





# JAPAN RUSHING TROOPS TO THE SEAT OF WAR.

### Russian and Japan Accounts of the Attack on Port Arthur Last Sunday in a Heavy Storm.

### Russia to Take Her Time, but Will Eventually Thrash the Japanese, it is Said.

#### JAPS MAKE ANOTHER ATTACK.

Tokio, Feb. 22.—A heavy storm spared the Russians from a desperate torpedo attack on Port Arthur on the morning of Sunday, the 14th inst. During the preceding night the vessels of the Japanese flotilla torpedo craft were parted by the force of the wind and waves in a blinding snow storm, so that two of the larger destroyers succeeded in forcing their way through the fierce gale to Port Arthur. When they arrived there they attacked separately, and the officers of one of them are confident that they succeeded in torpedoing a Russian warship. The destroyer Asagiri, in charge of Lieut.-Commander Ishiwaka, arrived off Port Arthur about 3 o'clock in the morning and was met with a sharp fire from the fortress and Russian ships acting as scouts. The Asagiri discharged several torpedoes at a big warship, but the result is unknown. A cannonade was opened upon the scouting vessels and maintained until they withdrew. The destroyer Heyatory, Lieut.-Commander Takenouchi, arrived two hours after the Asagiri, and ran up close to the mouth of the harbor, where she found two warships, names unknown. She fired a torpedo at one and the torpedo exploded. Admiral Togo, in reporting the attack, says although the results are unknown, he feels sure the moral effect upon the enemy will be excellent. Commander Nagai commanded the entire torpedo flotilla. The number of the craft in the flotilla and the point of their departure is concealed.

London cable of Thursday says: The receipt of many far eastern telegrams yesterday shows improvement in communication, and also perhaps some relaxing of censorship. There is still nothing accurately known of the movements of the Japanese army, but the indications contained in earlier reports, that the main body is already in Korea, are not borne out. It may be deduced from this morning's despatches that many Japanese transports are now at sea, and some have not yet left port.

The Nagasaki correspondent of the Tsingtao, dated Feb. 15, says: "Last night Japanese soldiers on the point of embarkment were singing in the streets. At many ports besides Moji, Nagasaki and Kobe, transports have been unloading troops, horses and guns and more are going. The cavalry horses seen are nearly worth transportation, except to the knacker's yard. I have never seen martial law proclaimed in the districts of Sasebo, Hakodate, Nagasaki, and Tsushima Island. There are over a score of steam transports at Moji, among other places. Numbers have cleared night for ports towards Korea. There are ten large steamers today at Nagasaki lying the army transport flag. Each is of 4,000 tons. The steamers are carrying a full complement of boats, have each eight or ten large sampans upon their decks. These sampans are admirably adapted to being rowed or towed in shallow waters or through heavy surf. The embarkations are remarkably well managed. Horse boxes are fitted up on several of the vessels. The men's quarters are most commodious. The railway facilities are ample for bringing the troops to the ports. When they arrive they are fed and marched to their billets. Subsequently they are embarked on lighters and steam launches, and taken quietly to their ships."

From other sources come circumstantial reports that the Liao-Tung Peninsula is the objective of the Japanese army, the purpose being to effect the long predicted manœuvre of cutting off Port Arthur. The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Express mailed the following Tuesday to the following: "The Japanese infraction of Chinese neutrality in landing troops and seizing Tsinwanau on the Inkaik Railway, with the object of turning the Russian detachment and attacking Mukden and Harbin has been protested against by the Chinese Legation at St. Petersburg by the Russian Foreign Office."

Tsinwanau is close to Shan-Hai-Kwan, and in the junction of the Chinese Eastern Railway, which is a Russian line, with the Pekin Railway. Inkaik is the equivalent of Newchwang.

The Third Attack. Washington dispatch: The Japanese Legation received today from the Foreign Office at Tokio the following despatch giving details of the torpedo attack at Port Arthur on the morning of the 14th: "On the night of February 13 a detachment of torpedo boat destroyers proceeded, braving the fierce north storm, toward Port Arthur. At 3 o'clock the next morning the Asagiri, Japanese torpedo-boat destroyer, amidst a shower of shells from the enemy's fort and ships, torpedoed a Russian man-of-war, and, after firing on the enemy's guard boat, safely returned to its headquarters. The Hayator, another Japanese torpedo-boat destroyer, at 5 o'clock of the same morning approached the mouth of the port, where she found two of the enemy's men-of-war, and in defiance of their firing immediately torpedoed one of them with effective explosion and safely withdrew."

Account of Sunday's Fight. London cable: The cable cor-

respondent of the Paris edition of the New York Herald, in a despatch in which he reports the arrival of junks bearing Japanese wounded from the Port Arthur engagement of Feb. 14, considers this to show that something more than a torpedo attack took place there.

The Tokyo correspondent of the Standard reports that two battleships were destroyed in this attack, while the correspondent at Tientsin of the Standard says, under date of Feb. 12, that a private despatch from Port Arthur brings the statement that the Russian squadron has again put to sea.

Damaged in Sunday's Battle. St. Petersburg cable: A despatch received here from Port Arthur, dated Feb. 17, says that on the 14th the Russian fleet steamer Kheron was struck by a twelve-inch shell in her upper works. A slight fire broke out, which was quickly extinguished. There was no loss of life.

The Kheron is a fine, heavily-armed auxiliary cruiser of 10,255 tons. She was built in 1905, and credited with a speed of a little over nineteen knots. The fact of her being struck by a twelve-inch shell indicates that the Japanese warships took part in an engagement on Sunday following the early morning dash of their torpedo boats, mentioned in Admiral Togo's despatch.

Russian South of the Yalu. St. Petersburg cable: A despatch has been received here from Major-General Plig, chief of staff to Viceroy Alexieff, saying that Yuan-shai-Kai, Commander-in-Chief of the Chinese army and navy, has ordered 2,500 men to Tsinchou to maintain order. Continuing, he says everything is quiet at Newchwang, and that the information that the Japanese are forming bands of Chunchus (bandits) to attack the railroad is confirmed. Quiet prevails on the Yalu. Russian scouts did not find the enemy within a distance of 24 miles of the river.

A government communication published in the Official Messenger warns the public that it must wait patiently for news of Russian victories, and says it is useless to waste men in seeking an over-hasty revenge.

No Secrecy About Embarkation. London cable: Despatches published in London newspapers this morning continued to give alleged descriptions of the embarkation of the Japanese troops. Instead of this embarkation occurring secretly from Ulsan, as was the case during the Chino-Japanese war, the reports, according to despatches, are openly embarking troops from Nagasaki, Moji, Kobe and elsewhere.

A cablegram to the Daily Telegraph from Nagasaki says transports are clearing every night from these ports for Korea, and ten large steamers were embarking troops at Nagasaki last Monday. All arms of the service were represented, but the cavalry horses were such sorry and scrubby ponies that they hardly seemed worth transporting.

In conclusion this correspondent says the harbor of Nagasaki has been mined.

Cabling from Shanghai, Feb. 17, a correspondent of the Daily Telegraph declares that a combined movement between a Japanese fleet and a large landing force from Nagasaki is now proceeding. The reports that the Japanese have captured the East Asiatic Company's steamer Menevia, as well as the S-Brian R. Iway's steamer Manchuria, are confirmed.

Czar's Farewell to Troops. St. Petersburg cable: The Czar, accompanied by the Dowager Empress, Grand Duke Michael, and Gen. Kroupatkin, Minister of War, to-day reviewed a battalion of the S-Brian Rifles on the eve of their departure for the Far East. His Majesty made a speech, in which he said: "Remember you are brave, confident and crafty. From my heart I wish you success. I bless you, my brothers, may St. Seraphim pray for you and accompany you in all your ways." St. Seraphim is the regiment's patron saint.

Continuing, the Czar said: "My brothers, I am happy to be able to see you all before you leave, and I wish you a good journey. I am firmly convinced that you will uphold the honor of your ancient reg-

iment, and readily risk your lives for your dear fatherland."

"I thank the officers for volunteering their services, and once more I thank you all, my brothers, with all my heart. God bless you."

The battalion, accompanied by its baggage wagons, then marched past the Czar calling out to the men as they went by: "Good-bye, my brothers."

Railway Company's steamers Athenian and Tartar. The Vladivostok Squadron. St. Petersburg cable: Viceroy Alexieff has communicated to the Czar the report of Major Reitzenstein who is in command of the Russian cruiser division, dealing with the destruction of the Japanese merchant steamer Nakanoura, off the north-western coast of Japan, and the capture of forty-one of her crew. Capt. Reitzenstein, who is also acting commander of the Vladivostok squadron, says that a small Japanese coaster was also captured, but the violent squall made it impossible to capture the crew, and that, therefore, the coaster was not sunk.

Heavy weather, he says, prevented him following the coast. The cruiser squadron made for Chestakoff, fleeing before the tempest to the Korean coast. Owing to the storm, the squadron was only able to accomplish five or six hours. Heavy seas were shipped, and the cruisers and the guns were coated with ice. Two violent gales were encountered within three days.

RUSSIA WILL WAIT. Confident Japan Will be Eventually Crushed.

St. Petersburg cable: The rigid censorship imposed here on all news from the Far East completely masks the movements of Russian troops and the plans of the command, but what is being done is evidently satisfactory to the authorities here, as they manifest the utmost confidence that when the proper time arrives the enemy will be crushed. They say that the preliminary sea victories of the Japanese will then be speedily forgotten, Russia was taken unawares at the outset, and some little time will be required to collect the mobilization of Russian troops. There will be no disposition to meet the evident wish of Japan to rush matters to a decision. "Russia can afford to wait," is a common expression heard here, and time and patience always have been strong allies of the Empire of the North. Moreover, the excessive severity with which the Japanese are claiming, also fights on the side of the Czar's legions, as it did in the days of Napoleon, when the Russian proverb: "January, February, March, are the Emperor's ablest generals" was collected, but it is fair to assume that Viceroy Alexieff will not take the aggressive until he feels certain of his ability to administer a decisive defeat.

The various societies throughout Russia, interested in the Red Cross movement, are showing remarkable activity, and, judging from the preparations, which are being made for the sick and wounded, the war is destined to be a long and bloody one. Voluntary contributions to replace the ships already destroyed by the enemy are assuming large proportions, one man having given the sum of \$20,000. It was through a similar movement that the present fleet of ten Russian warships was started after the Russo-Turkish War.

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To Resist Britain. London cable: The Globe has received a despatch from St. Petersburg, dated Sunday, stating that the Government has handed to Sir Charles Scott, the British Ambassador, a protest against the British expedition into Tibet.

A despatch from St. Petersburg states that Lieut.-General Ivanoff, Governor-General and commander of the troops in Turkestan, has gone to Tashkeed with General Sakharoff, chief of the staff of the military district of Turkestan. It is said that high Russian military circles that General Ivanoff has been instructed to prepare for an expedition ag-

military action in the direction of Fedia in the event of Great Britain adopting an attitude openly hostile to Russia, or attempting to prejudice Russian interests in Persia or Tibet.

ALEXIEFF'S ORDER. Russian General's Patriotic Address to the Army and Navy.

Port Arthur cable: The text of the order of the day issued to the Russian troops by Viceroy Alexieff to-day is as follows: A heroic army and fleet have been entrusted to me by His Majesty the Emperor, and now, when the eyes of the Czar, of Russia, and of the world are upon us, we must remember that it is our sacred duty to protect the Czar and the Fatherland. Russia is great and powerful, and if our Emperor and our nation give us additional strength and power to fight him. The spirit of the Russian soldiers and sailors is high. Our army and navy know that the Emperor's name which must in our hour serve as an example to us. Our God, who has always upheld the cause that is just, is doing so now. Let us unite for the coming struggle with a firm and unshakable mind in order to better fulfill his duty, trusting in the help of the Almighty, and let every man perform his task, remembering that prayer to God, and service to the Emperor are not to be wasted. "Long live the Emperor and the Fatherland. God be with you. Hurrah."

British Money Talks. New York despatch: British sympathy for the Japanese, says a London correspondent of the Times, is manifested in the remarkable response to an appeal recently made for a fund for the widows and families of soldiers, and sailors, and marines, which in all parts of London by persons desiring to contribute to the fund. A Japanese gentleman, reclining in a Leicester Square cafe, was approached by a person, who, after a colloquy, was asked to forward £10 to the fund as a token of real British regard. A woman handed a contribution of 25 shillings, entirely for the Japanese, and the Japanese gentleman, a little girl sent eight pence, explaining that it was a month's saving. She wished it to go to poor little Japanese orphans. A poor workman brought a shilling, remarking: "You are my pals, Jap, and a good sort, you are."

A member of the Japanese legation, expressing his great gratification in the fact that England is practicing benevolent neutrality.

RUSSIA'S PROCLAMATION. Explaining Her Impreparedness and Need of Patience.

St. Petersburg cable: An official proclamation of the unpreparedness of Russia for war, and the necessity for the exercise of patience by her people, has been issued here. It is as follows: "Eight months ago Russia was shaken with profound indignation against an enemy, who suddenly broke off negotiations and by a treacherous attack endeavored to obtain an easy success in a war long desired. The Russian nation, with natural impatience, desires prompt vengeance and awaits feverishly news from the far east."

The unity and strength of the Russian people leave no room for doubt that Japan will get the punishment she deserves for her treachery and provocation to war. Therefore, we must be patient, and desire to maintain peace among the nations. The conditions under which hostilities are being carried on compel us to wait with patience news of the success of our troops, which cannot occur before decisive actions are fought by the Russian army. The distance of the territory and the desire of the Emperor to maintain peace were the causes of the impossibility of more complete and earlier preparations for war. Much time is now necessary in order to strike at Japan blows worthy of the dignity and might of Russia, and, while sparing much as possible the shedding of blood of her children, to inflict just chastisement upon the nation which has provoked the struggle. Russia must await the event in patience, and the success of our army will avenge a hundred fold.

"Operations on land must not be expected for some time yet, and we cannot obtain early news from the various theaters of the war. It is unworthy the greatness and power of Russia. "Our country displays such unity and desire for self sacrifice on behalf of the national cause, that all the news from the theaters of the hostilities will be immediately due to the entire nation."

The Russian Navy. St. Petersburg cable: No official announcement of the disaster off Chemulpo, Korea, has yet been made here, although the papers are printing stories of the loss of the Varang and Korietz. The St. Petersburg Gazette asks: "What are we going to do with the millions subscribed for the navy?" and continues, "We cannot patch up a useless garment. Let us start afresh. Count Orloff Davkoff, the philanthropist, and close friend of the late Czar Alexander III, has given \$500,000 to the Red Cross Society—\$100,000 for the immediate use of the society, \$200,000 for a hospital for the wounded soldiers, and \$200,000 for a school for orphans of the war."

The Korean Minister announces that although 36,000 Korean troops are stationed at Seoul, his government preferred not to take up arms against Japan, because Korea is neutral and felt Russia would soon drive out the Japanese."

THE YELLOW PERIL. M. Kurino Says it is a Ridiculous Scare.

New York despatch: M. Kurino, the retiring Japanese Minister to Russia, according to a special to the Times from Berlin, said that Japan, having gone to war with Russia, in no quarters to come started the trouble by insulting State institutions, and in the fighting which followed several officers and soldiers

# TURKISH TROOPS TO INVAD BULGARIAN TERRITORY SOON.

### Bulgarians Building Fortifications, Drilling Troops and Collecting Dynamite.

New York, Feb. 22.—War in the Balkans is predicted in a telegram to the Times from Washington. It says: "Taking advantage of Russia's pre-occupation in the far east, Turkey is preparing for war with Bulgaria. It is learned that a march into Bulgarian territory is likely to be made very soon."

"In preparation for this event, Turkey has addressed a note to each of the powers signatory to the treaty of Berlin, in which she gives the reason for her attitude. The note says: 'The principle of Bulgaria does not change its attitude of active though concealed hostility, in spite of the efforts of the Porte

in carrying through the stipulated reforms."

"Entirely trustworthy investigations reveal, the note says, that Bulgaria is building fortifications, drilling troops, and in every manner is preparing for war. Besides these legitimate war preparations, it is learned that Turkey believes Bulgaria to be guilty of an unlawful and criminal traffic with dynamite, which is being furnished publicly to the rebels. The revolutionary committees, it is stated, are undisturbed in all the important Bulgarian cities, under the eyes of the Government and with its encouragement."

The humiliations imposed upon Turkey under the name of reforms have proved worthless.

# TRACKED HUSBAND'S MURDERER. The Woman Haunted the Bowery Until She Found Him.

New York, Feb. 22.—After an unremitting search of nearly seven weeks during which she has walked day and night on the Bowery, spent hours in unsavory resorts and exhausted every resource of a skilled detective, Mrs. Katie Duffy, of Brooklyn, early to-day caused the arrest of the man who is accused of being her husband's murderer.

Richard Duffy, her husband, was fatally stabbed on the night of Jan. 1 in front of a Bowery resort, and before his death said that the wounds had been inflicted by Chas. Devuno. The police used every effort to capture Devuno, but in spite of a full description given by Duffy, were unable to do so. His wife, however, undiscouraged, kept up the search without remission. She patroled the Bowery, visited the houses of her friends, and even watched railroad stations and steamship piers in her attempt to find him.

Last night she saw the man enter a hotel on the Bowery, and notified the police, who arrested Devuno after a struggle. Devuno, who with Duffy is said to have been prominent in the "gang" life on the lower east side, was arraigned to-day on the charge of homicide.

A large number of people were wounded. A large number of arrests were made.

At Pasa Armerina, in Sicily, the masquerading brought about a conflict between the members of the two local political parties, and an attack was made on the City Hall. The disorder became so great that troops were called out to disperse the people to disperse them. Fourteen of the rioters were injured.

added: "We pledge ourselves to the maintenance of the open door, however the fortunes of war clothe us with ascendancy in the far east. I find commercial Germany exploiting the bugbear that if we humble Russia we shall proceed to slam the open door in the face of Europe and America and hold the banner of Asia for the Asiatics. Japan has no such intentions."

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FORESTRY AND FARMS. Addresses Before the University Natural Science Association.

Toronto report: The Natural Science Association of the University of Toronto held an open meeting last night and two interesting addresses were given by Mr. Thomas Southworth, director of the Bureau of Forestry, upon "Ontario's Permanent Forest," and by Mr. C. C. James, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, upon "Recent progress in Agriculture." Mr. Southworth said the enormous capital in our forests was all a realizable asset. The area of land reserved for the Ontario Forestry, referring particularly to the expansion of the live stock industry. The McKinley tariff had forced us to give less attention to the United States and to look toward the British market. Our export of agricultural products to the United States had fallen off by \$8,000,000 annually, and the exports to Great Britain had increased by \$50,000,000 annually.

BURIED IN FALLING EARTH. Workman Had Narrow Escape at Toronto Junction.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—Thomas Baird, who lives at 175 St. Clair avenue, Toronto Junction, had a narrow escape from death while working at the excavations being made by the York County Loan Company, at the corner of Keele and Bloor streets, yesterday morning. Baird, with a number of men, was digging when a large piece of earth fell upon him, completely covering him.

He was quickly dug out by his companions, and brought to the surface in an unconscious condition. He was removed to his home, when it was found that his injuries consisted of several broken ribs and a badly crushed foot.

THRASHED THE JEWS. The Official Report of an Unpleasant Affair at Kieff.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 22.—The report of a massacre of Jews near Kieff, is denied by the Minister of the Interior, and the Associated Press is authorized to say that the affair was confined to the infliction of slight injury upon three Jews. Last Monday, while a crowd was indulging in a patriotic demonstration at Kieff, some Jews began shouting "Down with the Czar," and the crowd promptly punished the culprits, who were rescued from a worse fate by the timely arrival of the police.

RIOTING IN ITALY. The Carnival Festivities Result in Bloodshed.

Rome, Feb. 22.—The carnival festivities have resulted in disorder and bloodshed in Southern Italy and Sicily. Troops and police were obliged to intervene, and a score or more persons have been wounded. At Trani a number of Socialists in masquerade costumes started the trouble by insulting State institutions, and in the fighting which followed several officers and soldiers

THREE YEARS' SENTENCE. Sentence Passed on Treasurer of Marine Cooks' Association.

Buffalo, Feb. 22.—Three years at hard labor in Auburn Prison was the sentence imposed this morning by Judge Emery in County Court upon Edward Walker, treasurer of the Marine Cooks' and Stewards' Association of the Great Lakes. A week or so ago the County Court grand jury returned five indictments against Walker, charging him with stealing various sums of money from the association. The total of his stealings amounted to \$1,950. When he was then arraigned, Walker showed a willingness to plead guilty, but was advised by the court to plead not guilty, as his lawyer, Wm. F. Colgan, was not then present. Walker so pleaded, and was given the privilege of changing his plea, if he saw fit.

APPEAL TO PRIVY COUNCIL. Manitoba Will Not Accept Swamp Lands Decision.

Winnipeg, Feb. 22.—Hon. Colin Campbell has announced that the Privy Council has refused to grant an appeal against the decision of the Supreme Court in the matter of the Manitoba swamp lands. The value of the earnings of these lands since 1885 is in the neighborhood of millions, and the Government will make every effort to secure this large amount to the Province. The Liberal Government at Ottawa, has, it is claimed, acted in direct contravention to the agreement of 1885, and Manitoba will force it to the highest courts of the realm.

BOMB THROWN IN CHURCH. Startling Interruption to a Service at Baku.

Baku, Russian Trans-Caucasia, Feb. 22.—During a patriotic service in the Protestant church here to-day, just as the clergy had ended chanting a Te Deum and praying for the success of the Russian arms, a bomb was thrown at the officiating priest. Two persons were killed and several were injured. After the excitement had been allayed the congregation marched in procession to the residence of the Governor carrying the Czar's portrait, and presented the Governor with a patriotic address and \$300 for the families of the victims of the outrage.

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Pedro Alvarado, the eccentric millionaire mine owner of Parral, Mexico, distributed \$50,000 among the mine laborers of the Parral district at the beginning of the new year. Alvarado was a peon laborer when he discovered the vein of the now famous Pamilla mine,

Around the Country-Side

ITEMS OF INTEREST ABOUT PLACES AND PEOPLE WE ALL KNOW

WASHBURN'S

The windstorm, on Sunday night, completely destroyed the cowstable on the farm occupied by Mr. Geo. Bulford.

On account of the extremely cold weather, and the bad condition of the roads, there has been a very small attendance at our school during the whole of the present month.

Mr. T. Whaler, who has been entering taining lagrippe during the past week, resumed his duties in Oak Leaf school on Monday.

GLEN BUELL

Last Sunday evening death again visited this community and removed from our midst a young and highly respected resident in the person of Mr. Howard Moorehouse. The deceased was a son of the late John Moorehouse and made many warm friends wherever he was known.

Miss M. Shaver of Brookville is spending a few days as the guest of Mrs. W. Towriss.

Miss Gertrude Sturgeon of Watford, who has been a guest of her cousins, Miss Edith and Willis Sturgeon, returned home last week.

ADDISON

Mrs. Burnett, we are sorry to say, is again on the sick list.

Mrs. G. S. Booth and Mrs. John Best are visiting friends in Ottawa for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Smith of Fairfield East were guests of Mr. E. S. Wilton on 21st inst.

Mr. R. H. Field has been in Toronto for a week past attending the Canadian Association of Fairs and Exhibitions, as a delegate of Brockville Fair.

It is a pleasure for an observer to look about and see smiles on the lips of all, as, for a few days, we have seen the immense quantity of snow demolished. Would one be called a heathen were he to beseech the sun to continue to shine on and bring again to this snow-cloaked land of ours a glow of warmth, a youthful animation, and a taste of an earthly Valhalla, for which we pray so very fervently?

The Rev. Mr. Burnett, who has been visiting relatives in Toronto for the benefit of his health, returns to his home this week, and will take charge of his services next Sunday. His health is much improved, and he expects now to be fully able to take full charge of his work.

NEWBORO

Mr. F. Halladay of Westport was in town on Saturday.

Mr. J. Paul of Gananoque is visiting his mother.

Dr. King sold his horse to a Perth citizen on Friday for a handsome price.

The people here are having a serious time getting in their wood supply on account of such bad roads.

Mr. John Moriarty has recovered from an attack of "lagrippe".

Mr. N. Landon was in Brockville last week.

A great many citizens are laid up with "lagrippe".

Messrs. W. Hart, F. McNally and J. Nolan were in Phillipsville last Tuesday attending the funeral of the late J. Nolan of that place.

A few from here attended the Odd-fellows excursion to Brockville on Tuesday night.

L. Shaw, a pupil of Athens High School, was taken sick while in Athens and was compelled to come home. We are glad to say he is getting better.

How do Athens hockeyists like the sentence of discipline and disqualification pronounced against them this week by the O.H.A. as a result of their match with Newboro in Brockville?

GREENBUSH

No mail to-day on account of the snow blockade on the railways.

We are pleased to report that Mrs. Parthena Blanchard's health is improving.

Mrs. S. N. Olds is spending a few days with friends in Brockville.

Fred and Ella Kerr are visiting relatives in Elgin and Newboro at present.

J. M. Keeler has returned after visiting in Rockspring and Brockville.

The Rev. Mr. Bennett of Montreal, District Secretary of the Bible Society, conducted a very interesting meeting in our church last night.

FRANKVILLE

The funeral services of the late Mrs. M. S. Lecky were held in the Methodist Church here on Sunday the 14th. She had been ailing for some time, but death came sooner than was expected. She leaves to mourn her loss a husband and one child. Great sympathy is felt for the young husband in this the saddest trial of his life. The body was taken to Athens and put in the vault.

A special meeting of the League was held on Friday evening. A good programme was given and refreshments after, consisting of sandwiches, cake and coffee. Its special object was to deepen the interest and obtain new members.

Miss Patterson of Athens spent a few days with the Misses Oliver.

Miss Jessie Kilborn left on Friday for Smith's Falls where she is to take the position of stenographer in the office of J. R. Lavell. Miss Kilborn has been taking a rest for over a year, on account of her health. We wish her every success in her new position.

The funeral services of the late Mrs. Wilkie, an old lady living below Frankville, were held in St. Thomas' Church on Sunday, 21st. She leaves several children and grand-children to mourn her loss, her husband having predeceased her some years ago. The body was interred at Toledo cemetery.

Mr. Joseph Bain of Ogdensburg is visiting friends here this week.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of Farmers' Friend cheese factory patrons at Frankville was a highly satisfactory event. Mr. R. Mackie presided and W. C. Dowley was secretary for the evening.

Mr. C. H. Smith, proprietor of the factory, was present and expressed his willingness to give patrons any information they might desire respecting the season's operations.

The secretary's report showed that the past season had been very successful. During 1903 upwards of \$30,000 had been paid out for milk. An average of 10.93 per lb. had been received during the season. The following officers were elected:

Secretary—W. Montgomery. Treasurer—A. H. Parker. Salesman—C. B. Smith. Auditors—J. Coade and R. Mackie.

SINNERS AND FISHES

A Baptist clergyman, preaching in Toronto said that statistics showed that, in the United States, it took nineteen church members a whole year to convert one sinner. "What would you think, if nineteen of your good deacons and ministers here went up to Muskoka, where the fishing is excellent, and they had every modern facility for catching fish, and as a result of three hundred and sixty-five days' fishing sent home one lonely fish?"

Three hundred and sixty-five days—that includes Sundays when, good people like deacons and ministers don't fish. Well, it would certainly be mighty poor fishing; and yet this is the rate according to which sinners are being hauled in. Surely there must be something wrong in the comparison. Either the sinners are not as plentiful as the fish in Muskoka, or the deacons and ministers are not equipped with the best apparatus, or else they are picnicking instead of fishing. We fear the truth is that the piscator does not know how to get after the pooster; he hasn't got the bait. He wants the sinner to join the church, but the church isn't the bait—not the right kind at least. He points to the church members, and they are not the bait. He only knew it he may not be much in the way of bait himself. So the peccator swims freely in his native element, hardly deigning to sniff contemptuously at the various propositions laid down to him, but now and then turning half on his side to wink knowingly at the piscatorial artist. Yes, a solitary fish for three hundred and sixty-five days' fishing of nineteen catch bodied men is poor fishing. If there is anything wrong with the comparison it is not ours. Objectors may refer to the Rev. Dr. Charles A. Eaton, of Cleveland, Ohio, author and proprietor.—Ex.

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OF IDEAS WOMAN'S MAGAZINE. Of especial interest to our readers of this progressive periodical, will prove the first of a series of "Brief Business Talks for Women," by Katherine Louise Smith, in the March number. Her hints to her fellow-women for a better knowledge in the care of money will prove of exceeding value to those who heed them. "The Vicereine of India," as presented by Waldon Fawcett, deals with the remarkable success of that beautiful American woman, Lady Curzon. Articles appropriate to Spring in the house and garden are "Flowering Plants for the Window-garden," by Eben E. Rexford; "Rising Mushrooms for Profit," by Madeline Reilly; and "Gardening Under Glass," by George Ethelbert Walsh.

WHY?

Once, I thought that I was clever; Then I was a little boy. Everybody praised my wit, And my heart was full of joy.

They all said I learned so quickly! And that I read so well! And the writing in my copybook They said was "simply swell."

And I drew "just splendidly!" "An excellent attempt!" "A great future awaited me!"—Of that I often dreamt.

I was a splendid writer, And quick to do my sums, I "should be a public speaker!" But "I must choose good chums!"

I could draw "like anything!" An artist I should be! In composition I excelled; "He'll write you, now, you'll see!"

I could do so many things— There all the trouble lay; Now I'm nearly thirty, and Fame waits for me to-day.

A Tale of Three Toads

A gentleman living in Denver has discovered that a toad may have as keen a sense of locality as a dog or a cat. He has been much interested in bees, and has several hives near his house. Of late, however, his attention has been quite diverted from the bees to four good sized toads that have taken up their abode under one of the larger hives. By watching them closely he discovered the position was decidedly well taken. When the bees come in laden with honey they are apt to hit the hive and fall to the ground. Then Mr. Toad's active little tongue dart out and the dazed little bee meets an unexpected doom. This, of course, was very gratifying to the toad, but very hard on the bee. The gentleman took three of the toads, painted them a bright yellow, carried them three quarters of a mile from the house and let them in the road. On the evening of the second day three rather weary, yellow-streaked toads resumed their positions under the hive, ready for the next day's slaughter. But their fine sense of location had to be sacrificed in the interest of the bee business—they were disposed of. But it is evident that a toad does his hopping in an intelligent manner.

You Take No Chances

J. P. Lamb & Son guarantee every bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and refund the money to anyone who is not satisfied after using two thirds of the contents. This is the best remedy in the world for lagrippe, coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough and is pleasant and safe to take. It prevents any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia.

The Mail and Empire's War News

People who wish to be posted on the progress of the Japanese Russian War should subscribe for The Toronto Mail and Empire, which will cover the field with the same thoroughness that witnessed its handling of the Spanish-American and Boer Wars. Not only will the Mail and Empire be served by the Laffan Bureau and the Associated Press, but it will publish the cables of the special correspondents of the London Times, London Daily Mail and the Paris edition of the New York Herald.

The scratch of a pin may cause the loss of a limb or even death when blood poisoning results from the injury. All danger of this may be avoided, however, by promptly applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It is an antiseptic and unequalled as a quick healing liniment for cuts, bruises and burns. For sale by J. P. Lamb & Son.

It will be well for fishermen in this locality to note that the Dominion and Provincial Governments have come to an understanding in regard to the protection of fish. The Dominion Government will shortly issue new regulations, limiting the number and fixing the legal size of fish to be taken by sportsmen, extending the close season in some cases. The netting of black bass will be prohibited and for three or four years exportation of black bass from the province will be stopped.



HALF CURE IS DANGEROUS.

When you get a Cold, La Grippe, Influenza, do not be satisfied with something to check it. The greatest danger is in the lingering results of a half cure. Many a life-story would read different to-day if that severe attack of Cold and La Grippe had been properly handled. A hard cold will settle in the weakest part. ANTI-PAIN acts on the entire mucous membrane of the body—relieves Congestion—cures Constipation, Bronchitis, and Dyspepsia—every large gland of the body is brought under its influence and a permanent cure established with a medicine perfectly harmless to man, woman, or child. 50 cents of dealers, & by addressing WILSON-PYLE Co., Niagara Falls, Ontario. Free sample to any address.

A PLAGIARIST.

The Sort of a Thief That Charles Reade Practised Himself.

The novelists who aspire toward absolute originality of plot might think once in awhile of the sources from which certain masters drew their inspiration and of the calmness with which those great workers picked up whatever would serve them at their trade. Charles Reade depended on the newspapers as the living record of life as it is. One day in the week he devoted to his scrapbooks. Passing events seemed to him of vital importance, and the result of his collating appeared in novels whose "purpose" told.

In "Never Too Late to Mend" he exposed the cruelties practiced in the prisons before the reform was successful; in "Hard Cash" he attacked the abuses of private lunatic asylums; in "Put Yourself in His Place" he opened on trade unions. He was a modern crusader. One day he found in a newspaper certain strictures on this manner of work. His rage was instant and violent.

"Plagiarist!" he roared, crushing the paper. "Of course I am a plagiarist. Shakespeare was a plagiarist. Moliere was a plagiarist. We all plagiarize—all except those idiots who are too astute to profit by the works of their superiors. Surely every blockhead out of a lunatic asylum (except those idiots) must know that since Homer's time all authors have parodied his incidents and paraphrased his sentiments. Moliere took his own where he found it. 'The thief of all thieves was the Warwickshire thief,' who stole right and left from everybody. But, then, he 'found things lead and left them gold.' That's the sort of thief I am."—Youth's Companion.

Largely supplied. "Are you a man of family, sir?" "Yes, sir. My third son-in-law moves in today."

There is no case on record of a man having committed a crime with a pipe or cigar in his mouth.

This is the best day the world has ever seen. Tomorrow will be better.—R. A. Cambell.

Can You See Air?

If air cannot be seen, what is it that we see quivering above a field on a hot summer day or even above a hot stove in the house? That question has puzzled many a head, both old and young. The answer usually given is that it is the heat, but heat cannot be seen, and therefore it is not the heat. The explanation of the phenomenon is really quite simple, like all such things, when we hear it. As a matter of fact, it is air that we see quivering, but heat makes it visible. The quivering is caused by the upward passage, close by each other, of small currents of air of different temperatures in which the rays of light are irregularly refracted, and this makes the currents visible.

Value of Capital. Once upon a time two utter bankrupts were considering ways and means of getting needed money. "I know how we can make \$9," said one.

"How?" asked the other. "Raise a dollar note to ten by placing a cipher after the one."

"Where will we raise the dollar?" "Then the scheme failed for want of capital. Moral.—The great financial difficulty is in raising the first dollar."

Changed His Ticket.

An entertaining story is told of a railway manager in Wales whose identity was not known to the ticket collector of an outlying station. He was walking through the station door when the collector surprised him with a request for his ticket. "My face is my ticket," he said, with much pleasantry. "Oh," said the collector, "my orders are to punch all tickets!"

A Story of Robespierre.

The story is told of Robespierre that one time, when at the height of his power, a lady called upon him, beseeching him to spare her husband's life. He scornfully refused. As she turned away she happened to tread upon the paw of his pet dog. He turned upon her and asked, "Madam, have you no humanity?"

Revenge.

Small Boy—Give me a large bottle of the worst medicine you've got in your store.

Druggist—What's the matter? "Well, I've been left all alone with grandma, and she's suddenly been taken sick, and I'm going to get even with her!"—Life.

Keeps It to Himself.

The man with "untold wealth" is the one who dodges the tax assessor.—Philadelphia Record.

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. Give nature three helps, and nearly every case of consumption will recover. Nourishing food comes next. Then, a medicine to control the cough and heal the lungs. Ask any good doctor.

B. W. & N. W. RAILWAY TIME-TABLE. MAIL AND EXPRESS. Read Up, Read Down. 6:10 p.m. Westport, 7:50 a.m. Newboro, 8:05. 5:42 Crosby, 8:16. 5:35 Forfar, 8:21. 5:28 Elgin, 8:29. 5:09 Delta, 8:47. 5:01 Lyndhurst, 8:53. 4:54 Soperton, 9:00. 4:48 Athens, 9:20. 4:20 Elbe, 9:26. 4:15 Fortbton, 9:38. 4:01 Sealey's, 9:45. 3:52 Lyn, 10:00. 3:45 Lyn (Jct. G.T.R.), 10:05. 3:30 Brockville, 10:20.

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DETECTIVE KILLED A BURGLAR.

Shorty Billy Drops in His Tracks in London.

Outcome of Housebreaking and Robbery.

Desperate Struggle With a Man Named "Texas."

A London report: While resisting arrest this afternoon a notorious character, known as "Shorty Billy," was shot and almost instantly killed by city detectives, and his "pal," known to the police as "Texas," is in the police cells charged with burglary.

During the past couple of months a number of midnight house breakings and robberies have been perpetrated in the city.

The latest robbery took place on Saturday night last, when Cole's turning factory on Bathurst street was broken into and a quantity of tools stolen.

The afternoon detectives Nickle and Egelton were detailed to search Meesley's home on Kildon street north of the rest of the stuff.

Shortly afterwards Egelton came downstairs, and Nickle imparted to him in a whisper the information that "Texas" was in the house.

"Texas" understood that he was being worked, and he called "Billy, Billy, give it to 'em," Nickle had previously seen the man to whom "Texas" called, but "Shorty Billy" had put on his coat and had gone outside.

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The Markets.

Following are the closing quotations at important wheat centres today:

Table with columns: Location (New York, Chicago, Toledo, Duluth, No. 1), Cash price, and May price.

Wholesale trade at Montreal is quieter than usual at this season, owing to the freight blockade in the railway.

There has been some improvement in the wholesale trade conditions in Montreal, but the cold weather is still the chief drawback.

A slight improvement is generally noticed in trade during the past week at Quebec.

At Victoria, Vancouver and other Pacific Coast points, trade is picking up, but conditions are still slow.

Winipeg wholesale trade is benefiting largely by the recent bonanza of visiting merchants having placed orders for the coming season.

Receipts of live stock at the City Cattle Market were 42 car loads all told, consisting of 831 cattle, 294 sheep, 423 hogs, 13 calves and 172 pigs.

Only Five Cents a Copy. The Four-Track News for February. On sale at all news stands.

CHURCH WITH WIDEST NAVE. St. Michael's Church at Coventry is said to have the widest nave of any English church.

TAKE ALLEN'S LUNG BALSAM before the merciless grip of the cold has fastened upon throat and lungs.

KING THANKS LORD ROBERTS. A Special Army Order Issued Bidding Him Farewell.

Who gets history from novels gets novel history.

GREAT BRITAIN GETTING READY.

For Rapid Mobilization of the Fleet.

Growing Uneasy About French Movements.

London cables: L'opinion is to-day asking a premium of 30 per cent. against an outbreak of an Anglo-French war within the next three months.

The British Foreign Office is uneasy regarding the French fleet, while the Admiralty is getting ready for rapid mobilization in case certain eventualities develop.

Robert J. Hill, a C.P.R. brakeman, was killed at Drumbo yesterday. He lived in Toronto.

The Toronto Exhibition directors will ask the Toronto City Council for \$32,000 for building purposes.

Four Toronto firemen are most dangerously ill from the effect of inhaling nitric acid fumes at a fire.

The Dominion Government has asked the Admiralty for a warship to convey missionaries in Corea to a place of safety.

The American Newspaper Publishers' Association has decided to agitate for the removal of the duty on wood pulp from Canada.

Correspondent members in other countries will be secured by the Canadian Manufacturers' Association to do the work done by the United States Consul.

Rev. Dr. Pitblado, of Winnipeg, has been presented with a retiring allowance of \$500 a year for three Westminister Church.

The Kaiser will leave for the Mediterranean on the fourth of next month. The Empress will accompany him, owing it is reported to his indisposition.

Mr. Allan Bristol Aylesworth, K.C., of Toronto, was in Buffalo yesterday as the guest of the Lawyers Club, and addressed the club at a banquet in the Geneva Hotel.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Thrilling Voyage of the Pallanza on the Atlantic.

Halifax, Feb. 23.—The Hamburg-American liner Pallanza, which left Hamburg on Jan. 10 with a large general cargo for New York and 150 immigrants for Halifax, arrived here this morning, after a thrilling escape from foundering and destruction by fire at sea.

The large accommodation ladder was torn from its fastenings, carried the whole length of the ship and, striking the bridge, severely injured the captain, mate and quartermaster, and then was carried overboard.

The Pallanza was unable to return to Hamburg, owing to the fury of the gale, put into St. Michael's, Azores for repairs.

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# Athens Lumber Yard

Planing Mill, Sash and Door Factory

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## Athens Grain Warehouse

BRAN, SHORTS, FEED, HAY, FLOUR, ETC.

Custom Grinding well and quickly done. Cash paid for Grain and Lumber.

### La Grippe

Of its prevalence unfortunately there is no doubt. There are in fact many cases in our town at present, and one never knows when the insidious disease may attack. If that should occur, prudence points most certainly to the prompt services of your physician; and the next best provision is that of entrusting your prescriptions to us. In so doing you are sure of having them compounded by competent druggists, and you may with certainty expect the results your physician intended.

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To fight the battles of this life, you need a careful, clever wife. She'll do her part if you'll supply the best machine that you can buy—

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See our new Automatic Lift No. 27 White (same as cut)—it's a beauty. N. B.—The White is the only machine with ball bearings throughout.

Both Vibrator and Rotary Shuttle Machines. Catalogue and full details for the asking—at the ISLAND CITY MUSIC STORE

### EYE STRAIN

in CHILDHOOD has blighted many lives because the pain caused thereby produces an aversion to study.

The backward child too often becomes the unsuccessful man.

Wm. Coates & Son, Jewellers and Opticians, Brockville, Ont.

### O.I.C. Boar

I have at my farm one mile west of Athens Delta road. Thoroughbred, Registered, Improved Chester Boars for service. Apply for the Free Coll Spring Wire to Wm. Coates & Son, Walscot, Ont. MURPHY G. BROWN

## Local and Personal

Latest Doings in the Social and Business Circles of Athens and Vicinity.

Miss Addie Wilson returned last week from a visit with friends in Smith's Falls.

Mr. Fred Woods and children of Elgin have been visiting friends in Athens for a few days.

Recorder: Miss Annie Plunkett, of Athens, is the guest of Miss Mins Cornack, King street east.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcus King of Lansdowne are visiting friends in Athens, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis King.

Special services are being held in the church of the Holiness Movement every afternoon and evening of this week.

His Honor Judge McDonald conducted the services in the Anglican churches at Oak Leaf and Athens on Sunday last.

Social invitations are accepted these days with the civic letters "G. P." attached. They simply mean "Grippe permitting."

Miss Nellie Armour of Ottawa, whose health has not been very good for some time, has returned to Athens for a stay of several months.

Rev. A. C. Bryan, B. A., B. D., pastor of the Westport Presbyterian church, has accepted a call from a Presbyterian church near Calgary.

Complaint is made that there are no swear words in the Japanese language, but then they haven't really needed them so much as the other fellows, so far.

The passing of a law to enforce the labeling of cheese in New York state is under discussion. A general law is about the only way of dealing with the matter.

The members of the Independent Order of Foresters will meet on Thursday next, instead of Friday, so as not to prevent any member from attending the Caroline LaRose entertainment.

After a suspension of a few hours on Sunday, the cold weather bureau resumed business on Monday two doors further north of the old stand. Orders for snow, etc., filled promptly and satisfaction guaranteed.

Among those from Brockville who attended the funeral of Rev. Rural Dean Wright were His Honor Judge McDonald, Messrs. D. Derbyshire, J. F. Fulford, J. Cawley, J. Culbert, M. F., and R. G. Murphy.

Since opening an office in Athens, Dr. S. E. Thompson, Veterinary Surgeon, has met with gratifying patronage, and is well satisfied with his prospects here. His professional card will be found in the Reporter.

Under the auspices of the Epworth League the famous Eckardt Family, high-class musical artists and Swiss Bell Ringers, will play in the high school hall on the evening of Friday, March 4. See folders for particulars.

The merits of Lamb's Iron Blood Pills are becoming more widely known every day, and their use, particularly by women and girls, is rapidly increasing. They contain iron in a form readily assimilated and absorbed by the weakest constitutions.

The records show that a larger number of the graduates of the Brockville Business College find situations than any other Business College in Eastern Ontario. Mr. A. Williams, S. Dillabough, E. Eck and Miss Kirkland, recent graduates, have secured positions.

The town of Smith's Falls is having a lot of trouble with its waterworks system this winter. The mains are leaking everywhere and in some places have been reached by frost. The mayor states that the pipes have been so poorly laid that the whole system will have to be dug up and relaid.

### FRENCH-DENNEY

The home of Mr. Arvin Brown, Phillipsville, was the scene of an exceptionally pretty wedding on Tuesday evening, Feb. 16th, at 8 o'clock, when his granddaughter, Miss Inez E. Denney, was married to Mr. Wm. E. French, of the same place. The bride, who was unattended, was becomingly gowned in silver grey silk, with sequin and applique trimmings, wearing carnations and lilies, and was given away by her father, Mr. A. Denney. Miss Ethel Brown ably presided at the organ. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. F. Chisholm, the bridal couple standing beneath an artistically arranged bank of greenery, where they afterwards received the congratulations of about thirty near friends and relatives present. The wedding party then repaired to the dining room, where an elegant repast was served. The bride received a large number of beautiful presents, including many from friends at a distance who were unable to be present. On their return from a short honeymoon trip Mr. and Mrs. French will be given a reception by the groom's parents at Harlem, after which they will settle in their new home near Phillipsville.

## ADVANCE IN BREAD

Commencing on first of March, the bakers of Athens will increase the price of the 2 lb. loaf to 7c. In this they will be following the example of bakers generally throughout the province.

The reason for this advance is not far to seek. In December of 1903 the price, for instance, of "Five Roses" flour was \$2.25 per bag. From this figure it has steadily advanced until to-day it is quoted at \$2.75 per bag. Bakers were not attaining sudden wealth in selling their bread at 5c per lb. when flour was at the low figure, and at the present price they have found their margin of profit too narrow to afford living room.

The position of the consumer is not a pleasant one; for if the careful housewife turns to the alternative of baking her own bread she finds that family flour now costs \$2.60 per bag. Following the bountiful harvest of last year, the increase in the price of flour can hardly be attributed to a shortage in the supply of wheat. It is probably largely a speculative speculative increase, and it is predicted that a further advance of 25c per bag will take place. If the advance is due to speculation, then its return to normal may be sudden and quite serious to those carrying large stocks.

The price of wheat is now advanced until the great bulk of the grain is marketed, so the farmer profits little if any by the rise. From the farmer's finished product, every person that handles the grain is in a position to protect himself against loss, but when it reaches the consumer protection ceases. He must produce the price, whether it be five, six, or seven cents per loaf, and his protest avails nothing.

When, a few years ago, bread sold at 5c per loaf, the bakers made just as much profit as they do now at 7c; so we must look elsewhere for the men who are profiting by the increase. And if we trace the matter through the hands of the commission dealers, through the mills, and on up to the stock markets we shall probably find that the increase all goes to the enrichment of a few men already enormously wealthy.

With potatoes selling at 70c per bushel, the increase of the price of bread to 7c is far from welcome, but under the circumstances the advance seems justifiable.

### THE LATE GEORGE WHALEY

George Whaley died at his home, Hard Island, on Monday last, aged 47 years.

His illness commenced with erysipelas, and from this he was thought to be recovering, but he suffered a return of the malady, heart-weakness developing, and from this latter cause he died.

Deceased was very highly esteemed in the neighborhood in which he lived as a good neighbor and kind friend, and in Athens and wherever he was known the news of his demise has caused sincere sorrow. He leaves to mourn his loss his wife and two daughters, who have the warm sympathy of the community in their great bereavement.

The funeral takes place on Thursday, leaving his late residence at 1 p.m. for Christ Church, Athens, where service will be conducted by Rev. Mr. Howard of Frankville; thence to the Athens vault.

### FUNERAL SERVICE

On Thursday last all that was mortal of the late Rural Dean Wright was deposited in the vault at Oak Leaf.

From morning until night the curtains on business houses remained down, the schools closed in the afternoon, and everywhere throughout the village expression was given in some form to the sense of loss that all felt in the death of the rector of Christ Church.

At 10 a.m. the remains were removed from the rectory to the chancel of the church where a private service was conducted. Only his bereaved family and brother ministers being present.

At 2 p.m. a public service was conducted, at which there assembled a great concourse of people, including, besides his mourning parishioners, fifteen clergymen of the diocese, a number of friends who came by special train from Brockville, and many sympathizing friends of other denominations from village and country.

At the conclusion of the solemn service, the remains were conveyed to the vault at Trinity church. The pallbearers were Messrs. William Steacy, James Ross, William Karley, E. Fair, W. G. Parish, Thos. Berney

### The Worst Kind

After Piles have existed for a long time and passed through different stages, the suffering is intense—pain, itching, throbbing, tumors form, filled with bursting with black blood.

Symptoms indicating other troubles may appear to a thoroughly Pile-sick person.

This is when Hem-Roid, the only internal, the only absolute Pile cure brings the results that has made its name.

It will cure the most stubborn case in existence and a bonded guarantee that effect goes with each package. It is to be had at the drug store.

### SALE REGISTER

Parties getting their sale bills printed at this office receive a free notice up to date of sale under this heading.

On Thursday, Feb. 25, Mr. Coleman Kilborn will offer for sale at his premises, near Lake Elvida, 18 choice milk cows (Holstein), 5 heifers (Holstein), registered Holstein cow, and 2 registered Holstein bulls; 2 colts of '03, 1 colt of '03 ploughs, buggy, harness, etc. Sale at 1 p.m. A. M. Eaton, auctioneer.

## Ho For Summer Climes!

The Grand Trunk Railway S. stem has issued a handsome publication entitled "Winter Tours to Colorado and California," and which are now in their City Ticket Offices for free distribution.

The publication deals with the attractions of the States of Colorado and California as winter resorts for Eastern people, and as the present season is the time to visit these Western resorts for pleasure, and the invalid for health the publication is issued at an opportune time. It is handsomely illustrated with views of Manitou Springs, Pike's Peak, Gateway to the Garden of the Gods, Grand Canyon of Arizona, views in the Yosemite Valley and the Big Trees of California; also views of interesting points on the line of the Grand Trunk. There is also a fund of information about personally conducted excursions to these western points, time tables of trains, maps, etc.

Copies may be had on application to J. Quinlan, District Passenger Agent, Bonaventure Station, Montreal.

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