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TWENTY PERISH AND SCORES ARE INJURED IN A GREAT NEW YORK TENEMENT FIRE

Hundreds Trapped and Obliged to Leap to Pavement—Many Roasted to Death.

New York, March 14. — At least a score of people were burned to death, several were so badly hurt that they may die, and forty others received slighter hurts, in a fire that practically destroyed a 5-story tenement house in Allen street early today. The fire had gained great headway before it became known to most of the tenants,and the escape of many of them was cut off until too late to save themselves.

Thrilling rescues and daring leaps for life marked the fire. Scores were carried from the blazing building. Firemen climbed the walls on their scaling ladders, braved the flames and reached the imperiled tenants. Of the badly injured several may die, as they are in a terrible condition from burns.

Of the bodies thus far recovered only the following have been identified: Rachel Solomon, 45 years old; Jacob Solomon, 19; Abraham Solomon, 20.

Crowded fire escapes in the rear of the tenement houses were largely responsible for so many deaths and injuries among its population, which approached 200 souls

The scenes about the building after the fire was over and when the search for the dead was begun were heartrending. Nothing so pitiful of such proportions has been seen in New York City since the Slocum disaster.

The fire started in the basement, occupied by Isaac Davis, his wife, and three children. Davis had been out last night, and returning to his home early in this morning, went into his store on the same floor just in time to see a kerosene lamp in the rear explode. He awoke his wife and both tried to put out the flaming lamp, but without success, and then gave all their attention to getting their children out of the burning building. A young man passing the house at the time, saw the flames and gave the alarm. A policeman, who heard the cries, rushed to the scene, and every effort was made to arouse the sleeping inmates. The flames had spread with startling rapidity, and when the persons who had been asleep on the upper floors awoke they found themselves confronted by a wall of flames on nearly every side.

Roasted to Death.

Scenes of the wildest description followed, when the panicstricken scores fighting for their lives, rushed to the fire escapes only to find them littered with rubbish of all descriptions and almost impassable. Down through this cluttered narrow passageway flowed a stream of humanity. On some of the escapes the rubbish was so closely packed that it became impossible to pass certain points, and men, women and children stood literally roasting to death as the flames roared through windows around them.

A Policeman Hero.

One of the escapes, which ended near the roof of a shed about 20 feet above the ground, had been manned by a policeman, who had run a plank across to the window of an adjoining building. Nearly a dozen persons had been carried across this narrow bridge by the policeman when the flames began to sweep around the lower end of the fire escape. Rushing into the fire the policeman seized a little child, and started on the last return trip across to the place of safety. He had made only half the distance when the plank, burned more than half through, broke where it rested on the fire escape and the rescuer and rescued fell to the stone-paved yard 20 feet below. The man struck fairly on his back, and one of his shoulders was shattered by the force of the fall. The child was uninjured.

Fell Back Into Flames.

In the meantime the firemen had run up ladders at other points around the building, and dozens of people were being taken from the crowded fire escapes and upper windows. By this time the building was a furnace, and the rescues were effected in many cases only after the greatest show of bravery on the part of the firemen.

A woman, her nightdress blazing, was seen to crawl out of a window and start down the escape, removing cans and boxes and throwing them to the street when they blocked her way. The hot iron escapes blistered her feet and burnt deep into her flesh, but she continued on. The scaling ladders were run up close to the escape and a fireman had almost reached her, when a belch of flame covered her like a wave and bore her down. She fell back and died in sight of the horror-stricken crowd. The firemen carried her charred body to the street, covered it with a blanket and then continued their work among the living.

Leaped Headlong Into Street.

The position of those who had taken refuge on the rubbish-choked fire-escapes became more desperate every minute, as the flames roared through windows on every floor. They feared to jump, and they could not wait until the scaling ladders reached them, so intense was the heat. Now and then, one would spring to the ground with a scream. A baby flung into the arms of a policeman on the ground was immediately followed by the fear-crazed mother, who threw herself headlong. Her body struck the policeman on the head and he fell unconscious. The woman escaped unhurt by the fall, but she had been badly burned. The baby was not hurt at all.

Mother and Sons Perish.

Death was reaping a harvest on other fire-escapes on the building as well at this time. At the rear two men and two women were seen descending the escapes, their progress being blocked by some box or rubbish, when between the third and fourth floors flames darted up from the third floor windows, enveloped the two men and women, and they fell, and roasted to death. Their bodies were got down by the firemen.

On the top of the fire escape at the other side of the house lay three bodies, Mrs. Solomon and her two sons, Isaac and Jacob. The crowd on the street had seen the mother and her two sons come from their apartments, the mother first and the sons following, each holding to her and trying to help her. A blast of wind drove the flames upon them, and mother and sons fell on the fire escape and were suffocated and burned to death.

Two other members of the Solomon family were seen to look from the windows and then fall back into the burning building. They were not seen again. The elder Solomon, the husband and father, was one of those rescued by Patrolman Dawn. When he reached the street his whiskers had been burned off and he wore nothing but underclothing. For more than an hour he wandered around in this condition searching for his family, until he came upon the bodies after they had been removed from the fire escape. As he recognized the charred bodies he broke into passionate weeping and agonized cries. His experience was paralleled by dozens of others in the house.

After the fire was under control the street was filled with half-dressed people, seeking for their relatives, imploring the firemen and policemen to go into the burning building and rescue the loved ones whom they believed perishing there.

Niagara to London Road Blocked by Rival Lines

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, March 14.—A bill to incorporate the Canada and Middlesex Railway Company, which was in charge of Mr. Calvert, was up at the railway committee today, and after discussing it for some time, further consideration was postponed. The bill authorizes a company with a capital stock of $50,000 to build a railway from a point on the Niagara River, north of the Welland River, to the city of London, through the counties of Welland, Lincoln, Wentworth, Brant, Oxford and Middlesex, a distance of 120 miles. The intention is to operate the road by electricity.

The bill was opposed by Col. Thompson on behalf of the Niagara, St. Catherines and Toronto Railway, which has a charter covering part of the ground.

The president of the Western Traction Company of London opposed the bill unless satisfactory arrangements were made with his company. He wanted time, say 2 years, to give a chance to his company to build from Brantford to London. S. R. Sykes, president of the Grand Valley Railway also opposed the bill. He wanted it postponed for ten days until his company was heard. The bill was put off for this time.

ENGLISH ROYALTY OFF FOR LISBON

Trip Taken to Benefit Health of the Convalescent Victoria.

London, March 14. — Queen Alexandra, Princess Victoria, and Prince and Princess Charles of Denmark started today for Lisbon to visit the King and Queen of Portugal. The trip is largely for the benefit of the health of Princess Victoria, who recently was operated upon for appendicitis. Sir Frederick Treves, surgeon-in-ordinary to the King, accompanied the party. King Edward and the Prince and Princess of Wales were at the railroad station here to bid farewell to the royal travelers, who embarked on the royal yacht Victoria and Albert at Portsmouth.

BOSTON WANTS FREE TRADE

Petitions Legislature for Better Commercial Relations With Canada.

Boston, March 14.—The removal of the duty on hides and the establishment of free trade relations between the United States and Newfoundland, as well as a general readjustment of the tariff, are favored in resolutions which the joint committee on favorable relations has voted to unanimously report to the Massachusetts Legislature.

TURK GENERALS FLY FOR LIFE

Trio of High Ottoman Officials Leave Constantinople in a Hurry.

Constantinople, March 14.—Another palace intrigue, so common in the Sultan's entourage, has resulted in the sudden flight of a trio of high Ottoman officials, Gens. Ahmet Pasha, Andriza Pasha, aides-de-camp of the Sultan, and Arif Bey, his majesty's chamberlain. It is said that the three officials fled abroad to escape the machinations of a secret police cabal at the Yildiz Kiosk, who were said to be bent on their destruction. The assault is alleged to have been instigated by the chief of the secret police.

PURCHASED QUICK-FIRERS

Nordenfelt Guns To Be Used in the Fishery Service.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, March 14. — The marine department has purchased from the British authorities some Nordenfelt quick-fire arms. They were in the naval stores at Halifax and Esquimalt, and will be used in connection with fishery protection service.

CONSERVATIVES PETITION GOVT. TO LET SCHOOL CLAUSE STAND

Jacques Cartier Club of Montreal Circulating Petition Favoring the Measure As It Is.

THE STORY OF FITZPATRICK RESIGNING A FAKE

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, March 14. — It is not necessary to deny the report which has been circulated in a section of the press outside of Ottawa that the Hon. Charles Fitzpatrick has resigned the portfolio of justice. The story is laughed at here. Mr. Fitzpatrick was engaged on departmental work to a late hour last night in his office at the department, and because he could not be in his seat in the Commons at the same time the rumor was put in circulation that he had resigned. This was all the foundation there was for the report. The Premier ridiculed the story and Mr. Fitzpatrick laughed heartily over it.

Meantime the Jacques Cartier Club, of Montreal, a Conservative organization, has got petitions printed and circulated all over the Province of Quebec in favor of the bill being pushed through the Commons as it now stands. These petitions are being forwarded in printed envelopes addressed to Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

The Quebec Conservatives have made up their minds to have as many petitions foe as Dr. Sproule can get against. And so the fight goes merrily on.

The educational clause, which has been amended in the direction already indicated, will not suit either of these parties.

The Ancient Order of Hibernians of the County of Carleton has passed a strong resolution to the effect that in the interest of immigration the rights of the minority should be safeguarded and, therefore, that the school clause in the bill should go through as it now stands. The resolutions ask that the minority have the right to their own schools and to have an equitable proportional share of the Government fund for education, and the order pledges itself to stand by the minority getting legal enjoyment of their rights.

THE NEW GOLD FIELD

One Company Refuses One Million Dollars for Its Mine.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., March 14.—Hon. George Waggoner, an old-time explorer and miner, who has just visited the Webbwood gold mining property, is enthusiastic over the discovery of this new gold field, and says that the Shakespeare mine is the greatest gold mine in the western continent. The total depth of the shaft is 149 feet. The cross-cuts and drifts all show pay ore, which goes to the ore bin without sorting. Four stamps are running, and the gold is an improvement over the initial run in February. A new five-stamp mill is soon to be installed. The company has just refused an offer of one million dollars for the property, made by an English syndicate.

STRIKERS CRUSHED

Back to Work on New York Car Lines at Reduced Wages.

New York March 14.—The traffic conditions of the elevated railroads and subway today were slightly improved over those of yesterday.

All the employes of the Interborough Company who went on a strike, and whose wages had been previously advanced because of the length of their service, secured re-employment only at the sacrifice of whatever advance in wages they had obtained. Experienced motormen were reduced from $3 50 to $3 a day, gatemen from $1 55 to $1 40, guards from $1 90 to $1 55, and conductors from $2 40 to $2 10. So crushed was the strike spirit that the men accepted the reductions without protest, and with evidences of thankfulness at securing work. Many expressed regret that they had joined in the strike, and told the officers that they had done so from fear.

WALES' INDIAN VISIT

Will Proceed to the East In Specially Chartered Liner.

London, March 14. — The Chronicle publishes the following: When the Prince and Princess of Wales visit India next November it is probable that they will proceed to Bombay in a liner specially chartered for the purpose. Several places will be stopped at on the outward and homeward voyages.

The prince's suite will not be alarge one, but several members of the household will accompany the party the military officials being supplied by the Indian army. Probably one or two native chiefs will be attached to the suite A. D. C.'s during the tour, the details of which will be arranged by Lord Curzon and Lord Kitchener.

Motoring, tiger-shooting and inspections will be arranged, and the programme, which, it is understood, will include a number of brilliant functions in Calcutta next Christmas, will conclude with a royal review.

THE PEAT INDUSTRY

The Syndicate Purchasing Land to Establish One at Newtonville.

Newtonville, March 14.—An important transaction is now being negotiated by the agent of a syndicate, who has been here for two weeks. He has purchased 400 acres of peat land adjoining the village, with a view to establishing large peat works. The different owners residing in Toronto, Galt and two resident farmers, have been approached with offers of such purchases, and the outlook for the sale of the whole lot is favorable, work commencing in the near future. There is an inexhaustible supply of peat favorably situated to a spur line of the G. T. R.

The Earth Is Tipping; Planets in Crazy Whirl

Boston, March 14.—Got that sinking sensation this morning? Don't be alarmed. It isn't the approach of spring. The earth's tipping, that's all. Prof. Wm. H. Pickering, of Harvard University, one of the ablest of astronomers, has discovered in the heavens what amounts almost to a celestial scandal, and old Mother Earth is as deeply involved as any.

Prof. Pickering took his eyes from the telescope last night long enough to gossip about the doings out in the far beyond.

Jupiter, instead of revolving the way in which the astronomers have declared for years it was doing, has shown a reversal of form. It is now going the other way.

Its madcap example has been followed by saucy Saturn with the rings, and the force of example has turned Mother Earth's head until she is one of the most abandoned of all.

Neptune, because it has little to do with the sun, is the most staid of the entire heavenly outfit. It's tippy, however, but only to the extent of a few degrees.

Prof. Pickering's theory, developed by reason of the retrograde motion of Phoebe, ninth satellite of Saturn,which was discovered by the professor in March, 1899, does not surprise certain clubmen, nor a certain student element in Harvard.

In the beginning it was claimed all was chaos. Then a central point of coherence was established about which this chaos revolved, and out of which ultimately the sun, with a wide ring of loose matter, was evolved. Gradually this ring was broken into small bits, each of which, like the sun, found a central coherent point, about which the planets and satellites grew and formed themselves.

After the discovery of Phoebe, the world was astounded by the additional discovery that it was not moving in the same direction as the planets and their other satellites, but in an opposite direction.

This fact threatened to destroy the nebular hypothesis, and Prof. Pickering set to work to reconcile them. He carefully studied the gyroscope, an instrument used to illustrate the principles of rotation and sold on the streets as a toy top for children.

Prof. Pickering apparently discovered a new principle in the gyroscope. In this instrument a top is set in a circular frame, so that while the flat top-like surface is spinning horizontally on its axis, the frame, axis and all may be turned vertically in exactly the opposite direction in an outside frame.

Here, then, was the secret of the mysterious movement of Phoebe.When Phoebe was first cast off she was moving in a retrograde motion, and the planet Saturn around which she revolved, was rotating in the same direction. But as time went by Saturn gradually "keeled over," until finally, like the earth and all the planets she was rotating directly.

It was after she had reached this position that she threw off her other satellites to which she imparted the same direct motion from left to right. But Phoebe kept on in her original direction and persisted in moving from right to left.

VENEZUELA TO PAY UP

Castro Will Settle With the British and German Bondholders.

London, March 14. — The Paris correspondent of the Times wires: A Paris report reaches me this evening too late to verify that an agreement was signed at Brussels on behalf of the Venezuelan Government with the English foreign bondholders' committees, also representatives of the German foreign bondholders, for a settlement of the debts of Venezuela to her creditors in those two countries, on a basis of a new 3 per cent bond, guaranteed by 30 per cent of the customs duties, as stipulated by The Hague protocol relative to diplomatic claims.

FRANCE AND VATICAN

The Latter Sends an Apostolic Delegate to Constantinople.

Rome, March 14.—Bishop Giovanni Tacci Porcelli, the newly-appointed apostolic delegate to Constantinople, has departed for his post, to take up his duties. This appointment is the subject of much comment, inasmuch as France, through her ambassadors, is still exercising the duty of protecting Catholics in the Orient, and the relations between France and the Holy See have been broken. Great secrecy is maintained concerning the instructions given Bishop Porcelli, but the Associated Press learns that in all ceremonial and general matters he is to ignore the rupture between France and the Holy See. In purely religious matters, however, he must permit no interference from the French ambassador. Orders have been sent to all Roman Catholic congregations in Turkey without distinction as to nationality, to recognize the paramount authority of the delegate.

Three Bandits Garroted.

Santiago, Cuba, March 14. — Three bandits, Chaoin, Ortex and Zulucta, convicted of murder, were garroted here today.

New Bond Issue.

Philadelphia, March 14. — At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, held today, an issue of new bonds not to exceed $50,000,000, was authorized.

Opening of Navigation.

Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., March 14.—The probable date for the opening of navigation is hard to forecast, but indications are that it will be April 15. There are still 24 inches of ice in the river. There was no mid-winter thaw, and up to a week ago the temperature touched zero nearly every night. At Mackinaw a late opening is predicted. The ice is very heavy windrowed and covered with snow, which protects the ice from the sun. Open water is not yet in sight.

Great Fire at Kharkoff.

Kharkoff, Russia, March 14. — A fire last night, supposed to be of incendiary origin, destroyed shops to the value of $500,000. Nine persons were severely injured.

Home Missions.

Toronto, March 14. — The home mission committee of the Presbyterian Church met this morning in old St. Andrew's Church, with Rev. Dr. Warden in the chair. The total receipts were $127,688 from ordinary sources, and $10,000 from legacies, which is double the revenue of six years ago. The contributions from the churches in the west were more than double. Estimates were passed as follows: Ontario and Quebec, $12,123; Manitoba and Northwest, $15,298; British Columbia and Alberta, $14,195.

GEM ROBBERY AT MONTREAL

Gang of Thieves Make a Haul of Jewelry to the Extent of $4,000.

Montreal, March 14. — Jewelry to the amount of nearly $4,000 was stolen Monday night or the night before from the workshop of I. L. Michaelson & Son, jewelers and diamond importers. It is evident that nito-glycerine was used and that the safe-blowers were not amateurs. They bored four holes above the lock of the safe and the charge, without removing the outer door, blew the inner one free. Everything of value was taken, including $3,000 worth of jewelry left by patrons of the firm for repairs, designs worth $500 and bar gold worth $300. There was no money kept in the safe. It was fortunate that on Saturday evening diamonds valued at $10,000 had been removed from the workroom to the headquarters at 260 St. James street. The same place was broken into in January last, but nothing of value was taken.

HALF TOWN WIPED OUT

A Disastrous Blaze at Ponoka in Northwest Territories.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Winnipeg, Man., March 14. — Half the town of Ponoka, Northwest Territories, was destroyed by fire lost night, including Fairly's big store and the Bank of Commerce building. Loss, $100,000.

The Lucania Sails.

Queenstown, March 14.—The Cunard Line steamer Lucania, which sailed for New York Sunday morning and returned to this port Sunday night with her starboard and a plate below it damaged, resumed her voyage at 6 o'clock this morning, after having effected repairs.

THE WEATHER.

Tomorrow—Fair; Light Snowfalls

London, Tuesday, March 14.

Sun rises..6:33 a.m. Moon rises..11:25 a.m.
Sun sets...6:22 p.m. Moon sets....1:31 p.m.

Toronto, March 13—8 p.m.

The weather remains everywhere fine and cold.

Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 44—56; Calgary, 10—22; Qu'Appelle, 6 below—24; Winnipeg, 14 below—12; Fort Arthur, 14 below—18; Parry Sound, 10 below—18; Toronto, 8—26; Ottawa, 4 below—22; Montreal, zero—10; Quebec, 6 below—10; Halifax, 4—24.

FORECASTS.

Tuesday, March 14—8 a.m.

Today—Fine; not much change in temperature.

Wednesday—A few light local snowfalls, but mostly fair.

TEMPERATURES.

Stations.	8 a.m.	Min.	Weather.
Calgary	20	18	Fair
Winnipeg	—10	—12	Clear
Parry Sound	—10	—12	Clear
Toronto	14	10	Fair
Ottawa	— 4	—12	Fair
Montreal	6	0	Fair
Quebec	— 6	—10	Clear
Father Point	4	6	Fair

The sign — indicates below zero.

WEATHER NOTES.

Conditions have not changed since yesterday, the weather remaining everywhere fine and cold, except in Western British Columbia.

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours ended at 8 p.m. Monday were: Highest, 23° above; lowest, 3.5° below.

CZAR DECLARES FOR MORE WAR

War Council at St. Petersburg Decides to Continue Far East Struggle.

St. Petersburg, March 14.—6 p.m.—The war council held at Tsarskoe-Selo today, at which War Minister Sakharoff, Gen. Dragomiroff and others were present, is understood to have decided the question of continuing the war in the affirmative.

Hungry and Disheartened Russians Are Surrendering to the Japanese in Squads

Kuropatkin Hastily Fortifying at the Tie Pass—More Peace Talk.

Gen. Kuroki's Headquarters in the Field, via Fusan, March 14. — The country is swarming with hungry, disheartened Russians, who are surrendering in squads to any pursuing Japanese they meet.

Leading Japanese officers have refused to criticise the lack of mobility displayed while driving the Russians beyond Tie Pass.

Most of the foreign attaches with the Russian army, including two American and British officers, were captured at Mukden.

Dangerous to Mobilize.

New York, March 14. — A Berlin dispatch to the Herald says: The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Cologne Gazette declares that further mobilization is impossible in Russia at present if the mass of the people should declare itself against the continuance of the war.

During a recent visit to Poland high Russian officials, including Baron Nolken, chief of the Warsaw police, said that mobilization on a large scale in the present temper of the Russian people was out of the question.

As the Russian military authorities themselves estimate the number of men required to form a new Manchurian army at half a million, any attempt to mobilize this number will undoubtedly lead to most serious disorder, which would still further complicate the critical state of affairs in the interior of Russia.

Officers Surrendering.

Tokio, March 14, 11 a.m. — A telegram received today from headquarters in the field says: "In the direction of Singchong our forces have been dislodging the enemy from Yingpan, 18 miles east of Fushun, and on March 11 around that place.

"In the direction of the Shakhe River, all of our forces are continuing the pursuit of the remnant of the enemy and many Russian officers and men are surrendering to our train guards in the mountainous districts east of the Tie Pass road.

"Additional spoils taken in the direction of the Shakhe River are wagons and carts captured southeast of Chiutlikoutzu. They exceed a thousand loaded with gun ammunition, small ammunition, entrenching tools, telegraph and telephone equipment, pontoon material, supplies and water boilers.

"They also carried 14,000 8-centimeter and 1,400 15-centimeter shells, besides 1,200,000 rounds of small ammunition and various military supplies.

"In the direction of Singchong the spoils included 120,000 small ammunition, 800 shells and 3,000 entrenching tools."

Japs Reconnoitering.

St. Petersburg, March 14. — Gen. Kuropatkin, in a dispatch dated March 13, says he has received no further report of any fighting between organized bodies of troops, and announces that the Japanese are making reconnaissances. In a dispatch filed the previous day, the Russian commander-in-chief notified the Emperor that Gen. Meyendorff fell from his horse on March 10 and fractured his collarbone. He was taken to Harbin, and his early recovery is hoped for.

THE CRIPPLED REMNANT

Slowly Moving Into the Fortifications at the Tie Pass.

St. Petersburg, Tuesday, March 14—1:55 a.m.—Russia's grand army, with the exception of thousands killed or taken prisoners on the plains and mountains around Mukden, is gathering slowly behind the fortifications of Tie Pass, which were built as a refuge before the battle of Liao Yang and is feverishly engaged in the work of reorganization and further strengthening its lines. According to the general staff, the main body already has completed its retreat, and the rear guard southward are falling back slowly, keeping in touch with the pursuing columns of Japanese. In the complete absence of further information yesterday it is difficult to say whether the pursuit has slackened or is being conducted by only a portion of the Japanese, as after the battle of Liao Yang, Field Marshal Oyama has paused to give his weary troops a momentary breathing space while extending his railroad and other lines of supply to his new position and preparing for the next blow. To the Russian army every man is now valuable, and the footsore and disheartened detachments have been given scarcely an hour's rest before being set at work with spade and pick improving the defenses of the pass. It may be, however, that even now they are being turned out of those positions. Rumors are current that a wide eastern flanking movement, begun before the battle, is still in progress, and on the other side it is feared that columns are moving north of Fakoman to take a position in the Russian rear.

Gen. Kuropatkin still holds command. An officer of the general staff said today that probably he will not retire until some semblance of order has been restored. The question of his successor is still undetermined. There are indications that the food supply at Tie Pass is none too large, immense quantities having been burned at Mukden, and Russian correspondents telegraph that they have had nothing to eat for two days. The troops, however, probably are faring better. The commissariat arrangements worked admirably during the battle, and even at the height of the fighting the soldiers received warm food.

Pursued On All Sides.

Tokio, March 13.—A report received this (Monday) morning shows that our forces are continuing the pursuit northward from all directions, meanwhile indicating heavy loss on the routed enemy. In the district extending thirteen miles near the railway north of Mukden an enormous number of carts laden with ammunition and war materials was found abandoned.

According to a report received today the enemy's losses in the direction of Hingking are not yet ascertained; over 800 Russian corpses already have been found afield. According to the statements of prisoners, their 71st division was almost annihilated. Although the Russians burned their storehouses at Machuntan and other places, still large quantities of fodder, ammunition and war materials fell into our hands.

Thousands Surrendering.

New Chwang, March 13.—The question of transporting and caring for the thousands of Russian prisoners now is engrossing the attention of the Japanese authorities. It is said that more than 40,000 prisoners will be sent to Japan by way of Dalny, and that large numbers will be shipped from Yin Kow as soon as the Liao River opens

Japanese officers, arriving, say that Russian soldiers are surrendering in

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CASTRO SEIZES CABLE COMPANY

Another Highhanded Act of the Belligerent Venezuelan President.

Wilemstad, Curacoa March 14. — Advices received here from Caracas, Venezuela announce that the hearing of the appeal of the New York and Bermudez Asphalt Company against the sequestration of its property by the Government of Venezuela, has been adjourned to make way for the action of the Venezuelan Government against the French Cable Company. It is alleged that President Castro has ordered the court to render judgment annulling the contract and authorizing the seizure of the cable company's property. The Government has cut the coast cable east and west of La Guaira, to prevent communication with the revolutionists, who are active at Trinidad. The Europeans at Caracas are excited.

British Immigration.

Toronto, March 14. — Three hundred British immigrants arrived this morning from Halifax. A large number of farmers were at the station and many of the men were engaged for farming work immediately on their arrival.

Ian Maclaren Resigns.

London, March 13.—The Rev. Dr. John Watson (Ian Maclaren) has resigned the pastorship of the Sefton Park Presbyterian Church in Liverpool. In his farewell address Dr. Watson said he was worn out and could not go on. He never had been strong, he said, and had to do his work with hindrances from bodily weariness, and now his strength is nearly exhausted.

BEAU ANGLESEY DEAD IN ITALY

The Eccentric English Nobleman Passes Away at Monte Carlo.

Monte Carlo, Monaco, March 14.—The Marquis of Anglesey died here today. The marquis was notable through his personal and financial eccentricities. His wife arrived here two days ago, and was reconciled with her husband at his deathbed. A cousin inherits the Anglesey estates, which are exempt from the creditors of the late marquis, who are arriving here presumably to claim the available property of the deceased.

Henry Cyril Paget, fifth Marquis of Anglesey, was born in 1875, and succeeded to the family estates, comprising about 30,000 acres, in 1898.

The deceased marquis was a bankrupt, and had been residing in France for some time. In December last he went to Monte Carlo with the announced intention of breaking the bank with a new system, which he had invented.

The sale of the jewels of the marquis in London last year attracted a great deal of attention.

Death of Rev. John Wood.

Ottawa, March 14. — Rev. John Wood, one of the best known Congregational ministers in Canadia, died this morning of paralysis. He was stationed 21 years in Brantford, Ont.,was editor of the Canadian Independent, Toronto; superintendent of home missions for three years pastor of the First Congregational Church at Ottawa for sixteen years, and resided at Truro, N. S., for four years. He was very popular with all classes in the community.

JAP AND RUSSIAN IN MONGOLIA

Each Claims Other Broke Neutrality Agreement as to Chinese Empire.

Washington, March 13. — From the foreign office at Tokio the Japanese legation has received a dispatch bearing on the report that the Russian Government has again stated to the powers that the imperial troops were guilty of a violation of China's neutrality, as their appearance behind the Russian army in the western part of Fentien Province must have been effected by taking a route through Mongolia.

As a matter of fact, the dispatch says, "the imperial forces have never passed through Mongolian territory, while Russia has long been drawing supplies from Mongolia, and always has been sending there disguised or armed troops, which, intimidating native princes and people, have caused them to render assistance to the Russians in the rear."

The dispatch from Tokio points out the following as the facts in evidence: "1. From the beginning of the war till last July Russia had at Halatokai and Lesserkoulon and in Khorchin district, under the jurisdiction of the Prince of Hintu, some 200 soldiers detailed for requisitioning horses and cattle. 2. In the latter part of last June a Russian force, consisting of some 50 troopers and artillerymen, proceeding from the neighborhood of Tieling, and Kai Yuan, penetrated into the interior of Mongolia under the rule of Prince Pei, taking their route between Chung Chiatun and Kangan. 3. In last September a body of Russian soldiers, together with a number of Manchurian and Mongolian soldiers under their employ, proceeded westward from the neighborhood of Tieling, guarding 300 carts laden with arms and ammunition, and passing through that portion of Mongolia which is administered by the Prince of Hintu, to Paknoshu, near Lesserkoulon. At Paknoshu they met with resistance at the hands of the Chinese officials and people, and being defeated, had their ammunition confiscated by the magistrate of the Chaoyang district. 4. On Sept. 15 last, 300 Russian troopers were dispatched from Tieling to Halaseokai, presumably to intimidate the aforesaid Chinese officials and people. 5. Since Aug. 1 from 200 to 500 Russian soldiers have been stationed in the capital town of the Hwaite Hsien district, and they have been going round in the Khorlos district, in Mongolia, extending from Chung Chiatun to Petun. These Russian soldiers levied supplies, especially cattle and horses, by requisition, in the northeast of Mongolia, and after bringing them together at Petun, conveyed them southeast, under custody of soldiers, both by water and land routes, through the Khorlos district. 6. It is still fresh in the memory of the general public that Russia had rifles, guns and ammunition, which she attempted to send to North China from Mongolia, through Chiang Chaikou, or Kalgan, confiscated by the Chinese authorities at Kalgan."

THE EDUCATION QUESTION

Paul Martineau Says Secular and Religious Should Go Together.

Toronto, March 13.—"The views I am going to express are those of a constant, sincere and devoted friend of education, who cannot yet realize that in a free country it is impossible in questions relating to this matter to find solutions satisfactory to all parties concerned," began Paul G. Martineau, of Montreal, who spoke today at the Canadian Club luncheon on "the case for separate schools." He attributed the acuteness of the present situation to the revival of religious and racial differences which seemed bent to destroy the labor and sacrifice of years.

"It is not that we attribute to the public schools the great increase of crime, because we know that the immoderate ambitions and unhealthy passions of the day are due to habits of luxury, which every school system is powerless to prevent. It is not because we like ignorance, neither is it because we are afraid of progress. We want separate schools because, according to our faith, the religious and secular education of our children cannot be divorced."

Mr. Martineau challenged the production of a Catholic statesman who had proved unfaithful to his trust on account of separate schools training, or a Catholic member of the House unworthy to advise the crown on account of disloyalty.

Mr. Martineau viewed the sensational resignation of Mr. Sifton and the past experience in Manitoba and New Brunswick, as not promising much tolerance in the new provinces. What would be satisfactory to anti-separate school members would not be much use to separate school members, he said.

"I cannot understand how a man, convinced of the right of a minority to establish its own schools, can logically refuse to give this minority its proportional share of the public moneys devoted to educational purposes." In this he could only see an effort to crush the separate school in a roundabout way.

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The development of the dairy industry in the United States is scarcely realized by business men. In 1898 the butter haul over the Minneapolis and St. Louis Railroad was 400,000 pounds. Last year it was nearly 14,000,000.

IT PLEASED CARNEGIE

Millionaire Congratulates Attorney Who Had Mrs. Chadwick Convicted.

Cleveland, O., March 13.—John J. Sullivan, United States district attorney in the Chadwick case, has received many telegrams and letters congratulating him upon the victory he had won in the conviction of Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick. Among them was the following telegram: "Congratulations. The victory is all your own.—Andrew Carnegie." A new trial will be asked for on the ground of error in the admission and exclusion of testimony during the trial, error on the part of the judge in his charge to the jury, and that the verdict was contrary to law, and the weight of the evidence. Mrs. Chadwick rested quietly today, and received no visitors. Tomorrow she will make application to go to her home to pick out her personal effects which she asserts are exempt from seizure.

SCHOOL QUESTION; LAURIER'S LETTER

Premier Writes to St. Thomas Liberal On the Matter.

NOT ECCLESIASTICAL SCHOOLS

Northwest Separate Schools Virtually National—Constitutional Aspects of the Case.

A prominent St. Thomas Liberal, who wrote to Sir Wilfrid Laurier in regard to the educational clause of the autonomy bill has received the following reply:

Ottawa, 3rd March, 1905.

My Dear Sir,—I have your favor of the 27th of February, with which I can find no fault. On the contrary, I am only too glad to have your views on the question. I cannot do better than inclose copy of a letter which I have just addressed to an old friend and disciple of George Brown. Yours very sincerely,

WILFRID LAURIER.

Ottawa, 3rd March, 1905.

Dear Sir,—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of yesterday, to which I hasten to reply. I am more than pleased at your laying your views before me, and since you are an old friend and disciple of George Brown, I can appeal to you against yourself on this occasion, for I have the authority of that great name of George Brown himself in support of the principle of the education clause of the bill which I have introduced. Since you were actively engaged in reporting the debates of Confederation, no one knows better than yourself the conditions under which the union was carried to completion. You know even better than I do that Confederation was a compromise on many questions, and that it was especially so on education.

You remember the proceedings of the Quebec conference, and that much apprehension was then felt by the English Protestants of Quebec as to the security of their educational privileges in the hands of the majority in that Province; you remember that Holton made a fight for the security of the system of separate schools in Quebec; you also remember that Galt made a similar fight, and that, as a compromise it was agreed in the Quebec resolutions, with which you are well familiar, that in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec, the minorities—Protestant and Catholic—would be granted their respective separate school systems. You will remember that Galt was not even satisfied with this, and that, in deference to his views, and the views of many others, the whole section 43 of the Quebec resolutions was recast, and it became section 93 of the British North America act.

By that section it is enacted that

"93—In and for each Province the Legislature may exclusively make laws in relation to education, subject and according to the following provisions:

"1. Nothing in any such law shall prejudicially affect any privileges with respect to denominational schools, which any class of persons have by law in the Province at the union."

Do you think that if the new Provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan had been taken into consideration in 1867, instead of 1905, that George Brown would have treated them differently than Ontario and Quebec? Does it not stand to reason that the privileges of clause 93 should apply in these Provinces, since the same condition of things exists as in Ontario and Quebec? I have given many years of my life to the subject of completing the work of Confederation. I find there are passions in 1905, as there were in 1867, and to accomplish my task I must appeal to the rules laid down in the act of Confederation itself; if I fail in this, my task will simply be disheartening.

Let us go a step further. The impression prevails that separate schools, such as they are intended by the bill, will be ecclesiastical schools. This is quite an error. What you call separate schools in this instance are practically national schools. Here is the law of the Northwest Territories at the present moment: All the teachers have to pass an examination and be certified by the board of public instruction; all the schools have to be examined by inspectors appointed by the board of public instruction; all books in use in the schools have to be approved by the board of public instruction; all secular matters are under the control of the board of public instruction; all tuition has to be given in the English language; at 3:30 children can be given religious instruction according to rules made by the trustees of the schools, but attendance at this is not even compulsory.

Do you find fault with this last clause? Do you not believe that what you call "separate schools" in this instance are really "national schools"?

The great objection to separate schools is that it would divide our people, but if the same education is given in what are called "separate schools" as in all other schools, I fail to see what objection there is to such a system. I approach this subject in the same spirit as it was dealt with by the leaders of the Liberal party when I was a young law student in Montreal and Confederation was discussed.

I would be extremely obliged if you were to look into this carefully and favor me again with your views. Yours very sincerely. WILFRID LAURIER.

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ASK LOWER RATES ON PERIODICALS

British Postmaster-General To Be Petitioned—The Loyalty of New Zealand.

London, March 13.—Dr. Parkin will on Thursday present a deputation of M. P.'s from both sides of politics to the Postmaster-General, and place before him the case for the reduction of rates on British magazines and weekly papers to Canada, and Dr. Parkin also will hand to the Postmaster-General a petition signed by the president of the Canadian Press Association and others at the head of important public bodies in Canada praying for a reduction in magazine rates from fourpence a pound to a penny.

David Nathan, president of the combined Chambers of Commerce of New Zealand, interviewed by the Pall Mall Gazette with reference to the federation of the Empire, said: "This is no new thing with us. Before ever Chamberlain mentioned it men like Sir Charles Tupper and Rhodes and Sir Gilbert Parker and Seddon had been advocating it. Colonials, or as I should prefer to call them, Britishers, have long preferred to take a larger view of the matter, and in claiming the birthright to claim it with the right to say and vote on all imperial questions."

Referring to the school children of New Zealand setting the example to the Empire by subscribing their pennies for a challenge shield for gunnery on H. M. S. New Zealand, the St. James' Gazette says it is a notable thing that the most distant and most secure of all our colonies should have such spirit instilled into the rising generation. Canada is taking no similar steps in regard to the Dominion. It is absurd to make her abstention a matter for reproach as some do; it merely shows there is need for using every endeavor to bring home to Canadians what the navy means to them. They are patriotic enough for anything, and Wyatt's pioneer work will tell in time.

Henry Norman tomorrow, in the House of Commons, will invite a statement as to what rifle is now supplied by the Dominion Government to the Canadian troops, where this rifle is manufactured, and whether it was submitted to any tests, and if so, what tests, before the adoption of the present rifle for the British army.

MILLIONS FOR EDUCATION

Sir Wm. MacDonald's Scheme Laid Before School Council.

Montreal, Que., March 13.—The elaborate educational plans of Sir Wm. MacDonald were unfolded today at a meeting of the Protestant Council of Public Instruction of the Province of Quebec—a scheme which is said to involve the expenditure of millions of money. In addition to the agricultural college which he will build at Ste. Anne de Bellevue, Sir William now proposes to establish and endow a normal school, for the training of teachers, in close proximity to the agricultural college. Two buildings for male and female students will be erected at which the students can live.

REACHED A SETTLEMENT

Disposal of a Big Fortune Settled Out of Court.

Montreal, March 13.—The important will case of the relatives of the late Mrs. Eliza Duncan to upset her last will and reinstate a former will was settled this morning. Mrs. Duncan died aged 70 and worth more than a million. She made a will some years ago dividing her estate between relatives, mostly resident in Ontario. Later she made a fresh will, in 1904, in which she left all her property, except $100,000, to Mrs. F. C. Lewis, of Montreal, a niece. The former will was still in existence, and the other relatives immediately attacked the last testament, claiming that at the time when it was made the testatrix was very old, her mental powers impaired, and that she had been unduly influenced by Mrs. Lewis.

Action was brought by a cousin, wife of ex-Mayor William English, of Petrolea, Ont., and a host of legal lights engaged to fight over the big estate, including Wilson & Monerieff, Petrolea, Ont., while Mr. Buchanan, of Montreal, acted for the relatives, and Messrs. Lafluer, K.C.; I. Archer, K. C., Montreal; G. G. Stewart, K. C., Quebec, for Mrs. Lewis.

This morning, however, Mr. F. A. Wilson, of Petrolea, met the counsel for the estate here, and a settlement was arrived at by which an equitable division of the estate has been arrived at without the huge law costs such as a suit would involve.

FRANCE MORE KINDLY

Since Russ Defeats, Is More Friendly Towards Great Britain.

Paris, March 13.—The effects of the Anglo-French entente are becoming daily more manifest, and there is a growing feeling of confidence in the sincerity of the reconciliation with England among all classes of Frenchmen. They are convinced that, even in the event of a change of Government in Great Britain, the same friendly intercourse between the people which has been begun under such promising auspices, would be continued.

It is not only among Parisians themselves, but among the whole French people, that the symptoms of cordial sentiment towards their British neighbors is rapidly becoming a prominent feature in social and political life.

When the change of ministry comes in Great Britain, and with it a possible change of economic policy, it will be discussed in this country on its own merits, and from a purely technical standpoint; that is to say, without the bitter Anglophobe spirit which used to render controversy between the two countries so objectionable, and sometimes impossible.

It may be true that the disenchantment with their Russian allies, resulting from the events in the far east and in the Russian Empire itself, has tended to fortify the ties that link the French nation with Great Britain in virtue of the Anglo-French entente. In many cases less is heard every day of the benefits of the Franco-Russian alliance, while the advantages of the Anglo-French entente are the theme of constant appreciative comment. The opening of Parliament and the prospects of the session would, in other circumstances have called worth that display of hostility to English politics and politicians which was until recently a leading characteristic of the French press.

WANTS UNITED IMPERIAL HOUSE

Hughes Has Resolution for Inter-Imperial Parliament.

THE SCHEME NOT PRACTICABLE

Premier and Opposition Leader Point Out That the Present Conditions Are Most Satisfactory.

Ottawa, March 13.—Col. Sam Hughes in the House today introduced the subject of a united, imperial parliament for the British Empire. The resolution was as follows: "That in the opinion of this House the best interests of Canada and the empire at large would be advanced, and the peace, progress and prosperity of humanity be assured by a full partnership union of Great Britain and her colonies, wherein there would be a united imperial parliament, empowered to deal with inter-imperial, international, commercial, financial and other necessary national problems; but leaving with the existing parliaments their present powers, functions, control of tariff, and other matters necessary for their own purpose."

The colonel then launched into a long speech to prove the idea was practicable. He believed the great diversity of race and creed would not seriously interfere with such a plan. Coming to Canada, the colonel set forth that there are five possible positions which the Dominion may take: 1. Anexation. 2. An independent republic or monarchy. 3. To remain dependent as we are, but to build up our own army and navy. 4. To adopt the third alternative, and at the same time to contribute to the imperial service. 5. To form a partnership in all matters relating to war, customs duties and parliament. He then went on to give his reasons for preferring the fifth arrangement. He condemned the ideas which have been flooding through Canada of late years, and which found expression in suggestions that we should make our own treaties; should build our own navy; should abolish appeals to the Privy Council, and should have no imperial general officer commanding. His idea was that each portion of the empire should retain its present system of government, but that there should be also a common parliament for the empire with jurisdiction over matters of common interest.

Col. Hughes outlined several suggestions, such as the maintenance of an imperial navy and army by the levy of a preferential tax to be levied lightly on foodstuffs and more heavily on manufactures. Col. Hughes concluded with a tribute to the loyalty of Canadians to the empire.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier said the subject brought forward had engrossed the minds of some of the best minds, but no solution had been found. Twenty years ago the Imperial Federation League had dissolved. The president, Lord Rosebery, said this was because there was no practical means of securing the object in view. There was no practical solution in the four corners of Mr. Hughes' motion. It was difficult, the Prime Minister said, to see how there could be true partnership union and at the same time leave the control of their tariffs to the several colonies. The present relations of the British Empire and all its parts were perfectly satisfactory, and so long as this was the case it would be better to leave things alone. Experience showed that when there was a grievance the people of England moved to redress it; but so long as there was general satisfaction an effort to bring about a change would be futile.

Mr. Borden said that the relations of the various parts of the empire with each other had come by a process of gradual evolution. Step by step rights of self-government had been gained. He thought Col. Hughes had done well in bringing forward the resolution. For himself he had always thought that the ties of empire might be strengthened by a system of mutual trade preferences. He believed that policy would be for the advantage of this country, and for the empire as well. He believed that many who then heard him would live to see the resolution an accomplished fact.

At the suggestion of the Premier, concurred in by Mr. Borden, Col. Hughes withdrew his resolution.

Mr. Johnston (Cape Breton) read an interview in which Colonel Hughes was represented as saying the people of the west would fight against the proposals of the autonomy bill, which was characterized as tyrannical and worthy of the dark ages. This was condemned as calculated to stir up strife.

Mr. Bureau (Three Rivers) said the Jacques Cartier Club, of Montreal, was sending out petitions praying for the passage of the bills in their present shape, and intimated that it was part of the same movement as Mr. Sproule was leading in. Mr. Bureau mentioned Mr. Monk's name in this connection.

This brought from Mr. Monk a statement that he had not been at the Jacques Cartier Club since the beginning of the session, and knew nothing of the petitions.

Woodstock's Murder Trial.

Woodstock, Ont., March 13. — A true bill was returned against Mr. William Dee today after the grand jury had investigated the charge of murdering her husband.

J. P's. May Resign.

Toronto, March 13. — The statement is made in authoritative circles that the Ontario Government will call for the resignation of all justices of the peace, for the purpose of reorganizing the magisterial system. This will be one of the matters for Hon. J. J. Foy, as Attorney-General, in connection with his law reform scheme.



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Ottawa, March 13.—While the bill incorporating the Northwest Territories act was under consideration in the House today, Mr. W. F. Maclean asked if, in view of the fact that the principle of compulsory exchange over long-distance telephone lines was recognized in this measure, the Government intended this session to introduce a general act dealing with the subject.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier promised to make an announcement on the subject at an early date, probably tomorrow.

Mr. Gervas, of St. James' division of Montreal, secured leave to present the petition of the Crown Casualty and Accident Company of Canada, for a bill of incorporation, the time for receiving petitions for private bills having expired ten days ago.

The following bills were read a third time and passed: To incorporate the Northwest Telephone Company; respecting the Regina and Hudson Bay Railway Company; to incorporate the Calgary, Red Deer and Battleford Railway Company; to incorporate the Calgay and Battleford Railway Company; especting the Red Deer Valley Railway and Coal Company.

The Minister of Finance, replying to a question by Mr. Foster, said that the cost of machinery and appliances for the proposed Ottawa branch of the royal mint would be about $64,000. The mint, he said, is to be a branch of the royal mint of Great Britain. Appointments will be made by the imperial treasury. The principal supervising officers required, such as the deputy master, assayer, superintendent, chief clerk and master mechanic, will most probably be chosen from the royal mint establishments. Besides these, there will be a staff of mechanics, artisans and laborers, who can be drawn from local sources. The annual appropriation asked by the Imperial Government and assured by the Canadian Government, is $75,000. The proposed plans provide for three presses, of which one will be a stand-by in case of a break-down. Each press is estimated by the royal mint authorities to be capable of striking 180 pieces per minute, or allowing for unavoidable interruptions, 200,000 pieces in a week of 47 working hours, which is apparently the number of working hours in a week at the royal mint. The two presses would thus provide in a week a total of 400,000 pieces. On Dec. 31, 1904, the gold held in reserve by the Dominion amounted to $35,306,823. On the same date the Canadian banks held specie to the amount of $17,617,529, of which a small proportion is silver. As to whether gold would be coined free, Mr. Fielding replied that the charge would be 3 cents per ounce for amounts not exceeding amounts above that limit, these being the Australian mint charges. No regulation had been made as to the amount to be charged the Imperial Government for coining gold; and no information is available as to how much will be coined for the British Government each year.

In reply to further questions the Finance Minister gave a tabulated statement of the value and cost of bronze and silver coinage since 1896. It shows that in 1904 the face value of the bronze pieces coined for Canada was $50,000; cost of builion, $9,871; expense of coinage, $5,025; cost of shipments, $1,807, leaving a net profit of $33,297. The face value of silver coined for Canada last year was $895,538; cost of bullion, $357,576; expenses of coinage, $26,824; cost of shipment, $9,869, leaving a net profit of $394,269.

In answer to a series of questions by Mr. Martin (Wellington), as to the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association, Mr. Fielding said: "The Government, in common with the public generally, are aware of the difficulties which have occurred in relation to the affairs of this company, but have no reason to believe that any special investigation would be of assistance to Canadian policyholders. The legislation of last session is believed to afford all the relief that is available. The company's license to do business in Canada was renewed under the provisions of that legislation, the provisions of which have been complied with by the company."

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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS

DEATHS.

FLANAGAN—At this late residence, 95 Byron avenue, on Sunday, March 12, 1905, William Flanagan, beloved husband of Catharine Flanagan, aged 53 years.

Funeral from the above address on Wednesday morning, at 8:30 to St. Peter's Cathedral. High Mass of Requiem at 9 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation. 60u

CLARK—At the family residence, 307 Wolf street, Mrs. John Clark, dearly beloved mother of the Rev. W. J. Clark, London, and Rev. John A. Clark, of Calgary.

Funeral on Thursday to G. T. R. station, for Dundas, the family burying ground; service at the house at 9 a.m. 61u

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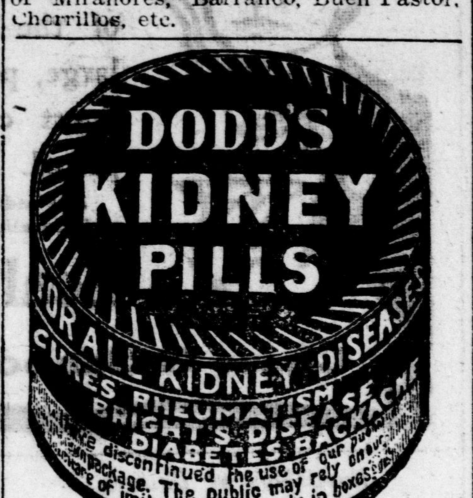
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CENSOR TO LEARN NEW LANGUAGE

Russian Official Who Mastered New World Language Soon Succumbed.

London, March 14—The Russian press censor has been obliged to take lessons in Esperanto, the new auxiliary world language.

The fear was expressed in official quarters that the new tongue might be used as a secret code of communication, and the same idea seems to have occurred to the Esperantists in Russia, who are cut off from news.

Mr. Mudie, of library fame, received a letter this week from a gentleman in Russia, imploring him to send out news of present happenings in Russia, written in Esperanto.

Vague rumors of unrest at St. Petersburg had reached him, the letter stated, but no information was contained in the newspapers, and he suggested that, Esperanto, being an unknown language to the censor, communications in it might chance to elude the official eye

"Russian students have had difficulty, owing to the censorship, in obtaining news, and many of them have asked for news to be sent in an ordinary letter written in Esperanto," said the secretary of the British Esperanto Association this week.

"I have just heard from a student who subscribes to an English monthly review. A portion of the last number he received had been 'blacked' out, and he asked me to tell him in Esperanto what it contained.

"Up to now no Esperantist paper published in England has been 'blacked.' A little paper printed for Russian Esperantists, however, mystified the censor and his assistant, and the order went forth that one of the censors must master Esperanto.

"He died within a couple of weeks of learning the language, and arrangements have just been made for another censor to learn Esperanto.

"Esperanto has attracted much attention in Russia. Tolstoi has learned it, and the Grand Duke Constantine Constantinovitch has just taken it up.

"There are over 30,000 fluent Esperantists in Russia, and the president of the British Esperanto Association, who has just returned from a tour of the affected parts of Russia, invariably lectured in Esperanto, although he speaks Russian."

APPENDIX A TOY TO SURGERY NOW

Medical and Chirurgical Society Shows How Easy Operations Are.

London, March 14.—If, as was flippantly remarked recently in the editorial columns of one London paper, the removal of the appendix is an essential qualification for entry into smart society, the meeting the other night of the Royal Medical and Chirurgical Society should have been the occasion of a smart gathering, for its interest centered, so to speak, round the appendix. Those present, numbering more than 200 surgeons and physicians, had two hours of appendix, and in the course of Sir Frederick Treves' lucid address, which opened the discussion, even a layman had ample occasion to improve his perfunctory acquaintance with it.

How thoroughly modern the subject is, was made manifest by a casual introductory remark by Sir Frederick Treves when he mentioned that when in 1887, before the same society which now had mustered in force to discuss complex problems at times presented by operations he had first mooted the advisability of the removal of the appendix in cases of recurrent attacks, his suggestion had been received with polite skepticism, not unmixed with derision.

Since then a deal of water had flowed under the bridges. Sir Frederick had himself in private practice operated on more than 1,000 cases without a single death to mar the success of his record. One great London hospital records within a period of four years a total of exactly 1,000 cases of operation for appendicitis, most of them except when the disease had brought about general peritonitis before operative treatment was possible, with a mortality of a little more than 4 per cent. Similar favorable results were shown by statistics furnished by several of the larger general hospitals.

In view of these astonishing figures it occurred to a lay mind to inquire of expert opinion as to the fate of those who, seeing the appendix was not a modern innovation in the interest of the mechanism of the human race, had suffered from appendicitis in the dark ages before the introduction of the Treves operation. He was told in a hurried aside that they were reputed to be suffering from colic and other unpleasantnesses ending in "itis," and that in many of the cases the patient whose life would now be saved died of unrecognized appendicitis.

The greater part of Sir Frederick Treves' address was devoted to the consideration of the causes of relapse after the removal of the offending appendix, as shown by the recurrence of attacks. A majority of these are of too technical a nature to admit of appreciation by a layman, but one or two of them are of more curious interest.

The recurrence of the pain is at times due to the incompleteness of the operation, when the whole appendix has not been entirely removed. Often again the pain is due to a sort of neuralgia in the amputated stomach.

More extraordinary, even to the lay mind, are cases which have occurred where the pain altogether is neurotic, a question of nerves pure and simple. Again, mistakes in diagnosis do occur, and before now man has been deprived of an offending appendix only to find that his trouble had its seat in quite a different part of his machinery.

Sir Frederick Treves did not, against all traditions, quote the familiar story of the man who, to guard against contingencies in the event of sudden loss of consciousness, wore tattoed on his abdomen, "Do not operate; have had appendix removed three times," but he told a no less remarkable story of a patient who had come to him with a relapse after having undergone an operation for removal ofthe appendix. In investigating matters, Sir Frederick was able to remove it for him a second time. On the first occasion, presumably, the surgeon had overlooked it.

Much more formidable than the operation during the quiescent period after the attack are those necessitated by local or general peritonitis during the attack, known as cases of "fulminating appendicitis," when every hour is of vital importance. In such cases it is always a question of touch and go, but even in these cases London is able to record of late a marked increase in the number of cases successfully treated.

From a layman's point of view, the discussion, which evoked too many speakers and too widespread an interest to be dismissed in a single session, and will therefore be continued next week, was decidedly reassuring. If he is fated to be deprived of his appendix, which in any case is of no value in the scheme of internal arrangements, he has every reason to face the prospect with equanimity.

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PRAYED FOR THE MAYOR

Good Philadelphians Offer Petitions for "Sinful John" Weaver.

Philadelphia, March 14—Prayers that Mayor Weaver might sever himself from the control of the political machine and that the city might be redeemed, ascended from a score of churches Tuesday. In addition, thousands of Christians made pleas in their own homes.

Mayor Weaver was very angry when seen at the city hall. He had just heard that one of the preachers familiarly spoke of him as "Sinful John." When asked how he felt while being prayed for, he replied:

"Just the same? What do you mean by asking me such a question? I didn't even know they were praying."

The mayor's perturbation was added to by the fact that for three hours, while the supplications were in force, he had to listen to a committee of citizens who were pleading to him to save Sherwood Forest from the axe.

He heard them say, with ill-concealed dismay, that a movement was on foot to have 5,000 school children parade before the mayor singing "Woodman, Spare That Tree."

The mayor eagerly inquired what time he could expect them, but received no satisfaction. In fact, the committee seemed to believe that an unexpected appearance would have more effect—and likewise be more likely to be witnessed by the mayor.

The big meeting which had been called for Holy Trinity Church at 10 a.m., was not the success its promoters expected, as only 200 persons were present.

Of the one thousand preachers invited to the meeting, one-third refused to have anything to do with the movement, while the balance of those who did not attend failed to do so because they were holding prayer meetings with their own congregations.

Simultaneously with the Trinity Church affair, a great meeting of women was held in the Seventy-ninth Street Methodist Episcopal Church in Tioga, under the guidance of the Northwest Women's Christian Temperance Union.

The women fasted and prayed from 10 o'clock in the morning until 4 in the afternoon.

They prayed for the mayor, and also took in all of the city councils in the plea.

Director of Public Safety Smith, whose resignation is one of the things the members want the mayor to demand, seemed untouched by the prayer.

"Why, I didn't feel at all different," he said. "No, I don't feel any different now. Maybe they did not pray enough."

Not a member of councils could be found who seemed to have been at all altered.

Many ministers' prayers were very sensational. One wanted the mayor either to repent or be removed from earth. Another likened Philadelphia to Sodom and Gomorrah, and prayed that "unless the mayor's heart and the heart of councils" be softened within a week fire should descend upon the city. Another minister forgot his prayer and asked that the mayor be burned in effigy.

Before the meetings the men who the day before had borne boards with legends, "Pray for the Mayor," etc., appeared, and carried their signs through the business streets. They were not molested by the police.

Prayer evidently having failed, the reformers who are back of the ministers will put their evidence of police protection of vice before the courts, and ask for the impeachment of the mayor.

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Imperial Federation.

It is not easy to see what purpose Col. Hughes hoped to serve by his resolution in favor of "a united imperial parliament," moved in the House of Commons yesterday. This question has occupied greater minds than Col. Hughes' for many years, and there is no public man of eminence in the British Empire today who is prepared to advocate even an approach to imperial federation. The movement was launched with a flourish of trumpets 21 years ago, at a meeting of British and Canadian publicists in old London, and an Imperial Federation League was formed in Canada in the following year. Lectures and addresses were given in all parts of the country and innumerable resolutions passed, but the League dissolved in England in 1893, and even in Canada so staunch an Imperialist as Sir Charles Tupper withdrew from it, on the ground that he could not support the principle of colonial taxation for imperial defense. A reorganization was effected under the name of the British Empire League, which is still in existence, but imperial federation is not a part of its programme, though it has done good work in promoting imperial objects. Lord Rosebery, who was one of the founders and presidents of the Imperial Federation League, admitted that he saw no practical method of realizing its ideals. There can be no scheme of legislative union for the Empire without a delegation of some of the powers now exercised by the self-governing colonies, and they are not likely to sacrifice in any degree an autonomy which they have been gradually accumulating, often with great effort. The evolution of the Empire is in the opposite direction, and is more likely to take the form of the complete legislative independence of the several branches of the race, the crown remaining the only political tie. The solution will come with the fullness of time, by the orderly and logical process which has marked the development of the British Empire in the past. Canada is taking care of the future by taking care of the present—developing her own resources, providing for her own defense by sea and land, and shaping her institutions according to her own needs.

Norway and Sweden.

The relations of Norway and Sweden have been strained at various periods under the present system of dual government, and lately there have been threats of war in both countries, though it is said a compromise has now been arranged. The two kingdoms have been under the one crown since 1814, but they have been separate for all purposes, excepting that the consular service is under the control of the Swedish Minister of Foreign Affairs. Norway has its own parliament, its army and navy, and full control over its internal affairs, but it nas demanded its own consular system as an assertion of its complete independence. A war between Norway and Sweden would be fratricidal. The people are descended from the same German stock, their history is interwoven for centuries, they have been in the van of western civilization, and have always kept alive the spirit of liberty. The blood of the vikings runs in the veins of the modern Norwegian, and little Norway remains to this day a great maritime power.

From 1397 to 1523, Denmark, Sweden and Norway were under the same crown. Then Sweden achieved her independence, and Gustavas Vasa founded a line of great kings, who made Sweden one of the most foremost military powers of Europe. The last of the line died childless in 1810, whereupon the Swedes offered the crown to Marshall Bernadotte, of France, a man of humble origin. In 1814 Norway separated from Denmark, and placed herself under the crown of Sweden. The present King, Oscar II., is the fourth of the Bernadottes, and one of the most accomplished men in Europe. He enjoys a unique reputation as an international jurist and arbitrator. He has been a great influence in harmonizing the relations of Sweden and Norway, and his retirement from the active duties of the monarchy, which was announced a few days ago, awakens dismal forebodings. The Crown Prince, Oscar Gustaf Adolf, is 37 years of age, and has shown marked ability, but he has incensed the Norwegians by his minatory attitude in the present crisis. A trial of strength between the two kingdoms would be unequal on land. Sweden, with a population of over 5,000,000, has a field army of 40,000 men with 240 guns, and a militia of 450,000 men. Norway has a population of 2,253,000, a regular army of 18,000 men, a trained force of 31,000, and a militia of 50,800. The navy of Norway is stronger proportionately than the army, but her great merchant marine would be an easy prey for Swedish ironclads. It is to be hoped these two brave and enlightened races will find a peaceful solution of their differences.

Niagara Power.

The commission appointed by Western Ontario municipalities to investigate the Niagara power problem has submitted a report. It is estimated that the 375,000 horse power already in process of development on the Canadian side of the Falls will be considerably in excess of the demands for many years to come. The fact that the city of Toronto with all its lighting, electric railway and manufacturing demands upon power, consumes only in the region of 30,000-horsepower is a partial index of the margin between consumption and development.

The possible courses open to municipalities in relation to power development are:

1. Independent development at Niagara Falls and elsewhere to suit the needs of municipalities joining for the purpose.
2. Acquisition of some one of the three existing undertakings at Niagara Falls.
3. The purchase from existing corporations of power:
   (a) Delivered to consumers.
   (b) Delivered at vendors' powerhouse, subject to transmission at cost and risk of municipalities.
4. The acquisition of available power sites—assuming present arrangement under clause 3 hereof—to hold against future contingencies.

In the discussion of this question it has not been seriously suggested that the municipalities at the present time should go to the enormous expense of establishing or purchasing a power plant at Niagara. Power sites were reserved by the Government, as a safeguard against monopoly, and these should be retained by the Province as a means of exercising some control over the private power companies. The municipalities should ascertain whether it would be profitable for them, by combining their forces, to purchase power from the existing companies, and transmit and distribute it. Whether the municipalities should build the transmission lines or not is a question to be worked out. The fullest information as to the cost of the various schemes should be procured.

Mrs. Chadwick's hypnotic eye wouldn't work on the judge.

About a year ago the arm-chair critics were advising the Japs not to venture very far into Manchuria.

The Czar has called a war council when he should be heeding counsels of peace.

Kuropatkin has asked to be relieved of his command, thus showing the virtue of resignation in the hour of defeat.

The president of the Conservative Association of Kingston has been made chairman of the new board of license commissioners in pursuance of the policy of the taking the license administration out of politics.

British Columbia has imposed a tax of $100 on commercial travelers living outside the Province. This is no way to treat the other members of the Canadian family. There should be no room for such parochialism in Confederation.

Hon. Mr. Matheson, Provincial Treasurer, said today the succession duties for January and February aggregated $172,000—an increase of $120,000 over the corresponding period of 1904.—Press dispatch.

Mr. Matheson, as financial critic of the Opposition, used to rail against these duties as a robbery of the rich. Hon. Mr. Matheson, as Provincial Treasurer, finds them exceedingly handy.

Physicians in Old London ascribe the increasing insanity among women to living in flats. The conveniences are such that flat-dwellers have nothing to do but do nothing, and the theory is that many women lose their minds because there is nothing to occupy their minds. In other words life in a flat is flat. But what is to be said for any person who can find nothing to do in a great city where there is a constant appeal for useful service in behalf of the poor and suffering?

His Old Love Letters.

[Seattle Post-Intelligencer.]

People who were present smiled at the little passage at arms which took place between two young ladies at a popular cafe yesterday afternoon. One of them, a bride, shaking hands in her characteristic cordial way, said to the other: "I'm so glad to meet you. You have afforded me so very much amusement just lately."

"Amusement?" said the other.

"Oh, yes," went on the bride. "I've been through my husband's desk, and I've read all his old love letters. I found several very affectionate letters from you, and I enjoyed reading them, really, ever so much."

"I am so glad you enjoyed them," purred the other. "But do come and see me very soon. Here is my card. I have the answers to all those letters, and you might like to read them as well. Mr. X's letters are so much more affectionate than those I wrote to him. I know you'll enjoy reading them ever so much more than you did mine."

Kuropatkin's Famous Boast.

One year ago, on March 11, 1904, the Russian commander-in-chief made his famous boast, which was as follows:

"After crushing the Japanese in Korea and Manchuria, we will take their island. If I have anything to say in the matter, the treaty of peace will be signed in Tokio, and nowhere else."

The boast, which was made the day Kuropatkin started for the front, created amusement even at the time of its delivery, and evoked the following from the newspaper rhymster:

There's a rumbling as of thunder far across Siberia's plain,
And the stricken earth is rocking and the mountains groan in pain;
The sky is rent asunder, and the sun is ashy gray
As it sinks away in terror—Kuropatkin's on the way.

He is coming with his legions, and his weirdly grand mustache,
Rivers turn and flow before him at the snapping of his lash;
Forest trees are seared and blasted, and the flowers bright and gay
Wither forty miles around him—Kuropatkin's on the way.

He has asteroids for breakfast, he eats continents at noon;
Overnight he hangs his trousers on the pale and shrinking moon;
Fields of grain are only mouthfuls when his hunger he would stay,
And with blazing red volcanoes Kuropatkin lights his way.

He is coming! He is coming! Lock the stars up safe and tight;
Cover up the shrinking planets; keep the comets from his sight.
He is rolling on like thunder, half a thousand miles a day;
Hold your breath, ye shrieking angels—Kuropatkin's on the way.

Oh, her army's just a nibble; o'er Japan he'll smack his lips,
And he'll pick his teeth with splinters from her blasted battleships;
With her islands on his watch charm, like a happy boy he'll play;
Fly, Japan, and seek the ocean—Kuropatkin's on the way!



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Hardships of Culture.

[Washington Star.]

"Who is your favorite composer?" asked the eminent musician.

"I don't know," answered Mr. Cumrox, wearily. "And if I did know I wouldn't be able to pronounce his name."

And Wipe Its Feet.

[Montreal Star.]

Alaska wants to be annexed to Canada. If it comes in it must leave its climate at the door.

Mutton.

[Catholic Standard.]

"Good gracious!" exclaimed the mint sauce, "I should think you'd be ashamed to masquerade as 'spring lamb.'"

"Well," replied the tough roast, "it does make me feel rather sheepish."

Unselfish Industry.

[New York Press.]

Postmaster Willcox has a friend who is the possessor of an only son. One day his mother heard him sliding down the banisters of the front stairs and asked him what he was trying to do.

The little fellow thought a moment and then said: "I am making a pair of pants for a poor orphan boy."

Simply a Lottery.

[Philadelphia Press.]

Dr. Phaker—Take this prescription; it will either kill or cure you.

Patient—But suppose it kills me?

Dr. Phaker—Nothing ventured, nothing gained. My motto is No cure no pay, so I'm taking a chance as well as you.

Logical Reasoning.

[Chicago Tribune.]

The law imposing a tax on bachelors had gone into effect.

One morning a little, baldheaded man appeared before the tax commissioners.

"I've just married my fourth wife," he said, "I'm entitled to a bounty, ain't I?"

An Old Complaint.

[T. P.'s Weekly.]

The Rev. Dr. Norman McLeod, the illustrious minister of the Barony parish Glasgow, was minister of Dalkeith, when he had the honorary degree of doctor of divinity conferred upon him by his alma mater. Shortly after he was capped he was in the landed part of his parish, when he noticed some contractor's plant near the public road, with D. D. branded on the principal articles. As these letters were running in his head at the time, he was curious to know what they could mean where he saw them. Addressing a man who was passing, he said: "My good man, can you tell me what D. D. branded on all these articles means?" The reply, which was calculated to serve as a damper to a more ordinary man, was in these terms: "No, sir, I canna' tell ye; but (raising his nose in the air) to tell ye the truth, they pit D. D. on onything nowadays."

AMERICA GONE GLORY MAD

A French Writer Sees in the Inaugural Address New Ambition.

Paris, March 14.—The Matin publishes a signed article by H. Hardwin, in which the writer has this to say of President Roosevelt's inaugural address:

"President Roosevelt, on his inauguration to the presidency, delivered an address in which he set forth his ideas regarding the role the United States is to play in the world. The address had an expansionist, imperialist and military tone, and one American paper, commenting on it, condensed its impression to the phrase, 'History is going to be made.'

"Up to the present the United States has worked for money. Doubtless it now aspires to work for glory. It remains to be seen if the new method will succeed as well as the old one. As a matter of fact, Americans have made history. They have made it perhaps without knowing it, but they have made it all the same, since in occupying themselves exclusively with increasing their wealth they have built up a power in their country that counts in history. But it appears this way of doing things no longer satisfies them. Roosevelt, in affirming the necessity of entering upon a new path, has tickled his compatriots in a sensitive place. His re-election proved it, and his attitude responds to the sentimental need of the majority which elected him.

"When the millionaires of America have made more money than they know what to do with a new preoccupation comes to them. European ideas rise up in their brains, and they buy a picture gallery, they get their daughters married in Europe to titled people, generally penniless, or they found universities or libraries. At the present moment the nation seems to be enjoying a like preoccupation. It has no more taste for history than millionaires have for pictures and libraries, but, like them, it is seeking after a new sensation."

WILDE AND THE SPIDER

Posthumous Book Creates Sympathy in England for the Mad Poet.

London, March 14. — Oscar Wilde's posthumous book, "De Profundis," has evoked an extraordinary reaction of feeling in his favor, and a powerful movement of compassion for his sufferings. It is now clear that he was mentally incapable of realizing the evil side of his conduct, and there is a wave of sorrow and remorse that so brilliant a literary genius and so fine a thinker should have been cut off untimely and treated as a felon, instead of being placed under restraint as a mono-maniac.

The warder of Reading jail, who had charge of Wilde, gives a pathetic description of his childish helplessness, of his poignant agonies under harsh prison discipline, made harsh against him by a brutal governor. He never complained, though repeatedly punished for neglect of prison tasks, to which he could never bring down his mind.

There was a spider in his cell, which he protected, until one day a warder swept it away. Wilde was intensely superstitious, and cried piteously: "It was my only company. You have killed it! That brings bad luck. I shall hear worse news than any I have yet heard."

The following day the governor brought him news of his mother's death, her end hastened by his disgrace.

NOT YET READY FOR SELF RULE

Parker Declares Africa Should Have Intermediate Form of Government.

London, March 13. — Sir Gilbert Parker, M. P., this week outlined the measures which, in his opinion, must precede full self-government in South Africa.

Addressing a largely-attended meeting in in Caxton Hall, Westminster, under the auspices of the Imperial South African Association, he said:

"The way to reconciliation lies in so ordering the course of administration in these anxious days that no false hopes can be roused on the part of those who were lately our enemies, and are now our fellow-citizens. From every standpoint of logic, reason and expediency, an intermediate form of government should be given. We should delay the course of enlarged administration until a line can be drawn diagonally through the two races on some matter of national policy, and parties composed of both races can be formed. It is necessary that the unorganized political forces of the British population shall find common ground for action and policy, and find their leaders also. It has been said that capital would rule if representative government were given, but that apprehension is not well founded. An elective representative assembly, with a selected fixed executive, composed of British and Boers—a coalition administration—would bridge over a difficult time, and would prevent domination either by British or Dutch. For full self-government there has been no good preparation, and there still exists a body of irreconcilables, whose object is to fan the flame of faction."

Sir Gilbert Parker spoke on the material prospects of South Africa. In his journey of 10,000 miles, one pleasing thing impressed him—only in half a dozen cases did he find the home unbuilt. He believed that some day South Africa will not only be able to feed itself, but will export food products to England. There will be no future for South Africa, however, without the development of industries as well as agriculture, and in the Orange River Colony the industries are very promising.

The Duke of Argyle, who presided, remarked that one of the greatest difficulties facing Englishmen in South Africa is that of getting an English wife. It might be possible under proper guidance and protection to found homes in South Africa for girls who would grow up to look upon the country as their own, and in time would become the wives of English settlers.

National Life Report.

The annual statement of the National Life Assurance Company, Toronto, which appears in another column of this issue, shows that rapid progress has been made by this institution in the past year. During 1904 the company received 1,042 applications for insurance of which 973 were accepted, amounting to $1,475,000. The premium income of the company now amounts to $166,384, while the reserves for the protection of policyholders total $323,771, an increase of more than $78,000 over the previous year.

The retiring directors were re-elected, the place of Mr. A. S. Irving, who had died during the past year being filled by the election of Dr. A. A. Macdonald. The officers for the ensuing year are as follows: President, Mr. Elias Rogers; vice-presidents, Hon. J. J. Foy and Mr. William Stone; managing director, Mr. R. H. Matson; secretary-treasurer, Mr. F. Sparling; medical director, Dr. A. A. Macdonald.

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A steel girder fell while being hoisted to the top of a San Francisco building and struck a house-mover's wooden roller, which ricocheted across the street, passed through the window of a crockery store and swept a 50-foot counter completely clear of the bric-a-brac, cut glass, dinner sets, vases, etc., that were upon it.

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Lever's Y-Z (Wise Head) Disinfectant Soap Powder dusted in the bath, softens the water and disinfects. 28

The California Grand Lodge of Masons, which includes the subordinate lodges of Hawaii, is planning to build in San Francisco a temple large enough to accommodate all grand bodies of the craft within its jurisdiction. The present temple is about 40 years old.

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MARKET PRICES

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LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

LIVE HOGS.

Prices for live hogs for Thursday morning next, delivered at the factory in Pottersburg: 160 to 200 lbs, $5 75; lighter and heavier hogs, $5 50.

TORONTO JUNCTION.

Toronto Junction, March 13.—The market today was somewhat steadier and brisker, although the cattle could not be called the best. The feeders in the country complain that prices are not high enough, and they cannot feed the cattle with enough wheat, owing to it being so dear, to bring the price of cattle up, and consequently some inferior cattle are coming in.

The run today was 57 cars, consisting of 1,186 cattle, 65 sheep, 20 hogs and 8 calves.

H. P. Kennedy bought the hogs; for selects he paid $5 per cwt, and light hogs came at $5 75; this is a raise over a week ago of 25c.

T. Halligan bought two loads of mixed cattle; one load averaged 1,440 lbs, at $5 90, and the other 1,225 lbs, at $4 50.

McDonald & Mabee, sold two loads of exporters at $4 75; one load of light exporters at $4 60; one load of mixed at $3 90; one load of butchers at $4 10, less $2 50.

George Dunn bought one load of Butchers' cows, averaging 1,150 lbs, at from $2 85 to $3 25.

W. B. Levack bought sheep at $4 to $5 per cwt; lambs at $7 25, pretty good quality, and reported calves to be easier.

Maybee, Wilson & Hall sold the following: Three steers, 950 lbs, at $3 90; three cattle, 1,020 lbs, at $4 05; one, 950 lbs, at $4 25; one cow, 1,150 lbs, at $3 75; two cows, 1,065 lbs, at $3 40; one common cow, 800 lbs, at $2 50; two cows, 1,100 lbs, at $3 15; two bulls, 1,800 lbs, at $4.

J. L. Rowntree bought one load of shippers, 1,220 lbs, at $4 50; two loads of heifers, 1,150 lbs, at $3 80.

W. H. Dean bought four loads, averaging from 1,250 at 1,350 lbs, at from $4 60 to $4 90.

Alex. Levack bought 30 butchers, averaging from 1,000 to 1,100 lbs, at from $4 to $4 30.

A. McIntosh bought 100 cattle at prevalent prices.

S. Levack bought 10 bulls, averaging 1,600 lbs, at from $3 50 to $4.

F. Rowntree bought 30 cattle at from $3 90 to $4 25.

W. J. McClelland bought seven butchers, 1,150 lbs, at $4 10.

OIL MARKETS.

PITTSBURG.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 13.—Oil opened and closed at $1 39.

OIL CITY.

Oil City, Pa., March 13.—Credit balances, $1 39; certificates, no bid; shipments, 138,608 barrels

LONDON.

London, March 13.—Petroleum, American refined, 6½d; spirits, 8¼d.

ANTWERP.

Antwerp, March 13.—Petroleum, 18 francs 50 centimes.

BREMEN.

Bremen, March 13.—Petroleum, 6 marks 35 pfennings.

FLAXSEED.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, March 13.—Flaxseed—Northwest, $1 38½; southwest, $1 26; March, $1 26; May, $1 26.

DAIRY MARKETS.

ELGIN.

Elgin, Ill., March 13.—Butter sold at 25c per lb on the board of trade today, a slump of 5c from last week; sales for the week were 490,000 lbs.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Ill., March 13.—Butter—Steady; creameries, 20c to 24c; dairies, 18c to 23c. Cheese—Firm, 12c to 13½c.

NEW YORK.

New York, March 13.—Butter—Firm; receipts, 4,466 packages; street prices, extra creamery, 26c to 26½c; official prices, creamery, common to extra, 20c to 26c; do, held, common to extra, 20c to 25c; state dairy, common to extra, 19c to 23c; renovated, common to extra, 18c to 23c; western factory, common to extra, 18c to 22c; western imitation creamery, common to extra, 20c to 24c. Cheese—Strong; receipts, 1,687 boxes; state full cream, small colored and white, fancy, 14c; do, fine, 13½c; do, late-made, colored and white, choice, 13c; do, fair to good, 12c to 12½c; do, poor, 10½c to 11½c; do, large, colored and white, fancy, 13¾c; do, fine, 13c to 13¼c; do, late-made, colored and white, choice, 12¾c; do, fair to good, 11c to 11½c; do, poor, 10c to 10¾c; skims, full to light, 4c to 10¼c.

SUGAR MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

New York, March 13.—Sugar—Raw weak; fair refining, 4½c; centrifugal, 96° test, 5c; molasses sugar, 4¼c; refined quiet; No. 6, $5 45; No. 7, $5 40; No. 8, $5 30; No. 9, $5 25; No. 10, $5 20; No. 11, $5 10; No. 12, $5 05; No. 13, $4 95; No. 14, $4 90; confectioners' "A," $5 90; mold "A," $6 40; cut-loaf and crushed, $6 75; powdered, $6 15; granulated, $6 05; cubes, $6 20. Molasses—Steady; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 29c to 35c.

LONDON.

London, March 13.—Raw sugar—Centrifugal, 15s 9d, nominal; Muscovado, 15s; beet sugar, March 14s 5¼d.

TORONTO.

Toronto, March 13.—Sugar—Prices here continue unchanged. We quote: Granulated, $5 75; domestic do, $5 75; yellow, $5 23; bags are quoted 5c less.

Willett & Gray report total stock of sugar in Europe and America, 2,840,816 tons ,against 3,701,641 tons last year at the same uneven dates, and 2,756,258 tons at the even date of Jan. 1, 1905. The decrease of stock is 816,825 tons, against a decrease of 832,532 tons last week, and a decrease of 1,005,532 tons Jan. 1, 1905. Total stocks and afloats, together, show a visible supply of 3,019,816 tons, against 3,834,641 tons last year.

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HUNGRY AND DISHEARTENED

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a constant stream, and that great bodies of men, kneeling, beg mercy from the victors. Starving, wounded and half-frozen Russians, the officers say, are hiding in the countryside, and, as their escape is impossible, they must either surrender or starve to death, the country being denuded of provisions. The Japanese report that the stores of charcoal captured by them exceed the quantities in their possession before the battle of Mukden.

Rojestvensky Recalled?

Washington, March 13.—The Associated Press has high authority for the statement that the Russian second Pacific squadron has been recalled by the Russian Government. While not regarded as a sure sign of peace, the recall of Admiral Rojestvensky's squadron, in the opinion of European chancelleries, is regarded as a hopeful sign that peace is at hand.

It is learned that a Russian official has expressed the opinion that Russia will be fored to ask for peace in view of Kuropatkin's defeat

Kuropatkin's Narrow Escape,

Paris, March 13. — A St. Petersburg dispatch to the Petit Parisien says: Kuropatkin three times narrowly escaped being taken prisoner during the retreat of his army. Many trains going north from Mukden, says the dispatch, were derailed and pillaged by starving Russian soldiers.

Nogi's Fresh Troops.

St. Petersburg, March 13. — A dispatch from Gen. Kuropatkin dated March 11, says: "The enemy is receiving considerable reinforcements. Examination of the wounded and the prisoners show. Gen. Nogi had almost entirely fresh forces. The Japanese are always able to keep their forces up to full fighting strength because of the ease with which they are able to transport troops from Japan

In a dispatch dated March 12, Gen. Kuropatkin says: "According to reports from the rear guard a Japanese force consisting of a division and a half are within a short distance of the Russian rear guard. The second army is marching continually under the fire of the enemy, who is advancing from the east and west."

Gen. Kuropatkin adds that the rear guard advanced in perfect order, but that the movement of the transport along the Mandarin road was very difficult owing to the Japanese canonade. The country between Tie Pass and Mukden is intersected by rivers and steep banks, and the Russian wagons were obliged to halt and await their turn, causing much delay.

Gen. Kuropatkin compliments the Japanese intelligence department and their reconnaissances. The Japanese always knew the positions occupied by our army.

"The first regiment of Siberian rifles had the most serious fighting. They marched under the Japanese fire from east and west almost continuously. Col. Loesel succeeded in extricating three officers and 150 men of the regiment with its colors and one battery. In the battle of March 6 the regiment lost over 1,000 men.

"Reports are coming of heavy losses by other divisions, notably the Yurieff regiment of the 25th division, of which only two officers and 619 of the rank and file are left."

Gen. Kuropatkin says 50,000 Russians were wounded during the last few days' fighting.

25,000 Dead on Field.

With Gen. Kuropatkin's Army in the Field, Northeast of Mukden.—Sunday, March 12, via Fushun, March 15.—Every hour increases the magnitude of the disaster suffered by the Russian armies. Tonight 25,000 dead are known to have been left on the field, making the casualties at least 100,000. Between fifty and sixty thousand prisoners, some seventy guns and enormous quantities of ammunition and provisions fell into the hands of the Japanese, whose losses do not exceed those of former great battles, even Gen. Kuroki's army losing only 5,000

Field Marshal Oyama's plans deceived Gen. Kuropatkin. The Russian commander misjudged the positions and the strength of the Japanese. He at first thought that Gen. Nogi's Port Arthur army was pressing his east flank, and concentrated a great force there. This force he was afterward obliged to shift to Mukden, where it arrived exhausted after a forced march and was unable to fight.

A retreat from Mukden began on March 9. It became a demoralized flight when the Russians discovered that their egress was blocked by Japanese infantry and artillery from the east. The rapid approach of the Japanese was a complete surprise to the Russians, who expected that their retreat would be harassed only by the Japanese cavalry, from the westward.

Saturday morning one division of the Japanese encountered several Russian regiments retreating along the road to Tie Pass. The Japanese descended from the hills on the Russians, who attempted to break through the line. After a sharp engagement, in which the Japanese guns did great execution, 4,000 Russians surrendered with their guns. The Japanese lost 100 men. According to stories told by captured Russian officers and appearance presented by their troops, the retreat lacks organization, every battalion shifting for itself.

CLAIM HIS TREASURE

Man Found Fortune in a Clock and the State Desires It.

Vienna, March 13.—Passing recently through the Hungarian town of Fiume, on the Adriatic, a gentleman from Budapest noticed in an antiquary shop an old silver clock in the form of an apple, which he bought for a few shillings. His astonishment was great when on cleaning it he found the following inscription in Italian:

"I, Nicolo Gerranddich, Master of Merchant Vessels of the Firm of Siverich Brothers, leave all my treasures hidden inside this clock to my cousin Antonio Gerranddich, living at Laibach (Carniola), so that my unworthy son may never find it.—Fiume, Jan. 5, 1854."

Hidden among the mechanism of the clock the fortunate buyer found a large number of precious stones of great size, including seven large brilliants, six emeralds and three sapphires, the whole worth about $35,000.

After depositing the gems with the authorities at Laibach, the owner of the clock made inquiries, which showed that Antonio Gerranddich was dead and had left no descendants. The Laibach officials, however, declined to hand over the precious gems on the ground that they had reverted to the Austrian Government.

As the deceased, however, was a Hungarian subject, and the treasure was found in Fiume, the Hungarian Government has begun an action against the Austrian Administration for the recovery of the germs.

MEETING MAY BE IN THE AFTERNOON

St. Patrick's Day Interferes With a Session of the Finance Committee.



Ald. Stevely.

Ald. Stevely, the finance minister of the city council, is a little worried just now to know what to do regarding the meeting of No. 1 committee, which is scheduled for Friday. It is not necessary to tell Ald. Stevely, Ald. Forristal or other good Irishmen of the council, that Friday is St. Patrick's Day, and that there are quite a number of social calls upon Irishmen upon that occasion. But the council meets Monday night, and No. 1 committee, with Ald. Forristal, chairman of No. 2, and Ald. Matthews, chairman of No. 3, must get the estimates in shape for that meeting, and how to do this and postpone the meeting scheduled for Friday night, is a puzzler. It has been suggested, however, that the meeting be held at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon, so that the aldermen will be free to do as they choose at night. The only obstacle in the way of this is that a meeting of the Nurses' Home committee has been called for Friday at 4 o'clock. It is probable, however, that this matter will be satisfactorily arranged by Ald. Stevely.

Those who should know, in speaking of the estimates, say there will be no north end fire hall this year, no new registry office and no new greenhouse in the park. Also that the board of works estimates will be pared down to about $50,000, which is $10,000 more than last year. No. 3 committee will also have its figures cut, probably $8,000. There are several accounts which the committee cannot pare this year, however, and these are the overdrafts of about $15,000 or $20,000, left to Mayor Campbell by ex-Mayor Beck and ex-Ald. Judd, his finance minister, and by the board of education of 1904. These monuments to the incompetency of a makeshift Tory administration will live in the auditor's reports of London as long as the city lives.

It is said that the estimates of the board of education will not be ready for Friday night's meeting, and in certain quarters the trustees are credited with a desire to hold back their figures until they see what the council intends to do with the estimates of the othed civic bodies.

TENDERED THANKS

Children's Aid Society Acknowledges Kindnesses Shown by Friends.

Space is willingly given to the following letter:

"Will you kindly allow us the use of your valuable columns to formally acknowledge on behalf of the Children's Aid Society the kind donation of a furnished room in the new Children's Home, Wharncliffe road, contributed by the Hon. C. S. Hyman and Mrs. Hyman in memory of Mr. Hyman's mother, the late Mrs. E. W. Hyman, an active and valued member of the society from the time of its organization until her death; also to acknowledge the gift of a completely furnished cot from the Sunday school of the Colborne Street Methodist Church, through Mr. Webster, the superintendent.

"We at the same time desire to take the opportunity to convey our thanks, as the furnishing committee of the Children's Home, for the kindly and substantial interest that is manifested in the work done by and through the Children's Aid Society. While thanking these kind donors, we are availing ourselves of the opportunity of saying that we have the responsibility of furnishing in all about twenty-five bedrooms, and any further help in that direction will be valued. There are possibly other citizens who would be glad of the opportunity of establishing a memorial to their departed dear ones, and to whom the furnishing of a cot or a room in the shelter appeals as a most fitting and becoming monument. The undersigned will be pleased to furnish any information desired, and any communication, either by telephone or letter, will receive a ready response. Estimates have been prepared of the cost of a plain, but suitable bed, furnishings and bed-plate, and these figures are at the service of anyone sympathizing with this laudable object. (Signed), Mrs. J. I. A. Hunt, telephone 219; Mrs. Talbot Macbeth, telephone 511; Mrs. J. C. Yarker, telephone 110.

FORESTERS ARE LUCKY

Will Get a Share Out of the Best Bill Ever Given at Vaudeville Theater.

The Independent Order of Foresters selected a good week when they took the present one, for the performances at the London Vaudeville Theater, to be given under their auspices. The bill is acknowledged as a great one. As a consequence, in addition to the large number of Foresters that would go, anyway, it is expected that the theater will be crowded every night. The popular matinees for ladies and children will also be an attraction, the same bill being put on in the afternoons. Every Forester should see that he and all his friends go this week. Crowded houses will do the order good in more ways than one, besides which everybody who sess this week's offering will undoubtedly be delighted.

A CREAMY FOOD

Scott's Emulsion is cod liver oil prepared as a food—not a food like bread or meat, but more like cream; in fact, it is the cream of cod liver oil. At the same time it is a blood-maker, a nerve tonic and a flesh-builder. But principally it is food for tired and weak digestions, for all who are fat-starved and thin. It is pleasant to take; children like it and ask for more.

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SUED AND BEING SUED

Employe Claims Wages and Is the Defendant in a Rent Case.

An adjourned case of non-payment of wages came before Squire Lacey at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, and was interesting in that it illustrated one of the many eccentricities of the law. A man named Murray was suing Daniel Wade, proprietor of a sawmill in London township, for alleged arrears in wages, amounting to $5 75. On the other hand, the plaintiff lives in a house rented from Wade, and the latter claimed that Murray is in arrears with his rent. For this reason, Wade said he desired to withhold the wages until he received his rent. The case of the rent cannot be tried in a county magistrate's court, however, non-payment of rent being considered a bad debt. Murray is able to sue for his wages, and if it is proved that they are due, he will be awarded them by the court irrespective of all other considerations. To make good his counter-claim, Wade will have to seek the division court. Thus a case might easily occur in which one man would have to pay another a sum of money, while by equity the recipient should get nothing.

SANTOS-DUMONT'S CASTLE IN AIR

Floating House, With Bedroom and Kitchen, in Which He Will Cruise.

London, March 14. — "My aerial yacht," says Santos-Dumont, "will soon start on its first cruise. Beneath the egg-shaped balloon, slightly less elongated than my No. 9, will be seen hanging what looks like a little house with a balcony window running half its length on each side. The balcony window will be the observation room of the floating house, and in it the motor will have place. Behind it is a closed sleeping room, while in front you will see an open platform holding the steam-producing boiler. Steam can also be led by means of a pipe to the open room for cooking and the closed room for heating purposes.

"As the floating house is designed to remain for days at a time in the air, protection from cold may become important; therefore, the closed room can be made quite tight to retain the heat. It is like a whole car composed of a framework of pine, aluminum and piano wire tightly covered with varnished balloon silk of many thicknesses. It will contain two cot beds, in which my guests may remain at ease.

"While I sleep the aerial yacht can for hours at a time, its motor stopped, float gently on a favorable air current. My guests will be limited to the common-sense opening and closing of a faucet, as the balloon obviously falls and rises. For us there will be no darting up into frigid solitudes above the clouds, no falling into dank mists after the fashion of spherical balloonists. The proper handling of the faucets will secure us the level altitude we desire.

"We shall float on, watching the great map of Europe unroll beneath us; we shall dine and watch stars rise, hang between the constellations and the earth. As day succeeds day we shall pass frontiers. Now we are over Russia; let us make a loop and return by way of Hungary and Austria. Here is Vienna; perhaps we shall fall in with a current that will take us to Belgrade; and, now that it is morning again, let us ride on this breeze as far as Constantinople. We shall have time and shall find means to return to Paris."

Santos-Dumont foretells that the airships will be a successful opponent of the submarine boat.

"The submarine boat can do no harm to the airship, while the latter can discover the submarine's presence, indicate its position to warships and hurl down long arrows filled with explosives capable of penetrating the waves to depths impossible to gunnery from the decks of warships."

'GATOR LOOSE IN OFFICE

Was Billed as Fruit and Looked Like a Suit Case.

New York, March 14.—Three feet of live alligator got loose in the United States district court yesterday and routed commissioner, marshals, deputies, stenographers and office boys. Robert Walker, cashier in the clerk's office, who is honeymooning at Palm Beach, Fla., sent the 'gator as a surprise to his good friend, Abraham Adler, deputy marshal. It came in a pine box, in which there were holes. The lid off there was seen a wad of cotton. On the cotton lay a card on which was written:

"Fruit for the office, from Bob."

"How lovely!" cried the ring of stenographers, drawing closer. The cotton removed, the mottled back of the alligator appeared.

"By jinks! it's a suitcase," guessed Adler.

"And real alligator skin, too. How lovely!" cried the stenographers.

Just then the rest of the 'gator appeared. He opened his jaws, rolled out on the floor and waddled over to the steam radiator. Everybody had a suggestion. One stenographer said:

"Send for Bat Masterson and his gun."

One by one the force of Government employes slipped out of the room and watched developments through the door crack. The 'gator slumbered under the radiator as contentedly as if basking in a Florida sun.

"Marshal Henkel, I charge you in the name of the law to arrest that creature for trespass," said Commissioner Shields.

The marshal slipped into the room, executed a flank movement on the 'gator, seized the long tail and deposited the trespasser in its box. To everybody's surprise it behaved as quietly as a sack of flour.

Abraham Adler, not wanting an alligator, has presented this one to the New York Zoological Society.

STEAMERS ARRIVED.

March 13.—At New York—Umbria, from Liverpool; Minnehaha, from London.

At Halifax—Ionian, from Liverpool.

At Glasgow—Laurentian, from New York.

At Hamburg—Blucher, from New York.

At Bremen—Breslau, from New York.

At Gibraltar—Koenig Albert, from New York.

At Marseilles—Perugia, from New York.

At Plymouth—Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, from New York.

The number of timber sleepers on the railways of the world is calculated to be about 1,494,000,000 and their value is estimated at about nine hundred million dollars.

An automobile hearse is the latest in the line of adapting the gasoline motor to everyday uses.

ROYAL ROMANCE PLEASES

Engagement of Margaret and Adolphe Popular in England.

London, March 13.—The engagement of Princess Margaret of Connaught to Prince Gustave Adolphe, son of the Crown Prince, now regent of Sweden, is the most popular royal romance that has occupied English gossips since the King's daughter accepted the Duke of Fife as her husband.

For Princess Margaret has always been beloved by all with whom she came in contact. She was the pet of her grandmother, Queen Victoria, whom she strikingly resembles, and among the people she has won a place by the independence with which she has refused to allow her royal relatives to make a match for her.

It is common talk that she could have been the bride of the German Crown Prince or of the Grand Duke Michael, then heir presumptive to the throne of Russia, but she would not give her hand where her heart had not preceded it.

This is a love match, and the man who has won her some day will be King of Norway and Sweden. He is a good-looking young fellow of 22, democratic and unpretentious in his ways.

It was for him that the Uhsala Nija Tidning, one of the leading newspapers of Sweden, suggested Miss Alice Roosevelt as a fitting bride, remarking at the same time that possibly she would not care to be a queen.

1,000 MILES TO SUP

An Actress Raced From Chicago to Broadway to Get a Meal.

New York, March 14.—To Mazie Follette, soubrette, belongs the distinction of making a 1,000-mile trip, "just to get a bite to eat on Broadway" in this city. Miss Follette was appearing in "Smiling Island" in Chicago, and last Friday night after the show was met by two young men, Asa Kelly, familiarly known to his friends as "Spike," and Edward Brown. Both are well-known Chicago business men. "Spike" invited the actress to Rector's place there for supper. When the party got to the restaurant, they found it closed, and Miss Follette expressed keen disappointment.

"Spike" said: "Well, we'll go to Rector's, anyway. There is another place in New York. We'll go there."

The two men and the girl then hurried to the railroad station and just managed to catch the midnight train for New York. The father of young Brown heard of the episode and hurried three private detectives to this city on the first train out of Chicago, and told them to bring his son back home as soon as possible.

When the actress and her friends arrived in this city they lost no time in going to the Longacre Square lobster palaces, and engaged a table for the evening. One of the party stood guard over the table until time for the supper, so afraid were they that it might be taken. The supper was served at 10 o'clock. Miss Follette, who has been absent for several months, was greeted by all her friends, who were greatly surprised to see her.

About 11:30 the actress glanced toward the front door of the restaurant and shrieked. The cause of the young woman's excitement was the arrival at the restaurant of Edna McClure, of the Colonial Music Hall, on the arm of L. C. Dillman, a prominent young merchant, of Cincinnati, and incidentally, Miss Follette's reported fiance. She thought he was in Ohio. Unknown to the actress, Mr. Dillman, who is known as "Stuffy," and several society men of Cincinnati, also arrived in New York Saturday on their way to attend a wedding up the state. Mr. Dillman has known Miss McClure for some time and meeting her after the performance Saturday evening, had invited her to supper.

He was as much surprised to see Miss Follette as she was to see him. The presence of both in the city was explained and all sat down at the same table.

They had forgotten there was such a place as Chicago, when they were interrupted by the arrival of the detectives from the Illinois city. Young Mr. Brown said he would go home if the detectives would wait until the meal was over. The officers said they would, and as far as is known they are still waiting, for early Sunday morning the boys gave them the slip and went home of their own accord.

Miss Follette is still in this city and is undecided whether to return to Chicago. Those who know say she may not return for some time, and then it will probably be on her wedding trip, as it was said yesterday by one of her intimate friends that she is to marry Mr. Dillman.



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The cultivation of the olive is increasing constantly, though slowly, in Spain. The area devoted to olives increased from 2,673,666 acres in 1901 to 2,683,550 acres in 1902 and 2,690,963 acres in 1903. The oil yield per acre last year was 32 gallons, or 13.8 gallons more than the yield of 1902-1903, .3 gallons more than the yield of 1901-1902 and 2 gallons more than the average.

IF YOUR CHILDREN are troubled with worms, give them Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator; safe, sure and effectual. Try it, and mark the improvement in your child.

The Norwegian corps of skaters is a body of soldiers armed with rifles who can be maneuvered upon the ice or on skis over the snowfields of the mountains with a rapidity equal to that of the best trained cavalry.

MR. HILL HAS PROVED IT

Toronto Man Explains How He Gained Thirty Pounds In a Few Weeks. Remarkable Statement.

At 89 Fuller street, Toronto, lives a man who claims to have proven beyond the shadow of a doubt that Dr. Leonhardt's Anti-Pill is the most wonderful remedy ever introduced. His name is W. A. Hill and he makes the following statement:

"I was very much run down, and had a constant pain is my side, which made life a drag to me. I fully believed my days were numbered, but I was induced to try a treatment of Dr. Leonhardt's Anti-Pill, and the results were marvelous.

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"I have gained thirty pounds in weight since I commenced to use Anti-Pill."

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$2.25 Hand Bags, on sale at $1.65 each.

19 only latest style Hand Bags, in solid leather in different styles grain, all leather covered frames, with gold trimmings, tab fasteners, new inverted frames, heavy braided leather handles, moire lined, with fittings of change purse, salt bottle, card case or mirror. Each bag has welted seamed end and three fittings in each. Regular price $2 25; sale price.....$1 65

See the Ladies' Beautiful Guipure Lace Collars, 5c Each.

50c Lithograph Cushion Tops, Sale Price 25c each

3 dozen Beautiful Lithograph Cushion Tops, in best quality cloth and most beautiful colors and tints, subjects Fair Tennis Girl, Toboggan Girls, Heads, etc., all good value at 50c each; sale price, each 25c

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400 yards Fine Torchon Laces, in widths up to three inches, insertion to match, all patterns, positively the best value ever offered, worth 8c and 9c, price, yard 5c

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Try our Stove Pipe Varnish, 10c can.

WOODS' FAIR

Try the big Package of Naphtha Powder, 5c each.

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

National Life Assurance Co.

OF CANADA.

Financial Statement, December 31st, 1904.

BALANCE SHEET.

LIABILITIES.		ASSETS.	
To policy and annuity reserves on basis of Hm. table of mortality of Institute of Actuaries and 3½ per cent interest	$323,771 61	By real estate and Government and municipal bonds and debentures owned by the company	$279,292 88
" All other liabilities	4,103 86	" Cash in banks	14,019 21
" Surplus on policyholders' account	34,977 75	" Net quarterly and semi-annual premiums, not yet due, and premiums in course of collection, (Full reserve thereon included in liabilities)	36,991 60
		" Loans on policies	15,381 48
		" All other assets	17,168 05
	$362,853 22		$362,853 22

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

RECEIPTS.		DISBURSEMENTS.	
To net assurance and annuity premiums, interest, dividends, etc. (After deduction of reinsurance premiums).	$164,180 84	By claims under policies, payments to annuitants and expenses	$103,558 51
		" Balance	60,622 33
	$164,180 84		$164,180 84

SECURITY FOR POLICYHOLDERS.

Surplus as above	$ 34,977 75
Reserves, Hm., 3½ per cent	323,771 61
Capital stock subscribed (uncalled)	409,110 30
Total security for policyholders	$767,859 66

INSURANCE RECORD.

Dec. 31, 1899, in force	$ 604,000	Annual premium	$ 22,954 60
Dec. 31, 1904, in force	4,509,754	Annual premium	166,384 20

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One of the recent incidents of the Welsh religious revival was the ceremonious cremation of a ball by the members of the Aberamen Football Club, to show that they were done with such frivolities as football games.

IT RETAINS OLD AND MAKES NEW FRIENDS.—Time was when Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil had but a small field of distribution, but now its territory is widespread. Those who first recognized its curative qualities still value it as a specific, and while it retains its old friends it is ever making new. It is certain that whoever once uses it will not be without it.

The British armored cruiser Galatea, which was built in 1888 at a cost of $1,333,020, has been placed with the obsolete ships off Port Victoria and ordered to be sold out of the navy.

In Paris, says the Petit Journal, there is now open an exhibition of works of art, pictures and sculpture, executed by porters and railway employes.

THE FLAGGING ENERGIES REVIVED.—Constant application to business is a tax upon the energies, and if there be not relaxation, lassitude and depression are sure to intervene. These come from stomachic troubles. The want of exercise brings on nervous irregularities, and the stomach ceases to assimilate food properly. In this condition Parmelee's Vegetable Pills will be found a recuperative of rare power, restoring the organs to healthful action, dispelling depression, and reviving the flagging energies.

An authentic Madonna of the great fifteenth century Venetian painter, Giovanni Bellini, painted on wood, has just been discovered in the house of a family at Trieste, in Austria.

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ALL CHOICEST QUALITY.

The Canadian Packing Co.

Store next to Postoffice.

TODAY'S MARKETS

Yesterday's Reports on Page 5.

STOCK MARKETS.

H. C. Becher, stock broker, Bank of Commedce building, received the following by private wire from Bartlett, Frazier & Carrington today:

New York, March 14.—Noon.—After a very strong opening, at which N. Y. C. and T. O. U. preferred scored very sharp advances, the market became very irregular and considerable liquidation took place. The traders sold somewhat freely in the belief that the stock market had gone up too fast and that the decline was due. There was also some good selling of N. Y. C. and Union Pacific by houses who were heavy buyers at lower figures. London houses disposed of large blocks of stocks and this was taken as an indication that some nervousness was felt abroad at the financial international condition of Russia. The sharp advance in lead and smelters, the latter passing par for the first time in its history, rumors that the consolidation of the two companies which has been under contemplation for some time had reached definite shape. Sentiment seems to favor a further reaction in the market. Sales to noon, 705,800.

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MONTREAL.

Montreal, March 14.

	Ask.	Off.
Canadian Pacific	148¼	147¾
Montreal Street Railway	223	222¾
Toronto Street Railway	107⅞	107¼
Halifax Street Railway	109	105½
Twin City Transit	109¾	109
Richelieu & Ontario	69	68½
Montreal Telegraph	..	162
Bell Telephone	..	161
Dominion Steel, com	23¾	23½
Dominion Steel, pfd	74	72½
Montreal Power	89	88½
Nova Scotia Steel, com	62½	62
Detroit Railway	82¼	81⅞
Montreal Cotton	100	..
Soo, common	118½	..
Laurentide Paper	103	102½
Lake of the Woods	115	110
Toledo Railway	29	28¾
Dominion Coal, com	73¾	73¼
Ogilvie, pfd	139	137
Sao Paulo	128	127
Mackay, com	40¼	39¾
Mackay, pfd	75½	75¼
Bank of Montreal	257	256
Molsons Bank	230	228
Bank of Toronto	..	238
Union Bank	145	142
Hochelaga Bank	135	134
Dominion Steel, bonds	85½	85
Heat and Power bonds	102½	101¼

SALES: C. P. R., 10 at 147 (private scrip, seller one week), 375 at 148; Montreal Railway, 50 at 223; Twin City, 50 at 109½, 100 at 109¼, 50 at 109; Mackay, common, 25 at 40½; Sao Paulo, 50 at 128½; Toronto Railway, 25 at 107½, 10 at 107¾, 25 at 107½, 25 at 107⅜, 100 at 107¼; Toledo Railway, 225 at 28¾, 475 at 29, 100 at 29, 75 at 29; Power, 100 at 88⅞, 50 at 89; Mackay, preferred, 100 at 75¼, 25 at 75, 50 at 79¼, 75 at 75, 25 at 75⅜; R. and O., 100 at 69½, 25 at 69; Detroit Railway, 250 at 82, 200 at 82½, 200 at 82¼, 225 at 82; Coal, common, 25 at 73, 25 at 74, 225 at 73½; Scotia, 25 at 62, 75 at 62¼, 125 at 62½, 125 at 62¼, 5 at 62; Iron, common, 100 at 23, 10 at 22½, 25 at 23, 100 at 22⅞, 250 at 23, 300 at 23⅛, 50 at 23¼, 175 at 23½; Ogilvie, preferred, 15 at 139; Iron, preferred, 5 at 72½; Molsons Bank, 2 at 230; Switch, 41 at 90; Bank of Montreal, 2 at 256¼; Iron, bonds, 5,000 at 84¾, 45,000 at 85, 14,000 at 85.

N. S. WILLIAMS, Broker,

113 MASONIC TEMPLE.

Correspondent W. F. DEVER & CO. (established 1890). Stocks, Bonds, Grain, Provisions and Cotton bought and sold for cash or on margin. 'Phone 1,113.

TORONTO.

Toronto, March 14.

	Ask.	Off.
Bank of Montreal	..	255
Ontario Bank	..	133¾
Bank of Toronto	..	239
Bank of Commerce	164	163
Imperial Bank	239	238½
Dominion Bank	253	250
Standard Bank	240	..
Bank of Hamilton	221½	..
Bank of Ottawa	225	219½
Traders' Bank	140	..
Bank of British America	..	90
Imperial Life	..	149
Consumers' Gas	212	211
Ont. & Qu'Appelle Land	..	100
Northwest Land, pfd	..	98
C. P. R. stock	148¼	147¾
C. P. R., new	148¼	147½
Toronto Electric Light	154	150
Canadian General Electric	178	176
Dominion Telegraph	..	121
Richelieu & Ontario Nav	69	..
Niagara Navigation	118½	117
Toronto Railway	107⅞	107¼
Twin City Railway	109½	109
Winnipeg Street Railway	149	146
Sao Paulo Tramway	128	127¾
Dominion Steel, com	24	23½
Dominion Coal, com	73½	73¼
Nova Scotia Steel, com	62⅜	62⅛
Crow's Nest Coal	350	..
Mackay, com	40	39½
Mackay, pfd	75½	75
Salt	114	..
British-Canadian L. & I	95	92
Canada Landed	117	115
Canada Permanent	..	124
Canadian Savings & Loan	..	120
Central Canada Loan	..	170
Dominion S. & I	..	70
Hamilton Provident	..	120
Huron & Erie L. & S	..	185
Landed Banking & Loan	..	120
London & Canada L. & A	99½	..
Manitoba Loan	..	95
Toronto Mortgage	..	105
London Loan	110	..
Ontario Loan & Debenture	..	122
Toronto Savings & Loan	..	130
Dominion Steel bonds	85½	84¾
Nova Scotia Steel, bonds	..	107

SALES: Bank of Commerce, 30 at 163;

C. N. SPENCER, Stock Broker

Correspondents the O'Dell Stock and Grain Company (established 1895). Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or on margins. 'Phone 180. Office, Market Lane.

Imperial Bank, 10 at 238, 10 at 238½; Dominion Bank, 50 at 250½; Traders' Bank, 1 at 139½; Consumers' Gas, 68 at 211¾; Mackay, preferred, 64 at 75; Mackay, common, 25 at 40⅛, 50 at 40; Bell Telephone, 25 at 161¾; R. and O., 25 at 69, 25 at 68⅞; Twin City, 60 at 109; Sao Paulo, 150, 25, 785, 290 and 50 at 128, 100, 50 and 50 at 128⅛, 75 at 128⅜, 50 at 128½, 350 at 128¼, 25, 3 and 25 at 127⅞, 25 at 127¾, 65 and 2 at 127½, 25 at 127⅝; Dominion Steel, 50, 100 and 225 at 23, 10 and 100 at 23¼, 25 at 123⅛; Coal, 10 at 73⅝, 50 at 73⅜, 135 and 350 at 74, 25 at 73⅞, 75 and 100 at 73¾, 25, 10 and 100 at 73½; Nova Scotia Steel, 25 at 62¼, 25 and 50 at 62, 10 at 61½, 25 at 62⅛, 6 at 61¾; C. P. R., 35 and 150 at 148, 60 and 23 at 147¾, 10 new at 147¾; London and Canada, 5 at 99½.

NEW YORK.

Reported by F. H. Butler, stock broker, Masonic Temple, for The Advertiser.

New York, March 14.

	Open	High	Low	Close
Amal. Copper	81	81¼	80¾	80¾
American Sugar	145	145¼	144¾	145¼
Amer. Locomotive	44¼	44¾	44⅛	44¼
American Foundry	36⅛	36¾	36½	36⅝
American Refining	98¼	102	98¼	101¾
Atchison, com	91⅜	92	91⅛	91½
Atchison, pfd	103⅜	103½	103⅜	103½
Baltimore & Ohio	110½	110½	110	110⅜
Brooklyn Transit	66⅞	67¼	66½	67
C. P. R.	147¾	148¼	147⅝	148⅛
Ches. & Ohio	55⅞	56	55¼	56
Chicago G. Western	24¼	24⅜	24	24⅜
Chicago & Alton	42¾	..	..	..
Col. Fuel & Iron	54¼	54¾	53⅝	54¼
Delaware & Hudson	193¼	194¼	192	194
Erie	47⅜	47⅞	47¼	47⅜
Erie, pfd	82⅜	82⅜	82	82¼
Illinois Central	161½	162¼	161	161½
Kan. & Tex., com	33	..	..	..
Kan. & Tex., pfd	68¾	68¾	67¾	67¾
Louisville & Nash	144	144¼	142½	143¾
Manhattan	171¼	..	..	..
Metropolitan St. Ry	123¾	123¼	122⅝	122¾
Met. Securities	85½	85½	85	85
Mexican Central	25¾	25⅞	25¼	25¼
Missouri Pacific	110	110¼	109⅝	109⅞
N. Y. Central	164½	167¾	164½	166½
Norfolk & Western	87¼	87⅜	86¾	87⅜
Ontario & Western	56¾	58⅞	56⅝	58⅝
Pennsylvania	147	147	145⅝	146¼
People's Gas	115½	113⅞	113	113½
Reading	98½	98¾	97⅜	98½
Republic I. & S.	76½	76½	76¼	76¼
Rock Island	35⅜	35⅝	35⅛	35⅜
Southern Railway	36⅝	36⅝	36	36¼
Southern Ry., pfd	99½	99¾	99¼	99¼
Southern Pacific	70¼	70½	69¾	70¼
Southern Pac., pfd	118½	..	..	..
St. Paul	181⅞	183	181½	182¾
Soo Railway	117½	117½	117	117⅞
Texas	40⅜	40⅜	39¾	39⅞
Tenn. Coal & Iron	92½	92½	91½	91½
Union Pacific	135	135¾	134½	135⅝
U. S. Leather	12⅝	12⅜	12¼	12¼
U. S. Leather, pfd	106⅜	106⅜	106⅛	106⅛
U. S. Rubber	42	42	41¾	41¾
U. S. Steel	37	37	36⅜	36⅞
U. S. Steel, pfd	97⅛	97⅛	96⅜	96⅞
Wabash, com	23¼	..	..	..
Wabash, pfd	47	47⅛	47	47⅛
Wisconsin Central	24⅞	24⅞	24¾	24¾
Wis. Central, pfd	53⅞	54¼	53⅞	54¼

CHICAGO EXCHANGE.

Reported by F. H. Butler, stock broker, Masonic Temple, for The Advertiser.

Chicago, March 14.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
May	$1 12⅜@1 14½	1 14½	1 12½	1 13⅛
July	93	93⅜	92⅜	93¾
September	86⅞	87	86⅝	86⅞
Corn—				
May	49	49⅞	49	49⅜
July	49	50	49	49⅞
Oats—				
May	31⅞	32¼	31¾	32⅛
July	31½	31¾	31⅜	31⅝
Pork—				
May	12 55	12 72	12 55	12 72
July	12 75	12 90	12 75	12 87
Lard—				
May	6 97	7 10	6 97	7 07
July	7 12	7 22	7 12	7 22
Short Ribs—				
May	6 80	6 90	6 80	6 87
July	7 00	7 02	6 97	7 02

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, March 11.—Live cattle are quoted at 10¾c to 12¼c per lb; refrigerator beef, 8c to 8⅝c per lb; sheep, 12c to 13c per lb.

HAY MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, March 11.—Baled Hay—Steady to easy, at $8 per ton for No. 1 timothy, and $7 for mixed and clover, on the track here.

Baled Straw—Car lots on track here are quoted unchanged, at $6 per ton.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, March 14.—There were 65 loads in today, including 989 cattle, 436 sheep and lambs, 700 hogs and 72 calves. Quotations:

Export cattle, choice, cwt.	$4 50	@	$4 85
Export cattle, medium	4 25	@	4 40
Export bulls	3 50	@	4 00
Export cows	3 25	@	4 00
Butchers' cattle, choice	4 25	@	4 40
Butchers, medium	3 25	@	4 00
Butchers, common	2 75	@	3 40
Feeders, short-keep	3 75	@	4 00
Feeders, medium	3 60	@	3 85
Stockers	3 25	@	3 40
Stock bulls	2 00	@	3 00
Milch cows, choice, each	45 00	@	55 00
Milch cows, medium	30 00	@	40 00
Springers, each	30 00	@	40 00
Export ewes, cwt	4 50	@	5 12½
Export bucks	3 50	@	4 25
Sheep, mixed	3 50	@	4 50
Lambs, grain-fed	6 50	@	7 12½
Lambs, barnyard	5 50	@	6 50
Lambs, spring, each	4 00	@	8 00
Calves, each	2 00	@	10 00
Calves, cwt	3 50	@	6 00
Hogs, singers, off cars	6 00	@	6 00
Hogs, lights and fats	5 75	@	5 75

Export cattle seem to be selling fairly well; good butchers' cattle are steady and in demand, and medium and common are slow; milch cows are not selling so well.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, March 13.—No market at Deptford today; American cattle, 6¼d; Canadian, 5⅜d.

Liverpool, March 13.—American cattle, 5¾d to 6d; Canadians, 5½d to 5¾d.

PRODUCE MARKET.

TORONTO.

Toronto, March 14.—Wheat—Declines at Chicago and Winnipeg had a demoralizing effect here; sellers offer red and white at $1 02; spring, 97c to 98c; goose, 88c to 90c; Manitoba, some export trade, and prices are lower; No. 1 northern, $1 07; No. 2, $1 04; No. 3, 98c.

Flour—Dull; prices unchanged; 90 per cent patents, $4 40 to $4 50, in buyers' bags, east and west; 15c to 20c higher for choice; Manitoba, $5 50 to $5 70 for first patents, $5 10 to $5 40 for second patents, and $5 to $5 30 for bakers.

Millfeed—Unchanged, at $15 50 to $16 for bran in bulk, and $17 50 for shorts, west; Manitoba, $20 for shorts and $18 for bran for export.

Barley—Steady to firm, at 46c to 47c for No. 2, 44c to 45c for No. 3 extra, and 42c for No. 3 malting, outside, Toronto freights.

Rye—Nominal, at 73c to 74c for No. 2, f.o.b., outside.

Corn—Canadian firmer, at 46½c to 47c for yellow and 45½c to 46c for mixed, f.o.b., Chatham freights; American, No. 3 yellow, 55½c; mixed, 55c, on track at Toronto.

Oats—Offerings freer and prices easier; No. 2 are quoted unchanged, at 40c to 41c outside.

Rolled Oats—Cars of bags at $4 15, and barrels at $4 40, on the track here; 25c more for broken lots here and 40c more outside.

Peas—No. 2, 66c to 67c, west.

Buckwheat, 56c to 57c, west.

Butter—Receipts fair; demand good; prices unchanged.

Eggs—Steady, at 21c to 22c for new-laid, and 18c for limed.

ENGLISH MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, March 15.—Wheat — Spot nominal. Futures easy; March nominal; May, 6s 9¼d; July, 6s 9½d.

Corn—Spot steady; American mixed, new, 4s 3¾d; do. old, 4s 11d. Futures quiet; March, 4s 3¾d; May, 4s 5⅛d.

Peas—Canadian firm, 5s 10d.

Flour—St. Louis fancy winter steady, 9s 9d.

Hops (in London)—Pacific coast quiet, £6 to £6 15s.

Beef—Firm; extra India mess, 71s 3d.

Pork—Easy; prime mess western, 61s 3d.

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, dull, 39s.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs, quiet, 36s 6d; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs, steady, 37s 6d; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs, firm, 37s 6d; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs, steady, 36s 6d; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs, steady, 35s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, easy, 36s; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs, steady, 29s.

Lard—Steady; prime western, in tierces, 35s; American refined, in pails, 34s 9d.

Butter—Nominal.

Cheese—Firm; American finest white, 55s; do. colored, 53s.

Tallow—Prime city steady, 23c; Australian (in London) dull, 25s 3d.

Turpentine Spirits—Steady, 38s 9d.

Rosin—Common firm, 7s 6d.

Petroleum—Refined quiet, 6d.

Linseed Oil—Steady, 17s 6d.

Receipts of wheat during the past three days were 533,000 centals, including 73,000 American.

Receipts of American corn during the past three days, 259,200 centals.

Weather—Fair.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, N. Y., March 14.—Cattle—Receipts, 150 head; active and firm; prime steers, $5 35 to $5 75; shipping, $4 75 to $5 25; butchers, $4 40 to $5; heifers, $3 25 to $4 75; cows, $2 50 to $4 25; bulls, $2 75 to $4 25; stockers and feeders, $2 to $4 25. Veals—Receipts, 125 head; slow, $4 50 to $8 25.

Hogs—Receipts, 3,500 head; shade lower; heavy, $5 40; mixed, $5 37½ to $5 40; Yorkers, $5 30 to $5 40; pigs, $5 20 to $5 25; roughs, $4 50 to $4 80; stags, $3 to $3 50.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 5,000 head; slow; sheep steady, lambs 15c to 25c lower; native lambs, $6 50 to $8 40; western lambs, $8 to $8 25; yearlings, $7 to $7 25; wethers, $6 to $6 25; ewes, $5 75 to $6; sheep, mixed, $2 50 to $6.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, March 14.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,000; market steady; good to prime steers, $5 25 to $6 25; poor to medium, $3 75 to $5; stockers and feeders, $2 60 to $4 65; cows, $2 75 to $4 60; heifers, $3 to $5; canners, $1 60 to $2 40; bulls, $2 50 to $4; calves, $3 to $7.

Hogs—Receipts, 18,000; market steady; mixed and butchers, $4 80 to $5 07½; good to choice heavy, $5 to $5 12½; rough heavy, $4 80 to $4 95; light, $4 80 to $5; bulk of sales at $4 90 to $5 05.

Sheep—Receipts, 18,000; steady; good to choice wethers, $5 60 to $6 10; fair to choice mixed, $4 75 to $5 40; native lambs, $5 to $7 60.

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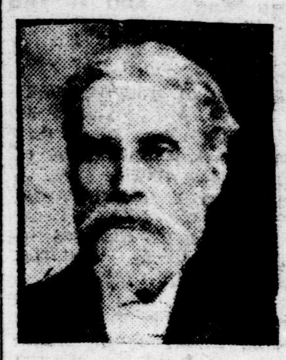
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Pere Marquette Again Looking for Extension

Will Probably Lay a Proposition Before Port Stanley Board at Once.



Mayor Campbell on Monday afternoon had an informal interview with Supt. Pyatt and Trainmaster Cain, of the Pere Marquette regarding railway matters of the utmost importance. Supt. Pyatt told the mayor of certain important and much-needed improvements which the company intend to make to the road, but which to the Pere Marquette people appears should be made under an agreement to extend the lease of the L. and P. S. R. for a term of years. The lease held by the L. E. and D. R. R., through which the Pere Marquette operates the line, has but about nine or ten years to run, and naturally the P. M. does not feel like spending much money on so short a tenure.

After hearing all the officials had to say, his worship suggested that the matter be formally laid before the London and Port Stanley Railway board, and this the officials agreed to do shortly. When the proposition is received the mayor will call a special meeting of the board.

The officials also assured his worship that a first-class train service, both regular and excursion will be maintained over the Pere Marquette this summer, and everything that it is possible to do will be done to meet the wishes of the people of London.

ANOTHER ELECTION MUST TAKE PLACE

District No. 2 Will Have to Choose Successor to Councilor McLeod.

The county offices on Ridout street will close tomorrow afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, out of respect for the memory of the late Simon McLeod, whose funeral is to be held in Parkhill at that hour. County Clerk Robson will be one of the pallbearers, who are to be chosen from among the immediate friends of the deceased. The clerk has notified all the councilors officially of the death of Mr. McLeod, and no doubt as many of them as possible will attend the funeral. They would attend in a body if it were possible to get them together in such a short time. The county officials are sending a beautiful floral wreath.

Another election will have to be held almost immediately in district No. 2 of Middlesex County, to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. McLeod's death. The law for the county is thus different from that relating to cities, a vacancy in whose council is filled by the defeated candidate obtaining the next highest number of votes. The law for the county states that if a vacancy occurs early in the year that it can be filled by an election before the June session, this action must be taken. If the vacancy occurs after or shortly before the June session, the vacancy remains unfilled until the next municipal election in January. In the present instance, Warden Piper and the county clerk have power to issue a warrant to the returning officer for No. 2 district for the holding of an election. This district includes East and West Williams and the town of Parkhill, its remaining representative is Mr. J. C. Macdonald.

PATRIOTIC BUT NOT JUDICIOUS

Magistrate Had to Fine Young Man Who Resented Insult to Canadians.

For resenting a slight that was placed upon Canada and Canadians by a "fresh" American auctioneer a young man had to pay a $2 fine in the police court this morning.

He went into a store on Richmond street the other night where several "wise" looking men were conducting a sale of clothing, silverware and other kinds of goods, which they claimed were from fine bankrupt stocks. As they tried to persuade the people who had gathered in the place to buy their goods the unwillingness of the latter to do so irritated them and finally one of the "barkers" made the assertion that Canada was a country of the thirteenth century and that the people were "dead ones."

The young man referred to took this remark to heart, and stuck up for his country by answering the auctioneer back in sharp terms. An argument arose and finally the young fellow had to be taken out by a policeman to prevent blows being struck. He would likely have been allowed to go, but he did not cool down and stood in front of the store and announced that he was open to all comers who tried to put Canada back into the dark ages. Finally his name was taken and he was summoned to appear in the police court this morning. He was a bright, nervy-looking sort of a chap—just the kind that one would expect to see resent an insult of any kind. He admitted that he had been disorderly and the magistrate was compelled to fine him $2.

"It's pretty hard to fine a man who sticks up for his country as you did, though," he commented.

BRICK IS VERY SCARCE ARTICLE

Little of It in the Local Yards—Building Operations Will Be Delayed.

There is a decided scarcity of brick in London at the present time, and because of this it is expected that building operations in the city will be slack until at least the 1st of May, and possibly until the middle of that month.

The local brickmakers have in their yards a limited quantity of brick made late in the fall, but this has long since been sold. Local contractors were the purchasers, but it so happens that some of them were too late to get any brick whatever, and they will simply have to wait for material until the yards commence operations. This will mean that a number of bricklayers and builders' laborers will have an enforced idleness at a season of the year when under usual conditions they would be steadily employed.

A leading brick manufacturer said today that the stock in the yards was very light and that more brick would not be available before the 1st of May. There appeared to be a scarcity of brick throughout the country, he added, for during the winter contractors in numerous towns and cities between Toronto and Windsor, had been telephoning to the London manufacturers asking for supplies and offering top prices. The manufacturers, however, had to refuse all applications, giving their London customers the preference. "We could have disposed of 400,000 brick outside," said the manufacturer referred to.

A member of the old Builders' Supply Company stated today that the company had been reorganized under the name of the Brick Manufacturing and Supply Company and that in a short time it would be manufacturing brick. The plant is rapidly nearing completion.

THE STORY OF A WORTHLESS CHECK

Youth Acquitted of a Serious Charge—Bad-Mannered Man Sent to Jail.

A young man, who until a short time ago was employed in a bank in a northern town, came up in the police court this morning on a charge of having passed a worthless check upon a local stationery dealer. He pleaded not guilty to the charge, and Crown Attorney McKillop stated that he did not wish to have evidence taken upon the case, as he believed that the young man was not guilty of malicious wrongdoing. The magistrate agreed with the crown attorney, and said that the circumstances of the case were not such as would leave any stain upon his character. He had made out the check on the bank, having had an account there before, which he intended to renew. He also believed that if the check went through his friends at the bank would meet it temporarily for him. He had last gone to the dealer on whom the check was passed and offered to redeem it with ready money. The dealer did not consent to this, however. The magistrate concluded, that while the defendant was very indiscreet, his intentions were not criminal, and he honorably acquitted him of the charge.

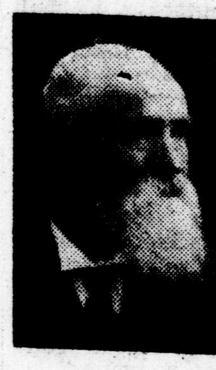
Two men with a strong French accent were in the dock on charges of having been drunk. One of them was allowed to go, having never been in trouble here before, but the other one, who called himself James Nagle, had been very disorderly on the street, and had even insulted a lady who was passing. He was given the choice of a $5 fine or twenty days in jail. When the state of his finances became known it was found that he had no choice.

Simeon MacPherson was a man to attract some attention when he stood up on a charge of being a vagrant. In very intelligent language, he stated that he had come from St. Thomas way, and that he had spent all of his money to secure a room on the first night of his visit. As the hotel accommodation of the city was limited for such as he, he went to sleep at the Grand Trunk station, where he was arrested. The magistrate said that he would be glad to allow Mr. MacPherson to go if he had a place to go to, and on being given assurance that he had friends near St. Thomas, he was allowed to go.

Albert Summers, a burly man, whose hair grew so long in the lumber camps during the winter that he had a decided anarchistic appearance, was charged with being drunk and disorderly. He was unable to pay a fine of $10, and went to jail for 21 days.

Problems of Industries Is A Poser for Londoners Now

Manufacturers' Committee Has Hands Full Through Competition of Live Cities.



From all accounts it appears that Ald. Gerry, as chairman of the manufacturers' committee of the city council, has his work cut out for him if he intends to keep certain important industries in London, leaving out of the question the securing of new ones. Last year the committee did nothing. It was a committee in name only. Like all other branches of the city's service it was allowed to go to seed. And now this lethargy, this sleep of a year, is beginning to bear fruit. While London slept others were up and doing. Hamilton has been the most prominent of those who worked while London dozed. Consequently Hamilton is now securing industry after industry—one of them was taken away from London, viz., the Canada Tin Plate Decorating Company. Within a week Hamilton has secured the line shaft manufacturing concern and a roller-bearing factory, the latter capitalized at $400,000. This good work did not come about in a day. It is merely the fruit of Hamilton's watchfulness last year.

And now London wrestles with the problem of losing the Dennis Wire and Iron Works. The special committee appointed by the general committee has as yet made no report, but it is expected that this will be done at once. What the committee will offer the Dennis people to remain in London is not known, but there is some talk of having local capitalists take stock in the company, the Dennis people to have the privilege of buying such stock at par on demand.

But this does not end the responsibilities of the manufacturers' committee. It is understood that outside places are after the new shoe factory of the Cook, Fitzgerald Company, of this city. This firm has had plans prepared for a factory which would cost in the neighborhood of $15,000, but it is understood that orders to let the contract have been canceled for the present. This factory was to begin work with 40 or 50 hands, and it was expected that at the close of the year not less than 100 hands would be employed on men's fine shoes. Mr. J. B. Cook, when seen by a reporter today, said that he could say nothing on the subject just now. He did say, however, that the firm will be manufacturing shoes as soon as possible, either in London or somewhere else. It is probable the manufacturers' committee will take this matter up at its next meeting.

What to do to induce industries to come to London is a poser for the committee, however. Without taking a vote of the people, the city can do scarcely anything. It is pointed out, however, that Stratford has guaranteed the bonds of certain factories, and that London may yet feel called upon to do the same or furnish free sites to worthy firms.

JUDGMENT RESERVED

In the Assessment Case Against City Brought by P. E. Bucke.

A dispatch from Ottawa says: Philip E. Bucke, of Ottawa, formerly of London, Ont., is suing the corporation of London for a rebate of seven years' taxes on an income of $1,000, as superannuation allowance. Bucke belongs to the civil service. It was argued in his behalf before Judge MacTavish that the pension is a gratuity of delayed salary, and therefore should not be taxed as income. On the other hand it is argued that the decision of the court of revision and the county court judge in London against the plaintiff should not be interfered with. R. V. Sinclair appeared for the plaintiff and George F. Henderson and A. W. Green for the defendant. Judgment was reserved.

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A SECOND CHARGE AGAINST WESCOTT

Blackmailer Alleged to Have Extorted $25 From Mrs. Dart, London Junction.

John T. Wescott, the county constable who is in the county jail awaiting sentence for blackmail, practiced upon a farmer of London Township, comes before Squire J. B. Smythe this afternoon on a charge which, as anticipated, arose out of the other charge. It will be remembered that Wescott extracted $52 from the farmer by threatening to prosecute him for selling a diseased cow to a butcher. The latter is Thomas Dart, of Pottersburg, and it is said that he was also victimized by Wescott.

Mrs. Dart says that she gave Wescott two notes amounting to $25, when he threatened to bring action against Mr. Dart on the charge of buying diseased meat.

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OUTFIT NEARLY WENT INTO RIVER

Exciting Runaway on Hill Street—Team and Driver Have Close Call.

A most spectacular runaway took place yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock, when a spirited team of horses belonging to a local livery, and attached to a sleigh-hack, narrowly escaped going over an embankment into the river at the foot of Richmond street.

Earlier in the day the team had been hitched to a hack on wheels, and the harness was taken in, as the horses do not require such a space as when they are attached to a sleigh. As a result, when in the afternoon they were sent out with a sleigh they were hitched too close. Nothing happened, however, until the driver, after taking his passengers to their home on Maitland street south, started for the barn. He went to turn onto Hill street, and as he did the runners struck a huge lump in the road, and the right horse was hit on the heels. The animal took fright and commenced to run. The moment it did so the sleigh commenced to strike the heels of both horses, and in a second the driver, a stout young fellow, found that the team was beyond control. He stuck to the seat and the team continued on their mad dash down Hill street, narrowly avoiding numerous collisions. They continued westerly until they came to the end of the street. Here a path runs from Clarence street to the foot of Richmond street, and it is used by pedestrians as a "short cut." Unable to turn the animals onto Clarence street, the driver pulled them on to the footpath, realizing that their speed must be checked here, and that by the time Richmond street was reached, they would have become quieted. The heavy hack swung from side to side as the team took the first few jumps on the path, and it was only by the merest chance that the team, hack and driver were not precipitated into the river, which flowed a distance of 30 feet below. The back runners once started to slip down the bank, but they were drawn back into level ground. The slight turn which they had taken, however, sent them crashing into a fence on the other side of the path. So great was the force of the collision that the driver was thrown twenty feet from his seat, and landed on another fence. He was uninjured, however. Nothing was damaged excepting the sleigh, the pole and whiffletrees of which were broken. The horses each received a few slight cuts on their hind legs.

CONDENSED LOCAL NEWS

—Mr. John McLean has been booked by F. B. Clarke to sail for Scotland on the Allan Line steamer Mongolian.

—Miss Helen Tufts, secretary to Inspector Sanders, of the Charity Organization Society, is confined to her home with a severe cold.

—Miss Edna Bell left for St. Albans, Vermont, to be the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. Y. Martin. Before returning Miss Bell will visit New London and Boston.

—Chairman English, of the board of health, and Medical Health Officer Hutchinson leave for Ottawa at 6:35 this evening to attend the convention for the prevention of tuberculosis in Canada.

—Messrs. W. D. Stanley and A. L. Leitch, auditors for the county of Middlesex, yesterday completed the audit of the books and accounts of the council of 1904, and report that everything is in good shape. The auditors have been at work on this arduous task in the county treasurer's office since about Feb. 1.

Chairman Screaton and Mr. John Labatt, of the hospital trust, will represent the trust at the funeral of the late Mr. Simon McLeod at Parkhill tomorrow.

COSTLY NEW BRIDGE.

Tenders are being called by County Commissioner Talbot for the new bridge to be built across the Thames near Ingersoll. It is to be of steel and cement, of the most approved type, and will cost in the neighborhood of $4,500.

HOMES FOR CHILDREN.

During the past week Inspector Sanders has placed half a dozen children in good homes. There are now in the shelter in South London, 4 boys and 10 girls, a rather smaller number than usual. Recently there were 18 children in the shelter.

REV. H. C. SPELLER CALLED.

The members of Trinity Baptist Church, Guelph, have unanimously decided to invite Rev. H. C. Speller, now of Sarnia, to become their pastor. The salary offered is $1,100 a year. Mr. Speller is well-known in London, having been for several years pastor of Adelaide Street Church.

POLICE DO NOT KNOW HIM.

A dispatch from Woodstock says that James Finlay and Joseph Malone escaped from the police station there on Monday afternoon by springing the bars of their cell. They had been arrested for vagrancy. Finlay said he came from London, but the local police know nothing whatever of him.

TROUBLE IS ENDED.

Today the street railway company had a large gang of men and a number of teams at work removing the ice from the streets. It appears that the delay in complying with Engineer Graydon's instructions was caused through Manager Carr's absence from the city.

LONDON WON.

St. Mary's separate school of this city and the separate school of St. Thomas, Ont., had a spelling match last week. The London school won. Thirteen out of 26 scholars of St. Mary's school secured 100 per cent, while 16 out of the 35 pupils of the St. Thomas school secured 100 per cent in spelling.

MANHATTAN DANCE.

The Manhattan Pleasure Club entertained their friends to one of the largest and most pleasant dances of the season at the Palace Academy last evening. Nearly two hundred guests were present, and all enjoyed a most popular programme. The following committee received many congratulations for their splendid success: F. Dewan, R. Logan, F. Hany, W. Riley, S. White.

THE I. B. S. MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Irish Benevolent Society will be held in Somerset Hall on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Rumor says that Mr. Philip Pocock, the present able vice-president, will be the new president to succeed Mr. John Stevely; Mr. Dennis Mason will be vice-president, and Mr. Wm. McPhillips, if he cares to accept the honor, will be made second vice-president.

A NEW RAILWAY.

Mayor Campbell has received a copy of the Ottawa River Railway Company's bill. The company is seeking to have its name changed to that of the Central Railway Company, with power to build a steam railway line from Orillia to Stratford, and from Stratford to London. The company also asks power to reach St. Thomas, either by building a new line, the leasing of another road, or the securing of running powers over another line. The bill will be sent to City Solicitor Meredith with instruction to watch London's interests in the matter.

ENGINEER INJURED

Driver Stott Sustains Scalp Wound and Bruises at Copetown.

Mr. H. Stott, an engineer on the G. T. R., and a resident of this city, was slightly wounded in an accident yesterday which occurred at Copetown, a station between Hamilton and Paris. Stott was running a yard engine about noon, and was about to pass from a side-track onto the main line, when a freight train came into the yard. Engine No. 802, pulling the freight, struck and scraped the side of Stott's engine, when the latter was on the end of the switch. Both engines were damaged to the extend of several hundred dollars. Stott received a bad scalp wound and some bad bruises. He returned to the city last night, and will be off duty for some days. Stott lives at 351 Grey street.

DEATH OF MRS. CLARK

Mother of First Presbyterian Pastor Passes Away at Family Residence.

The death occurred this morning of Mrs. John Clark, mother of Rev. W. J. Clark, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, at the family residence, 307 Wolfe street. Mrs. Clark was of a peculiarly sweet and lovable disposition. She had been in poor health for some years. She came to this city to live with her son when he assumed the pastorate of the First Church. Mrs. Clark is survived by another son, Rev. John Clark, pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Calgary, N. W. T.

The funeral will take place on Thursday to the G. T. R. station, whence the remains will be sent for interment to Dundas, deceased's native town. Mr. Clark and family will have the sincere sympathy of the whole community, especially that of his congregation, by many of whom Mrs. Clark was known and loved.

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THE PUPPET CROWN.

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As he whipped up, the philosophical cabman mused that these tourists were beyond the pale of his understanding. With a pocket full of money, and to put up at the Grand! Why not the Continental, which lay close to the Werter See, the palaces, the royal and public gardens? It was at the Continental that the fine ladies and gentlemen from Vienna, and Innsbruck, and Munich, and Belgrade, resided during the autumn months. But the Grand—ach! it was in the heart of the shops and markets, and within a stone's throw of that gloomy pile of granite designated in the various guide books as the University of Bleiberg.

The Englishman had some difficulty in finding a pen that would write, and the ink was oily, and the guest-book was not at the proper angle. At last he managed to form the letters of his name, which was John Hamilton. After some deliberation, he followed this with "England." The proprietor, who acted as his own clerk, drew the book toward him, and after some time deciphered the cabalistic signs.

"Ah, Herr John Hamilton, of England; is that right?"

"Yes; I am here for a few days' shooting. Can you find me a man to act as guide?"

"This very morning, Herr."

"Thanks."

Then he proceeded up the stairs to the room assigned to him. The smell of garlic which pervaded the air caused him to make a grimace. Once alone in the room, he looked about. There was neither soap nor towel, but there was a card which stated that the same could be purchased at the office. He laughed. A pitcher of water and a bowl stood on a small table, which, by the presence of a mirror (that could not in truth reflect anything but light and darkness), served as a dresser. These he used to good advantage, drying his face and hands on the white counterpane of the bed, and laughing quietly as he did so. Next he lit a pipe, whose capacity for tobacco was rather less than that of a lady's thimble, sat in a chair by the window, smoked quietly, and gazed down on the busy street.

It was yet early in the morning; sellers of vegetables, men and women peasants, with bare legs and wooden shoes, driving shaggy Servian ponies attached to low, cumbersome carts, passed and repassed, to and from the markets. A gendarme, leaning the weight of his shoulder on the guard of a police saber, rested against the corner of a wine shop across the way. Students, wearing squat caps with vizors, sauntered indolently along, twirling canes and ogling all who wore petticoats. Occasionally the bright uniform of a royal Cuirassier flashed by; and the Englishman would lean over the sill and gaze after him, nodding his head in approval whenever the Cuirassier sat his horse well.

In the meantime the gendarme, who followed him from the station, had entered the hotel, hastily glanced at the freshly written name, and made off toward the palace.

"Well, here we are," mused the Englishman, pressing his thumb into the bowl of his pipe. "The affair promises some excitement. Tomorrow will be the sixth; on the 20th it will be a closed incident, as the diplomats would say. I don't know what brought me here so far ahead of time. I suppose I must look out for a crack on the head from some one I don't know, but who knows me so deuced well that he has hunted me in India and England, first with fine bribes, then with threats." He glanced over his shoulder in the direction of the gun cases. "It was a capital idea, otherwise a certain ubiquitous customs official, who lies in wait for the unwary at the frontier, would now be an inmate of a hospital. To have lived 35 years, and to have ground out 13 of them in her majesty's, is to have acquired a certain disdain for danger, even when it is masked. I am curious to see how far these threats will go. It will take a clever man to trap me. The incognito is a fort. By the way, I wonder how the inspectors at the station came to overlook my traps? Strange, considering what I have gone through."

At this moment the knuckles of a hand beat against the door.

"Come in!" answered the Englishman wheeling his chair, but making no effort to rise. "Come in!"

The door swung in, and there entered a short, spectacled man in dark gray clothes which fairly bristled with brass buttons. He was the chief inspector of customs. He bowed.

The Englishman, consternation widening his eyes, lowered his pipe.

"Monsieur Hamilton's pardon," the inspector began, speaking in French, "but with your permission I shall inspect your luggage and glance at your passports." He bowed again.

"Now do you know, mon ami," replied the Englishman, "that Monsieur Hamilton will not permit you to gaze even into yonder washbowl?" He rose lazily.

"But, Monsieur," cried the astonished official, to whom non-complaisance in the matter of inspection was unprecedented, "you certainly will not put any obstacle in the path of my duty!"

"Your duty, Monsieur the Spectacles, is to inspect at the station. There your assistants refused to award me their attention. You are trespassing."

"Monsieur forgets," sternly; "it is the law. Is it possible that I shall be forced to call in the gendarmes to assist me? This is extraordinary!"

"I dare say it is, on your part," admitted the Englishman, polishing the bowl of his pipe against the side of his nose. "You had best go at once. If you do not, I shall take you by the nape of your Bleibergian neck and kick you down the stairs. I have every assurance of my privileges. The law here, unless it has changed within the past hour, requires inspection at the frontier and at the capital; but your jurisdiction does not extend beyond the stations. Bon jour, Monsieur the Spectacles; bon jour!"

"Oh, Monsieur!"

"Good day!"

"Monsieur, it is my duty; I must!"

"Good day! How will you go, by the stairs or by the window? I—but wait!" an idea coming to him which caused him to reflect on the possible outcome of violence done to a Government official, who, perhaps, was discharging his peculiar duty at the orders of superiors. He walked swiftly to the door and slid the bolt, to the terror of the inspector, on whose brow drops of perspiration began to gather. "Now," opening the hatbox and taking out a silk hat, "this is a hat, purchased in Paris at Cook's. There is nothing in the lining but felt. Look into the box; nothing. Take out your book and follow me closely," he continued, dividing the traveling bag into halves, and he began to enumerate the contents.

"But, Monsieur!" remonstrated the inspector, who did not enjoy this infringement of his prerogatives; his was the part to overhaul. "This is—"

"Be still and follow me," and the Englishman went on with the inventory. "There!" when he had done, "not a dutiable thing except this German-Scotch whisky, and that is so bad that I give it to you rather than pay duty. What next? My passports? Here they are, absolutely flawless, vised by the authorities in Vienna."

The slips crackled in the fluttering fingers of the inspector. "They are as you say, Monsieur," he said, returning the permits. Then he added timidly, "And the gun cases?"

"The gun cases!" The pipe spilled its coal to the floor. "The gun cases!"

"Yes, Monsieur,"

"And why do you wish to look into them?" with agitation.

"Smugglers sometimes fill them with cigars."

"Ah!" The Englishman selected two loaded shells, drew a gun from the case, threw up the breech and rammed in the shells. Then he extended the weapon to within an inch of the terrified inspector's nose. "Now, Monsieur the Spectacles, look in there and tell me what you see."

The fellow sank half-fainting into a chair. "Mon Dieu, Monsieur, would you kill me who have a family?"

"What's a customs inspector, more or less?" asked the terrible islander, laughing. "I advise you not to ask me to let you look into the other gun, out of consideration for your family. It has hair triggers, and my fingers tremble."

"Monsieur, Monsieur, you do wrong to trifle with the law. I shall be obliged to report you. You will be arrested."

"Nothing of the kind," was the retort. "I have only to inform the British minister how remiss you were in your obligations. I should go free, whereas you would be discharged. But what I demand to know it, what the devil is the meaning of this farce,"

"I am simply obeying orders," answered the inspector, wiping his forehead. "It is not a farce, as Monsieur will find." Then, as if to excuse this implied threat: "Will Monsieur please point the gun the other way?"

The Englishman unloaded the gun and tossed it on the bed.

"Thanks. In coming here I simply obeyed the orders of the minister of police."

"And what in the world did you expect to find?"

"We are looking—that is, they are looking—Oh, Monsieur, it is impossible for me to disclose to you my Government's purposes."

"What and whom were you expecting?" demanded the Englishman. "You shall not leave this room till you have fully explained this remarkable intrusion."

"We were expected the Lord and Baronet Fitzgerald."

"The lord!" laughing. "Does the lord visit Bleiberg often, then, that you prepare this sort of a reception? And the Baronet Fitzgerald?"

"They are the same and the one person."

"And who the deuce is he; a spy, a smuggler, a villain, or what?"

"As to that, Monsieur," with a wonder why this man laughed, "I knew no more than you. But I do know that for the past month every Englishman has been subjected to this surveillance, and has submitted with more grace than you," with an oblique glance.

"What! Examined his luggage at the hotel?"

"Yes, Monsieur. It is the order of the minister of police. I know not why." The natural color was returning to his cheeks.

[To be Continued.]

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VERY BUSY DAY AT THISTLE CLUB

Six Rinks Were Engaged in Friendly Games—Season Drawing to Close.

The curling season is drawing to a close, and the local devotees of the sport are getting unusually busy, being anxious to play as many games as possible before the rinks close for the season. Yesterday at the Thistle Club, eight rinks, composed of members of the club had a match. Another rink played the Londons, and still another met a rink from Wolseley Barracks. Burnett, Swift, Holden and Miller had a large lead over their opponents in the club match. The London rink finished five up, and the Barracks rink had a margin of seven. The scores:

L. J. Walker,		T. Purdom,	
C. H. Tune,		W. C. Ferguson,	
C. F. Sterling,		G. A. Andrus,	
John Burnett,		W. G. Govenlock,	
skip.....	10	skip	7
W. K. Clark,		H. H. Middleton,	
W. W. Thomson,		A. J. Clark,	
A. Tory,		J. W. McIntosh,	
S. D. Swift,		W. T. Strong,	
skip.....	19	skip	9
T. Deeley,		W. Murray,	
A. M. Heaman,		R. D. McDonald,	
J. Mattinson,		H. S. Blackburn,	
M. E. Holden,		Dr. McDonald,	
skip.....	14	skip	14
F. Beltz,		Dr. McDonald,	
T. Duncan,		Dr. J. Wood,	
H. C. McBride,		C. H. Ward,	
W. R. Miller,		W. Fulton,	
skip.....	13	skip	8
Total.....	56	Total	38

London—
A. Ash,
E. J. Sanders,
Sgt. Farnsworth,
R. Black,
skip..... 19

Barracks—
Capt. Uniacke,
H. S. Cameron,
Jas. Birchard,
Col. Kingston,
skip..... 12

Thistles—
James Burnett,
A. E. Barbour,
Dr. Scott,
H. Ranahan,
skip 14

Thistles—
C. Mountjoy,
B. W. Glover,
J. Purdom,
A. Talbot,
skip 5

VICS TO HAVE TRY FOR STANLEY CUP

Play Ottawa Two Games This Week—Big Receipts at First Series.

Montreal, March 13. — The Victoria hockey team has been notified that it will have to play Ottawa for the Stanley Cup on Thursday and Friday of this week.

RECEIPTS WERE $5,200.

Ottawa, March 13.—The figures for the recent Stanley Cup games have been compiled. On Tuesday 2,332 saw the match, 3,119 on Thursday and 2,698 on Saturday. The total receipts were $5,200. Of this Day Bros., owners of the rink, get one-third; the remainder, after expenses are defrayed, is divided between the competing teams.

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THE "BIG FELLOWS" WHO WILL PLAY ON MAJOR LEAGUE TEAMS

Some Clubs Given a General Shakeup—Others Will Be Practically the Same.

With the professional ball players beginning to limber up in the South, the fans are looking forward to the pennant races of the American League and the National League with renewed interest. The American League race, according to many shrewd judges, will be even closer than last year, when the result of it was in doubt right up to the last day of the season. While the Bostons and the New Yorks have practically the same teams, with some points strengthened, that made the memorable race to the wire last year, the Chicagos, who looked like possible champions up to within two weeks of the end, must be regarded as factors, together with the mighty Clevelands and the well-managed Philadelphias. Not one of the guessers will place Detroit, St. Louis and Washington in the hunt, although in Detroit's case it may be said that the Michigan team seems to have been considerably strengthened.

The champion Bostons have a number of young fellows to try out, but when the championship season begins they will probably show the same lineup with the exception that Jesse Burkett will be seen in left field instead of Kip Selbach. Burkett will undoubtedly strengthen the world's champions in batting, base running and fielding, as he outclasses Selbach in all of these departments. While Collins has secured Grimshaw, the Buffalo first baseman, formerly with London, few experts believe that the Bison can displace George Lachance, the veteran of many seasons, who is a splendid fielder and a good stiff hitter, all things considered. The Boston pitchers will be the same, the veteran Cy Young, Dineen, Jesse Tannehill, Gibson, Winter and a couple of young bloods, Sessions and Olmsted. The catchers will be Louis Criger, the best backstop playing ball today; Charley Farrell, old and reliable, and two new men, Doran and McGovern. With Lachance on first, the same old stonewall infield, Parent, Ferris and Collins, with Unglaub, extra man, will take the diamond once more, while "Chick" Stahl will be the regular center fielder, Selbach and Freeman fighting it out for right field. There has been some talk about playing Freeman on first base for his hitting, thereby putting Selbach into right field permanently, but nothing definite has been decided upon as yet. In sizing up the Boston team, it may be said that it is not considered much if any stronger than last year, and that having won two pennants in succession it will be unusually difficult to win a third, as champion teams generally meet harder opposition everywhere than the others.

Strengthening the Highlanders.

Griffith has been trying to strengthen his New York team ever since last fall. He has succeeded in collecting what seems to be one of the greatest corps of pitchers that has ever represented one team on the diamond. Chesbro, the star of them all; Jack Powell, steady as a rock; Al Orth, brainy and skillful; Griffith, foxy and always ready; Clarkson, young and promising; Puttmann, a left hander with wonderful speed; Newton, another southpaw, who is already a star, and the young minor leaguers Hogg, Holycross, Starkell, Whitley and Metcalfe make up the bunch of boxmen who will serve 'em up hot for the batters this year. The catchers are three in number, veteran Jim McGuire, Jack Kleinow, a star already, and Duff, the Manhattan College boy. If John Ganzell does not come here, first base will be covered by either Chase, a California star, or Jack Anderson, the reliable. Jimmy Williams will again be the second baseman, with "Wid" Conroy on third and Kid Elberfield at short field. Joe Yeager will be the substitute infielder. Pat Dougherty will play left field again, with Dave Fultz or Anderson in center and Willie Keeler in right field. Griffith also has Jake Gettman, the Buffalo outfielder, on his staff, and may find a place for him.

Connie Mack, the shrewd manager of the Philadelphia Americans, will depend upon the same old combination, with his team strengthened beyond a doubt by the addition of the Holy Cross College battery, Coakley and Newman. Coakley has all the earmarks of a coming star in the box. He pitched some games for Mack's team last fall and created a most favorable impression. Newman, his catcher, was also tried out with the result that Mack thinks he has uncovered one of the best young backstops that has ever broken into the game. Hoffman, the outfielder, who was incapacitated last year because a ball struck him in the eye, will be on deck again and should be a big factor in the team's success. Harry Davis, Murphy, Lave Cross, Monte Cross, Topsy Hartzell, Ralph Seybold, Plank, Bender, Schreckengost and the only "Rube" Waddell will all be in harness again.

Jones an Able Leader.

Fielder Jones will be the manager of the Chicago Americans again, and he has already shown marked ability as a leader. The addition of George Davis last season strengthened this fast team at least 25 per cent, if not more. Davis jumped into the short field position and made the whole infield a winning combination. Isbell will cover first base again, with Dundon at second, Lee Tannehill at third and Donohue as extra man. Jones, Danny Green, Ducky Holmes and Jimmy Callahan are the outfielders, all of them fast men. The catchers are Sullivan and McFarland, with White, Altrock, Owen, Patterson, Smith, Dougherty and Fiene in the box.

The Clevelands will be managed by Napoleon Lajoie, the best ball player in America. Lajoie succeeds Armour, who will manage the Detroits this year. The big fellow will play second base, where he is without a peer in all-round play, while Stovall will play first base, Bradley third, and Turner shortstop. The outfield will be made up of Vinson, Bay and Flick. The team is strong in pitchers, with Bernhardt, Rhoades, Donohue, Moore, Hess, Joss and others, while there is no better catcher than Bemis.

The Detroits have a splendid lot of pitchers in Donovan, Mullen, Kitson and Killian, with several others. Hickman will play first base, with Schaefer, a new comer from Milwaukee, at second, Couglin at third and O'Leary shortstop. Crawford, Barrett and McIntyre make a fast outfield. Most of the catching will be done by Drill and Sullivan, who hails from St. Paul. Armour has been trying to secure Ganzel for first base, with the idea of shifting Hickman to second, and would also like to get Kittridge from Washington to help out behind the bat, but both deals are hanging fire.

Shake-Up for St. Louis.

Manager McAleer has given the St. Louis Americans a complete shaking up and will introduce a number of new faces this year. Burkett was traded to Boston for Stone, who will play left field, with Heidrick in center and Hynes in right. Kid Wallace, one of the star shortstops of the country, will play third base in future, while Smith, a new man, will try to fill his shoes at short field. McAleer has three second basemen, Dick Padden, Rockenfeld and Edmondson, with Moran and Harry Gleason as extra infielders. Jones will play first base again and is a first-class man. Jack O'Connor is expected to do the bulk of the catching, with Joe Sugden and Weaver to help him. The pitchers are Glade, a star; Pelty, Howell, Morgan, Sudhoff, Swan, Regan Stillman and Buchanan.

The Washington team, which was playing fast ball at the close of last season, will be managed by the former University of Illinois player, Jake Stahl, who will cover first base. Stahl is a big hitter and is also the youngest manager in the profession. Mullen will play second base, Hill third, Sassidy shortstop and Nill extra man. The outfield will be taken care of by Huelsman, Shaughnessy and Congalton. Clarke, Kittridge, Hayden and Knoli are the catchers, with Hughes, Wolfe, Townsend, Jacobsen and Patton in the box.

It is the concensus of opinion among baseball men that the New York Nationals will win their pennant again in easy style. They have by far the strongest team in the National League, they are expected to outclass all of the others, with Chicago and Pittsburg being the runners up again as last year, and unless there is trouble in the team McGraw has Matthewson and McGinnity to depend upon, and they are a team by themselves. Then Leon Ames is expected to show beter form than a year ago, when he was troubled with a lame arm until late in the campaign. Wiltse, the left hander, made good from the start, and can be counted upon as a factor, while "Dummy" Taylor, who was entitled to almost as much credit as Matthewson and McGinnity received for winning the pennant, will be on deck once more. Bowerman, Bresnahan and Marshall will do all the catching and McGraw says that popular Jack Warner will not be missed. While Sammy Strang, released by the Brooklyns, has been engaged as substitute infielder, Jack Dunn, who is wanted by the Providence club as a manager, may be retained if the other National League clubs do not waive claims. But the same old infield combination, McGann, Gilbert, Dahlen, and Devlin, will play regularly as of yore. The outfield will be made up of Mertes, Donlin and Browne, a trio hard to beat. Donlin is expected to lead the league in batting. McGraw has several other players in tow, including Graham, a fast outfielder from New England, who may turn out to be a surprise.

Chicago Team Unchanged.

The Chicagos, who finished second last year, are rated as about the same in playing strength, although Frank Selee will probably improve their team play considerably. The men are in California already, where a lot of young bloods will be tried out, but the chances are that the team will be made up with Kling and O'Neill behind the bat; Weimer, Wicker, Briggs, Brown and Lundgren in the box; Chance, Evers, Tinker and Casey in the infield, and McCarthy, Slagle and Barry in the outfield, with Williams and McChesney substitutes.

The Pittsburgs will be strengthened somewhat by the return of Fred Clarke to left field. Bransfield's place at first base will be filled by Clancy, a minor leaguer, while Ritchey, Hans Wagner and Leach will cover the other infield positions. Beaumont will be at center again, while right field will be filled by Clymer, formerly of Buffalo. The pitchers are the veterans Phillippe and Leever, with Robertaille and a raft of other young hustlers to be tried out. Smith and Peitz are the catchers.

Joe Kelly's Cincinnati team will prove no more formidable than in the past, according to the prophets. Kelly, Huggins, Corcoran and Steinfeldt will make up the infield, with Woodruff as extra man. Sebring is the best of the outfielders under contract, although Cy Seymour is a close second. Hahn and Harper are the mainstays in the box, with Phelps and Schlei the catchers.

The St. Louis Nationals, under Kid Nichols, have about the same kind of a team that represented the Mound City in 1904. Nichols, Taylor, McFarland, McGinley, Brown, Dunleavy, O'Neill, Eagan and Campbell are the pitchers, with Warner, Grady, Butler and Zearfoss to do the catching. The infielders are Beckley Farrell, Shay, Burke and Brain, with Smoot, Shannon, Clark and Hill in the outfield.

The Brooklyn Make-Up.

Ed Hanlon does not know at this writing what will be the final make-up of the Brooklyns. He will have Sheckard, Dobbs, Lumley, Batch, Flood, Dillon, Lewis, Jacklitsch, Bergen, Poole, Jones and others of last year's team to work with as a nucleus, together with a regiment of minor league talent from which he hopes to develop several stars.

The Boston Nationals will be managed by Fred Tenney, instead of Al. Buckenberger. Tenney will play first base, with Wolverton, formerly of Philadelphia, on third. Abbaticchio is the shortstop, with minor league players of doubtful caliber for other positions. Willis and Fraser are his best pitchers. The team looks to be the weakest in the league on paper.

The Philadelphias, under Hugh Duffy's management, have been strengthened some, but not enough to warrant a prediction that they will have a chance to get into the first division. Bransfield will cover first base, with Kid Gleason at second, Doolin, formerly of Jersey City, at short field and Kruger at third, with Courtney an extra infielder. Roy Thomas is the best infielder, with Dooin the leading catcher. Duffy has a fair pitching staff.

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BRITT WILL NOT MEET NELSON NOW

Champion Cuts Out the Battling Dane for Jabez White, of England.

San Francisco, Cal., March 13. — The Britt-Nelson fight, which, after the defeat of the Ralston anti-prize-fight bill, was regarded as all fixed for the latter part of April, was declared off late last night by Manager Coffroth, who has substituted Jabez White, the English champion, for the Battling Dane. This change was due entirely to the greed of Billy Nolan, Nelson's manager. Before the Corbett-Nelson fight Coffroth made an agreement with both Nelson and Britt that each man should put up a forfeit of $1,500 to fight in April for 55 per cent of the gate receipts. Since Nelson's victory over Corbett, Nolan has become restive over these arrangements and has declared that his man deserved a better percentage of the gate receipts. Last night he flatly declared he wouldn't agree to Nelson's appearing in the ring unless the Dane was assured 55 per cent of the gate receipts. He justified this by saying Coffroth had a secret arrangement to give this extra percentage to Britt. Coffroth became angry and declared the fight off. He had been in communication with Tom O'Rourke, of New York, and last night received a wire saying White accepted the terms and will be here on Thursday. The English champion will probably draw a larger crowd than Nelson, and the Dane may have the fun of meeting the victor.

THE TURF.

YESTERDAY'S WINNERS.

At New Orleans—Charles Fisher 9 to 2, Dixie Andrews 9 to 1, Ramland 4 to 5, Glengallant 20 to 1, Avenger 6 to 1, Montpelier 8 to 5, Presentiment 11 to 20.

THE LORNES WON FIVE TO FOUR

Waterloos Defeated in Game of the Second Series—A Clean Contest.

The series which has been in progress between the Lornes and the Waterloos for some time past and which was prolonged by a tie, was concluded last night, when at the Jubilee Rink the Lornes won by a score of 5 to 4. The game was one of the finest seen this season and, like the other games which these two teams have played, it was free from roughness and was a real hockey match.

There was a good crowd at the match last night, and enthusiasm was high at all times. The first goal was scored by Smith, of the Lornes, almost as soon as the puck had been thrown on the ice by the referee. The Waterloos went in strong and soon evened up matters, Towe shooting it past Pearson, after a clever rush down the center. In a few minutes more Towe repeated the trick and brought the score another notch up in the Waterloos' favor. The half was brought to a close by Balfour, of the Lornes, getting the puck out of a scrimmage and shooting it past Orr. Score 2 to 2.

The Lornes, in the second half, started off with the same rush that has counted so much for them in their games this season. In seven minutes they scored three goals, which brought the score up to 5 to 2 in their favor. The Waterloos had the best of the game for the rest of the half, but were unable to find the Lorne nets more than twice, although often they were close to them. There was splendid team playing on both sides, and on the whole the match was one which kept interest at the highest pitch. The games have all been fairly contested, and the Lornes deserved their victory. The line-up last night was as follows:

Lornes.		Waterloos.
Pearson	Goal	Orr
Carrothers	Point	Fleming
Knott	Cover	Spence
Smith	Rover	Towe
Balfour	Center	Canfield
Turner	Wing	Marshall
Kennedy	Wing	Nicholls

Referee—Harry Peel.

The Beavers hockey team of this city has written to the sporting editor of The Advertiser offering to post a side bet of $50 for a game of hockey in this city against Hensall, with whom they played and were defeated some time ago.

On Saturday evening the Queen's Own hockey team, winners of the Juvenile League, were entertained at dinner by Mr. Kent Macarthur, 485 Dundas street, and during the evening were presented with the MacRobert trophy.

GOTCH LEAVES A TRAIL OF VICTIMS AFTER TOUR

Buffalo, March 13.—Frank Gotch, the American champion wrestler, who is matched to meet Tom Jenkins, the ex-champion, at Madison Square Garden, tomorrow night, for the American title, has returned to Buffalo from the west, where he has completed successfully a series of engagements. After defating Jim Parr, a handicap, twice in an hour, in New York, about three weeks ago, Gotch has beaten Joe Grant, Charles Wittmer, Eddie Conley, Frank Burns and Eddie Carr.

Gotch says he is glad that he is again matched with Jenkins. "I am glad for this reason," said Gotch, "that ever since the Cleveland match, which was decisive enough, in my opinion, Jenkins and his friends have been pleading a lack of condition. Now he has shown in his defeat of Parr that he must be in astonishingly good form and there can be no excuse offered in case I win again. For myself, if I cannot defeat all aspirants for the title I hold I don't want to claim it."

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LONDON AND DISTRICT

—Capt. Joseph Wood, of Simcoe street, is seriously ill.

—Miss Elsie Little is the guest of Miss Ermatinger at St. Thomas.

—Mr. Thomas Fallis, of Guelph, has been appointed London agent for the Silver Creek brewery.

—The members of the railway commission passed through London from the east over the C. P. R. at 11:20 last night, on their way to Windsor. From Windsor they go to St. Thomas.

—Miss Adelaide Thurston, the accomplished actress, who appears as "Polly Primrose," in the play of that name at the Grand tonight, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Reid, of Central avenue. While returning from a trip to Europe last fall Miss Thurston and Mrs. Reid became acquainted on the steamer, and a warm friendship was formed.

BROKE HIS LEG.

While bringing in a load of wood, yesterday afternoon, Mr. Eli Griffiths, of this city, but who has been living at Byron this winter, had the misfortune to fall and break his leg.

MUTUAL LIFE REPORT.

In the annual report of the Mutual Life Assurance Company of Canada, which appeared in The Advertiser of March 11, the name of the local agent was omitted. This company is represented in London by C. E. German, general agent.

MAY PROVE FATAL.

Mrs. Freeman, an aged lady, slipped on the sidewalk on her way home from church on Sunday evening and sustained a fracture of the left hip. She was removed to St. Joseph's Hospital yesterday morning. Mrs. Freeman is about 60 years of age, and it is feared that the accident will have fatal consequences. Mrs. Freeman resides with Conductor A. G. Manley, at 408 Oxford street.

INTERESTING LECTURE.

A large audience attended the lecture given by Rev. James Livingstone in the Askin Street Methodist Church last night on the subject of "The Human Voice." The lecture, which was given under the patronage of the Epworth League, was most enjoyable, and at the close Mr. Livingstone was tendered a vote of thanks.

SALE OF FARM STOCK.

There was a large turnout at Mr. Alf Comfort's sale near Glanworth, yesterday afternoon. Cows were sold at an average price of $51 75 each. A span of 4-year-old colts were sold to Mr. George Johnston for $290. A 2-year-old colt sold for $100 50 and a yearling for $50. The sale amounted to over $1,100, and was conducted by Auctioneers Hunt and McGregor.

HICKS' FIGURING.

The 15th to the 17th of March will bring a marked storm period, culminating in low barometer, rising temperature and general storm conditions, ending in wide areas of rain and snow. Another high barometer and March cold wave may suddenly slip in from the northwest from about the 17th to the 19th, but it will give way as suddenly as it came, and the most general and violent storm conditions of the month will appear during the storm period immediately following.

IRISH SUPPER AND CONCERT.

The talent secured for the concert to be given at the First Congregational Church Thursday evening of this week, together with the reputation of the Ladies' Aid of the church for providing toothsome suppers, assures the success of the occasion. Rev. James Livingstone will preside at the concert, and Rev. Dr. Daniel will give an address. Mrs. Roblyn-McKillop, Miss Smith and Mr. Pink will sing, and Miss Gwen Anthistle will recite. A literary and musical treat is promised.

LITERARY SOCIETY MEETING.

A meeting of the First Congregational Church Literary Society was held last evening, with Mr. F. W. Robins presiding. In the absence of Mr. G. Donovan, the duties of secretary were undertaken by Mr. H. H. Phillips. All who were present thoroughly enjoyed the excellent programme rendered. Rev. D. S. Hamilton, the pastor, was appointed critic for the evening, and both he and the chairman had much praise for the various numbers on the programme. Those who took part were given a hearty vote of thanks at the close of the evening. The programme included the following: Vocal solos, by Miss Noble; paper on Tennyson, by Miss Marion Porteous; paper, by Mr. F. H. Chapman, dealing with Millet, the French artist

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR SPECIAL.

The local preceptory of the Knights Templar has decided to hold a special meeting on March 24 to confer degrees upon new members. The assembly will commence at 1:30 in the afternoon and continue during the evening, after which the annual banquet will be held, with the commander, Sir Knight S. M. Screaton, presiding. It is expected that about 20 novitiates will receive the degrees of the Order of the Temple on the occasion. The provincial prior of London district, Sir Knight J. Russell Stuart, of Stratford, will be present, and the knights of Burleigh Preceptory, St. Thomas, and St. Elmo Preceptory, Stratford, will take part in the work. Richard Coeur de Lion Preceptory is in a flourishing condition.

A NEW FEATURE FOR THE FAIR

Flower Bed Contest for Which $100 in Prizes Is To Be Given.

The interest in the plan to have a water lily pond and special flower beds at the Western Fair has been so general and the contributions thereto so generous, that the promoters are enabled to offer through the Western Fair board very substantial prizes of $40, $30, $20 and $10, to be known as "The Citizens' Prizes," for the best flower beds arranged around the Horticultural Hall at Queen's Park for the exhibition. Flowering and foliage plants may be grown in pots and placed in position the day before the fair opens. Park Commissioner Pearce will locate and have the beds under his supervision, and he or Secretary Nelles will be pleased to give all information as to entries, etc. There is to be no restriction as to who shall enter this contest, but no bed shall receive a prize unless considered worthy by the judges.

This flower-bed contest, in addition to the beautiful water-lily pond, will undoubtedly prove the most attractive horticultural feature yet seen at the Western, and will well illustrate the growth and improvement of flower culture in London and neighborhood. The judges appointed to award the prizes are Mr. George W. Rennie, head gardener at the Asylum, and three well-known amateurs—Messrs. C. J. Fox, W. H. Hamilton and E. J. Liddicoatt.

The subscription lists are in the hands of enthusiastic flower-lovers, whose home gardens are two of London's beauty spots, R. W. Bennet and John Paine, with whom this pleasing horticultural scheme originated, and there is not a doubt but that their efforts will result in a pronounced and beautiful success, and add another pleasing feature to the many at the Western Fair.

SMALLPOX IN ONTARIO

Marked Decline in the Number of Cases During Past Few Years.

For the past few years the decline in smallpox in Ontario has been most marked. Inasmuch as winter is the most favorable season for the spread of disease, a fair idea of the decrease is afforded by a comparison of the figures for the past five months with those of the same period a year ago. This refers to the number of cases which, of course, includes the deaths, but the disease in Ontario is generally of so mild a type that the percentage of deaths is very small:

	1904.	1903.
October	1	7
November	3	5
December	2	13
	1905.	1904.
January	10	103
February	5	41
Totals	21	169

Inasmuch as there are generally several cases not reported owing to the inaccessibility of patients either in the lumber woods or in unsettled parts of New Ontario, it would be well within the mark to say that the total number of cases in the Province during the winter was less than 50, and only one-quarter of last year's record, which was a reduction over the season of 1902-1903.

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LIMB OF LAW ARRESTED

County Constable Westcott, of Exeter, Admits Charge of Blackmail.

It was a case of the law vs. one of its limbs, when a county constable of Huron county, John T. Westcott, by name, was brought before Magistrate E. B. Smith in Ailsa Craig on Saturday and pleaded guilty to a charge of blackmail. Although now residing in Exeter, Westcott was formerly a constable in Middlesex county, and the charge was that he went to a farmer of McGillivray township, John Wilson by name, and threatened to prosecute him on the charge of having sold a diseased cow to a London township butcher. Wilson thereupon handed over a note of $52, which Westcott admitted having kept in his own pocket. The court remanded him to the county jail until Friday for sentence. High Constable McLoud says there are other charges against the prisoner, which he is investigating. It is alleged that Wilson went to the aforesaid butcher, threatened him also with exposure, and obtained $10.

Today over 135,000,000 speak English. It has displaced French as the language of diplomacy and is now making great headway as the universal language of trade. All North America, South Africa, Liberia, Australia.

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SHERLOCK HOLMES AT THE GRAND; SPLENDID VAUDEVILLE AT LONDON

Monday Night Performances at the Local Theaters Please the Patrons.

William Gillette's dramatization of one of Sir A. Conan Doyle's famous detective stories, under the title of "Sherlock Holmes," was presented at the Grand last night by Mr. Erroll Dunbar and company. When last seen here, Mr. Herbert Kelcey appeared as Holmes, and Miss Effie Shannon as Alice Faulkner. Consequently, out of deference to Mr. Dunbar and Miss Campbell, who played the part of Alice this time, no comparisons will be made. Judging Mr. Dunbar on his merits alone, it can be said that he carried out the role of the wonderful detective in a very capable manner. In the gas chamber scene he was probably not as clever as might have been expected, but on the whole his "Sherlock Holmes" is worthy of praise. In the very little she has to do in the part of Alice, Miss Campbell was fair.

To Mr. David Davies, who again appeared as Professor Moriarity, the King of Thieves, must again be given especial credit, for his conception of the role is thorough and his portrayal of the character of the cautious, desperate old scoundrel is carried out with a commendble finish and force. Mr. Davies was seen here with Mr. Kelcey, and he has not gone back anv. Mr. J. Hay Cossar made a satisfactory James Larabee, but Miss Marie Gibbart as Mrs. Larabee, was weak, especially in the last act. Mr. G. A. Coutts, as Sidney Prince, was a very talkative, but natural and entertaining burglar. As Dr. Watson, Mr. Geo. Hassall was painfully ill at ease on the stage, and only vigorous prompting from the wings kept him in line. He has, however, only been with the company a week. The stage settings were the same as those used by Mr Kelcey, and they were, of course, splendid.

At the London.

There are four acts at the London this week, each of which is a good show in itself. They are not ordinarily good vaudeville acts. They are simply splendid. And as a whole, it can be truthfully said that there is not a poor act on the bill. In fact, it appears as the weeks go by that Manager Bennett has determined to put on a show which is above criticism, for the improvement in the quality of the performances as the weeks go by is very noticeable.

A most artistic and unique act is that of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Darrow, the sand and smoke artists and shadowgraphers. This clever pair draw pictures on velvet with colored sand and on marble slabs by simply smoking them, and then tracing the subjects with the finger. The shadowgraphs are produced with the hands, the various shapes being shown on a canvas by means of a lantern. These pictures are not only wonderfully clever, but are highly humorous.

Another act of the "Big Four" is that of Charles Carlos and his trained dogs. Carlos is an acrobat of marvelous prowess, his daring deeds never having been equaled at the London since Bostock, the Russian, was here, and he supplements his feats of strength by the very cleverest dog show imaginable. It is true, indeed, that these canines do everything but talk.

"The Four Emeralds"—they were formerly known as the Sully family, and appeared here as such last year—again made a hit with the audience, a couple of clever boys assisting greatly in a highly-entertaining act.

Campbell, Dillon and Campbell give a musical act which is in a class by itself, and far excels anything heard at the London this season.

This makes up the "Big Four," but there are a number of other first-class attractions. These included Delune and Darrell in a singing, talking and dancing act; the three Jacksons, in a slack wire and boxing turn; Allen and Delorain, in a sketch, "A Wife's Victory," which is excellent; and the Kimball Bros., a newsboy trio, who sing very well.

This week, Prof. Stevens' orchestra renders a 17th of March medley overture, composed by the professor. It is a very creditable composition, and it was liberally applauded. There are also the usual illustrated songs and moving pictures this week, both of which are fair.

This is I. O. F. week, and every lady who purchases a 15-cent matinee ticket will be given a coupon. The lady securing the greatest number of coupons will be presented with a handsome set of dishes of 97 pieces.

Ben Hur.

Towering triumphantly as the most massive, and picturesque as well as the most impressive dramatic spectacle in the history of the world, "Ben Hur" will seek new honors at the Detroit Opera House the week of March 27. Never before in the history of Detroit amusements has an announcement of a theatrical production created such a sensation, for it means something new to the public to see a dramatic spectacle on the colossal scale of the present production. The scenic settings to be used are those which marked the World's Fair run in St. Louis the past summer and the engagement now being played at the big Chicago Auditorium. They were imported from the Drury Lane Theater, London, for this season's tour of the play.

If the American drama had done absolutely nothing worthy in its long career but this; had its fame to rest solely upon this one noble product of Messrs. Klaw & Erlanger, it has justified its existence, for in this at least, it has shown that the stage may be given over to uses wholly worthy, highly commendable and which cannot fail to exert the greatest possible blessing on mankind—that of bringing home with immense force and dignity, the eternal truth and verity of the birth into the world of Jesus, the Savior of Mankind.

To every man, no matter what his conditions, "Ben Hur" has its appeal. It appeals to the deep-grained, firm-rooted religious feeling in the human heart and brings back with great directness, the simple lessons and divine truths that every man born in a Christian land learned at his mother's knees.

ADELAIDE THURSTON IN "POLLY PRIMROSE."

Those who saw "Polly Primrose" last season found this play clean, pretty, fragrant, of sweet girlhood, saucy in spots, and altogether a lingering delight. It sounds like Miss Thurston herself, whom our theater-goers know as one of the most attractive and fascinating young stars on the stage. At the Grand tonight.

"HEARTS OF OAK."

Everyone who has witnessed any of the plays of James A. Herne will ever remember the charm of the children he introduces. Especially in "Hearts of Oak," and "Shore Acres" the children are really, living, natural beings. The author provides them with lines such as they really would utter, and allows them to lisp their words and express their feelings as they would in real life. "Hearts of Oak," with its trained company of artists, its children, its singers and its wealth of realistic scenic effects, is to be presented at the Grand tomorrow night.

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MAY FORM RELIEF FUND FOR CLERGY

Proposal To Be Considered at Synod Meeting—Mr. Ransford the Mover.

The Church of England laymen of the Diocese of Huron are greatly interested in a clergy relief fund, which has been instituted by Mr. John Ransford, of Clinton, under the patronage of the Bishop of Huron. The lay representatives to the synod are being asked to make collections for the fund, which is to provide relief for the needy clergy in the outlying missions. Few people in the larger cities realize what strenuous lives are led by many of the clergy, and how their lot is often one of real poverty, their parishioners not being in a position to give them adequate salaries. They often encounter the hardships of missionaries in foreign lands, and, a fact which is not well known by church members, there is no regular fund from which the synod can give relief to them. Most heartrending stories reach the ears of the executive regarding the needs of those clergy and their families.

Mr. Ransford's proposal will be brought up at the next meeting of the synod, and in the meantime Mr. Ransford, who is one of the most respected and influential of the churchmen of the diocese, has written to the lay delegates asking them to canvass for subscriptions. The aim is primarily to raise the sum of $1,000, and there is no doubt that all the churchmen of Huron will respond liberally The mover's suggestion is that the fund be placed in the charge of the bishop and three other trustees chosen from laymen.

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No Other Form of Memorial Would Meet With D. of E. Approval.

The Daughters of the Empire concluded the business of the annual meeting at an adjourned meeting in the Y. W. C. A. parlors yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Leonard, regent, was in the chair. Several designs for the proposed soldiers' monument were submitted .but no action followed. The form which the memorial is to take was discussed, and it was stated that the general impression is that the committee in charge of the funds which are being contributed was not yet agreed upon the matter. Several of those present, however, asserted that no other form of a memorial would be though of except that of a monument.

The four city chapters—Trafalgar, Wellington, Rudyard Kipling and Abigail Becker—submitted their reports for the past year, and they were very encouraging in character. The number of members in each and the interest taken have been, and are, increasing.

Careful drivers—Hueston's Liveries.

PLAN VAST SUBWAY LINES

All New York To Be Provided For and Moving Platform Feature.

New York, March 14.—New subways and elevated railroad extensions serving all boroughs except Richmond and calling for an expenditure of about $250,000,000 have been planned by the rapid transit commission's committee on contracts. For Manhattan the committee has laid down three routes from Harlem to the Battery on the East Side and one on the West Side. Four lines extending across the city are suggested, and in the Bronx several extensions to existing subway and elevated lines have been determined upon. The three East Side lines are presented as alternate routes, but the committee expects that it will not be many years before all three are built.

For Queens a subway running from Union Square under the East River to Jamaica is planned. Two subway systems are apportioned to Brooklyn. One will have its terminal at Fort Hamilton. Staten Island temporarily has been left out in the cold, but the cost of building a spur from Fort Hamilton under the Narrows will be relatively small.

The committee, which consists of Alexander E. Orr, Comptroller Grout and Charles Stewart, explained that it is not intended to construct all these lines at once. The committee has simply mapped out a comprehensive system of new traveling facilities intended to meet all requirements for many years.

The plans have been so drawn that each proposed route can be an independent line, thus admitting bidders outside of the existing railroad corporations. In fact, the committee has not provided for a junction with the interborough subway, such as has been asked for by the company at Forty-second street and Lexington avenue. A moving platform is recommended under Thirty-fourth street, where the Metropolitan Company asked for a subway.

If, as the committee expects, the competition to build and operate the new subways is keen it will be only a few years before all the routes are constructed. Mr. Orr said that it was expected that bidders in several instances would agree to build with their own capital, John W. Gates and others behind the Port Chester Railroad Company, have already offered to construct a subway under Third avenue from Harlem to the Battery at their own expense. This route is one of those suggested by the committee.

Contracts for Ideal Fencing.

A number of large contracts for railway fencing have been closed lately.

The McGregor-Banwell Fence Company, Limited, of Walkerville, Ont., manufacturers of Ideal Woven Wire Fencing, have secured contract for fencing the James Bay Railway 170 miles, Guelph and Goderich Railway 80 miles, Victoria Beach and Middleton Railway, N. S., 83 miles; Canadian Pacific Railway, Pheasant Hills Branch, N. W. T., 155 miles. In addition to this the C. P. R. have arranged with them for fencing required for maintenance purposes. All of this is for IDEAL FENCING, made with No. 9 hard steel wire for both stays and horizontals, as it has been found by the railway companies by practical tests that this style is best adapted for their purposes, being the best and most durable barrier against stock.

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