government Whiskey Permits for the Yukon.

Brandon, Nov. 24.—A writ has been prepared at the instance of E. A. Phillip, of this city, against Sir Chas. Tupper, in which the leader of the Dominion Opposition is charged with slander and defamation of character, as the result of statements made in his speech here Monday night. Mr. Phillip wrote Sir Charles while in Brandon stating that what he had said about him was false, and asking him as an honorable man to call at his office to learn the truth of the matter. This Sir Charles declined to do. The statements objected to were to the effect that Mr. Phillip had taken whiskey into the Yukon in violation of existing regulation, and had peddled the authority from the Government to do this, offering it for \$10,000. Mr. Phillip, asked about it, would neither deny nor confirm the report, but admitted there was some thought of taking action.

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| <b>Lot 3</b><br>38c. | In this lot you have your choice of All Wool French Tweeds and Serges, 54 in. Suiting Tweeds, 44 in. Wool Cheviots, All Wool Ottoman Cords, Fancy All Wool Plaids, Handsome Silk and Wool Mixtures, All Wool Crepons, etc., that have been selling at 60c to 85c.—See Window Display |                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

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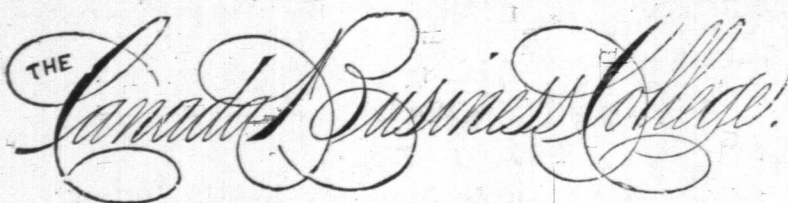
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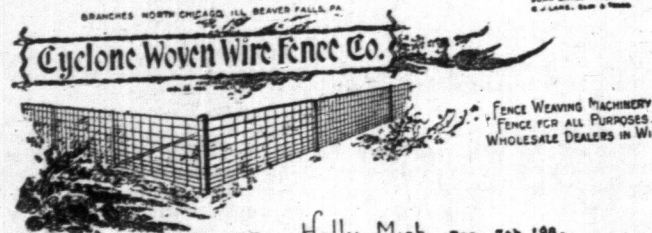
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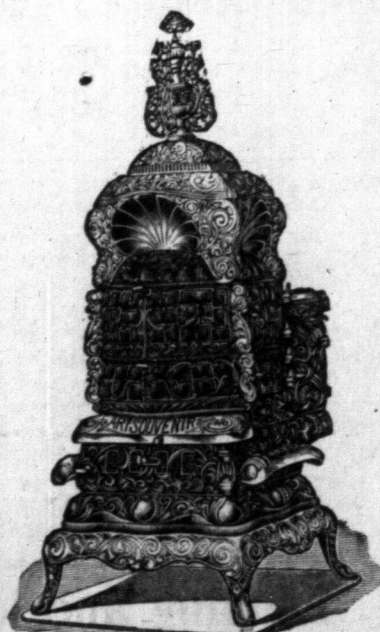
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"Yes," said the tall, loose jointed man at the telephone, "that's the number I want—229."

"Double two, nine?" queried the voice at the central office.

"Well, I don't know that double two nine is any better than the plain, ordinary two, two, nine, but if you insist on that style suppose we say double two single nine and get it exactly right. Hello! Is that Spotcash & Co.'s?"

"Yes," responded the voice at the other end of the wire.

"Is Mr. Spotcash in?"

"Is it something important? He is much occupied."

"So am I. Yes; it's a matter of some importance, and I want to talk to Mr. Spotcash personally. Yes; I'll hold the wire—that is, I'll hold the phone."

"Hello!" snapped somebody at this juncture.

"Hello! Is that Mr. Spotcash?"

"Yes. Who is it?"

"You are the head of the firm of Spotcash & Co. are you not?"

"Yes," was the impatient answer.

"What do you want? Who are you?"

"Gwilliams, 1195 Pumpernickel street. I want to enter a complaint."

"What about?"

"I bought an icebox at your store a few days ago, and—"

"Call up the household goods department, confound you! I have no time to spare to look after such things."

"You've got as much time, perhaps, as I have."

"I have. I haven't any complaint to make to the household goods department. The head of the firm is the man I want to talk to. I bought an icebox at your store a few days ago for \$16.75. I might have got it cheaper somewhere else, but that isn't the point. Having bought it and paid for it, I had a right to expect it to be delivered within a reasonable time and in fair condition. It didn't come for four days, and when it did come—"

"Say, you, I employ men to hear complaints of this kind."

"I have no use for them. You're the responsible man of the house. The system is yours. If it doesn't work smoothly, it is your fault. When that icebox came four days after purchase, one of the castors was missing, the varnish was scraped off the outside surface in more than a dozen places, and it looked as if it had gone through a hard season at a cheap boarding house."

"If there's anything wrong with it," roared Mr. Spotcash, "send it back! I can't take up my time."

"Stand a little farther away from the phone, Mr. Spotcash. Your voice sounds as if you had your mouth full of mashed potatoes."

"Who the devil are you?"

"I think I gave you my name and address—Gwilliams, 1195 Pumpernickel street, next door to Lazarus J. Spillhorn. You don't know me from a stuffed alligator, but you may have heard of Spillhorn. Don't you allow yourself to get hot, Mr. Spotcash, over an icebox. The incongruity of such a thing ought to be apparent even to the head of an overgrown junkshop."

"If you were here, sir, I should kick you out of my office."

"You would probably need some help. If that icebox had simply been defaced a little, I shouldn't have made any fuss about it, but the stupid ass you sent to deliver it—"

"Haven't you sense enough, you infernal idiot, to know that I don't look personally after the little details of a business amounting to millions of dollars a year?"

"If you don't grasp every detail of that business, you Cheap John notion peddler in a gilt binding, you are not fit to be the boss of it! Don't try to crawl out of the blame on some boy. If that icebox had simply been defaced a little, I repeat, I shouldn't have made any fuss about it, but the fellow you sent to deliver it didn't have any more sense than to tumble it on the sidewalk."

"Bring it back, blank you!"

"Look here, Spotcash, that won't do, you know. You are not allowed to talk in that style over the telephone. Exercise a little common sense. Spotcash. You know it isn't my place to bring that icebox back. The proper thing to do, you thirty-third degree haberdasher and toy vendor, is to send me a new icebox and take the damaged one back."

"You blank fool, do you think you can tell me?"

"Again let me tell you, Spotcash, not to use such language over the telephone. Some remote ancestor of yours may possibly have been a gentleman. Try to emulate him. Spotcash. In the meantime please accept the assurances of my distinguished consideration, and the icebox will remain in my dwelling subject to your order. If it is replaced properly and within a reasonable time, you will not hear from me again. If it isn't, I shall call you up, Spotcash, personally a dozen times a day through all the public telephones in town. I have not the patience to call at your store to make the complaint. Your system of making exchanges is too complicated, and I believe in going to headquarters with all kicks anyhow. Never allow yourself to think, Spotcash, that you are too big a man to listen to a complaint from your meaneast customer. I think that's all. Good morning, Spotcash!"

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## EXPENSIVE BOOKS.

The War of the Rebellion has Cost \$2,800,000.

largest book in the World is in Chinese and Cost the British Museum \$6,000.

The most expensive book ever published is the official history of the war of the rebellion, which is now being issued by the United States Government at a cost of \$2,800,000. Of this amount nearly one-half has been paid for printing and binding, the remainder to be accounted for in salaries, rent, stationery and miscellaneous expenses, including the purchase of records from private individuals, says The St. Louis Globe-Democrat. It has taken 10 years to complete this work, which consists of 112 volumes.

The largest book in the world is in the Chinese Department of the British Museum, and consists of 5,020 volumes. This wonderful production of the Chinese press was purchased a few years ago for \$6,000, and is one of only three copies in existence. It is an encyclopaedia of the literature of China, covering a period of 28 centuries—from 1,000 B.C. to 1,700 A.D.

It owes its origin to the literary proclivities of the Emperor Kang-he, who reigned from 1662 to 1722. In the course of his studies of the ancient literature of his country, Kang-he discovered that extensive corruption had been allowed to creep into modern editions, and he conceived the idea of having the text and the originals reproduced and preserved in an authoritative form.

This was a mighty conception, and in its execution it remains unique down to the present day. For the purpose of collecting the text, Kang-he appointed a commission of learned men to select the writings to be reproduced, and employed the Jesuit missionaries to cast copper types with which to execute the printing. The commission was occupied for 40 years in its great task. Before the work was completed Kang-he died, but he had provided that his successor should see the book completed. The book is arranged in six divisions, each dealing with a particular branch of knowledge. The divisions are thus designated: First, writings relating to the heavens; second, writings relating to the earth; fourth, writings relating to inanimate nature; fifth, writings relating to philosophy; sixth, writings relating to political economy.

Anchor of the Armada. The crew of a trawler engaged in lobster fishing near Kinsale had great difficulty one day lately in getting their anchor aboard, which was fixed in a massive hard substance in the sand bank. With great trouble they succeeded in bringing to the surface an ancient anchor of five tons, the shank being over ten feet long and the bend of equal proportions. The anchor, which, if it belonged to one of the ships of the Spanish armada which was wrecked on this coast, had been imbedded in the sand for upward of three centuries, was covered with marine matter and had been converted into a rock substance.

Her Majesty's Methodical Ways. Queen Victoria in all her ways is very methodical, and by no means careless of her possessions. Her sets of lace (many, of course, of very great value) have been cleaned over and over again. The crimson velvet and ermine gowns she wore at Parliament openings, and the pink satin gown in which she inaugurated the 1851 exhibition, are still among her treasured possessions.

Business is mended when minded.

## KRAUSE CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC Winter Term

BEGINS FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH HARMONY CLASSES Meet in Studio No. 2, on Monday at 5 p.m. SENIOR THEORY CLASSES On Thursday at 5.30 p.m. JUNIOR THEORY CLASSES On Thursday at 5 p.m. FREE to Conservatory Students. A. VICTOR CARTER, Musical Director

## WRECKED BY ELECTRICITY.

When an Antiquated Bridge Was Got Rid of Easily and in a Hurry.

When the old wooden bridge over the Wabash River at Clinton, Ind., fell with a crash last week a new use was demonstrated for electricity. A novel experiment had been tried and proven remarkably successful. It was wrecking a bridge by electric current.

The old bridge at Clinton was built in 1853, and was a frame structure supported on stone piers. It consisted of three spans, with a total length of 735 feet. Originally the bridge belonged to a stock company, and enjoyed the distinction of being the only toll bridge in the State of Indiana. But lately it had passed into the control of one man, and became rather unsafe for use.

When with the progress of time the old bridge became antiquated it was decided to replace it with one of more modern design and of durable construction. The county authorities purchased the approaches, piers and abutments, and entered into contract for a new steel superstructure to be erected on the existing piers and abutments, which were of ample strength and in good condition.

The owner of the old bridge agreed to remove the frame structure within thirty days. He found, however, that this was no easy accomplishment. He traveled about, consulted bridge and house wreckers, wrote letters, and sent telegrams, but all to no purpose. No company or individual was found that would agree to take down the timbers, leaving the masonry intact, in the time available. The thirty days passed, and the old bridge still stood.

The owner succeeded in getting an extension of a week, but he was at his wit's end. The structure could be blown up with dynamite, but this was no easy accomplishment. He could be set on fire, but that would crack or injure the masonry. Several other plans were suggested, but the only sure way seemed to be the erection of false work, and that method was out of the question, owing to the shortness of time allotted for the work.

At this juncture, H. N. Mills, an electrician living in Clinton, suggested the use of electricity. He agreed to wreck the wooden bridge structure without injuring the piers. Although the undertaking was a novel one, Mr. Mills was confident that his method must prove successful, and he was right.

Each span of the bridge was composed of nine chords, each consisting of three timbers. Therefore if these twenty-seven timbers were cut simultaneously the span would drop between the piers to the river beneath. This was what was actually done, the cutting being accomplished by burning through the wood by loops of iron resistance wire made red-hot by the passage of an electric current and weighted down by heavy weights. The timbers were of yellow poplar and nine inches square. Each one was burned simultaneously in two places. Thus the mass of timbers dropped inside the piers without injuring them. It took one hour and forty minutes to wreck each span.

Examination after the fall of the bridge showed that all the timbers were burned by the wire loops in exactly the same manner—five inches deep from the top and three inches deep on the sides. When this depth was reached the weight of the span fractured the remaining wood. The cut made by the hot wire was quite sharp and clean, and the wood was not charred more than an inch from the place of fracture.

The plan was successful in every particular, and Mr. Mills was the recipient of many congratulations. The current was first turned on about 5 o'clock in the morning on the day of the wrecking, and at 2 o'clock in the afternoon the last span crashed to the river bed and a great shout of admiration went up from the throats of about 2,000 spectators who witnessed the feat. This is the latest and most novel of the many uses of electricity.

## Cecil Rhodes's Idea.

In connection with the foundation of Cecil Rhodes's colossal wealth, there is a story told by an old fellow miner, himself lately a Colonial Minister of Finance, which illustrates at least one trait in the character of the great South African financier and politician.

During the early days of the Kimberley diggings it was the custom when a miner found a particularly fine gem to invite those about him to the ceremony of "wetting the stone." I. A., drinking champagne at the finder's expense, with the idea that it would bring good luck in the discovery of another treasure. In the adjoining claim to that first taken up by Mr. Rhodes, in the very centre of the crater holding the precious blue dirt, this invitation had upon a certain occasion gone forth, and the men were going their way up to the hotel when it was noticed that Rhodes stood aloof. "Hullo! Come on, Rhodes!" shouted the lucky finder of the gem. "Aren't you coming up to 'wet the stone' for good luck?" To which, however, Cecil Rhodes only shook his head.

"I say, come on; there's a good fellow," persisted his neighbor.

"What are you going to do?" asked Rhodes, frowning.

"Wet the stone with champagne, of course."

"Well," replied the futur magnate, decisively, "I did not come out here to drink champagne, but to make money," and then went on with his work.

That Mr. Rhodes has succeeded in that purpose, probably beyond all flights of his imagination, is now a matter of history.

## Christian Women.

In the old Roman days of Nero were cast into the dens of lions where they died a horrible, but fortunately speedy death. The world has progressed, but ignorance still condemns thousands of innocent women to an equally painful and more lingering death.

The woman who day after day is tortured by headaches, nervousness, lassitude, weak back, pains and dragging sensations in the abdomen and similar symptoms, suffers a martyrdom that not even a Nero could invent. Not one doctor in a thousand will attribute these troubles to the right cause—the sensitive female organs, yet almost without exception there lies the trouble. And there is just one known remedy that reaches and cures every case.

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## THE NAME OF MARY.

It is One of the Oldest in Use at the Present Time

Very Popular in France—There it is Spelled Marie.

Mary is one of the oldest names in use today. Women of all classes christen their children with the Virgin's name, and its universal use will never detract from its dignity. Marie is the French version of the name, and those bearing it look forward to Aug. 15, the festival of the assumption, the fête when all Maries receive the floral offerings in honor of their patron saint. There is no name more favored throughout France than the name of Marie. It is borne by the peasants and by the young women of the house of Orleans. Notable among Maries is the Princess Waldemar of Denmark.

In some provinces of France almost every woman is christened Marie, with an after name—for example, Marie Armand. Many of the ancient houses of both France and England value the inheritance of Marie with their heiresses, and lands. The Noailles, Boisgelins, d'Andignes, Larochejaquelein all include one or more Maries in each generation. Even men in France bear the prenom of Marie, which is used in legal documents, though seldom, if ever, used in speaking.

## A Star's Color.

The common opinion that Arcturus is a red or reddish star is corrected by Garrett P. Serviss, the well known astronomical writer, the fact being, as he states, that it is near the horizon. When rising, it often assumes a flowing appearance, as it approaches the middle of the sky its redness and also its flickering vanish, and it shines with a pale yellowish light. On turning a telescope upon it, however, even when it is nearest to zenith, it appears of a rich orange hue and very beautiful. This, says Mr. Serviss, is one of the very greatest of the stars, so much so, indeed, that even Sirius probably would make but a poor showing in comparison. In fact, some of the estimates of the light and heat sent forth by Arcturus are almost incredible, and, if really correct, no planet could survive as near to Arcturus as the earth is to the sun.—New York Sun.

Some people seem to know everything except the fact that they don't know how much they don't know.

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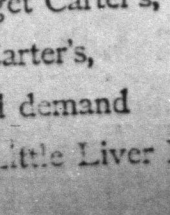
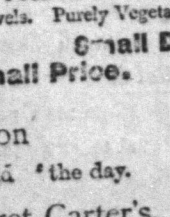
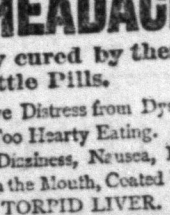
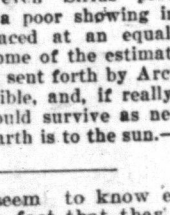
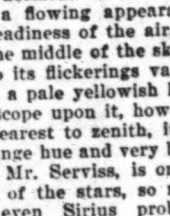
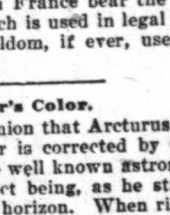
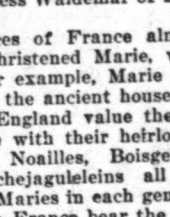
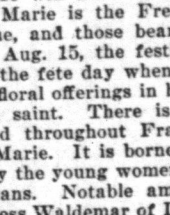
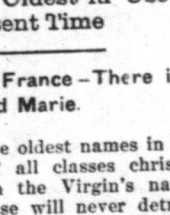
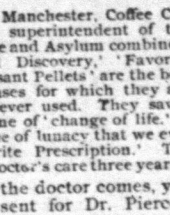
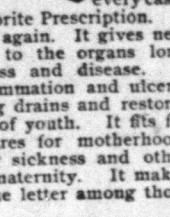
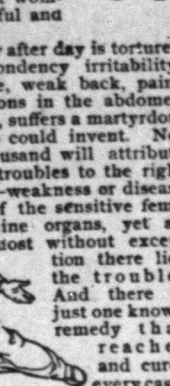
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#### BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

##### MARRIAGES

**BELLHOUSE-HOLMES.**—At the residence of her mother, Oaklands, Raleigh, Chatham, on Wednesday, 22nd November, by the Rev. Robert Sims, Rector of Holy Trinity and St. Thomas, Georgia Frances Holmes, to Arthur Lyon Bellhouse, of Knutsford, Allerton, Lancashire, England.

##### THE PROBABILITY

G. N. W. Special.

Toronto, Nov. 24—10 a. m.—Moderate winds, generally from east and south, winds north-easterly and easterly, fair and cool.

## LOCAL BRIEFS

The Juno is in port with a load of coal for the Gas Company.

The civic pay sheets for the past week amount to \$130.40.

The Sons of Scotland will attend divine worship in the William St. Baptist church on Dec. 3.

Mrs. Louis Charbonneau and children, of Dover, left to-day for Cohoes, N. Y., accompanied by Mr. Richard, also of Dover.

The Catholic Order of Foresters held a social evening last night. A very enjoyable time was spent. Chief Ranger James Gordon occupied the chair.

The finder of a ten-dollar bill, last night or this morning, will confer a great favor by returning it to The Planet office. A liberal reward will be paid.

On Tuesday last a small leather purse, containing a small sum of money and a photographer's card, was lost on King street. A reward is offered for their return.

The William St. Baptist church will hold their annual Sunday school concert on New Year's night. The program being prepared by the scholars is a good one.

Owing to the improvements going on at the court house the assize court will open before Judge Robertson next Monday at one o'clock, in the county court chambers at Harrison Hall.

A burning chimney on a house on Park St., in the vicinity of McConnell's grocery, was the cause of the fire brigade being summoned by an alarm from box 31 at 7:10 last evening. There was no damage.

W. S. Marshall has been appointed acting mayor during the absence of Mayor Smith in Buffalo. The mayor leaves this afternoon for the Bison City to meet electric railroad capitalists whom he hopes to induce to build in Chatham.

A Few Good Things for To-morrow at The 2 L's—Fifty pairs of boys' odd Pants, all sizes, 50c. a pair. Fifty men's Derby and Fedora Hats, \$2.50 quality, to clear at \$1.98. Very nobby range Tiger Brand Boys' Suits. New lot New Method \$10 Overcoats.

**SENT FOR TRIAL.**

Thos. C. Fann, the young man charged with obtaining goods under false pretences from R. S. Dunlop, seems to have laid up plenty of trouble for himself. This morning at police court, on the conclusion of the evidence, Judge Houston committed him for trial. A second charge of the same nature has been preferred against him by W. M. Stone, and it is said that other charges will be subsequently preferred.

**MURDERED AT TOLEDO.**

At Toledo W. L. Thomas, of Brantford, Ont., a medical student at a local college, met death mysteriously. His body was found under the derrier of an oil well. His clothing was wet and bedraggled, and there are contusions on his head and face. Little is known of Thomas there. He has been working his way through college, and was employed by Dr. T. A. Miller, 625 Adams street, who identified him at 8 o'clock last evening. It is thought that Thomas was murdered.

# FOR BLOODY BELMONT.

## Many English Families Now Mourn--The War Office Besieged.

### BRITISH CASUALTIES AT BELMONT.

|                                        |     |
|----------------------------------------|-----|
| Killed.....                            | 58  |
| Wounded.....                           | 150 |
| Missing.....                           | 18  |
| Total killed, wounded and missing..... | 226 |

### BRITISH CASUALTIES UP TO DATE.

The total British casualties so far as at present known amount to 2,588. The killed number 320, the wounded 989, and the missing 1,269, as follows:—

#### KILLED.

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| Officers.....      | 37  |
| Rank and file..... | 283 |

#### WOUNDED.

|                    |     |
|--------------------|-----|
| Officers.....      | 88  |
| Rank and file..... | 901 |

#### MISSING.

|                       |       |
|-----------------------|-------|
| Officers and men..... | 1,269 |
|-----------------------|-------|

London, Nov. 24.—The pathetic scenes which marked the days following the engagements between the British and Boers at Glencoe and Nicholson's Nek, found their counterpart at the War Office to-day. Long Nicholson's Nek, found their counterpart at the War Office to-day. Long before the doors were opened the troubled and anxious women and men of all stations in life were assembled there, and when the inquiries were finally admitted their anxious questions showed they feared that yesterday evening's official bulletin, though black enough, had not recorded the full story of the British losses at Belmont. Up to noon, the government officials had issued no further despatches, and so the nervous distrust of the public remains unallayed.

### THE BATTLE OF BELMONT.

New York, Nov. 24.—A despatch to the Tribune from London says: Along after midnight an official despatch was received at the War Office bringing news of a battle fought by Gen. Methuen at Belmont with the Free Staters, the result being a complete victory for the Boers strongly entrenched. The Kimberley relief column, Methuen and provided with plenty of guns. The ground they chose to defend was cleverly selected, and in driving it down their position the British troops had to carry three ridges in succession, all a repetition of Elandslaagte. The last ridge was carried at the point of the bayonet by the Guards after the

### GENERAL CRONJE'S COWARDLY COURSE.

London, Nov. 24.—The Times this morning publishes the following despatches from its war correspondents: Making by way of Magalaps, Nov. 22.—The investment of the town is very close. The garrison is constantly harassed by the besieger's fire. The water supply was failing, and dysentery was occurring as long ago as November 8.

The Boers direct the fire of their big guns at the hospital and women's laager at the monastery. One shell struck among the women's laager on Nov. 4.

The enemy unsuccessfully tried to blow up the town with dynamite. The explosive went off prematurely, killing many Boers. A reconnaissance by Major Godding on Nov. 7 led to a hot and prolonged fusillade. One Englishman was wounded, but the British lost heavily in horses and cattle.

Again on November 8 the enemy shelled the hospital, killing a patient. Col. Baden-Powell sent a message for the fifth time, demanding immunity for the Red Cross, and threatening reprisals. General Cronje deferred his answer.

Gen. Cronje answered Col. Baden-Powell's remonstrance against firing on the convent because it was occupied by the British. He made no reply.

### GENERAL JOUBERT IS SETTING THE PACE.

London, Nov. 24.—The situation in Lower Natal offers a striking contrast to the conditions of warfare to which the British are accustomed. Dutch allies, after investing Ladysmith, have turned about to deal with the British relief column piecemeal. By dividing their forces into mobile bands of raiders and cutting in between Estcourt and the Mool river and threatening to dash in at Howick, between the Mool and Pietermaritzburg, they are isolating the British detachments, without making a decisive attack at any point, or concentrating their forces for a supreme effort. It is guerrilla warfare with long range guns, for keeping the British at a distance, and is varied by such diversions as horse-stealing, cattle-raiding and looting on a large scale.

Joubert during the war of independence dealt in precisely the same way with one British detachment after another and prevented the union of the various commands. He then had the immense advantage of superiority of numbers. But conditions are now reversed for the British force in Lower Natal will be 18,000 certainly, and possibly 20,000 when the last transport reaches Durban, and Gen. White's garrison of 13,000 troops is still unharmed in reserve. Moreover, Joubert, while blocking the advance of the relief column by separating the various links in the chain, is scattering his own forces without obtaining any marked advantage.

### BOERS THINK THEY HAVE A SURE THING.

Cape Town, Nov. 24.—Unconfirmed reports continue to arrive here to the effect that Gen. White recently caught the Boers in a trap at Ladysmith, including detachments of the beleaguering force to venture into the open country, when some parties from the British camp captured them. It is difficult, however, to believe that news of such importance would not have been officially announced, and it is held that the affair described will probably turn out to be the sort reported from Boer headquarters Nov. 22.

Three squadrons of African light horse have gone northward. Late arrivals from Pretoria estimate

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## A DERVISH ROUT.

### General Wingate Gives 2,500 of Them Battle.

#### Four Hundred Killed and Only Three Egyptians Wounded.

Cairo, Nov. 24.—Gen. Wingate, with an Egyptian force, moved from Fakhri Wednesday to attack the force of Ahmed Fedil, reported to be at Drefissia, twenty-three miles from the River Nile, on the road to Gimeh. The British General Kitchen, has telegraphed to Lord Cromer, the British Minister, as follows:—

"Omdurman, Nov. 23.—Wingate Drefissia evacuated. Pushed through the Dervish forces and encamped. They found Fedil's forces encamped. The mounted troops under Mahon, with four Maxim and two guns and the Jaba-dieh under Gorrings. The Dervishes charged with all their old dash to within 80 yards of the guns. Wingate, with the infantry, arrived in time to support Mahon, and cleared the whole camp. The Dervishes bolted through the bush, pursued by the mounted force of 2,500 men, of whom 400 were killed. Wingate captured many prisoners, grain, rifles and spears. The Egyptian casualties were three wounded."

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To-day's store news bristles with enticing bargains.

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II—Special super wool blankets, fine soft finish, fancy colored border, size 64 to 84, weight 7 lbs., price..... \$2.80 per pair

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IV—Special values checked glass toweling, per yd..... 40c

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VIII—25 in. small and fancy checked apron gingham, good washing colors..... 60 yard

IX—Great values in bleached table damask, pure Irish manufacture at 40c, 50c, 60c, 75c, 85c, 90c, \$1.00 and \$1.25

X—20 in. all linen glass cloth, plain red and fancy blue and red border, special per yd..... 80c

XI—28 in. reversible flannelette black and red checks, stripes and plaids, regular 12 1/2c quality, per yard..... 10c

## Dress Goods Department

### Silks, Satins, Velvets, Etc.

#### Special Reductions.

In our dress goods department prevail every day this week. A call will convince you. Below we quote some of our special prices:—

4 pos. 44 in wide black fancy satin, ground with mohair figure, bright finish, former price 75c, special at 50c.

10 pos. 46 in. wide all wool English serge, in shades of black, myrtle, brown, green, olive, blue gray, fawn, navy, cardinal purple, garnet, actual value 30c, special 25c.

2 pos. 42 in. wide navy blue botany serge, heavy large twill, a good cloth for skirt or fall dresses, our special prices 50c and 60c.

4 pos. 44 to 48 in. wide black bungalow cord poplin, warranted for purity and durability, at per yd. 50c, 75c, \$1 and \$1.25.

10 pos. 46 in. wide silk and wool black fancy in the new heavy cord floral designs a pretty cloth for skirts or dresses, our special prices 40c, 50c, 60c, 65c, 75c.

10 pos. black silk and wool, silk and mohair crepons, in all the pretty designs, in brooches and fancy striped brooches, grand value at \$1.25, \$1.40, \$1.60, \$1.85, \$1.75 and \$2, take your pick at per yd. \$1.00.

5 pos. 42 to 50 in. wide all-wool black cloth and vestments, extra finish, fine cloth for tailor made suits our special prices 50c, 60c, 75c, 90c and \$1.

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No. 2—25 dozen MEN'S FINE FANCY WEB SUSPENDERS, with sliding buckle, nobby designs, a brace easily worn 40c, Saturday special..... 25c

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Very Great Was the Views of  
MMS in Ancient Times

Worth all and More of the Work Put  
Upon Them

Before the invention of printing  
literature existed only in the form  
of manuscripts, which were ex-  
ceedingly rare and costly.

There have been times when for  
the possession of a manuscript some  
would transfer an estate, or leave  
in pawn for its loan hundreds of  
golden crowns, and when even the  
sale or loan of a manuscript was  
considered of such importance as to  
have been solemnly registered by  
public acts.

Absolutes as was Louis XI., he  
could not borrow the MMS. of Ra-  
nus, an Arabian writer, from the li-  
brary of the Faculty of Paris for  
copying, without pledging a hun-  
dred golden crowns, and the presi-  
dency of his treasury, charged with  
this commission, sold part of his  
plate to make the deposit.

For the loan of a volume of Aven-  
mar a large offered a pledge of ten  
marks of silver, which was refused,  
because it was not considered equal  
to the risk incurred of losing the  
volume.

These events occurred in 1471.  
One cannot but smile at an an-  
cient period when a Countess of Anjou  
bought a favorite book of Homilies  
for 200 sheep, some skins of martens  
and bushels of wheat and rye.

In those times manuscripts were  
important articles of commerce.  
They were extensively scarce and  
preserved with the utmost care.

Manuscripts themselves considered them  
as precious objects for pawn.

A student of Pavia, who was re-  
duced by his extravagances, raised a  
new fortune by leaving in pawn a  
manuscript of a body of law, and a  
grammarian, who was ruined by a  
fire, rebuilt his house with two  
small volumes of Cicero.

What a contrast do such facts as  
these present to the general diffusion  
of the most precious treasures of  
learning by the art of printing, as  
developed in recent times!

The Mystique of the Carpet.

Dr. Gurdansky, in The New York  
Medical Journal, writing of dust, in  
the causation of tuberculosis, claims  
that the broom not only serves no  
hygienic purpose, but maintains or-  
ganic dust in the air of large cities,  
and is therefore the most important  
cause of the existence and spread of  
tuberculosis, as well as other infec-  
tious diseases. He claims that car-  
pets are unhygienic and serve as a  
breeding ground for bacilli, neces-  
sitating the use of a broom and  
duster. He argues that the only  
proper and safe way of cleaning  
floors and even streets in our large  
cities, is by the free use of water,  
by sprinkling, by hose, by mops,  
etc. To this end all floors, floor  
coverings and street pavements  
should be constructed so as to facili-  
tate the free use of water. He says  
that the broom must go, and while  
this may seem almost sacrilegious  
to those who believe that cleanliness  
is next to godliness, there is an ele-  
ment of reason in it, for science has  
proved that dust is the cause of  
more deaths than any other single  
condition, earthquakes, floods and  
wars not excepted. In other words,  
the thought-to-be-harmless broom is  
really a murderous weapon that does  
its work insidiously, but none the  
less surely.

## THE DISTRICT

RUSHTON'S CORNERS.

Revival meetings are being held in  
the old school house during the week.  
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Cooper, formerly  
of Wilkes, are visiting relatives on  
Howard road, previous to taking up  
their abode in Ohio.

Whooping cough is the order of the  
day.

Peter Shrewsbury has been boring  
for gas during the past week.

On Saturday last the funeral of the  
infant child of William Anderson  
Howard road, took place and was larg-  
ely attended.

Rev. Mr. McLaren, Blenheim, con-  
ducted revival services here.

JEANNETTE'S CREEK.

Rev. Mr. McNair, of Tilbury, con-  
ducted the services in the Methodist  
church on Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Knight spent a few days in  
Windsor this week, and preached mis-  
sionary sermons in the Methodist  
church on the island.

Mrs. Gibson is moving to Glandford,  
where she will reside for the future.

Mrs. Hamlin and Miss Hamlin re-  
turned to their home in Detroit on  
Tuesday, after a short visit with  
Mrs. B. Beattie.

The public school children are pre-  
paring for their closing exercises.

W. Shaw is building a large barn.

Mr. Gilechrist is visiting Mr. De  
Groot.

Ed. Smith was visiting in Leam-  
ington last week.

SOUTH BUXTON.

Ho, for the school concert. Now  
that the festive season is near at hand  
Miss E. Northwood, our popular teach-  
er is taking the lead, and has  
prepared one of the finest programs  
that will be listened to during this  
whole festive season. The date is Dec.  
8.

George Morris has lost a white sow  
which strayed away some weeks ago.

John Robbins has recovered and is  
able to be out.

Mrs. James L. Garrett has been very  
ill but under the skill of Dr. Oliver,  
she is convalescing.

The Rev. Mr. Wright, of Windsor,  
is expected to attend the B. M. E. quar-  
terly meeting in North Buxton, on the  
first Sunday in December.

FLETCHER.

A social was given by the Women's  
Foreign Missionary Society on Thurs-  
day evening. A good tea was provid-

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## PASSING OF THE TILE

INFORMATION ABOUT THE ORIGIN OF  
THE MODERN SILK HAT.

The Interesting History of the Headgear  
of Centuries From Which It Was  
Evolved—The Interesting Process of  
Making the Silk Hat of To-Day En-  
tertainingly Described.

From a long line of noble pedigrees,  
almost lost in past centuries, rises  
the modern silk hat; and now shall  
its past services in shielding man  
from sun and rain be forgotten, and  
it is to be seen no more except in  
the collection of the antiquarian?  
Chaucer describes the merchant on  
his Canterbury pilgrimage as wear-  
ing "on his head a flaunderish beaver  
hat." In the middle of the next  
century there is a list of articles be-  
longing to Sir John Fastolf, among  
which is "a hatte of beaver lyned  
with damaske."

In Queen Elizabeth's reign Stubbs  
was much distressed by the vanities  
of the world, especially those in  
England. Through his indignation he  
has given most fascinating pictures  
of the follies of his day in the "An-  
atomie of Abuses." He says, de-  
scribing the hats: "Sometimes they  
used them sharp on the crowns,  
perking up like the shaft of a steep-  
le, standing a quarter of a yard  
above their heads, some more, some  
less, to please the fancies of their  
wandering minds. Some are of silk,  
some are of velvet, some are of taff-  
eta, some of sarcenet, some of wool,  
and which is more curious, some of a  
certain kind of fine hair; these they  
call beaver hats, of 20, 30, 40 shil-  
lings a piece fetched from beyond the  
sea, whence a great sort of other va-  
rieties do come. And so common a  
thing it is that every serving man,  
country man and other, even all in-

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two months to an end." It seems  
that the men of his time were more  
wavering in their tastes than those  
of to-day.

It was not until the seventeenth  
century that the hat supplanted the  
cap which was the earliest form of  
headgear. In the Roman days it was  
worn slung at the back and only  
used in stormy weather. During the  
reign of Charles I. the "sugar loaf"  
was the prevailing fashion, a round  
with a rich hat band and trimmed  
with a feather on one side, they  
were "so incommodious for us," says  
one of our writers, "that every  
puff of wind deprived us of them."

The Puritans wore the same shape,  
but considered the feather too much  
a mark of vanity, and they also  
were more modest in trim. The caval-  
iers even had iron rods made to  
wear in their wavy, one which be-  
longed to Charles I may now be seen  
in Warwick Castle. At the time of  
the Restoration the tall hat passed  
out of fashion, for Charles II brought  
the French periwig home with him,  
and the broad brim, low-crowned  
hat was more in keeping with it.  
Finally the brim of these picturesque  
hats grew so extravagant that it be-  
came necessary to turn it up, which  
at first was done at the back and  
then anywhere, according to one's  
fancy. Out of this grew the cocked  
hat of William's reign. The lackeys  
and coachmen of the King of Italy  
instead of under their arms they  
would probably last longer. A writ-  
er of this period says: "We can dis-  
tinguish by the taste of the hat the  
mood of the wearer's mind—while  
the beaux of St. James wear their  
hats unchanged much after all!"  
"His hats for men of the faculties  
of law and physic do but just turn up  
to give a little life to their sagacity;  
his military hats glare full in the  
face; and he has prepared a familiar  
code for all good companions be-  
tween the above mentioned ex-  
tremes."

Again, after the first quarter of  
last century the tall hat reappeared  
and became "the favorite mode of  
quality" and "the polite distinction  
of fashionable dress." It was later  
adopted in Paris and known as the  
chapeau à l'Anglais. With many  
other victims at the time of the  
French Revolution, the cocked hat  
lost its head, and was succeeded by  
a crescent shaped which inherited the  
old name. Under the empire the old  
shape was revived, but the stove-  
pipe, with its remarkable hold on  
life, again crowned men's heads, and  
has remained with us ever since in  
varying degrees of height and  
breadth.

The process of making the silk hat  
of to-day is very interesting. Tech-  
nically speaking the hat consists of  
three parts, the top, the body and  
the brim. There is a wooden block,  
exactly the shape of the "body,"  
made in five pieces, so that the  
block may be taken apart for the  
removal of the hat when it has been  
shaped for the upper part flares  
it would otherwise be impossible. A  
strip of muslin, the exact size of  
the block, glued together on the  
edges, is slipped over the block,  
shellac is then ironed into the mus-  
lin and left to dry two or three  
more layers of muslin are wound  
around the block, each being shel-  
lacked. After the first layer has been  
ironed on the brim is added. A strip  
of muslin for the brim is stretched  
on a frame, shellacked and left to  
dry, and so on, with from two to  
four layers for an ordinary hat,  
though for livery hats this is some-  
times repeated six times. This stiff-  
ened muslin, which has grown brown  
from the color, is then cut into  
squares and a hole cut in the center  
to slip it on to the block. This hole  
is smaller than the block, so that it  
leaves a rim around it, which is  
ironed down and sewed to make it  
strong; then the other layers are put  
around the "body." The crown is  
added by being ironed on, as the  
heat melts the varnish and makes it  
adhesive. When all the parts are put  
together a final coat of varnish is  
given and it is impossible to feel a  
seam anywhere. Next comes the cov-  
ering. First, a strip of plush is cut  
for the covering of the brim and  
ironed on. Then a piece on the bias,  
for the body of the hat is slipped on-  
to the form, having had the crown  
carefully sewn in on the wrong side,  
after which it is ironed. The join-  
ing of the bias seam requires expert  
workers, who turn it out with no  
more evidence of a seam than is to  
be seen in the skin of a plum. The  
next step is the shaping or "putting  
in the curl," as it is called, for up to  
this time the brim is perfectly flat.  
First it is pressed by a flatiron to  
make it pliable, and then ironed on  
a form the shape of the curling brim.  
The hat is then put onto a "brow"  
shaped like a man's head and the  
finishing touches are added. Finally  
it is ready for the lining, which is  
done by women.

An English nobleman who has  
made war upon the soft hat has said  
that nothing short of a revolution  
could bring about its downfall. It is  
possible that this will be accom-  
plished in a truly modern fashion  
without the shedding of a drop of  
blood.

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The French navy is installing wire-  
less telegraphy between the light-  
houses along the French coast. Judg-  
ing from the results of the prelimi-  
nary experiments, the installation  
will prove of great value to ship-  
ping.

Justin McCarthy's Eyes.

Justin McCarthy, the historian and  
novelist, has just undergone the last  
of a series of operations for the re-  
lief of his eyes, and it is expected  
that his sight will be completely re-  
stored.

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