

Births, Marriages, Deaths

DIED.
HESSEY—On Thursday, Aug. 25, 1898, John Hesse, aged 81 years.
Funeral from the residence of his son-in-law, A. Hesse, 529 Grey street, on Saturday, Aug. 27, at 2:30 p.m.; services at 3 p.m. Friends and acquaintances will please accept this intimation.

Amusements and Lectures

Advertisements under this heading, two cents per word, or ten cents per line, each insertion.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

Two Solid Weeks, Commencing Aug. 29th, Gertrude Kimberley, and the METROPOLITAN OPERA COMPANY.

40 people, Monday night, "Mikado." Matinees, 10c, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 10c, 20c, 30c, 50c. Seats now sale.

Championship Baseball

LONDON VS. CHATHAM

Friday and Saturday.

—Friday, 4 p.m. —Saturday, 3:30 p.m.

Next games, Aug. 29, 30, 31, St. Thomas.

COMMERCIAL TRAVELERS' DAY

At Tecumseh Park, Saturday, Sept. 3. Bicycle races, ball game and other sports.

NEW PALACE DANCING ACADEMY

422 Richmond street. Better and larger than ever. Electric lighting, electric fans and every modern convenience. Watch for opening date. Dayton & McCormick.

KEEP KOOL—SULPHUR SPRINGS

Swimming pool. Hot and cold baths, daily and evening. Dances twice a week. Phone 707.

Meetings.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN—PUBLIC notice is hereby given that a meeting of Board License Commissioners will be held in the auditor's office, 629 Talbot street, Friday, Sept. 2, 8 p.m., to consider application from James McMartin for transfer of his tavern license to James McDonald. All parties interested will please govern themselves accordingly. R. Henderson, Inspector.

NDON COUNCIL, NO. 23, ROYAL

Area, will meet this (Friday) evening, 8 o'clock, in Buffalo hall.

S. CHELSEA LODGE MEETS THIS

(Friday) evening. Visiting brothers welcome. A. E. Taylor, President.

Domestics Wanted.

WANTED—A YOUNG GIRL AS HOUSE-MAID, willing to assist with children. Apply Mrs. W. A. Dunn, 128 Kent street, 31c.

WANTED—GIRL TO DO GENERAL HOUSEWORK. Apply Mrs. Hiscox, 190 Queen's avenue.

GENERAL SERVANT WANTED—APPLY 511 King street.

EXPERIENCED GENERAL SERVANT WANTED. Apply Mrs. Geo. Olmsted, 50 Maple street.

Female Help Wanted.

WANTED BY A WIDOW, with comfortable home, a female as companion; middle-aged, references required. Address box 50, Fingal, Ont.

Male Help Wanted.

WANTED—STEADY, ELDERLY MAN to look after a horse and make himself generally useful about the house; none but a strictly temperate man need apply. Address Box 46, this office.

WANTED AT HOME FOR INCURABLES, an orderly; must be a strong, active man. Apply at the Home, 708 Dundas street.

Wanted.

WANTED TO RENT BY OCT. 1, MODERN house, four bedrooms, between G. and T. R. and C. P. R. tracks. Box 50, Advertiser.

HIGHEST PRICE PAID FOR GENTLEMEN'S cast-off clothing. A. P. Harris, 40 King street. Mail orders attended to.

Pawnbrokers.

PAWNBROKER—LEADS MONEY ON diamonds, watches, jewelry, etc. Business strictly confidential. Highest price paid for cast-off clothing. Jos. Fox, 206 King street, opposite fire hall.

Architects.

ALFRED BODLEY—ARCHITECT—Corner Richmond and Dundas, over G. T. R. Ticket Office.

MORRIS & FARN COMBE—ARCHITECTS and surveyors, 215 Dundas street, H. C. Morriss, H. W. Farncombe, H. S. C. E.

MOORE & HENRY—ARCHITECTS AND civil engineers, Members Ont. Assn. Architects, members Ont. L. Surveyors Assn. members Am. Waterworks Assn.

HERBERT MATTHEWS—ARCHITECT—formerly with C. F. Haight, New York, Carling Block, Richmond street.

Bicycle Liveries.

LARGE STOCK OF NEW HIGH GRADE Steamers wheels to rent; afternoon or evening, 50c; tandems, 75c. Telephone 1,223. Wheels delivered. J. H. Cunningham, 778 Dundas street.

Business Cards.

DODD & CO.—PRACTICAL BUILDERS, carpenters and joiners. Jobbing and repairing promptly attended to. Shop 154 Filadelfia street.

GEO. ROUGHLEY—FELT AND GRAVEL roofers, repairing a specialty; estimates on application. 230 South street, London. Telephone 385.

That Fall Suit.

Let us make it for you this season. We have received an entire new stock of the latest fabric to select from. No old goods.

DEEKS & CO.,

333 Richmond Street, Near City Hall.

A GOOD INVESTMENT

is a pair of shoes that will wear properly, fit properly, and show the proper style until they are worn out. When you make an investment of this kind in footwear, it is money well invested.

Our special lines of shoes for men and women at \$1.98 a pair are the satisfactory kind that will wear every cent you invest in them.

They will serve you faithfully, fit you properly, and tell the whole world every day in the week that you are up to date in your dress.

SEE OUR WINDOW.

J. P. COOK

173 Dundas Street.

Real Estate.

THIRTY-FIVE HUNDRED BUYS HOUSE and lot on Stanley street; well finished furnace and all conveniences. Box 41, Advertiser Office.

Articles For Sale.

FOR SALE—SET OF TINSMITH'S TOOLS, in good order. E. Gorman, Forest City Spice Mills.

SCHOOL BOOKS AND SUPPLIES—ALL ready for school opening. A special line of 5c scribbles for 3c. R. V. S. SAUNDERS, 60 Dundas street, East London.

BIG REDUCTION IN SCHOOL SUPPLIES and other goods. It will pay you to see our prices before buying. P. Henderson & Co., 42 Park avenue.

PORK SAUSAGE AND BOLOGNA—Four pounds for 25c; sugar-cured hams, 12c; breakfast bacon, 11c; pickled pork, 10c; butter and eggs, at Park's corner Market Lane.

FOR SALE—BICYCLE CHAIN GRAPHITE, large size, 5c; electric stove, 10c; tape, 5c; large tube rubber, 5c each. D. McKenzie & Co., 374 Richmond street.

GREAT REMOVAL SALE OF SECOND-HAND pianos and organs. Will be sold before Sept. 1, a chance of a lifetime. Low prices; easy terms; before moving to our new store. Heintzman & Co., 29 Dundas street.

R. M. MILLAR, ELECTRICIAN, NO. 431 Talbot street, between Carling street and Queen's avenue. All work done efficiently and at moderate prices. A specialty of Medical Batteries.

SUMMER WOOD AT THE SAW MILL, East London. Satisfaction both in quality and quantity. Prompt delivery. Phone 1,312. S. Gillies & Son.

KEENE'S, MASONIC TEMPLE, IS THE cheapest place to buy stoves or furniture. Large stock on hand.

CATALANO & SANSONE—FRESH BANANAS have commenced to arrive daily. Give us your best price on quantities wholesale, sale or retail; lemons and oranges also. 305 Dundas street.

Houses, Etc., To Let.

TWO BRICK HOUSES, WITH ALL modern improvements, 36 and 566 Talbot street. Apply on the premises.

FOUR HOUSES, COMFORT PLACE—New Talbot street school; rent \$6. Apply on the premises.

STORE TO RENT, WITH LARGE STORE ROOM, 233 Dundas street. Apply J. C. Trevelock, next door.

STORE TO LET—137 CARLING STREET—Lately occupied by the R. Greene Mfg. Co. Apply Park, Pardon & Purdon, 400 Ossington Temple.

TO LET—ON KING STREET, NEAR Colborne street—Inside half double brick house. Apply 409 King street.

Jewelers.

SPECIAL ATTENTION TO REPAIRING—J. J. Westland, Engraver and Manufacturer, Jeweler, 340 Richmond street (upstairs), London, Ont.

LIVELY STABLES.

LIVELY STABLES, NO. 619 DUNDAS street, East London, Ont. Telephone 601.

THOMAS TREBLOCK—STAR LIVERY—605 Richmond street. Best hacks, coupes, etc. Light livery a specialty. Careful attention to orders. Phone 423. Open night and day.

Insurance.

A. N. UDY—INSURANCE AGENT—Office over C. P. R. ticket office. Telephone 75.

Viatic Treatment.

MRS. STEIN AT HOME SATURDAYS to ladies of the country. 311 Hyman street, London.

Musical Instruction.

MR. SIPPY WILL RESUME VOCAL and instrumental instruction on Thursday, Sept. 1, and will meet his pupils at his usual hours at his residence, 372 Maitland street.

MRS. AND MISS NOBLE, TEACHERS OF piano, organ and harmony. Residence 536 King street.

LONDON CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC

SCHOOL OF ELOCUTION, 371 Dundas street. Reopens MONDAY, SEPT. 5. List of fees, etc., furnished on application.

W. H. HEWLETT—ORGANIST DUNDAS Center Methodist Church, conductor London Vocal Society, teacher of piano, organ, harmony and composition. Telephone 1,235. 418 Queen's avenue.

J. T. WOLCOTT—ORGANIST FIRST Methodist Church, teaches piano, organ and composition. 4 Prospect avenue.

House By Auction

Saturday, Aug. 27th, at 4 p.m., at the Rooms of J. W. Jones, 242 Dundas Street.

TWO-STORY BRICK VILLA, STONE foundation, 10 rooms, bath, and cold water, furnace, etc. No. 18 Prospect Avenue. The Residence of Mr. J. I. Anderson, who is leaving the city. Terms easy. For full particulars apply to J. W. JONES, Auctioneer, or to GREENE & BECHER, Solicitors.

POISONOUS CREAM.

Middletown, N. Y., Aug. 26.—Three deaths have so far resulted from the eating of poisonous ice cream at Greenfield. The ice cream was flavored with lemon extract purchased from a traveling salesman a few days ago. A score of others are sick, and more fatalities are expected.

POPULARITY INCREASING.

Last year was the best in the history of The Ontario Mutual Life—most new business, most insurance gained, greatest income, largest amount of profits paid to policyholders, more satisfied policyholders, and friends than ever. This year's new business is eighteen per cent better than last year's. This is not obtained by age, by size or by influence.

To The Ontario Mutual belongs THE PRESTIGE OF MERIT.

O. B. GERMAN, General Agent, 403 Richmond Street.

SAILED AWAY FROM SANTIAGO

Nearly 5,000 Spaniards Start for Home.

Eight O'clocks "Checked Off" as Passengers—A Very Serious Clash at Cavite—A Soldier Killed and Several Wounded—Blanco's Valedictory.

Santiago de Cuba, Aug. 25.—The Spanish transports, San Francisco, San Augustin and Colon, left yesterday for Spain, with 4,900 Spaniards, including 10 officers and their families, and four priests. Eight men died on the way to the ships. Their corpses were "checked off" as passengers. It appears that there have been many instances of this during the embarkation of the Spaniards, the transportation company thus being enabled to collect the passage money at a thing readily made.

Gen. Shafter and his staff sailed yesterday on the U. S. transport Mexico. His departure was not marked by special incident.

The Berkshire, with 350 convalescents from Siboney, sailed for Montauk Point today. She was followed by the Berlin and the Cavalry, with the fellow soldiers of some of the fallen.

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That Britain Has Sent an Ultimatum to Russia.

And Is Massing Her Warships at Wei-Hai-Wei.

The Anglo-Egyptian Column at Wady-Hamed.

Important Battle Likely To Be Fought in a Few Days.

French Treaty Rights—Activity of the Carlists—Possel's Suicide.

London, Aug. 26.—A dispatch to a news agency from Shanghai reports that the entire available British fleet in Chinese waters has arrived at Wei Hai Wei to support the demands of Sir Claude Macdonald, British minister to China. There is no confirmation of the report obtained from other sources.

A dispatch is cabled from London to New York to the effect that Lord Salisbury, before leaving for France, informed her Majesty the Queen that in the present critical state of the relations with Russia he must resign unless her frequently expressed veto upon

WHERE GOLD IS GALORE

F. W. Herring, of London, Writes From Dawson.

The Gold Standard Lowered From \$18 to \$16 Per Ounce.

Flour \$14 Per 100 Pounds—Tobacco \$4 Per Plug—Boats \$12 a Pair and \$15—Meals From \$2 50 to \$40—Perils of the Waterways.

Two graphic letters have reached The Advertiser from a well known Londoner at Dawson City, Mr. Frank W. Herring, who left for the Klondike with 50 tons of provisions and goods early in the spring. These letters are most interesting, and from them some idea of the perils and privations of a trip to Dawson may be gleaned. On June 26, Mr. Herring wrote as follows: "I am safe and sound in the golden city of the world, and gold—it is nothing but gold everywhere. Of course, it's the currency of the country, and it will take me a little time to get accustomed to weighing out gold for everything. The gold value has been reduced from \$18 to \$16 per ounce, everyone has a gold watch, and it looks strange to see a man buy an article and then put up his sack. The gold is taken out and put in a tin box, and then, and weighed. He then hangs your sack back, and puts his gold in his own sack. It doesn't take much. Three hundred dollars is about the size of a large walnut. I have seen no mining yet, as there is nothing done at the mines but 'washing up' during the summer months. The country is all staked around here. We used our scows for building stores. This is a very peaceful city; the police are very strict, and there is no Sunday work done. The boats which were frozen in all winter have just arrived. When a boat comes in sight, hundreds rush down to see if any friends are on board. Our 'water trip' was not so bad after all, but we had one pretty narrow escape. The White Horse Rapids are easy for small boats, and hard on our big scows, but we never took in a drop of water. The Five-Finger Rapids were very easy, but the Thirty-Mile River, if anyone should ever ask, is a diandy. You go like lightning around the zigzag corners, where there are rocks galore. In one place I thought it was all up with us. I had the front sweep or oar, 32 feet long, and we saw those rocks, but it was no good. We could not clear them. The current swept us right over on top of them, and, say, it looked a little scary to see that scow shoot into the air. The place is full of wreckage, and in the meantime, fortunately, the wreckage had collected, and our scow came down and landed on top of it, and that was all that saved our boat from utter destruction. We examined her, and found she had not sprung a leak, and were very thankful. For there is no stopping there—on you go. You are swept along around those corners, and it made one's hair stand straight up to see how fast the other boats were going, forgetting that we were going faster still, as a big boat drifts faster than a light one."

WHAT DAWSON CITY IS LIKE.
"Well, this is a queer place. There is no night. It is daylight all the time. The sun sets at 10 p.m., and goes up again at 2 a.m. In a few days there will be one night, in which the sun will not set at all, and then it starts to get cold. I see men every day who have become discouraged, going out, but I am here to stay a year anyway. It is fully convinced there is gold here, but the living is so very high. Flour is considered cheap at \$13 per 100 pounds. The tobacco I bought on my way out for 75 cents per plug is now arriving here for \$4 per plug. I just cleared \$140 on that deal. Tobacco is now selling for \$2 50 per pound, having fallen in price in a few days. I found 30 men in the hospital here. The cause seems to be for lack of good food, and overwork more than anything else, but I can tell you one doesn't meet many fat people here. The dance halls, the big saloons, with a big dancing-room on one side, and gambling rooms on the other, and they are open and well-filled every night. The town is full of log houses and huts. It takes just six hours to get a letter out of the post-office. A great string of mail is outside waiting, and you have to get in line and wait your turn. It's weary work if you are hot and tired. Meals are just a little high. They run from \$2 50 to \$4 each. Our \$2 50 meals are not so good as a 25-cent dinner at Delmonico. I miss them here. Most of all, I have seen anyone yet who has paid the \$40 for a full-course dinner, but they tell me they 40. What one can ask for is a price for what one has to sell. I sold a pound of glue yesterday for \$1 50, and the flannellette shirt I wore up here I have just sold 45 cents each in Toronto. I am wearing blue overalls and am about as good as natural. The Salvation Army took quite a number. The Salvation Army arrived here on Aug. 11, and collected two ounces (\$32), rather good for a beginning."

Mr. Herring, in a more recent letter, referring to the trip down the rivers and lakes, says: "It would surprise you to see such small lakes, and the big storms they can get up in a few minutes. My experience as a sailor was very valuable. We had a pilot on board one of the scows, who had been down before, and my orders were to stay behind and sail round him once or twice a day. We had only 15 tons on each scow, and the balance of our goods went in over the ice by dogs. "We started out on Lake Bennett in a heavy wind, and when we turned the point it was a gale, and although our orders were to keep the right shore, I noticed the flagship, as we called her, making heavy leeway, and kept drifting up to windward. They drifted and drifted, and didn't give us any signs to follow. The first thing I saw was their mast go over the board, and she pitched badly, but as we couldn't help her, I figured on saving our own scow. We had the lake all to ourselves, as no small boat could live. The flagship got up their mast and sail, but I knew they would drift ashore, so kept on. They eventually drifted on to rocks and two men got out and cut poles and said they went under her to keep her from pounding. She had a leak or two, but got off in the evening as the wind changed. No one was hurt. I saw a nice natural cove to windward, and by pulling and hard work got in, safely anchored, and waited for the flagship. Then we had nice weather, nice sailing and everything was lovely. The country is very fertile, the grass and trees being green and looking lovely to us, who had seen nothing but snow and rocks for so long. We got on to Lake Tagish, and the forest fires made it very bad for us, as it

was all a dense, smoky fog, and had to steer by a compass, and couldn't see anything ahead. At night we lay too, fearing the rocks, and in the morning at 2 o'clock we were right in front of the Six-Mile River. We had a hard day of it all around, having stuck on a sandbar, and for two and a half hours were in the water with a swift current and hard aground, but we got her off and were glad of it. We were all wet to our belts in ice-cold water. The Six-Mile is a narrow strip dividing the lakes, and we got on another bar, and had a picnic for an hour or so. Marsh Lake is a shallow lake, nineteen miles long, and then the wonderful canyon. The current is very swift, and difficult to make a landing, the banks being crowded so. We made a good landing, and went and viewed the canyon and White Horse Rapids. It is no place for anyone who is nervous. I was allowed to take mine first, and away we went, six men on the scow, and a long oar or sweep lashed at the bow and stern. To the approach of the canyon the current has a strong turn, and we had to swing her quickly to make it, but we managed it, and it was a rush for your life. It is a channel running between two large rocks. The walls are 400 feet straight up and down, and about 40 feet wide. If you touch you are gone, and many a poor fellow has lost his outfit and life. Three men were drowned the day we came through. Then we struck the Squaw Rapids, and we had to swing out very quickly, as there was a big rock, all strewn with timbers from the wrecks of scows and barges, and a little farther on was another wreck, with horses and general cargo, but I've no doubt there were lots of others, as I dare not take my eyes off my work. Then comes the White Horse Rapids. Right in front of the rapids is a big rock that is dangerous, and even pilots can't keep off it. Then the big jump comes. It is a boiling current, with banks on both sides, and very narrow—about 40 or 50 feet; and you must go over the middle, so that two boats going through at one time would come to grief. It was a sight of a lifetime to sit on the bank and see them come over at the rate of five boats in a minute. Many shouted with glee when they made the jump, and then lost their outfit by not keeping clear of the rocks. After my first experience, I went and put the other boats through. It was a sad sight to see so many men drying their outfits. On one bar, I suppose, there would be tons and tons of wreckage. Pilots charged \$25 to \$30 to put a scow through, and \$15 for small boats. Then came Lake Lebarge, the roughest lake of the lot, but we were lucky to get fine weather. Thinking out troubles were all over, we started on the Thirty-Mile River, the worst and most dangerous of all on the trip to Dawson. The rocks are hidden, but they are in a bad place always, and the river is making the figure 8 all the time. The wrecks we passed were very numerous. Once in the current, we had to go, and there were no stops. One of the flags got on a rock on a bend, and we tried hard to keep away from her, but pounded into her side, smashing a small boat and driving them on further. We had to go, so went on until we managed to get into an eddy, and we waited until they came up, and made another start. There is one spot that everyone who ever passed it will never forget. It is in a curve, and there was a big rock, and it was all piled up with wreckage, and we tried to keep off, but it was no use. We made the jump, and as I was on the front sweep I saw what was waiting for me. It was a chill start. I knew it was no use, and stood and took my medicine. Only for the wreckage we would have gone down. I faintly remember seeing men drying their clothes on the bank, but we were too busy to take in the sights. Then we passed the Hot Springs River, and it was a lovely ride. Then the Big Salmon, and then came the Five Finger Rapids. We never stopped, and it was very easy after the 20 miles experience, although lots lost their outfits. We passed the Rink Rapids, and then Fort Selkirk, a lovely spot. I mustn't forget to say that many a lonely grave we passed, high and dry on the banks, and nicely fenced. The Indian graves are all surrounded by carved images, made of wood. We had 32 miles to run to Dawson, and made it all O. K. We cut out loose from each other, and we were in Dawson and made a landing before the others came down. It is a most beautiful trip, so different to what a person would imagine, which made it all the more enjoyable. Thousands of boats were in sight, and it was a straight line of boats all the way. We arrived on a Sunday. The town was closed up, and the quietest place or mining camp I ever saw. On Monday we got open, and business was rushing, and soon got into the way of weighing gold. I camped up by the R. C. hospital, by a lovely spring, and had a well-earned rest. It was not long before I had a store up, made of two scows and canvas. Twenty-five cents is the smallest change. Yesterday I saw fourteen men carrying gold, from one sack to a man of 20 pounds of gold dust on one claim. The country is all staked, and there are stampedes all the time. A man who is willing to work and keeps healthy will do well. The boats are arriving from St. Michaels.

DISCOURAGED SPECULATORS.
"I honestly believe two out of four are going home and selling out. It is tough to listen to some of the hard luck stories. One gentlemanly fellow called and asked me if I would buy a watch. I answered that I couldn't, and he produced his watch, set with eight large diamonds, and said: 'This is all I have in the world except the clothes I wear.' I lost everything in the Thirty-Mile River. Another good-natured fellow called and said: 'Say, boys, this watch is all I have left out of a three-ton outfit. What will you give me for it? I have a chance,' he said, 'of working my passage back. A father and son came in and all they had was a stove that floated ashore. You will wonder how a stove will float, but a steel stove when closed and resting on the water, bottom down, will float, and there are thousands. Prices are cut and prices are nearly as cheap here as at Seattle. The gold I see passing every day. I take in some nice big nuggets."

ADVICE TO GOLD HUNTERS.
"I would advise strongly to any parties that want to come here to take the Dyea or Squagway or St. Michael's route. I haven't met any one that came via Edmonton yet, and the Mackenzie route would be worse on account of going up the Yukon from the Porcupine River. I am sorry to see so few Canadians and Canadian goods. Our warehouses would fetch enormous prices for goods and groceries are asked for. The trouble is getting here. Leather shoes of any kind are \$12 to \$15 a pair. Just fancy dealing glue out at \$1 a pound except for the few who have their goods in and I am making arrangements on this line for the agency. Everything is \$50 to \$1 a pound except bacon and pork and beans. Men in this country can't live on them. Your system demands good

food and delicacies and men with money will have them. Eloff pants that have been sold in London for \$1 a pair, I sold at \$15 a pair. This isn't to say it will be always so, as when I arrived they were hungry for goods. I don't hear any Canadian news excepting that the Hardy Government was sustained, also of the death of Gladstone. In church it is a little rough on a man, as they bring a plate or blower and you take out your sack and pour a little in. Well to the best and most experienced miner it is hard to gauge your amount, and if your sack slips in the least, you have \$4 or \$5 in before you know it. I think it will be advisable to place my money in the bank before I start next time. People go to church, and the man in overalls and sweater, the chances are, is the richest man in the cabin. The dogs are very numerous. We landed with 40 dogs and sold all but 10. It will soon get chilly and then good-bye to the outside world for seven or eight months. Yours truly,
FRANK W. HERRING.

STORMY TIME

Pythian Supreme Lodge Is Having One.

Officers Not Elected Yet—Expenses of the Session Being Cut in Two.

Indianapolis, Ind., Aug. 26.—The election of the officers of the Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias, did not take place yesterday morning, as it was usual to elect officers the third day of the biennial session, but this was objected to because of the investigations that are now going on, and one report that the election would be delayed, as it would not be the proper thing to elect men who are under investigation. There were stormy times in the lodge room. Several appropriations that usually went through with a rush at former meetings were either referred or voted down.

A resolution was introduced that will cut the expenses of the meeting of the supreme lodge in two, and will make this session the cheapest ever held, which so many representatives present.

A resolution was introduced requiring reports from the officers as to supplies furnished, and declaring that in the future such purchases must be made by competitive bids.

A resolution was introduced to abolish the supreme tribunal on the score of its cost, but the resolution was defeated.

The session in the afternoon was the report of the estimates for the finance committee. The committee recommended that the per diem of the supreme representatives be reduced from \$5 and 5 cents a mile each to \$3 a day and 2 cents a mile actually traveled. This report precipitated a fight that has almost become personal between some of the members.

A DEADLY FLASH

Lightning Struck a Street Car at Pittsburgh With Terrible Effect.

Pittsburgh, Aug. 26.—During a heavy thunderstorm lightning struck a summer car on the second avenue traction line as it was passing Greenwood, and the car was instantly destroyed. The car, which contained about 12 passengers, was traveling at a speed of 20 miles a hour when the bolt struck it, exploding the motors and setting fire to the car. The passengers were panic-stricken, and made frantic efforts to escape through the tightly drawn canvas sides. Mr. Fear, in jumping, alighted on his head, crushing his skull in a horrible manner. He lived but a short time. The injured received their hurts in attempting to jump before the car came to a standstill.

The injured, Mrs. Sarah Munhall, 42, a domestic, and a broken hearted, internally, will probably die; Eugene Munhall, her son, badly cut about the head; David Thomas, head and arm struck; and a faintly remembered foot crushed; James A. Butler, shocked.

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THE C. M. B. A.

Make Important Changes in the Constitution and Re-elect the Staff of Officers.

Quebec, Aug. 26.—The election of the officers of the C. M. B. A. for the next three years took place on Wednesday night. Mr. Hackett was re-elected grand president; Dr. L. Beliveau was re-elected first vice-president; J. E. Loughrin was elected second vice-president; S. R. Brown, London, was re-elected by acclamation grand secretary; W. J. McInnes was re-elected grand treasurer; J. J. Weinert was re-elected guard; and J. Galvin was elected marshal. The convention concluded its labors yesterday morning.

The most important work of the C. M. B. A. at its last sitting was a petition to the Grand Lodge of the United States to admit honorary members to the social privileges, but not to the benefits of the association. On payment of a monthly fee of 25 cents, to provide that a court which was represented in the grand council should not be allowed another delegate also, and to fix on Niagara Falls, Ont., as the place for the next meeting in 1901.

PACIFIC SLOPE WHEAT CROP.
A San Francisco telegram, dated yesterday, says: The wheat harvest is about over, and a sorry report will be made when the returns are all in. The annual yield has ranged from 1,700,000 short tons in 1879, down to 922,821 tons in 1897, with a conceded average of 1,000,000 tons a year. This year the lowest estimate is 950,000 tons, and the highest estimate of any reliability, 900,000 tons.

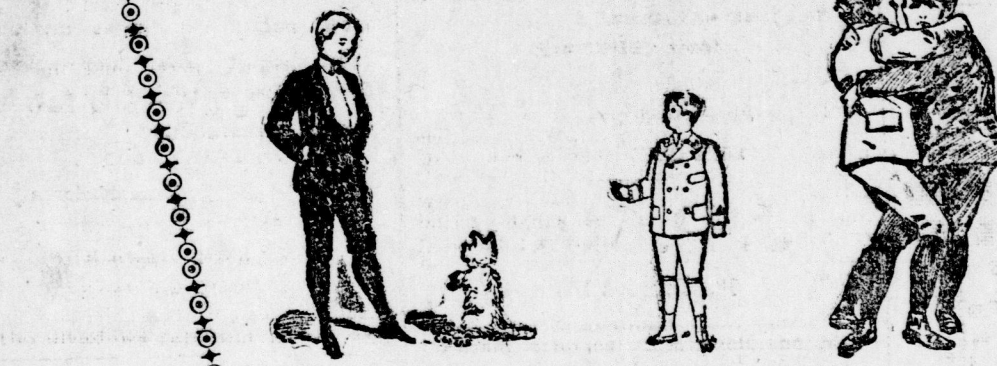
Pain in the Back.
Being troubled often and on with pains in my back, caused by constipation, I tried several kinds of pills I had seen advertised, and to put the truth in a nutshell, they did not do me any good. The only pills that have proved effectual in my case, I can heartily recommend them. John Devlin, Unionville, Ont.

THERE is not a more dangerous class of disorders than those which affect the breathing organs. Nullify this danger with Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil—a powerful remedy for the cure of all ailments of the throat, lungs, and chest. It cures soreness and lameness when applied externally, as well as swollen neck and crick in the back, and as an inward possessor, possesses most substantial claim to public confidence.

OAK HALL.

—Artistic Manufacturers of—

Boys' and Children's Clothing



School Opens on Thursday, Sept. 1.
Mothers.—Our fall novelties in Boys' and Children's Suits are ready for your inspection. Two and Three-Piece Suits, single and double breasted.

OAK HALL,

154 Dundas Street, London. Alf Taylor, Manager

WOODS FAIR

Corsets—39c.
Special lot of Corset Corsets, lot finished with neat lace, made of imported cotton; all sizes; regular 75c corset, all at 39c.

Sailor Collars.
Boys' Sailor Collars, in white and blue, pink, fawn and stripes; regular price 50c; now just half price, 25c. French Cambric Sailor Collars, in all colors, stripes and checks; sold for 15c each, we offer them Saturday and Monday for 8c each, or 2 for 15c. Pure White Linen Sailor Collars, only 5c.

Ladies' Neckwear.
TIES—White Lawn String Ties, 5c. Colored Lawn String Ties, 5c. Plaid Silk Bow Ties, regular price 25c, our Saturday and Monday price only 5c.

Underwear—Sleeveless.
Ladies' Knitted Cotton Vests, to be cleared out on Saturday and Monday for 10c each, or 3 for 25c. Special lot 5c.

HALF SLEEVE.
Knitted Cotton Vests, fancy lace yoke, trimmed in pink, blue and fawn; regular price 25c, reduced to close out at 15c.

LONG SLEEVES.
Heavy Knitted Cotton and Wool Vests, ladies sizes 25c, or two for 45c. Heavy Knitted Brand Vests, ladies' sizes the prices are very much less than last year.

Hosiery.
Ladies' Full-fashioned Black Cotton Hose, Hemsford dye; sold in the ordinary course of business for 25c, special for the hour sale, 2 pairs for 25c.

Ladies' Fast Black, Plain, Seamless Cotton Hose, worth 15c, special hour price, 10c a pair, or 3 for 25c.

Men's Black Seamless Half Hose, with double heels and toes; all sizes; actually worth 15c a pair, our special hour price, 3 pairs for 25c.

Men's Large Cotton Half Hose, with double heels and toes, all sizes; Boys' Ribbed Cotton Stockings, 15c per pair, or 2 pairs for 25c.

NEW YORK'S DEAD.
The dead of London require an annual waste of 23 acres of valuable ground. 1,400 corpses are crowded into the space of one acre, the limit in the case of the most populated graveyard, and if we accept the present rate of mortality, 20 per 1,000 inhabitants, as the standard, New York, with a population of 3,500,000, would have to provide room for 70,000 corpses, and would require annually 17½ acres to bury them in. Unless the custom is changed the available room in the vicinity of all large cities will gradually be absorbed by the remains of the dead.

In considering the welfare of individuals, the expenditure of one may benefit another, but citizens should be treated on equal terms. With the exception of Greenwood, almost all cemeteries used in the neighborhood of New York are either poorly managed or are owned by churches or administered for the benefit of a few fortunate shareholders. The rural cemetery law, as amended in 1859, allows them to divide among themselves the net profits from the sale of plots. Realizing about \$20,000 for an acre, which hardly costs \$2,000, their investments bring large revenues and are esteemed valuable. By assuming the guise of benevolent societies, owners succeeded in evading payment of the taxes which their less fortunate neighbors are obliged to pay. The trustees are never called upon to make reports to the state, and they give but scanty information to their stockholders. From "Graveyards as a Menace to the Com-

monweal," by Louis Windmiller, in North American Review for August.

Advertising Vs. Merit.
The enormous sale of most medicines has depended entirely on large advertising. The enormous sale of Merrill's System Tonic has arisen mainly from the merit of the wonderful compound. We say it is the best medicine to purify the blood, build up the system, strengthen the nerves and regulate the bowels made. Invest 50 cents in one bottle and you will know we speak only the truth. Sold by W. T. Strong & Co., druggists.

The world is full of people ready to do good, but most of them are in a hurry to make a start.

Saturday and Monday's

Great Offerings.

MORNING ROUSERS to thrill the quietest moments of the day, and the EVENING SPECIALS, now made famous, will, as usual, crowd the store till the closing moment. From 9 to 12 o'clock Saturday and Monday mornings; from 6 to 9 o'clock Saturday evening.

Toilet Sets.
Ten-piece China Toilet Set, heavy gilt decoration and wild rose flower, oval wash basin; actual value, \$5 and \$6; our price, \$3 50.

Slop Jars.
Large size Slop Jars, decorated in pink and blue; price, \$1 50. Saturday and Monday, just half price, 75c.

Fruit Jars.
We handle only the best Glass Fruit Jars—the Crown. These are known all over Canada as the most reliable jars possible to get. Buy the Crown; pints at 45c a dozen; quarts, 45c, and half-gallons, 75c.

Lamps.
Banquet Lamps, elaborately decorated in neat assorted floral designs, china stand, fount and globe; regular price, \$2 50; special hour price, \$1 15. Opal Glass Lamps, worth \$1, for 75c.

Doughnut Cutters.
Tin Doughnut Cutters, 2 for 5c.

Crumb Trays.
Japanese Crumb Trays, with brush, 10c.

Pot Covers.
Best Granite Pot Covers, large size, 10c; small size, 5c. Tin Pot Covers, all sizes, 1c, 2c, 3c.

Cake Tins.
Oblong Cake Tins, large size, 3c each.

Dippers.
One quart Piece Dippers, 3c.

Onion Choppers.
A rare treasure for every kitchen; no more sore eyes; will cut to any desired fineness; only 10c.

Note Paper.
Fine quality Note Paper, guaranteed to be good as any paper sold in the city for 5 quires for 25c; our price during the special hours, 5 quires for 10c.

Envelopes.
To match Note Paper, 50 envelopes for 5c.

Books.
Well-bound, paper-covered Books, all good authors. These books we sell regularly at 10c and 15c; during the special hour sale our price only 5c.

Brooms.
Best Green Corn Brooms, 3 for 25c. Only three to one customer.

"Cosmopolis."

The journal that bears this name is decidedly something new in the literary world. It is now in its third year of useful life, and seems to have secured a stable position as a first-class international review. It is not a new thing for intelligent men to lay claim to "cosmopolitanism," that is to a human feeling broader than national bounds, and to a freedom from petty provincialisms and narrow prejudices, and we admit that one aim of the highest life is to combine a real patriotism with an intelligent interest in the life of the world. This cosmopolitanism has always been recognized among scholars who see that art, science and literature, though influenced by national life, are not the monopoly of any one nation. In the middle ages Latin was the medium of communication between members of the learned class, and after French played, and still plays, a large part in that work. Now, through the spread of the Anglo-Saxon race, English may claim to be in a very large sense a universal language. In the journal which calls itself "Cosmopolis," three of the leading languages of the world are represented—English, French and German—so that each writer can use his own language, or that with which he is most familiar. This, with occasional supplements in Russian, Italian and other European languages, may be fairly said to constitute a cosmopolitan review. This is, of course, a large editorial undertaking, involving great skill of a literary as well as a commercial kind, and considerable expense. People who buy their favorite paper or journal at the cost of a few cents a week have no idea of the number of ventures and failures in this department. We might moralize at length on this branch of the subject, but forbear. We are glad, however, that a journal giving original contributions has been able to keep steadily on its way and maintain the high standard at which it aimed from the beginning. We rejoice in this, not simply because it shows the existence of a large intelligent constituency—a constituency which ought to be enlarged by new recruits from the great company of modern language students—but because we think that this combination of nationalism and cosmopolitanism should tend towards peace. Through such mutual exchange of views the people of the world should come to understand each other and recognize the contribution of each to the larger life of the world. After all, the true Cosmopolis is not a journal, but an ideal city, in which men of all nations meet on equal terms through their common with the truth. Our journals and institutions are means to this end. They only succeed in so far as they help us to solve this great problem of living peacefully together in mutual respect and helpfulness.

Effects of a Russian Famine.

If it be true, as reported, that Russia is threatened with a famine this year, the circumstance will have an important bearing upon the agricultural interests of the United States and Canada. Russia is the chief rival of this continent in the export of grain. In 1896 Great Britain bought \$50,120,282 worth of breadstuffs from Russia (which include 17,200,000 hundredweight of wheat), as compared with \$84,402,628 from the United States, and \$10,854,600 from Canada. During the last great famine in Russia, the Russian government forbade the export of grain. A similar calamity this year might cause a similar measure. At any rate, the shortage in the Russian crop will tend to keep up prices, which were expected to be low this year on the supposition of a surplus in the world's supply. Fortunately the yield in the United States and Canada is abundant, so that there need be no general suffering.

The periodical failure of the Russian crop is due less to the soil than to those who cultivate it. The ignorant peasantry know little of the science of agriculture. Their methods are primitive and wasteful, and no effort is made to replenish the land, which is the least productive in the world, considering its natural fertility.

Plots like these show why Russia is not anxious to fight a first-class war. The idol has feet of very poor

Want to Use Canadian Canals.

A number of United States newspapers are urging that the question of removing the Welland canal tolls be considered by the Quebec Conference. The removal of the tolls at present imposed by the Dominion Government on American and Canadian ships alike would be very displeasing to the people of New York State, who wish to see the grain trade diverted to the Erie canal, to improve which they recently spent \$9,000,000, and may have to spend \$12,000,000 more. The Erie canal is free of tolls. The Chicago Chronicle says that the question is of great interest to the vessel trade of Chicago, and it puts the case thus:

The construction of mammoth lake vessels for the grain and ore traffic of the upper lakes—the fact that vessels of from 3,000 to 6,000 tons burden can carry freights for much less per ton than smaller craft—have made it necessary for the immense number of vessels of from 500 to 1,500 tons burden to find a line of business in which they can be employed with profit, or at least not at a loss. If they could be released from the tolls on the Canadian canals they might find paying cargoes from the upper lakes to Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence ports—including freight for transshipment at Montreal to ocean vessels—which would still give them profitable employment.

The New York canals are free of toll for all boats in the traffic. Canadian vessels have the same advantages as American vessels in the St. Lawrence canal, but the Erie canal belongs to the state of New York and the St. Lawrence canal to the United States. It would be no more than fair if the Canadian Government should abolish all canal tolls as a measure of reciprocity in regard to lake commerce on condition that the United States give Canadian vessels equal rights with ours in commerce between all lake ports.

The Cleveland Plaindealer argues in the same manner. It says that the proposition is purely a Canadian matter, and might be put to Canada direct on the ground of Canadian advantage. It would be strongly opposed by the railway and Erie canal interests, and by the export interests of New York, because it would result in increased diversion of the grain trade to Montreal.

The Welland canal tolls are nearly \$200,000 per year, and this sum will not be relinquished by the Canadian Government merely to accommodate American vessels doing business on the great lakes between American ports. But there is another side to the question. The Canadian people are spending millions in deepening the St. Lawrence canal so as to provide a deeper waterway from the head of Lake Superior to the Atlantic ocean. The object is to make the River St. Lawrence the greatest route for the ocean-borne commerce of both the United States and Canada. If the removal of the Welland canal tolls will be a factor in promoting this scheme, the Canadian Government will consider it, but whatever action is taken will be from the standpoint of Canadian interests alone. If incidental advantage accrues to our neighbors, they will be welcome to it, but in any event they will get fair play. Canada will certainly be more fortunate in her canal projects than New York State, for notwithstanding the many millions spent on the Erie canal and yet to be spent if it is to do business at all, the tollage carried by it is steadily decreasing.

The American commissioners at Quebec feel perfectly at home. The lobbyists are after them.

The failure of Mr. Hodgson's coup leaves the Opposition without a single stock argument for the bye-elections.

The Michigan lumbermen are not improving their prospects by log-rolling against Ontario's legislation. They had better say nothing and saw wood.

The Spanish-American war is over, the Chinese tangle seems to have been temporarily straightened out, and the constabulary bill is passed. Where will the next storm center shift to?

The general progress in the United States last year was shared by the pension list, to which 17,000 names were added. This institution will be very much included in the policy of expansion resulting from the war.

Hon. Mr. Dingley was reported as saying that reciprocity could not be discussed while Canada retained her preferential tariff. Mr. Dingley flatly denies the story. The Ottawa Star has apparently removed to Quebec for the conference.

The Buffalo Express proposes that Spain be allowed to sell the Philippines to Great Britain if the latter would buy them. Says the Express: "Their possession by Great Britain would not only insure the natives a reasonably free and progressive government, but would keep their trade open to the world, while any other power would monopolize their trade for itself."

West Lambton Conservatives have put up a candidate, Mr. John Farrell, in opposition to Dr. Johnston. The Liberals must not go to sleep through

over-confidence. The fact that the Conservatives decided to fight against such odds betokens a militant spirit on their part which the Liberals should, and doubtless will, emulate. If the full vote is polled Mr. Farrell will be nowhere.

The story of Sir Casimir Gzowski's career reads like a romance. Of Polish nationality, he was born in the land of Poland's oppressors, but he devoted his early life to his own country and fought her battles. A refugee from Russian tyranny, he landed in America practically penniless. He "broke his birth's invidious bar" and worked his way to distinction and wealth by native force. The lesson his life teaches is that a young man's best capital lies in his own character and mind.

According to a Montreal dispatch the prospect is that there will be no exhibition in that city this fall. There is one place in which there is always an exhibition of the highest class, and that is London. No question is ever raised on that score, and what is the more satisfying to the people of London and the splendid agricultural district of which it is the capital is the fact that every recurring exhibition is better than that which preceded it. The show of 1898 promises to fully maintain this record.

For the half-year ending June 30, the Grand Trunk carried 130,000 more passengers, and 11 per cent more tonnage, than in the corresponding six months in 1897. Despite the passenger rate war, the company declared a dividend of \$104,000 on the 4 per cent guaranteed stock, and carried over \$2,500 surplus. Under normal conditions the showing would have been still better. The company's financial improvement in the last two years has been very marked, and is the best tribute to Mr. Hays' management.

Hon. S. C. Wood, managing director of the Freehold Loan and Savings Company, has just returned from his annual tour of inspection through Manitoba, and is enthusiastic over the prospects. Manitoba, he says, is no longer an experiment, and investments there are as secure as in any other province. Farm land has risen in value, and new land is being rapidly sold. The towns are also doing well. Mr. Wood says the theory is advanced that the province is not as liable to injury by frost as was formerly the case. It is maintained that the fact of the increased area brought under cultivation gradually affects the climate, and has of late years materially prevented the summer frosts which formerly occurred.

At a recent meeting of the Royal Society, held in London, England, our distinguished former townsman, Sir John Murray, read a paper on "The Importance of the Results of Antarctic Exploration." At a later date, Sir John Murray read a very interesting paper before the Royal Geographical Society on the annual range of temperature in the surface waters of the ocean and its relation to the other oceanographical phenomena. The president and others highly complimented Dr. Murray on the labor and research displayed by him in giving so admirable a lecture, illustrated as it was by a chart giving the maximum and minimum range of temperature of the surface of the ocean all over the world in two degree squares.

WHAT OTHERS SAY.

A Vain Hope.

[Ottawa Journal.] If Mr. Whitney ever gets to the premiership of Ontario, Mr. T. D. Hodgson, M.P.P., can command a seat on the woolsack.

A Necessary Preliminary.

[Buffalo News.] The people of Jamaica want to be annexed to the United States. A very laudable aspiration. But consult the British government about it.

Proved an Alibi.

[Dundas Banner.] The last phase of the story that John Dryden, minister of agriculture, had bought an old ram for the Model Farm at Guelph at an exorbitant price is that both Mr. Dryden and the ram have proved an alibi.

Belated Admiration.

[Louisville Courier-Journal.] Americans are not fools. We do not forget how violent France and Germany were against us at the beginning of the war, and we know how to value the rushing friendship they now offer us since our brilliant success and their suffering pocketbooks.

A Happy Beginning.

[New York Mail and Express.] The ceremonies attending the opening session of the international commission yesterday at Quebec were distinguished by a degree of cordiality, earnestness and fraternal concord which promises well for the future of the tribunal. The formal address of the mayor of the city and the replies of Senator Fairbanks and Lord Herschell were all admirable as to spirit and purpose, voicing as they did a common desire for an honorable and final adjudication of the vexatious

questions which have drawn the commission together. Animated by such motives and guided by a high resolve to vindicate Anglo-American ideas of honesty and statesmanship, this great tribunal cannot fail in the heavy task which it has undertaken.

Mr. Hendrie's Capture.

[Hamilton Times.] Mr. Hendrie is the very soul of honor and true sport. No man in Canada has done more, or could have done more, than he to promote racing, and his latest victory—the most famous of his long turf career—is an honor he well deserves, and in which the city of Hamilton shares. The picking up of a stake of \$35,000 is simply an incident to the race. The addition of a Queen's plate victory to Mr. Hendrie's string would leave nothing to be desired.

We Stand Rebuked.

[Stratford Beacon.] It is with an aesthetic shock one learns that the classic river Avon is being polluted by Stratford sewage. We refer to Stratford, Ontario. In the name of the immortal Shakespeare this thing should stop—London Advertiser. This from The Advertiser, that lives in a city whose sewage pollutes the pellucid (we believe this is the correct word) waters of the Thames, is enough to make the angels weep or Shakespeare turn in his grave.

An Ode to Dan, the Ram.

[Ottawa Citizen.] Little thought you, poor old ram, Dan, When a sportive lamb you gambol'd O'er the meadows fair and bright and green, Or near the spreading maples rambl'd, That in the twilight of your years, When failing health assailed you, You would be raised to greater fame Than when nothing ailed you.

But such is life, its ups and downs No explanation can explain, Even a pig has risen from The pigsty to a higher plain By elevation to a St.

Some are, you know, to greatness born, Some greatness of themselves achieve, And some have greatness on them thrust, Which is the greatness you receive.

We know, you did not seek it, Dan, That it went seeking after you, Even to your quiet retreat, Like vultures they must needs pursue.

And drag you into vulgar fame, Without compassion or discretion, Make you the rule but and the jest Of this sweltering Special Session!

LIGHT AND SHADE.

That's So.

A man should be industrious, But he beats de mischief how But he beats de mischief how But he beats de mischief how A puseccion dan a plov.

Time's Example.

Men in their innovations should follow the example of time itself, which indeed innovates greatly, but quietly, and by degrees scarce to be perceived. —Bacon.

Not a Satisfactory Remedy.

Diggs—A physician tells me that if a man works steadily he never worries. Diggs—Pshaw! It's working steadily that worries me.

Despise No Man.

Tennyson was very grand on contemptuousness. It was, he said, a sure sign of intellectual fittleness. Simply to despise nearly always means to be despised. Pride and contempt were the specially characteristic of barbarians. Real civilization taught human beings to understand each other better, and must therefore lessen contempt. It is a little, or immature, or uneducated mind which readily despises readily. One who has traveled and knows the world in its length and breadth, respects far more views and standpoints than his own.

Family Diversion.

"My wife dislikes to have me shop for her." "Are you good at bargains?" "Well, she says I can beat the world at making five dollars do the work of one."

CHILD WEDDINGS

A "Kid" of Twelve Becomes a Bride—Marriage of a Girl Age Fourteen.

Hazelton, Pa., Aug. 25.—Little Mary Kisho, only 12 years old, became the wife today of John Kahn, in this city. The child married against the wishes of her parents, threatening suicide if she was not allowed to wed Kahn, with whom she is deeply infatuated.

Windsor, Aug. 25.—Last week Frank Pare coaxed Ida McPaul, 14 years old, to his mother's house with the intention of marrying her. Mrs. McPaul called Magistrate Bartlett to her rescue and got Ida away from Frank. The young man hated to give in to an unwilling woman who didn't want to be his mother-in-law, so he followed the pair as they went away and persuaded the mother to let him have Ida. He won the girl and after a trip to Belle Isle in the afternoon they went to the house of James Oliver, who issues marriage licenses, and got the permit. Then Rev. D. H. Dind united them.

KILLED IN A POLITICAL ROW. Columbus, Ga., Aug. 25.—Hon. Theo. M. Adams, Democratic nominee for the legislature, was assassinated at Gilles, during a row at a political gathering. He was a bystander.

SKYLARKERS KILLED. New York, Aug. 25.—Two privates of the 1st Regiment, Morris D. Kane and Christopher Jurgenen, were killed while skylarking near Westbury, L. I., yesterday. They belonged to the battalion which was recruited to go south, but got no further than Camp Black. The battalion left the camp to join the main body of the 1st at Montauk. The two privates were in the baggage car, and one tried to take possession of a piece of watermelon held by the other. In a friendly scuffle both fell and rolled from the cars and were cut to pieces.

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Commissioner Evans Granted Over 68,000 New Ones Last Year.

Washington, Aug. 25.—In the forthcoming annual report of Commissioner of Pensions H. Clay Evans, it will be shown that on June 30, 1897, there were on the rolls of the pension bureau 95,046 pensioners. To this must be added 6,852 original claims granted, but not recorded, and 762 restorations, which were not entered at the time on the books. Commissioner Evans granted 63,648 original claims during the past year, and restored 1,089 pensioners to the benefits of pensions. The pensioners now aggregate 1,040,356. More pensions were granted last year than any time from 1869 up to 1890.

PREFERRED DEATH

Rather Than Await the Result of an Examination as to the Cause of His Wife's Death.

Paris, Aug. 25.—Ernest Joseph Possel, the German who had been trying to collect a claim of £10,000 upon a life insurance policy, issued to his late wife, an English woman, by the Citaine Insurance Company, which had resisted payment on the ground that he had thrown her off a cliff near Florence, committed suicide last evening at the Durand Restaurant, in the Plaza de Madeline. Possel, who called himself the Marquis De Gondeville, and pretended to be a French subject, was under heavy bail, and the authorities had ordered the exhumation of his wife.

STONED TO DEATH

A Peddler Murdered in Camp at Chattanooga—Two More Terribly Injured.

Chattanooga, Aug. 25.—A negro peddler was stoned to death in the camp yesterday, and two others were badly injured. One will die. The trouble started on Tuesday night, when Quartermaster-Sergeant Jacob Frank, of the Ninth New York, was knocked under a train at Chattanooga by a negro named Catterino, and fatally injured. The members of the regiment swore they would kill any negro caught in the vicinity of their camp. Yesterday two negro peddlers took up their usual stand near the New York Regiment. They were immediately surrounded by an angry mob of soldiers armed with sticks and stones. The colored men attempted to escape, but a shower of rocks stopped them. One of the men was killed, and the other received injuries which it is thought will prove fatal. A negro pie vendor ventured into the camp of the First New Hampshire later on. The wagon was toppled over, and but for the timely arrival of the guard, the man would have been lynched.

HOG CHOLERA.

Ottawa, Aug. 25.—Dr. Austin, veterinary surgeon, of York street, states that hog cholera exists throughout the counties of Russell and Carleton to an alarming extent. A number of the other veterinarians say that there is no cholera among the herds, but Dr. Austin says he has lost between 250 and 400 hogs on his own farm on the Montreal road since March last from hog cholera.

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W. T. R. PRESTON

Gives Up His Office as Legislative Librarian.

Toronto, Aug. 26.—At yesterday's meeting of the Ontario cabinet, the resignation of Mr. W. T. R. Preston as provincial librarian was accepted, and Mr. Avern Pardoe, who has for some

time held the position of assistant librarian, was, by order in council, appointed to fill his place. Miss Evelyn

Preston, daughter of the late librarian, was appointed to the vacancy arising from the promotion of Mr. Pardoe.

SHOWED HIS HEELS

"Electrical Healer" Richards Skipped Without Filling His Engagements

Montreal, Aug. 26.—Prof. Pichard

an alleged electrical healer, who has been in the city for about a month, left on Wednesday night suddenly.

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Mrs. Barr, wife of Dr. Barr, M.P.I. of Shelburne, is visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. W. H. Winnett.

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FOR THE HEATHEN

Some 800 Prettily-Dressed Dolls To Be Sent to India—Miss McKellar's Work Good.

The school room of St. Andrew's Church presented a unique appearance yesterday afternoon and evening. When entering, the visitor's gaze was attracted on the walls, which were literally covered with dolls and prettily dressed dolls of every description. On inspection these were found to be attached to handsome quilts, which had been made by willing hands to send to India, that the poor heathen might benefit thereby. The room had been tastefully decorated with flowers and foliage, which, with the numerous heavily-laden tables, useful articles, made a very pretty scene. As one lady put it, "The work was simply grand, and far beyond their expectations, and it showed that a deep interest was being taken in these poor creatures."

This great work was accomplished by the different mission bands of the London presbytery, including Glencoe, St. Thomas, Alisa Craig, and many other places. There are about 50 or 60 auxiliaries in the presbytery, and all well represented. St. Andrew's (Outlook Mission) contributed thirteen dozen dolls, and the Murray Mission four dozen, making seventeen dozen dolls from St. Andrew's, besides quilts and other articles. This very unique entertainment, or a peep into Dollsdom, was in charge of lady representatives from the different city church bodies. The dresses of the large family of little beauties were made up in style, the material was of the best, and showed much effort and willingness on the part of those who did the work. There was a large number of little folks present, who enjoyed the scene immensely. Their eyes fairly sparkled at the number of gaily dressed "dolls" they were allowed to gaze upon, but not touch.

In the evening Miss (Dr.) McKellar gave an earnest address on the good work being accomplished, and the work that remained to be done in the far-off land of India. The things that have been contributed would be used to good advantage in the one great object of bringing souls to Christ.

Rev. Mr. McMillan occupied the chair, and Miss Harrison sang a solo in good voice during the evening. Miss McKellar, who formerly lived near Woodstock, expects to leave for India in about a month's time. The good work there is progressing, and it is hoped that great things will be accomplished.

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Toronto, Ont., Aug. 25-11 p.m.—Rapid and pronounced changes have occurred since last night. A well-defined storm center has developed within the trough of low pressure, mentioned as extending from the lake region to the Maritime Provinces, and this is now centered near Montreal, whence it is likely to move across the Gulf of St. Lawrence, thus causing very strong east and north winds. Rain has fallen very generally in Northern Ontario and Quebec and the Maritime provinces, and there has been a decided fall in temperature in Southern Ontario. The temperature will go down to near freezing to-night in Manitoba, and then it will be higher again. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 50-77; Kamloops, 64-90; Calgary, 64-76; Prince Albert, 48-66; Qu'Appelle, 46-64; Winnipeg, 54-68; Port Arthur, 42-60; Parry Sound, 66-83; Toronto, 60-82; Ottawa, 60-72; Montreal, 60-72; Quebec, 60-62; Halifax, 60-74.

Toronto, Aug. 26-1 a.m.—Probabilities—Lower lakes—Winds mostly northerly; cloudy to fair and cool. Local temperatures—The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory on Thursday were 73 and 60.

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—Mr. H. Porter, auctioneer, offered for sale by auction Mr. Robert Dancy's property, No. 161 Wellington street. The highest bid was \$1,370, but as this did not quite reach the required figure, the property was withdrawn.

—Mr. Henry A. Everett is one of the principal stockholders of the Union Suburban Telephone Company, which has been organized in Cleveland with a capital of \$1,000,000 to construct a cheap long-distance telephone and telegraph system in Ohio.

—A young man named Clayton, while riding a wheel near the corner of King street and the market yesterday, was run into by Lee's grocery wagon, and sustained severe bruises about his body. The wheel was very badly damaged.

—Referring to the acceptance by Mr. S. B. McCready of a position in the London Collegiate Institute, the Paris Star says: "In leaving Paris Mr. McCready carries with him the best wishes of a large circle of friends."

—Kincaid Review: Miss Elsie Murray returned to her home at Underwood on Tuesday last, after spending a very pleasant summer in London with friends. She was accompanied by her friend, Miss Meredith, of London, who will spend a short time there.

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—Some 1,500 people journeyed to Springfield last night to listen to an excellent programme of Scottish and Irish airs by the Musical Society Band. The various numbers were well rendered and delighted the large crowd present.

A few intimate friends assembled at the home of Mrs. Powell, 33 Byron avenue, on the morning of Aug. 24, to witness the marriage of her granddaughter, Miss Edith Stevens, to Norval Wilson, both of this city. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. Ford, assisted by Rev. J. J. Smith, of Chicago, cousin of the bride. After partaking of breakfast the bride and groom were driven to the C. P. R. depot, where they took train for Detroit and points west. The happy couple will be at home at 33 Byron avenue to receive their friends after Sept. 21.

—J. A. McPherson, representing the celebrated Monsoon Tea Company, of Toronto, has been in the city for some days. He is at present superintending the free sampling of the city with trial packages of their tea. It will take some days to complete a tour, as great care is taken in the delivery of the samples. Since the introduction of this well-known tea in London the sales have increased wonderfully, and no doubt Mr. McPherson's sampling tour will result in "Monsoon" sales being the largest of any tea brand offered in London.

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clates, with whom they are surrounded, presented their variety farce, entitled "The Two Governors," at the Grand last night before a fairly large and delighted audience. The opinion was voiced on all sides that these two noted comedians were funnier than ever. The piece is filled with laughable nonsense, music, singing, dancing, ridiculous antics, ludicrous characters, and is marked by a constant flow of wit. The company is a strong one, every member of which is an artist. There is not a slow period during the performance, and the audience is kept in constant mirth. Messrs. Ward and Vokes are assured of a large crowd when they next visit this city.

MUSIC TONIGHT.
The Victoria Park band concerts, which have been so heartily enjoyed by citizens generally, will be brought to a close tonight, when the Musical Society Band will render one of its best programmes, including the famous descriptive piece, "The Country Fair." The other numbers are: March—Nation's Pride.....Scoutin Lancers—Princess Louise.....Cote Overture—Martha.....Flotow Selection—Rage 1.....Bayer Plantation Echo—Cotton Blossoms.....Hall Waltz—Casino Tante.....Gungl Descriptive Piece—The Countess Fair.....Beibe Galop—New Campaigne.....Lumbye God Save the Queen.

What's the Style?

Plain or at least self-colored fabrics are to be worn this autumn almost entirely. Cashmeres in the new plain shades for '98 are the most popular dress materials. The trimmings are to be plentiful. Velvets in the new shades are in great demand, but the most fashionable trimmings are Ribbons. These will be used in great numbers—the narrower widths for pretty applique work. If you call we'll be pleased to show you the new shades.

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A Large Number Visit Port to Meet the Shenango—Coal Operators Talk With Probable Purchasers.

The extent to which representative business men of London and St. Thomas accepted the invitation of the L. E. and D. R. R. people to meet leading Pittsburgh coal operators and shippers at Port Stanley yesterday must have been exceedingly gratifying, both to the latter gentlemen and the transportation companies.

Just how much the new arrangement between the L. E. and D. R. R., the Ignition Company and the P. E. and L. E. may mean to London does not yet appear. Yesterday's hastily arranged round trip was the first of a series, and the business men of London are alive to their finger-tips, and will be quick to seize upon any advantage offered.

A special L. E. and D. R. R. train of three coaches left London at 1 p.m. The London deputation comfortably filled two of the coaches. The train was reserved for the gentlemen from St. Thomas. When the train arrived at Port Stanley the big train from Shenango was already in sight. In spite of a stiff west wind she backed into the slip-dock without the slightest difficulty. She had on board 25 cars of coal of 60,000 pounds each, and the work of unloading began promptly.

Meanwhile the gentlemen from London and St. Thomas went aboard and met the American visitors on the after-deck.

O. J. Hammond, manager of the United States and Ontario Steam Navigation Company, said everything pointed to the development of a big coal and iron trade between the United States and Ontario, and that London, by her geographical position, and as a result of the new route was by far the most direct into Canada, and the harbor at Port Stanley possessed many advantages over that of Port Dover. He was greatly impressed with the progressive and enterprising spirit of the business men of London, and by their readiness to co-operate in all plans tending to the commercial uplift of the city. His company looked for such a volume of trade between Conneaut and Port Stanley as to make it necessary in a short time to put a second transport on the line—the Shenango No. 2, which is now on Lake Michigan.

Mr. H. A. Filer, of Waterman & Filer, large Pittsburgh coal operators and shippers, with mines at Sharon, Pa., brought London within 100 miles by rail of the Pittsburgh coal and coke fields, which produced the finest coal in the world, and steam coal of unsurpassed quality. The advantage was obvious. Two things were essential to the large manufacturing industries—cheap fuel, and accessibility to the markets. London's central position and splendid railway facilities gave her the latter. The new direct connection with Pittsburgh insured to her the former. By the new route a rail haul of about 24 miles was saved, and, as a manufacturing city, it was certainly most promising. Another feature of the situation of great importance to the general public was that the P. E. and L. E. connects at Newcastle, Pa., with the Erie railroad, now in course of construction, which will tap the anthracite coal regions. Consequently, when the Erie railroad is completed, hard coal for domestic purposes can be laid down at London at a greatly reduced figure.

The work of unloading the Shenango and replacing the empties was accomplished in remarkably quick time. An engine and a couple of empties stood in readiness to couple with the cars on the boat, and from the time the ferry was made fast to the slip-dock until she was ready for the return trip was just 34 minutes. The 25 cars of coal had been placed on a railway siding near by, and 26 empties filled the four tracks aboard ship in their place. The captain said it was record-breaking time, and certainly Conductor McGarvey and Brakeman Casson, who were in charge, did creditable work.

The trip yesterday was the fifth made by the Shenango to Port Stanley, and being exactly a week before the first one, she makes two trips daily across the lake, landing one load at Port Dover and the other at Port Stanley, and the latter port from Conneaut is 5 1/2 hours' ride.

Among those on board the big boat were O. J. Hammond, manager of United States and Ontario Steam Navigation Company, and Mrs. Hammond; J. Filer, of Waterman & Filer, owners of the Sharon Coal Company, Sharon, Pa., and Mrs. Filer; Mrs. Cummings, wife of H. L. Cummings, of the Conneaut Canning house; E. D. Comstock, general passenger agent, P. E. and L. E. R.; C. F. Ward, Pittsburgh.

The visitors from London and St. Thomas were taken in charge by officials of the L. E. and D. R. R., Sup.

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St. Thomas was represented by Messrs. John Campbell, sen., O. Perry (city treasurer), W. O. Foster, H. W. Fullinwider, A. Grant, Dr. Luton, Wm. Mickleborough, John Farley (president board of trade), Auld, Andrew Clarke, J. W. Stewart (secretary board of trade), Fred Sutherland, Ald. Robert McCully, J. M. Green and D. Gerrard.

ENJOYABLE

An Evening's Entertainment at Port Stanley.

Among the many features of social enjoyment at Port Stanley during the season was an entertainment given on Monday evening last by Mrs. William Hyman and Miss Fraser, of London, assisted by several ladies and gentlemen. It consisted of national, historic and other tableaux, some of them illustrative of fairy scenes, and rendered with rare skill in the spacious marquee adjoining Mrs. Hyman's cottage on Fraser Heights. The interior of the tent was brilliantly illuminated by a profusion of handsome Chinese and Japanese lanterns; while seating accommodation was provided for about 100 people. Although the evening was warm, the awning of the tent was raised, so as to let in a cool breeze from Lake Erie upon the audience, who were entertained for nearly two hours with a succession of tableaux vivants, presenting varied scenes of artistic beauty, which were highly appreciated. Mr. W. T. Strong, of London, presided as chairman, and announced the several numbers of the programme. At the close of the evening a vote of thanks was moved by Rev. H. D. Steele, incumbent of Christ Church, for which the entertainment was given, the motion was seconded by Mr. John Clark, churchwarden, and heartily indorsed by the audience. The proceedings closed by all joining in the National Anthem, and giving three rousing cheers for Mrs. Hyman and Miss Fraser. A handsome sum was realized as the net proceeds.

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The Californian's Fast Passage.

The Allan steamships have been making excellent time this summer—about eight days land to land has been the average passage. The fine steamship Californian, 5,000 tons, lately put on the St. Lawrence route, and which left Liverpool on the 14th ult. and arrived on the 15th, arrived at Montreal on the 23rd, passengers for the west reaching their homes early on Sunday. The Californian carries 250 cabin passengers, and has superior accommodation for second cabin and steerage. The Allan Line is the pioneer line. The owners know of every detail necessary to conduct an ocean steamship line successfully, and they have the confidence of the travelling public and of the mercantile community. If suitable terms can be arranged the Canadian people would like to see the Allan get the contract for the fast mail, which the Petersens have forfeited.

When a woman gets too far along to lie awake at night thinking of love affairs, she lies awake thinking she smells smoke.

No One Has Won the Money.

The \$100 reward offered by Merrill, the Brantford druggist, for a better cure for habitual constipation than Merrill's System Tonic has not yet been won. Besides its wonderful tonic action on the liver and intestines it is a pleasant and powerful blood purifier, thus curing all nervous affections such as sleeplessness, loss of vigor and twitching of the nerves. Fifty pleasant-to-take doses for 50 cents. Sold by W. T. Strong & Co., druggists. Descriptive pamphlet free.

Fat widows never get as much sympathy as thin ones.

FINANCIAL MEETING

Of the London District Methodists—A Number of Changes—Clergy and Laymen in Attendance.

The financial meeting of the London District of the Methodist Church was held in the Wellington Street Church yesterday afternoon, with Rev. George Jackson, president, in the chair. The clergymen present were: Rev. Messrs. J. S. Fisher, J. Edge, W. J. Ford, J. G. Falls, A. G. Harris, W. J. F. J. W. Robinson, J. Deacon, R. Thompson, R. A. Miller, John Mahan, F. W. Cousins, and H. D. Moyer. Laymen present: Messrs. C. J. Eosl, J. C. Burris, R. H. Baker, G. Wood, J. C. Brady, W. H. McCutcheon, Thomas Robinson, Wilkins, Myers and Hunt.

Hamilton Road, which has until now been a mission, reported that from henceforth they would become self-sustaining.

A resolution congratulating the circuit on its success was passed. The superannuation fund assessment was adjusted and accepted by the different circuits.

It was resolved that each minister be responsible for missionary and educational anniversaries of his church. In the matter of Alma Ladies' College (St. Thomas) the amounts contributed by each church were taken up, and it was decided to continue the same.

After a few short remarks by the chairman the meeting was brought to a close.

GOING INTO THE Jobbing Grocery and Liquor BUSINESS EXCLUSIVELY.

The undersigned, in returning sincere thanks to his numerous customers and friends in both city and country for their kind and generous patronage during the last twelve years, begs leave to say that the business has arrived at a stage in its existence that it is not policy to much longer continue the retail portion of the grocery business. I therefore beg to say that on and after the first day of September next, the retail portion of the grocery business will cease. In the meantime, that in from now until the date above specified, all loose goods and broken packages will be offered to our customers and friends at reduced prices. The liquid business will be conducted in the same manner and place as heretofore. All parties owing accounts on account of the retail portion of the grocery business, will please call and settle at their earliest convenience. All accounts are payable at the old stand, No. 156 Dundas street. JOHN GARVEY.
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