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Local Items

—All village taxes are now due and prompt payment at the store of A. M. Eaton is urged.

—Read the prizes offered to patron's of Athens Poultry Fair, Friday, Dec. 12.

Mrs Charles Leggett of Edmonton, accompanied by her three children, arrived last week for a visit at the home of her parents, Mr and Mrs E. Fair.

Mr E. A. Scott, Gananoque, has a Jersey calf one week old which only weighs twenty pounds. Those who have seen it claim that never before have they ever seen such a diminutive specimen in the cattle line.

Mr and Mrs Thomas Goodison announce the engagement of their daughter Carrie E. to Mr Leland G. Warren, son of Mr and Mrs Jacob Warren, of Junetown. The marriage will take place the latter part of December.

Several large orders have been received for "Choice Thoughts" Booklet, 20 in one order, 12 in another, etc. Don't fail to secure what you require but place your order now. Address A. M. Lee.

—Don't fail to attend the Women's Institute Entertainment on Thursday evening, Dec. 11th in the Town Hall. Mrs A. Fraser of Ottawa will present a fine programme of humor and pathos. By request, she will repeat "The Obstructive Hat in the Pit." Excellent music will be furnished by local artists.

The first trip from Brockville to Ottawa entirely over the line of the C. N. R. was made this week. An engine with one car attached left Brockville at 10 a. m., made the trip to Ottawa via Brockville Junction (96 miles) and brought back a donkey engine and grader, reaching Brockville at 5 p. m.

The annual Christmas entertainment of St. Paul's Presbyterian Sunday School will be held in the basement of the church on Wednesday evening, Dec. 17. The program will consist of choruses, recitations, dialogues, etc. Admission 15c. Everybody welcome.

The sink hole on the new C. N. R. line near Chaffey's Locks, which has given the Company much trouble for many months, notwithstanding extensive filling, is said to have collapsed again, which will again seriously delay the opening of the through freight traffic between Toronto and Ottawa.

Under the auspices of Athens Women's Institute, an entertainment will be given in the town hall, Athens, on the evening of Thursday, Dec. 11. Mrs A. Fraser, dramatic reader and reciter will contribute to the program, which will include both vocal and instrumental music. General admission, 25c; children, 15c.

Judge Bruneau has dissolved the marriage of Edgar Thompson and Maude Baker, of Montreal, both minors, because the consent of the husband's parents was not obtained, as the Quebec law demands. The couple eloped to Prescott, Ont., and were married, representing their ages as twenty-two.

That the market tolls should be abolished, and that Kingston's market should be absolutely free to the farmers, is the first step the Retail Merchants' Association will advise the City Council to take to make more harmonious the business relations between the city and the county.

All arrangements have been completed for the exhibition to be held on Friday next under the auspices of the Boy's Poultry Club. A store in the Dowsley block has been secured for the display and a fine exhibit of specimens of the leading breeds of fowls will be shown. Admission, 10c. Encourage the boys by attending.

Word has reached the Brockville Business this morning that eighty-five per cent of the candidates who wrote on the Civil Service examinations here in November were successful. Those who are now eligible for Government appointments are Wm. F. Christy, Victor Driver, Wallace Guild, Ross Kilborn, Everette Latimer, John M. Sweeney, Merrill C. Walker and George S. Bass.

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FUNERAL OF MRS. S. A. HITSMAN

The funeral of Mrs S. A. Hitsman (a reference to whose death was made in the Reporter, of last week) took place on Wednesday, Dec. 3rd, at her late home on Wiltse street.

The solemn service was conducted by the Rev David Alexander of Osgoode (Baptist), a former pastor, who preached a most impressive sermon, taking as his text John 14th chapter and a part of the 9th verse: "He that hath seen Me hath seen the Father." The Rev Geo. Edwards (Methodist) assisted in the conduct of the service.

At the conclusion of the service, the Rev Mr Alexander spoke briefly to the high school pupils who, with their teachers, attended in a body and were congregated on the lawn. The Rev gentleman strongly emphasized the importance of right living entered upon early in life.

The service closed. The high school pupils and teachers acted as an escort and headed the procession in its movement from the residence to the railway station, whence train was taken for the town of Russell in Russell county, where interment was made.

The floral tributes included the following:—

Wreath—Mrs John McKendry.
Spray—Miss M. McKendry.
Wreath—Husband.
Pillow—Third form senior (Mr Hitsman's form).
Spray—High School Staff.
Broken Circle—Pupils of Athens High School.
Spray—Teachers and pupils of Athens Public School.
Wreath—Members of High School Board.

Spray—Mr and Mrs R. N. Dowsley.
Spray—Mr and Mrs N. McCallum.
Other beautiful floral tributes were added at Russell.
The rich profusion of flowers gave silent evidence of the esteem in which the deceased was held.

The pall bearers were Geo. Robeson, Elmer Smith, T. S. Kendrick, M. E. Holmes, H. R. Knawton, R. N. Dowsley.

The late Mrs Hitsman, whose maiden name was Nancy E. McKendry, was married to her now sorrowing husband in 1892. Two children (boys) brightened their home for a brief space, one dying in 1895 and the other in 1902. Mr and Mrs Hitsman resided at Russell seven years, at Osgoode 4 years, at Vankleek Hill seven years, and this is the third year at Athens.

The community at large sympathizes with Mr Hitsman in this sad bereavement.—M.B.H.

LAYMENS MISSIONARY BANQUET

While meditating as to the best plan of increasing missionary effort on the part of his people, pastor Edwards, of the Methodist church, decided to hold a missionary banquet, at which all questions pertaining to missions could be discussed. Calling the faithful W. M. S. together he told them that if they would furnish refreshments they might have the proceeds of the evening. A bargain was made, two hundred tickets sold, and on Friday evening last over one hundred laymen of the Methodist and other churches assembled in the school room where a supper fit for a king awaited them.

After all were filled with the good things provided, Reeve Holmes took the chair, and introduced the program. H. C. Hilliard, K. C., of Morrisburg gave a very able and earnest address on "Thy will be done," showing that as it was God's will that none should perish, His professed followers should be anxious to give of their substance, making it possible, to ring the old gospel bell, even in the uttermost parts of the earth.

The next speaker, Rev A. E. Runnels of Wall street church, Brockville, delivered a very able address on "God's Program," giving to man the only perfect self propagating religion that would take him from a paradise lost to a paradise regained.

The next speaker, Judge Fisher of Pembroke, who happened to be in Athens for the evening, spoke feelingly of his boyhood days, the influences of the church and Sabbath school, and especially of the devoted mothers and fathers of this community, whose influences he could not forget.

The program which was interspersed with musical numbers, was much enjoyed by all, and the spirit of harmony and good will which was everywhere manifest seemed to prove that the united effort of Pastor Edwards and the W. M. S. would bear much fruit.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

LESSON XI.—DECEMBER 14, 1913.

The Sin of Achan.—Josh. 7:1-26.

Commentary.—I. The defeat at Ai (vs. 1-9). It was not known outside Achan's household that God's command respected the utter "devotion" of the inhabitants and goods of Jericho had been violated, but God noted Achan's sin, and there was no more victory for Israel until that sin had been searched out and punished. It was with a confidence born of success that the spies reported that a small army would be sufficient to take Ai, Israel's next point of attack. This city lay toward the interior of Canaan and was important as a centre from which Israel might continue the subjugation of the land. The base with which the men of Ai put to rout the three thousand armed men of Israel, sent against them, was an encouragement to the former, but it brought consternation to Israel, who could not understand why God's people should thus suffer defeat, when the promise had been given that they should possess the land.

II. Joshua's appeal to God (vs. 6-10). Joshua rent his clothes—The blow of Israel's defeat fell with almost crushing force upon Joshua. The rending of one's garment indicated deep grief. Fell to the earth upon his face. In token of the deepest humiliation. Before the ark of the Lord—The ark of the covenant was the symbol of the divine presence. The ark of the covenant contained the mercy seat. Here Joshua made his appeal to God. Elers—The chief men of Israel. Put dust upon their heads—This was a mode of expressing great sorrow. 7. Wherefore hast thou at all brought this people over Jordan—Joshua had not lost his faith in God, but he was in deep distress and could not understand the situation. The ungodly inhabitants of the mountains. Probably Ai belonged to the people. To destroy us—From human appearances the Israelites were likely to be destroyed. On the other side Jordan—At the time it seemed to Joshua that an abode on the east of Jordan with comparative peace was better than to undertake a campaign in Canaan in the face of powerful opposition. 8. What shall I say—Joshua could not understand why God's covenant people had turned "their backs before their enemies," and he could not explain the mysteries to those who were unfamiliar to his people. 9. Hear of it—The report of Israel's defeat would naturally give their enemies confidence. Envious men round—Surround us. Can any one name Joshua feared that Israel's enemies would make a combined attack and wholly destroy the nation. Their great name in the midst of his distress Joshua was jealous for the honor of Jehovah. He poured out his very soul in his appeal to God, and his cry reached the ears of Jehovah.

10. Get thee up, stand in the midst of the people, for the reason just mentioned Israel had suffered defeat at the hands of God's enemies. They were accused—The curse was upon Israel because of their sin. Except ye destroy the accused from among you if the people close to cover up the sin, they could not expect God's presence and help; but if they would remove the occasion of his displeasure, his former promise could be fulfilled. The guilty must be punished. 13. Up—There must be no delay. Sanctify the people—Joshua's first duty was to promulgate the order that the people prepare themselves to appear before the Lord. Sanctify yourselves. The people must wash themselves and their garments and complete all other observations necessary to their ceremonial purification. Against tomorrow—In preparation for the events of the following day. Accused thing—O Israel, Joshua was to make a public announcement of the sin already revealed to him, that there was sin in the camp. Then cast not stand before thine enemies—Israel's warriors were the same in number, skill and equipment before they moved against Ai as when they entered upon the conquest of Canaan, but the Lord ceased to fight for them when the "accused thing" came to their attention. According to your tribes. It is likely that representatives of all the tribes were to be brought before Joshua, that the Lord might declare the one in which was the transgression. The tribe which the Lord taketh. The word "taketh" is the word used for making decisions by the sacred lot. This mode of making choices is mentioned frequently in the scriptures (1 Sam. 14: 42; Jonah 1: 7; Acts 1: 21-26). One way of doing this was to place white pebbles with one black one in a sack and let the proper persons each draw out one. This mode of procedure recommends itself as a sort of appeal to the Almighty, free from all influence of passion or bias. Families of households—The man by name. The tribes were divided into great groups or families, and the families were made up of households. The guilty tribe, having been found, the sin was to be located in a family; and the households of the family in which the wrongs existed were to be examined.

14. The sifting process was to continue until the guilty persons were disengaged. 15. Shall be burnt with fire—The body was to be burnt after it became black with stoning. The Mosaic mode of execution was by stoning, and not by burning alive. He and all that he hath. The possessions of the people of Jericho were to be burnt, and as Achan had become accursed by his sin, he was to be burnt with all his possessions. Folly—An expressive term for sin. In the margin the word is "wickedness."

11. Achan's sin revealed and punished (vs. 16-26). Joshua faithfully followed the directions given him by the Lord

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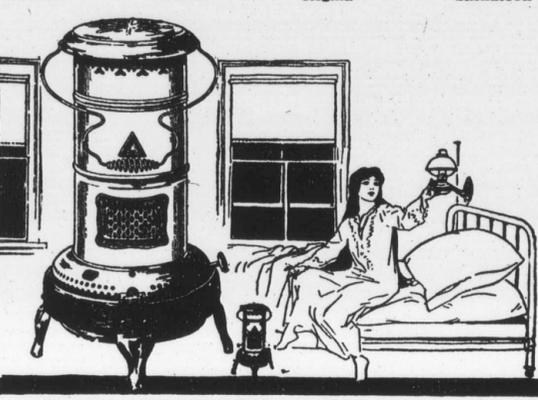


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and the sin was located in the tribe of Judah, in the family of the Zarahites and in the household of Zabbi, Achan being the guilty man. The name Achan means trouble, or troubler. His confession declared that the temptation was great, as he saw the wealth of Jericho, and he carried away and hid a costly garment and about four hundred dollars in value of gold and silver. The penalty was quickly executed. The narrative does not make it exactly clear whether the members of Achan's family were slain, but if they were, there is no doubt that they were associated with him in his sin. Thus the curse was removed from Israel and they conquered Ai. Thereafter they went forward victoriously.

Questions.—What was the second city which Israel attempted to conquer in Canaan? Give the circumstances of the attack. What was the cause of the defeat of Israel's army? Describe Joshua's feelings and his appeal to God. What did the Lord tell Joshua to do? Tell how the guilty person was located. What punishment was inflicted? How could the Israelites sanctify themselves? What success did the Israelites have in attacking Ai after the sin of Achan was discovered and punished?

PRACTICAL SURVEY.

Topic: Transgression in Israel.

I. Arrested the nation's progress.

II. Was openly detected and punished.

III. Arrested the nation's progress.

IV. Found themselves suddenly arrested in their career of conquest.

V. Evidence given suffered a humiliating defeat by the inhabitants of Ai, Joshua was driven almost to despair by that defeat, because it seemed to doom the army of Israel to feebleness and failure by the withdrawal of the presence and power of God. He lamented the dishonor which would be effected by the name of Jehovah when the God of Israel's defeat was known. Nothing had disturbed the ordinary routine of the camp until that reverse. Joshua had made no allowance for defeat. His confidence was fixed in the Divine promise and power. He gave himself no rest until he had to the root of the matter. The God of Israel was still in the sanctuary of his people, though an accused thing was in the camp. Notwithstanding its concealment, God saw Achan's sin and arranged a series of events by which, in the most impressive manner, there might be immediate detection and adequate punishment. The sin of Achan was more formidable than the sin of the man of the house of Israel. One man rebelled the unity, the success of Israel. If God had not intervened, Israel's history would be a record of defeat. They were again made to realize how entirely dependent they were upon divine aid. The sin of Achan was more formidable than the sin of the man of the house of Israel. The possession of his treasure was itself a trouble. He brought death upon the innocent countrymen. He brought the heaviest distress and humiliation upon Joshua and the whole congregation. The honor of God had been clearly manifest in the conquest of Jericho, and the destruction of the spoil to him was an acknowledgment of his supreme power. Later the specific condition of not appropriating the spoil, the victory had been granted.

VI. Was openly detected and punished.

VI. The sovereignty which God was asserting over the Canaanites could suffer no dishonor among his own people. God chose to give all Israel a salutary warning, as though Achan's sin was indicative of a spirit of insubordination or of selfish greed among the people, which would have utterly subverted the divine purpose, if it had not been sternly rebuked at the beginning. If Achan's trespass had been committed by Joshua and the elders, it would have been considered a national sin. The penalty was terrible, but the moral exigencies of the time demanded it. The divine discipline at sin was not a new lesson to Israel. The war against the idolatrous people of Palestine was not to degenerate into pillage. Achan's sin was committed immediately after all Israel had solemnly renewed their dedication to God in the ordinances of circumcision and the Passover. It was committed, though God had declared that the person who should be found guilty of such a sin would be accursed. The sin included disobedience, theft, deceit, ingratitude and impiety. The discovery of Achan's sin was made under divine direction. It was undertaken most solemnly as a religious act, with judicial calmness and religious reverence. The uneasiness which followed Achan's

transgression far outweighed any pleasure he could have derived from it. Under the stern discipline of the old covenant the guilty man perished with his unlawful prey. Achan was prepared to acknowledge the sin he had committed and to direct in the restoration of what he had stolen. His confession was as full as it was free. Joshua uttered no harsh words. He dealt with the criminal as with a son, with no extortion of a confession from unwilling lips. Not until the wedge of gold, the silver and the garment were brought and solemnly laid before the Lord's sin, was judgment pronounced. No swift a retribution would act as a warning to the Israelites. The real enemy of God's people was inner corruption, and that God determined to arrest.

T. R. A.



CARE OF THE ORCHARD.

An orchard properly kept will be productive of probably greater returns than the same money and labor expended in any other branch of farming.

Tillage can be overdone as well as neglected. Possible errors are in too frequent tillage and carrying it too late into the season.

The largest and best grown of the trees should be made during the forepart of the season. When cultivation is continued until late in the season, and at frequent intervals, as in the spring, the trees will not have ripened their wood or had sufficient time to prepare themselves for living through severe winters.

It is as important that we check the results of tillage, therefore, at this time of the year, as it was to utilize it in the spring.

In order to prevent the soil from washing, to mulch the ground and hence protect the roots in winter, to check excessive growth, to mature the wood, and, when plowed under, to give plant food and humus to the soil, a cover crop should be sown in the orchard. This should be done at the last cultivation, which is usually at the maximum growth near midsummer.

There are two kinds of cover crops. The one has the power of securing nitrogen from the air, and is known as a leguminous crop; and the other is not capable of doing so.

To the leguminous crops belong beans, peas, clovers and vetches. To the cover crop that is unable to obtain nitrogen from the air belong cereals or grains, such as oats, rye, corn, buckwheat, etc.

While from a standpoint of plant food cereals are not so valuable, they do hold the snow in winter, and by rotting on the ground, or plowed under, they improve the physical condition of the soil. An excess of nitrogen in an orchard has a tendency to produce growth rather than fruitfulness, and therefore is considered detrimental. A young orchard, however, require plenty of growth, and therefore a leguminous crop is most valuable.

To renovate an old orchard the soil should be broken up in the spring, and then, after being well prepared, should be planted to dwarf peas or bush beans, in rows. This will permit frequent cultivation, and the pods pay well for the labor spent. After the crop is gathered the vines should be plowed under and the land sown to some other crop. This same treatment should be repeated annually until the orchard is in good condition.

To intelligently feed fruit trees, it should be ascertained what the soil is capable of doing for them. A soil may be deficient in potash, or in phosphoric acid, or in nitrogen. If the trees are making quick growth, and the foliage has a deep green color, and the wood matures, it is evidence that nothing further need be done. But if there is a sluggish growth, and the foliage turns yellowish, the trees are not receiving sufficient food. In case the soil is not mellow and friable, it should be made so. A lumpy, coarse soil can be improved by growing some cover crop, as cowpeas, or rye, or by the use of barnyard manures, which should be plowed under in spring.

While working about the trees in spring a few handfuls of ground bone and wood ashes spread about the roots and worked in with a hand implement will be found beneficial.

It frequently happens that orchards, upon reaching bearing age, are growing

too fast, showing little inclination to fruit. This is largely caused by the presence of too much nitrogen. To remedy this condition, the orchard should either not be cultivated for a season, or, if cultivated, a non-nitrogenous cover crop should be sown, and fertilizer applied that contain only potash and phosphoric acid. When the trees begin to bear, these latter ingredients are heavily drawn on.

For bearing orchards, commercial fertilizers are frequently used. In rich soils the results of their use is quite marked, but for young trees a comparatively poor soil, commercial fertilizers are not as valuable as good barnyard manure. An excess of nitrogen is to be avoided, as it has the tendency of growing wood rather than fruit. The potash and one-half the phosphoric acid may be applied in the fall, but the remainder should be applied in spring. It is generally conceded that potash is the most important constituent, as fruits withdraw much larger quantities of it than they do of nitrogen or phosphoric acid.

FARM NEWS AND VIEWS.

Like all other animal manures, that from the fowl varies in richness according to the food it eats. The average manure of a well-fed fowl contains of moisture 75.3 per cent; organic matter, 18.1 per cent; mineral matter, 6.2 per cent. As fowls' manure is invariably more useful when dried, an analysis of a lot which had been lying in a heap to dry before using gave the following result: Nitrogen, 13.4 per cent; equivalent to ammonia, 16.3 per cent; equivalent to calcium phosphate, 6.7 per cent. It is evident, therefore, that fowls' manure contains a high proportion of nitrogenous matter, but a smaller quantity of phosphates than is found in guano. The latter generally contains about 10 per cent. of phosphates and yields from 6 to 8 per cent ammonia.

Bad flavors in butter are often caused by feeding. The wild onion or garlic in the pastures will do it, as everybody knows, and so will musty fodder, spoiled ensilage and other similarly damaged foods. Turnips, potatoes and roots, if fed before or during milking will also be apt to produce the flavor. The danger from this kind of food can easily be obviated by feeding after milking.

The average value of small fruits will approximate \$82 per acre; vegetables, \$42 per acre; tree fruits, \$84, or a general average of \$64 per acre, while of other farm crops the general average is less than \$20 per acre.

The age to wean pigs is six to twelve weeks. If the sows are to be re-bred at once, the pigs should be weaned at eight or nine weeks of age. If one litter per year only be planned, the pigs may be allowed to run with the sows until twelve or fourteen weeks of age.

FOREST RESERVES

New Regulations For Live Stock Grazing.

In case of many applications for grazing Forest Reserves, which recently went into force, make full provision for the grazing of live stock on such reserves as frequently contain considerable areas of grass-land. The method to be followed is similar to that in successful operation on the national forests in the United States. The number and kind of stock to be allotted into each reserve is determined each year by the Director of Forestry according to the capacity of the reserve.

The new regulations for Dominion live rights on any one reserve, the number of stock which any one person is entitled to pasture is fixed by a "grazing unit" based on the number of stock which can be carried during the winter by a homestead or small ranch, the object being to give settlers without large grazing areas of their own the same facilities as those which have such areas. But, where there is danger of over-grazing, the number of stock grazed by any one person on a reserve may considerably exceed this "grazing unit."

Application for grazing permits must be made in the form of a written application to the director or local forest officer before the first of March. Small resident farmers who are dependent on the forest reserve for range for their stock receive first consideration. The Director of Forestry fixes the dues for grazing per acre on each reserve, but the minimum dues for cattle or horses are to be five cents per head per month, and the maximum dues are to be ten cents per head per month. The rate of dues charged for sheep is to be one-fourth that charged for cattle.

Previous to these regulations, only a few reserves in the Dominion were permitted to graze cattle, not to exceed fifty head on these reserves, and very little grazing was done. But these new regulations permit the grazing of a much larger number of stock owners, and also make available to the Dominion forest a new source of revenue second only to that derived from the management of the timber on these reserves.

GNAWED BY RATS

Gruesome Discovery In Toronto Home.

Toronto dispatch: Her body apparently chewed up by rats, so that it was almost unrecognizable, Mrs. Andrews, widow of Captain Andrews, the blind life-saver, was found this morning on the kitchen floor at her home at 145 Blesker Street. The woman had not been seen for weeks, and the police were asked to investigate. A door was forced and the woman found dead. Mail dated Nov. 14 was found at the front door and never opened, showing that the woman had been dead at least four weeks. This morning, Walter Booth was found dead in the kitchen at 56 Robinson Street, with the gas stove turned on full. He had visited friends there, and as they had no other place they gave him a lounge to sleep on in the kitchen. They found him dead this morning.

A scientist has advanced the theory that the older a man grows the smaller his brain becomes. This may explain why an eighteen-year-old boy knows more than his father.—Dayton Journal.

MARKET REPORTS

TORONTO MARKETS

LIVE STOCK.

UNION STOCK YARDS.

Receipts were liberal especially of cattle and sheep. 180 cars, 2,205 cattle, 1,712 hogs, 2,466 sheep and lambs, 300 calves. CATTLE—The quality of fat cattle was better than last week and prices were from 15c to 25c per cwt., higher for the good grades. Choice Butchers' steers ... \$3.00 to \$3.25 Medium Butchers' steers ... 2.75 to 3.00 Common Butchers' steers ... 2.50 to 2.75 Choice Butchers' heifers ... 2.75 to 3.00 Medium Butchers' heifers ... 2.50 to 2.75 Common Butchers' heifers ... 2.25 to 2.50 Choice cows ... 2.00 to 2.25 Common cows ... 1.75 to 2.00 Canners ... 1.50 to 1.75 Bulls ... 1.25 to 1.50

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FARMERS' MARKET.

Dressed hogs, heavy ... 10.25 11.00 Do., light ... 11.00 12.25 Butter, dairy, lb. ... 0.30 0.32 Eggs, dozen ... 0.45 0.65 Cans, lb. ... 0.18 0.20 Fowl, lb. ... 0.13 0.14 Ducks, lb. ... 0.16 0.17 Turkeys, lb. ... 0.22 0.24 Geese, lb. ... 0.15 0.16 Apples, lb. ... 2.30 4.00 Potatoes, bag ... 1.00 1.10 Beef, forequarters, cwt. ... 9.75 10.50 Do., hindquarters, cwt. ... 12.50 14.50 Do., choice sides, cwt. ... 1.50 12.00 Do., medium, cwt. ... 10.00 11.25 Do., common, cwt. ... 9.00 10.50 Mutton, light, cwt. ... 9.00 11.00 Veal, common, cwt. ... 11.50 12.00 Do., prime, cwt. ... 13.00 14.00 Lamb, cwt. ... 14.50 15.50

SUGAR MARKET.

Sugars are quoted in Toronto, in bags, per cwt., as follows:

Extra granulated, St. Lawrence ... \$4.50 Do., do., Redpath's ... 4.50 Do., do., Acadia ... 4.45

OTHER MARKETS.

WINNIPEG GRAIN OPTIONS.

Wheat—Open, High, Low, Close. Dec. ... 0.83 0.94 0.83 0.84

May ... 0.88 0.89 0.88 0.89

July ... 0.93 0.90 0.90 0.90

DULUTH GRAIN MARKET.

Duluth, Close. Wheat, No. 1 hard, 87 3/8c; No. 1 northern, 86 3/8c; No. 2 hard, 84 3/4c to 84 7/8c; Montana, No. 2 hard, 85 7/8c; Dec., 84 5/8c; May, 88 3/8c.

MINNEAPOLIS GRAIN MARKET.

Minneapolis, Close. Wheat, Dec., 84c; May, 87 3/4c to 87 7/8c; No. 1 hard, 87 3/8c; No. 1 northern, 85 3/8c to 86 7/8c; No. 2 do., 83 3/8c to 84 7/8c; No. 3 wheat, 81 3/8c to 82 7/8c.

LONDON WOOL SALES.

London. The wool auction sales were continued today, with offerings of 10,856 bales. Good merinos continued firm, with the continent firm buyers, but the other grades were irregular and easier to obtain at the opening level.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago receipts 6,000. Market steady. Cattle, receipts 3,000. Market steady. Hogs, receipts 5,000. Market steady.

BUFFALO LIVE STOCK.

East Buffalo dispatch: Cattle receipts 3,300; steady; prices unchanged. Veal receipts, 100; active and steady. \$6 to \$12.

LIVERPOOL PRODUCE.

A Liverpool cable, closing. Wheat cargo, No. 1 Manitoba, 75 1/4d, No. 2 Manitoba, 75.

Futures, firm, Dec., 65 1/8c; March, 75 1/2d, May, 75 1/8d.

Corn, spot firm; American mixed, 64 1/2d.

Futures, Liverpool, steady. Dec., 4 1/2d; Jan., 4 1/2d; Feb., 4 1/2d.

Flour, winter patents, 28s 9d.

Hope in London (Pacific Coast), 6 1/2c to 6 1/2c.

Beef, extra India, mess, 122s 6d.

Pork, prime mess, western, 110s.

Hams, short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., 65s 4d.

Bacon, Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs., 65s.

Short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs., 77c.

CT&F hollies, 14 to 16 lbs., 71c.

Long clear middles, light, 28 to 31 lbs., 76c.

Long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs., 75s 6d.

Short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs., 72c.

Shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs., 62c. Lard, prime western, in tierces, 62s. American refined, 57c. Cheese, Canadian, finest white, 65s Colored, 60s. Tallow, prime city, 33s 3d. Australian, in London, 34s 3d. Turpentine, spirits, 32s. Resin, comm., 9s 6d. Petroleum, refined, 93s 8d. Lined oil, 25s 9d. Cotton seed oil, hull refined, spot, 31s 3d.

MONTREAL LIVE STOCK.

Cattle, receipts, about 1,200, milk cows and springers 46, calves 150, sheep and lambs 30, hogs 1,250.

Trade was good, with higher prices for hogs and good cattle. There were no really prime heaves on the market today, but some were sold yesterday, at about 8 cents per pound.

Pretty good animals sold to-day at 5-4 to 7-1-2, common 3-4 to 5-1-2, canners 3-4 to 5-1-2, small bulls 3-4 to 4-1-2, small stockers 4 to 5.

Cows, \$40 to \$80, one springer held for \$100.

Calves 4 to 7. Sheep, 5 cents. Lambs, 7-1-2.

Hogs, 9-4 to 10 cents. Five carloads of bulls and stockers have been shipped this week to the United States, and about a dozen carloads to Toronto.

THE POULTRY WORLD

BREEDING FOR UTILITY AND SHOW.

In other countries the line between the fancier and so-called utility breeder is sharply drawn. Until within a short time the utility breeders in this country drew the lines sharply, under the impression that the fancier bred for feathers alone, leaving the utility value in the background. To a great extent this was true some years ago. Some of the breeders of fancy fowls, in their craze for the blue-ribbon bird, ignored the utility end; but of late years the leading breeders have worked with both in view, and the many strains now being raised show marked improvement in egg production, as well as fine feathers.

The much-mooted question regarding the laying type has been exploded by those who are steady users of the trap nest, and after 17 years' trap nesting it can be stated that some of the best colored and standard in type have made as good records in 365 days as those that some claim are the egg type; and that some claim are the egg type, and been a very poor layer. Such being the case, where the two extremes do not live up to the claims made for them, it shows there is no good reason why a fowl coated with fine feathers, with a good shape, should not lay as many eggs in 365 days as her sister with poor feathering and a long, deep keel shape, as called for by those who profess to know the egg type. That a tail carried at 50 degrees makes a better layer than one carried at 45 degrees is all myth.

Days' laying strains were in the start produced like some of the fancier strains. Fowls were selected, regardless of shape, because they had made a good egg record, and being of good body the same shape characteristic was bred and bred until, naturally, the majority of birds were of length of body and, as in almost all heavy layers, after they have made a record, depth of keel. The same can be said of the fancies in the past. Birds of fine type and color were selected regardless of their egg production, with the result of fine-looking fowls, but poor producers. With the utility breeder who has an eye for the fancy—nothing but good egg producers were bred, regardless of type, color or other points, and if he be a commercial poultry raiser with nothing to serve but the egg basket, all well and good, for it is easier to breed one characteristic into the fowl, than two or three.

All that does not prove that the two can be combined. The birds. Many breeders to-day select more carefully. They choose fowls that measure up to both egg production and standard requirements. By discarding for future breeders all those that do not measure up to their standard in both utility and fancy, they have bred not only the one characteristic, but the two. It means a harder fight, but they are succeeding, and a strain of fowls so produced is a higher grade, and a bigger investment, with more profit to the owner, than the flock bred for one thing alone. The Standard of perfection, by which fowls are judged at the leading shows in the United States and Canada, has never neglected utility, as can be seen by glancing at the shape of the different varieties of fowls. That some breeders have gone to extremes is not disputed. For instance, the Wyandottes. Some breeders have shortened the body to such an extent that the egg-laying qualities are impaired. The majority have stuck to the Standard, which calls for a hall of pretty stock on two legs. In all other levels, there is a plenty of body, with a slight difference in shape, but nothing to harm egg production if it is bred for.

Under trap nests in the great Leghorn section of the East high-tailed fowls lay as well as low. The majority of the tails are high, because little attempt is made to breed anything but just a Leghorn. The small bird is producing as many eggs as the larger fowl. It is all in the breeding. Perhaps the layer can be told by some sign in the future other than the trap nest. But at the present time the only sure way to tell the layer and low layer egg-producer in a year is by the use of the trap nest. Systems of all laying fowls, but no system ever told how many. And from now on the utility breeder can afford to lay claim to having the only utility values in the yards, for the breeder of standard fowls, working along the lines of egg production, shape and feathers, can justly lay claim to having produced the highest art in poultry breeding.

When we have more breeders using trap nests and building up good laying strains in this country, then our broths across the pond will not carry each year the prize at the laying competitions. For years English poultry breeders have worked along this line in a careful manner and with good results. After all, the egg is the foundation of profitable poultry. Birds that are not good producers are a loss. Great laying strains can never be made by the hit or miss system. One must know the hen that laid the egg and how many.

WOODED UNDER FIRE

It is no longer a question of delay—the time has come when they must act. As it has already been arranged that Sam is to take the initiative, he gives his friend a tap with his foot that means business, and Dudley McLane is quick to respond.

Two human figures suddenly sit upright, and flash revolvers in the faces of the dark-featured men that would leap upon them.

Such an unexpected apparition naturally arouses something like consternation in the breasts of the Italians—they start back with various exclamations indicative of surprise. At the same time, they are not the kind that give up an object that is almost in hand, because some obstacle bars the way.

The exclamations give place to louder cries that indicate rage, and a voice from some unseen person in the dark recesses of the hall, shouts:

"Death to the Americans! The knife! the knife!"

McLane is proud to be classed with Sam Buxton as an inferior on the latter would never be ashamed to be taken for a Canadian, since those cousins across the border have a reputation for bravery excelled by none.

This loose-ey cry seems to arouse the Italian bandits to action. They rush forward and seek to close with those they have been ordered to destroy. It is one thing to plan such action and another to carry it out, for the parties most interested have to be consulted.

Since there can no longer be any doubt about the intention of the fellows, Baron Sam does not hesitate to open fire. He aims to wound rather than to kill, not because he believes such rascals do not merit death, but simply on account of certain scruples of his own. Besides, it is sometimes better to wound than to slay—dead men cannot shriek and get in the way of the living—they cannot do augur to demoralize an attack.

Nor is McLane at all backward about following the well set example of his comrade. He has picked out his men, and begins to blaze away at them as soon as possible.

During a brief lull in the firing our friends hear that which startles them—they catch sounds beyond the door—the shriek of a terrified woman, followed by a sharp report, as of a small pistol.

Sam Buxton has no difficulty in guessing what all this means—he remembers that Aileen confessed she was armed, and would not hesitate to use her little revolver in case of necessity. That time seems to have arrived—undoubtedly while the attack was being made upon our friends in the great hall of the castle, others of the bandits, perhaps under the lead of the man Sam had vanquished in the duel under the walls of the Hospice St. Bernard, had crept around and managed to gain the interior of the sleeping chamber by means of a window or some other entrance.

This is an emergency that calls for immediate action, and fortunate indeed does it happen that these comrades true are built upon a model that is not dismayed by anything.

Sam chances to be farther away from the door than his companion. He turns

like a flash, intending to hurl his whole weight against the door, which, it is strong, may nevertheless give way before such an earnest attack.

He finds himself forestalled, because it happens that Dudley has ideas of his own in this direction.

When Sam Buxton turns he sees a towering Canadian catapult rushing at the barrier—a mighty power under motion, which must crush whatever stands in the way—a trained athlete, who knows how to utilize every ounce of strength in that magnificent frame of his, and means to beat that door to splinters if he cannot otherwise force a passage through—this is the picture the American sees as he turns and leaps in the same quarter, and filled with intense enthusiasm, he shouts, even as he springs forward a pace:

"Canada to the fore! Strike it hard! Now!"

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As Baron Sam utters the last word, the Canadian athlete reaches the door. With his whole strength he has raised his body in mid-air and made a last tremendous leap, clearing a couple of yards, and landing against the barrier with both feet, a trick learned in the Montreal gymnasium, with no idea probably that it would be used under such peculiar circumstances as these.

A man thus trained can exert tremendous force, as he succeeds in utilizing the immense power that lies in the hips and thighs, and Sam Buxton, who has seen his athletic comrade do many wonderful things in the past, has perfect confidence in his ability to destroy the barrier that confronts him.

Nor is this feeling misplaced, for when Dudley alights upon the door it is with a tremendous crash, the structure giving way before him.

Door and athlete go down in a mass of dust and broken boards, but the Canadian athlete does not appear to have received serious injury. He is on his feet almost immediately, and evidently ready to follow up his first attack, and carry the war into Africa.

Sam is at his side—these comrades true have on more than one occasion stood back to back and fought a bitter foe. They rushed into the room together, eager to discover the cause of Miss Dorothy's scream and the sudden pistol shot.

No light illumines the apartment, and unable to see where he is going, Sam stumbles over the body of a man lying on the floor—stumbles, and falls headlong.

There is such a thing as providential interposition. Even as Sam Buxton rolls over the sharp report of a fire-arm is heard, and a little spiteful chunk of lead cuts the space so recently occupied by his figure; had he remained erect he must certainly have received the benefit of it.

Dudley chances to be staring in the direction whence this shot comes at the very moment it is fired, and he sees something that amazes him. There stands the trig figure of the California heiress, holding out her arm—it is from the weapon she grasps the discharge has come. Back of her comes another figure, that of Miss Dorothy.

Fortunately the Canadian instantly grasps the situation, and calls out in time to prevent the independent young woman from firing another shot, that might effectually dispose of a certain individual of the McLane family.

"Are you hurt, Sam?" he demands, groping about for his prostrate comrade.

Before he can receive a reply, the Italians are at the door, swarming to get in, and Dudley knows he must pay attention to this quarter, or they will be speedily overwhelmed. He whirls around and rushes at them with something of the same force that characterized his assault at the door. They do not realize his intention until he is upon them. Then such a screaming and scuffling ensues, during which the silent Canadian gets in his work. He smashes a cudgel from the hand of the first man through the doorway, and immediately tests the virtue of the weapon on the fellow's cranium with such telling effect that the number of their assaults is immediately diminished by one.

This is only a beginning, for the Canadian starts in to beat a lively tattoo upon the hazzard, who endeavor to force a passage through the door. He has them at his mercy, for they are overcome by sheer force of numbers, being so crowded in the doorway that hardly an arm can be raised to make a vicious thrust with a stiletto in the direction of the fellow's cranium with such telling effect that the number of their assaults is immediately diminished by one.

Meanwhile Sam Buxton has staggered to his feet. He has struck the floor with a concussion that is enough to drive the breath temporarily from his body, and naturally dazes him.

A hand touches his arm, seizes him, a hand that has more power to still resistance on his part than the muscle of a man of steel. How the touch thrills him—a voice sounds close to his ear, a voice that might bring him back from the border-land of death, he believes.

"Baron Sam—oh, tell me, did I wound you? Heaven forgive me, I thought it was some of the count's miserable followers. Speak, I beg!" she cries.

He does not answer, for as yet he has not had quite enough time to recover his wits. The perfumed breath is now close at his ear and a soft hand feels his face gently, as if searching for evidence of a wound.

"Why don't you speak—I am almost frantic with this awful suspense! You saved my life—oh, have I basely repaid that debt by taking yours? Baron Sam, I beg of you to answer me—are you badly wounded?"

He clasps the hand that clutches his arm, and kisses the one that in the darkness wanders across his mouth.

"Bless you, Miss Aileen, I am not hurt at all. I fell over something just about the time you fired. My lucky star is in the ascendant still. But if you are safe, I must go to Dudley's assistance."

With which remark he flies to the door and throws his weight upon the pack. This is the last straw upon the camel's back, and the Italians, dismay-

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ed by the wonderful showing made by the two men, break and run.

Of course they will not go far, but it is enough for the present to know that the coast is clear. They can, in a measure, plan for the future.

Grouped together in the dark chamber, with only a stream of light flowing through the open doorway, they consult as to the best possible thing to be done under the circumstances.

Rapidly Aileen tells him, warned by Sam, she remained awake even after Miss Dorothy had thrown herself, fully dressed upon the bed, and was deep in slumber—of the fear that assailed her when the awful clamor arose in the great hall—how she realized that some one was entering the room by means of a secret door, and as a light was struck

she saw the count, preceded by a huge ruffian, at whose she instantly fired, bringing about darkness and an immediate retreat on the part of Tivoli, who hardly cared to follow his minion to the floor.

All this she tells in a breath, and Sam can understand the brave spirit that has been in her. He knows she is not to be a new enemy bursting into the apartment, after perhaps murdering those who slept beyond the door in the capacity of watch-dogs; nor does he hesitate to declare his admiration for the unflinching courage that sustained her up to the moment when she believed she must have shot the man to whom she owed so much.

What shall he do?

They have repulsed the first attack of the enemy, but it is not to be presumed that the others will stop there. Such men, having entered a game, go on to the end, and the notorious Fra Diavolo has a reputation for pertinacity that has carried him through many a trying adventure.

Escape from the castle is now their desire. The ladies are even more urgent than their male protectors in advising this course, although Miss Dorothy declares that this must be an insurance on the part of the dear prince's subjects—she will not believe anything against Prince Rubini, though half-convinced that the count is a rascal.

Sam Buxton, being a man of action, sets to work in order to effect their escape from this den. He keeps in mind several things, and among others the fact that when the count and his men entered the apartment it was through some other door than that connecting with the great dining-hall, and which Dudley so effectually demolished.

He makes an especial point to discover where this same door is situated. Aileen can give him a few points toward this end—Aileen, who saw the light and the men coming into the chamber from what appeared to be a narrow passage.

In a moment Sam is in that corner, busily engaged in searching. He has high hopes of success, for, considering the haste with which Count Tivoli made his departure, it is hardly probable that he took time to close the secret door after him.

Baron Sam's idea is a true one, as he soon discovers, to his gratification. His hand comes in contact with an object that moves, and with an exclamation of delight, he realizes his good luck.

This is the secret door—what has been of course problematical, but it has already been desirable to move alone, rather than wait where they are until daylight.

Sam gives the signal that brings the others to his side, and they condescend to move forward. A light would be a blessing, but, unfortunately, they have no lantern. As an old traveller, Sam generally carries some pieces of candle in his satchel; if he can only get hold of this.

He remembers where he placed it in the other room, together with the small luggage belonging to all, which was carried up from the train. An idea flashes into his brain—Sam is afflicted that way, and is always having sudden inspirations.

"Wait for me here a few minutes," he says, and although the others do not wholly understand the object of the delay, they guess that it has something to do with their comfort, so they stand at the entrance of the passage and wait.

The American moves across the apartment—he heads toward the broken door, with the hall beyond. Does he mean to rush out and secure the personal baggage which is valuable to them? Such a proceeding may cost what is worth much more to the little party of tourists—even Sam's life.

The lamp which served them so well before now gives its favors to the little band. If Sam ventures into the hall it

light will reveal his presence to the Italians—they are here, there and everywhere, some nursing their wounds, other in groups, talking and eagerly gestulating, as though figuring on the best possible way in which they can be rid of the men who have already done such serious work among them.

To rush among them, with that light betraying his identity, is to invite death, since these fellows are not in a mood to be trifled with. Sam is well aware of this fact, and although under certain circumstances he would not hesitate to do this same thing, he sees no necessity for it now.

In his hand he holds something—it is a revolver, and two shots remain out of the six that originally filled the chambers.

What does he intend doing with this? It is the lamp that is his worst enemy at present, and surely Sam cannot engage in a duel with an inanimate object like that?

Nevertheless it is toward the lamp that he now bends his attention. He raises his arm and aims his weapon directly at the source of the illumination, just as though he intended to vent his spite upon it.

Sam Buxton is a wonderful shot, and it is no extraordinary feat for him to snuff out a candle at twenty paces. He must have darkness in order to carry out his little plans, hence his attention in respect to the lamp.

A steady hand elevates the revolver to the proper line, and then comes the report. Darkness instantly falls upon the scene, and with it comes a series of shots from the alarmed bandits. They no doubt have conceived a discreet respect for the rapid firing weapons of the foreign comrades, and when darkness comes with the shot, imagine they are about to be assaulted in turn.

Sam does not want to explain matters, or even give them a chance to comprehend. He has made a good beginning, and expects to follow up the advantage thus gained.

Passing into the great hall, he darts toward the spot where the little pile of luggage lies.

On his way he runs across some one, probably an Italian endeavoring to get out of the place. The fellow is an enemy of fear, seeks to elude his unseen foe, perhaps hoping to get off with less punishment if it is taken at short range, much as the weaker cock in a fight will try to duck its head under its opponent's body.

Sam, however, strikes a lucky blow with the revolver he holds in his hand, and, reaching the fellow's cranium, lays him out superbly.

Nothing now remains to lock his passage—he hides the revolver in his pocket, bends over the luggage, picks it up with both hands, throwing a rug or so over his shoulder, and then turns to once more seek the smaller chamber and his friends.

There a new difficulty arises—he has been able to reach the spot where the luggage lay, because he took pains to mark it before extinguishing the light in such a summary manner, but as he turns to retrace his steps, he is not so certain with regard to the line he should pursue.

His hesitation is not Sam's falling, however, and he moves forward, tugging a course as nearly right as he can judge in the darkness. So laden is he with the numerous traps he has seized upon that more than once only his agility saves him from a serious fall. Then he comes in contact with the wall—the opening is only conspicuous by its absence, and he moves along to the right, hoping to discover what he seeks.

When it fails to appear, he changes his tactics, and turns the other way. The shouts of the Italian bandits have materialized into something more positive by this time, and a light appears on the scene in the rear of the hall, where a loud voice calls upon the men to organize.

Sam gets some benefit from this illumination. Although it may be a disadvantage, the opening he seeks closes, and he instantly dashes through it. Presently he is with his friends at the mouth of the secret passage, and, a match being struck, the luggage is divided, each assuming a share, as the small travelling-bags have straps attached for hand-carrying.

Some opens his bag and triumphantly holds aloft almost a third of a wax taper, which he has carried to avoid the miserable tax put upon travellers for light at many European hotels. Americans detest this, because they are not accustomed to such a thing, and feel that they are being swindled. At any rate, your wise traveler is always found prepared with soap, a candle, and plenty of matches—then he laughs at contemporary hand-lights.

The same match that has already given such relief to all, is utilized by Sam—he holds it to the blessed candle, and lo! a clear white flame is the result.

They no longer have to grope in the dark, since their way is made bright by this illumination.

"The next thing to be done," remarks Sam after the Canadian has, at motion from him, closed the door leading into the apartment previously occupied by the ladies, "is to once more get into condition for business."

With that he draws out a handful of cartridges, passes some to his comrade, and extracting the five empty shells, with a single movement, from his revolver, together with the one that has not been discharged, he fills all the chambers with fresh material.

McLane has followed his example, and when this job has been accomplished, they feel as though placed upon a war footing. The bandits of Fra Diavolo may once more get the benefit of their claws, should they come in contact again.

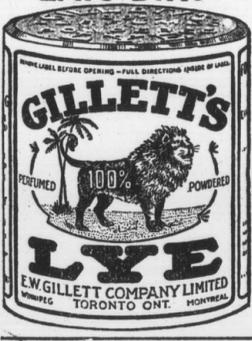
CHAPTER X.

All is ready now for an advance into the unknown regions whether the passage-way may lead them. As if by mutual consent, all of them look to Baron Sam as a leader. He is quiet and unassuming, but knows what he is about—possessing just the material to make a good general.

The passage is dusty and full of cobwebs—they can feel the latter even when they are not to be seen; and as Miss Dorothy threatens to go into hysterics—after brushing quite a number away from her face, Dudley takes it upon him to walk directly in front of her, and receive the ill benefit of such an advanced position.

It is a strange procession; first the American, with a revolver in one hand and the satchel in the other, holds high

GILLETT'S LYE EATS DIRT



above his head with the other; next the brave maid of the Sierras, boldly following his lead; then Dudley McLane, his ample form protecting the shivering form of the spinster, who tremblingly brings up the rear, clutching McLane's coat for fear of being left behind in the exodus.

Bobbie Had an Effective Remedy



Little Bobbie had acquired the habit—a habit shared among the majority of small boys—of continually stuffing between meals, and neither punishment, it seemed, nor remonstrance could cure him of it.

"What can I do?" his mother asked the family doctor, "to make him give up the habit of eating between meals?"

"The man of medicine glanced at the little chap contemptively, but before he could answer the lad himself prescribed a simple remedy.

"Have the meals thicker together," he said.

HOW TO TREAT ALL SKIN TROUBLE

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It is not a good thing for people with a tendency to have pimples and a blotchy complexion to smear themselves with greasy ointments. In fact they couldn't do anything worse, because the grease clogs the pores of the skin, making the disease worse. When there is an irritating rash a soothing boracic wash may help allay the pain or itching, but of course it doesn't cure the trouble. Skin complaints arise from an impure condition of the blood and will persist until the blood is purified.

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Nationality of Inventors.

What nation has created most of the marvels of modern science? A French architect, M. Hannu, replies to this question in the following manner, says the Sun.

The first practical automobiles were built by Serpollet and Levassor, about 1880, both Frenchmen.

The first dirigible balloon able to resist the wind was built by Giffard, in 1855. In 1933 the brothers Tissandier and in 1884 Renard and Krebs built balloons which could be steered perfectly. All five were Frenchmen.

Another Frenchman, Ader, constructed in 1887 the Avion, the first heavier-than-air machine to leave the ground. This was built on the same principles as the aeroplane, which was later transformed completely and made practical by Wright brothers, Americans, in 1904.

A Frenchman, Ader, built the first practical submarine in 1807.

The telephone was invented by an American, Alexander Bell, in 1876, and the phonograph by an American, Edison, in 1877.

The elements of the cinematograph were discovered by a Belgian, Plateau, about 1885. A Frenchman, Marey, photographed the movements of living creatures about 1887, and an American, Ed-

ison, in 1895, invented the modern moving picture camera.

Lippman, a citizen of Luxembourg, discovered a process of color photography in 1891, and the Lumiere brothers, two Frenchmen, invented a practical method, which was entirely different, in 1904.

A German, Roentgen, discovered the X-rays in 1895.

Another German, Hertz, discovered, in 1890, the Hertzian waves, which a Frenchman, Branly, about 1900, utilized in inventing wireless telegraphy.

Two French citizens, M. and Mme. Curie, discovered radium about 1900.

A Frenchman, Pasteur, in 1865, discovered and applied successfully vaccination against hydrophobia.

A German, Behring, and a Frenchman, Roux, discovered and applied an anti-diphtheria serum and other serums.

A Frenchman, Carrel, who settled in America, kept animal tissues alive after separation from the bodies in 1912.

The North Pole was reached in 1909 by an American, Peary, and the South Pole by a Norwegian, Amundsen, in 1911.

This list, drawn up by a Frenchman, therefore mentions 32 names (counting those mentioned twice as two), of which 19 are French, seven American and three German.—Exchange.

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Dad (meaningly)—Who's the laziest boy in your class, Willie?

Willie—I don't know.

Dad—I should think you would know. Who is it sits idly in his seat and watches the rest instead of working himself?

Willie—The teacher.

AN AWFUL RECORD.

(Pittsburg Gazette-Times)

The murder bug habit in the United States is one to which attention has been called, but we do not improve. There were 6,200 homicides in the United States in 1912, and in 1913 were more than 5,000—according to carefully collected figures on the subject. It is not a record to be proud of, and it almost seems in scanning it as if murder and violence really were popular here instead of reprobated.

SANDY'S ADVANTAGE.

(Ottawa Evening Journal)

The Montreal Killies won the forecast march around Montreal, Manitoba. It was an unfair test. The other fellows had trousers on and didn't have to hurry to keep warm.

SALOONS AND FURNITURE.

(Pittsburg Gazette-Times)

Chairs and tables have been ordered out of all saloons in St. Louis county, Mo. It is an effort to discourage drinking to excess. However, there is no harm in calling attention to the fact that it is not for the purpose of drinking clubs and tables that men go into saloons, doubtless the family furniture and other evidence of prosperity not infrequently disappear in consequence of their visits.

OUR MOTHERS' INFLUENCE.

(Rochester Herald)

Most of us when we feel our strongest reverence for women, are, consciously or unconsciously, recalling the virtues of our own mothers, and if the day dawned when different types of women came to the front, types of women whose characters are diametrically opposed to the characters of our mothers, how many a reverence for womanhood would be a thing of the past.

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"Bringing up young children has its responsibilities under the best of circumstances," writes Mrs. E. C. Fagan, of Holms' Corners, "but croupy colics add considerably to the worry. My little family of four all went through the croupy era, but I always had Nerviline on hand and never felt nervous. I just followed the directions, and I can tell you that nothing I know of is surer to cure croupy colics than Nerviline."

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CHRISTMAS APPEAL

FOR The Hospital for Sick Children COLLEGE ST., TORONTO

Dear Mr. Editor:—

Thanks for your kindness in allowing me the privilege of appealing at this Christmas time on behalf of the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto.

It would take more space than you can spare to tell of the good work done for the sick and deformed children of this Province. Let me, however, in a few words, tell you of the progress of the work of the Hospital.

One nurse, six little white beds, a few dollars, a few friends—this was the beginning. The beds have grown to 250, the dollars to thousands, the friends to hundreds. 1875, the first year, 44 in-patients, 67 out-patients; 1913, last year, 1,648 in-patients, 25,507 out-patients; 1875, 1 nurse; 1913, 70 nurses.

Since 1875, thirty-eight years ago, the Hospital has admitted within its walls 21,018 children as in-patients, and 159,231 as out-patients, a total of 180,249, or an average of 4,743 per year. Of the 21,018 in-patients, 15,200 were from Toronto, and 5,818 from other parts of the Province; 10,150 of the total in-patients were cured, and 6,357 were improved.

In the Orthopedic Department last year, of the 1,648 in-patients, 278 were treated for deformities, 25 hip disease, 37 Pott's disease, 2 knock-knees, 19 bow-legs, 82 club feet, 8 lateral curvature of the spine, 4 infantile paralysis

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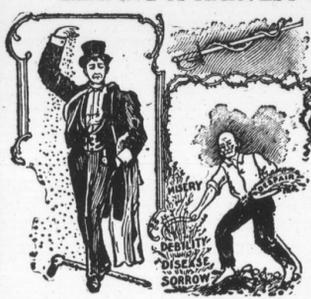
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TELEPHONE FEDERATION

A special meeting of Leeds and Grenville Rural Telephone Federation was held in the council chamber, Athens, on Tuesday afternoon. President, Geo. Tackaberry presided. The following companies were represented:—Lansdowne—F. Cross, C. J. Phillips. Mallorytown and Lyn—F. H. Mallory and D. H. Mallory. Kitley—C. A. Wood and C. R. Church. Plum Hollow—A. R. Brown and S. Hollingsworth. Addison—G. R. Taplin and Frank Tackaberry.

The first item of business was reaching an agreement as to the rates to be charged by Plum Hollow and Mallorytown, which have recently been connected. After a prolonged discussion it was found that no permanent basis could be reached, so it was decided that until the next annual meeting the two companies should send and receive messages at the Federation rates.

The whole matter of interchanging and transmitting of messages throughout the whole Federation was discussed, but it was thought that the small representation would not justify action being taken. It was generally conceded, however, that a company having a switch-board located (like that of Plum Hollow) in such a position as to be called upon to transmit a very large number of messages should receive special consideration when the new adjustment is made.

The meeting divided on a motion "That Plum Hollow and Elويد Co. charge a fee of 5c for each message transmitted to or from Mallorytown and Lyn line to or from any other line of the Federation" and the motion was declared lost.

The thought was expressed that the Federation has grown beyond what the present laws provide for, and it is probable that very material changes will be made when next the Companies get together.

OUR XMAS BOOKLET

The Epworth League booklet of Choice Thoughts of Athenians and friends is now in the printer's hands and it is expected will be ready by Dec. 20th, possibly sooner. It will contain about forty pages, having a total of about 370 quotations. Booklets will be on sale at G. W. Beach's store, each 25c.

LATHAM—LEVERETTE

The marriage was quietly solemnized at the residence of the bride's parents in Frankville, on Thursday evening, when Miss Pearl, daughter of Mr and Mrs G. M. Leverette, became the bride of Amos H. Latham, of Brockville.

The contracting couple were unattended and the ceremony was performed by Rev. A. E. Hagar, pastor of the Methodist church.

Mr and Mrs Latham who have taken up their residence in town, are receiving the congratulations of many friends.

HANDS ACROSS THE SEA

Not a volume of The Youth's Companion is published that does not contain a number of contributions by British contributors—Mr Gladstone, the Duchess of Sutherland, Rudyard Kipling, Lord Tennyson have in years past written for this great family paper.

During 1914 the Duke of Argyll, formerly Governor-General of Canada, will have something to say about "The Scot"—his character and characteristics; Jane Baylow will tell of the "Big Houses of Ireland"; Sir Earnest Shackleton will describe the qualities which lead to success in an explorer; Sir William Ramsay, the great chemist will write upon "Waste, and How to Remedy It"; Sir John Murray will tell about "The Deepest Parts of the Sea"; Dr. C. W. Saleeby, eminent English physician, will describe "The Beauty That Endures."

This tells very little of what The Companion will bring its readers in 1914. As it is to-day, The Companion is as entertaining as you may remember it. But it is larger now, with Family Pages, Boys' Pages, Girl's Pages. There are fifty-two issues in a year, not twelve.

If you do not know The Companion as it is to-day, let us send you sample copies containing chapters from Frank Lillie Pollock's great Canadian serial, "The Timber Treasure," with the Announcement for 1914.

Every new subscriber for 1914 in Canada will receive free all the issues for the remaining weeks of 1913—from the time of subscription until January, 1915—all for \$2.25.

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Card of Thanks

Mr S. A. Hittman desires through the medium of the Reporter to express his grateful appreciation of the kindness and sympathy extended by the students and teachers of the High and Public Schools and by the people of Athens generally during the illness and following the death of his wife.

THAT COMMISSION

(Crawf C. Slack)

They're appointing a commission down at Ottawa the Hub
For to look into the matter of the soaring price of grub,
They'll select some friendly fellows who will stand in with the bunch
Who've a crow's foot on the products which forms our daily lunch;
They will greet those grafters smiling and receive the hand-out tip,
And report that all is lovely, and we'll still be in their grip.

I don't want to be pessimistic nor the villain in the cast,
But I'm forced to call to memory some commissions of the past:
Some commissions which were chosen to look into questioned things,
Which were never heard of after, I concluded they had wings,
And had winged away to glory there to mingle with the blest,
And had left the nation's troubles all to Borden and the rest.

They'll appoint some book professors to do the pry-in stunt,
Which will see and know most everything save that for which they hunt;
They'll not be men who labor and live in stuffy flats,
And toil for sixty hours a week to feed a dozen brats;
They will not be workday mortals nor those who feel the pinch,
They'll be petty party healers, they always get a cinch.

They'll have a secretary and they will travel far,
They'll be bolstered and upholstered in a private touring car,
They'll be asked to many a banquet and be feted by the way,
And of course the more they grumble the more the sharks will pay;
They will visit all the cities look with favor on the game,
And when they have reported prices will be just the same.

Now if I had the appointing of this great pry-into crew,
If they'd leave it up to me to act I'll tell you what I'd do,
I'd hunt up Emeline Pankhurst, to head the fearless band,
I also would appoint my wife, I know she's got the sand:
With a dozen other women, which I know would not be dumb,
And should they spot a grafter, well he'd be goin' some.

WORKMEN'S MASS MEETING

Brockville Toilers to Discuss Compensation Bill with Member

The Workmen's Compensation Act proposed by the Ontario Government is receiving attention in all parts of the province by the manufacturers. Mr A. E. Donovan, M. P. for Brockville, is arranging a big meeting to be held early next month, at which all workmen in the riding will be called together to discuss the provisions of the bill.—Toronto Telegram.

CAINTOWN

Caintown, Dec. 2nd.

Mr H. W. Powell has returned to Brockville after having a sale and disposing of his stock and farm implements.

Mr Thomas Mills made the purchase of a fine cow last week.

Mrs S. L. Hogeboom has been shipping some fine fowl to Montreal and receiving some fine prices.

Mrs Margaret Ferguson remains about the same.

Mr Wesley Hodgins is quite well again.

Mrs James Eligh has been spending a week visiting friends in Athens.

We understand that Mr Arthur Kelley has been hired to make cheese again in the Caintown factory for the next season.

Mr and Mrs James McAvoy of Ballycane were guests of Mrs A. Hayes last week.

"Does Each Cow Pay?"

Some records of total production for the last seven months sent in to the Dairy Division, Ottawa, showing how individual cows on adjoining farms vary in real earning capacity, will be of interest to the average farmer and of value to men who are planning for better results next year.

A ten-year-old cow that calved on March 12 has given since then just 2,812 pounds of milk, and only 102 pounds of fat. A neighboring 7 year-old, calved 2nd April, gave 6,420 pounds of milk and 228 pounds of fat, a little more than twice as much. In another contrasted pair in Glengarry, an 8-year-old, calved 6th April, gave only 3,894 pounds of milk and 129 pounds of fat; while a five-year-old calved 26th March, gave 7,280 pounds of milk and 241 pounds of fat, or again more than twice as much milk.

Brockville's New Rink

The roof is nearing completion on Brockville arena, the seating is almost finished and the interior work will be quickly pushed along.

The work of grading and levelling for the ice surface is well under way, and it winter conditions prevail the grand opening will probably take place on Christmas day.

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The result of the "milk test" at the
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in which fifty picked cattle from Ont-
ario's best farms were entered, were
announced during the week. The
awards show that the pure-bred Hol-
steins carried off nearly all the honors,
the first break being in the seventh
place, captured by an Ayrshire.
The test started on Friday night at
9 o'clock, when all the competing cows
were milked dry in the presence of the
judges. From then for 72 hours they
were regularly milked three times a
day, at 5 a.m., 1 p.m. and 9 p.m. No
restrictions were placed on methods of
feeding, or the kind of rations. The
cows of each exhibitor were milked
throughout the test in the same order
in which they were milked at the be-
ginning of the test.

A HIGH STANDARD

In making awards 25 points were
given for each pound of fat, 3 points
for each pound of solids (not fat) and
one point for each ten days in milk
after the first thirty days. In order to
win a prize, cows 48 months or over
were required to make 140 points at
least; cows from 36 to 48 months, 125
points, and heifers under 36 months 10
points.
When the results of the test were
tabulated, the purebred Holstein
Madam B. 3rd Alma 2nd, exhibited by
W. F. Walker, Manchester, was
awarded first place.
This cow gave during the three
days' test no less than 213.3 pounds of
milk, 8.5 per cent, making a total of
243.34 points. The five highest cows in
the test were Holsteins, and the sixth
a Holstein grade. Ayrshires
took seventh and eighth places, while
Holsteins appeared again in ninth and
tenth. The poorest Holstein in the
48 month class gave 219 pounds of
milk testing 30 making 220.25 points.
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Peculiar Accident

Myrtle Gilroy, eighteen-year-old
daughter of G. A. Gilroy, Glen Buell,
a student at the Brockville Collegiate
Institute, is confined to the home of
her parents suffering greatly from the
effects of an electrical shock sustained
Saturday night. Miss Gilroy, with a
number of other young people, were
practicing at the residence of Morton
Lee for a Christmas cantata, to be put
on shortly under the auspices of the
Methodist Sunday School. Decora-
tions containing an electric wire were
attached about the bodies of the young
folks, and whether or not the coil or
battery was overcharged is not known,
but at any rate Miss Gilroy was the
victim of a shock so severe that she
was rendered unconscious. It is
thought, however, she will recover.—
Recorder

December Rod and Gun

An interesting and well illustrated
account of Hunting the Hair Seal in
Newfoundland Waters is given as the
opening article in the December issue
of Rod and Gun which has recently
come to this office from the publishers,
W. J. Taylor, Limited, Woodstock,
Ont. Other articles worthy of special
mention are "A Lonely Fur Factor,"
descriptive of a day at Wakeham Bay
on the Labrador coast; Caught by a
Halibut in Alaska; Miuke's Claim;
A Story of East Kootenay, B. C.; A
Plea for the Moose. An Article on
the Abuse of Moose Hunting by the
Swampy Cree Indian; and a host of
other articles in keeping with this re-
presentative magazine of outdoor life.
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Game in Canada appears under the
heading of The Trap and the other de-
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and possibly it scarcely arrests your atten-
tion.
Do you ever realize that each one of
those "cases"—mere items in an official
record—is a black tragedy to somebody,
that behind each one of them lies long,
hopeless days of pain, feverish nights of
despair, lifetime plans that must be laid
away, grinding poverty, perhaps a wife to
fight her own way afterwards or children
who know hunger now that the father is
gone.
Just suppose it were your tragedy.
Suppose it were your father, your mother,
your brother, sister, husband, wife, your
child, or perhaps your sweetheart, and you
with the hospital doors shut in your face,
wringing your hands in utter helplessness
while the crowds hurry by, engrossed in
their own affairs.
But no! You are in that crowd and you
don't hear either because you are busy.
But wouldn't you give—and gladly—if
you knew that what meant so little to you
would go far to bring back the glow to
somebody's wan face or the laughter to
somebody's lips?
Just sit down and think of the one you
love best in the world. Then say "If she
lay there—" or "If he lay there—" and
see how it sounds. What would be-
come of all your plans and your busy days
then?
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those whom others love best, and hundreds
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Don't put it off. Use the attached form
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To help the Muskoka Free Hos-
pital for Consumptives continue its
life-saving work, I gladly enclose
the sum of \$.....
Name.....
Address.....
\$ 5.00 will provide maintenance for a week.
\$ 20.00 will pay for four weeks.
\$250.00 will endow a bed for a year.
Since the need is such a permanent
one, I should also like to subscribe
..... Register my name accord-
ingly.
Contributions may be sent to W. J. Gray, Reg., 34 Spadina
Ave., Toronto, or to E. Tomlin, Sec., 1250 Baited Sand-
barium Association, 24 King St. W., Toronto.

Local Items

If you know anything we don't
know and which the public ought to
know; if it is worth knowing don't
you know that it is your duty to let us
know it; that the people may also
know it? You may know, but they
don't know, unless you let us know
the things which you know, that will
be good for all the people to know,
don't you know.

On Friday evening a taxicab con-
veying Rev A. E. Rennells and Irwin
Hilliard, K. C., from Brockville to
Athens got stalled in the mud at Glen
Elbe. The road at that point proved
to be in an impassable condition and
the passengers abandoned the taxi and
started to walk to Athens. They ob-
tained a ride in a passing wagon and
reached here in good time.

In Newmarket, recently, a farmer
was sued for newspaper subscription
amounting to \$7.40. When sued he
said he would defend it on the
ground that the paper wasn't ordered.
The proprietor was prepared to prove
that the paper had been received regu-
larly by the family but no defence
appeared, and judgement for the full
amount and costs was rendered accord-
ingly.

Members of the W. C. T. U. heard
with pleasure and profit the address of
Mrs J. McKinney in the Presbyterian
church on Thursday evening last. A
brief review of conditions when the
W. C. T. U. was organized was given,
then the progress along all lines of
temperance effort was sketched and a
delineation made of what the Union
and kindred organizations hope to ac-
complish in the near future. Mrs Mc-
Kinney (nee Louise Crummy), as a
student at the A. H. S., was well-
known by many of her hearers who
were pleased to meet and greet her
after years of absence.

SALE REGISTER

On Wednesday, Dec. 17, Addison
Halladay will sell at the fair grounds,
Delta, a blizzard blower, portable
engine, gasoline launch, ensilage cut-
ter, threshing machine, etc. J. W.
Russell, auctioneer.

On Saturday, Dec. 18, Mrs Ross Shef-
field will sell a lot of household fur-
niture at the residence opposite
Albert Sheffield's, Main st., east,
Athens. E. Taylor, auctioneer.

On Thursday, Dec. 18, P. F. Yates
will sell at his farm in Athens 6
horses and 20 head of choice cattle—
pure bred Holsteins, Ayrshires, and
grade. Sale at 1.30. W. Yates,
auctioneer.

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The very best Christmas gift you can
make yourself, your wife and all the
members of your family is a year's
subscription to that great paper, The
Family Herald and Weekly Star of
Montreal. It costs only one dollar
and its visit each week will make
your household happier than ever
before. No home should be without
that great paper during 1914—Every
issue is worth the money.



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equipment, scientific methods and rigid inspection by ex-
pert chemists.

The Canada Cement you buy for a garden walk is the same
cement that is sold by the trainload for great dams, elevators and bridges. The
engineers in charge of these great works have ample facilities for testing the quality of
cement.

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a product upon which he can depend for a grade that is always of highest quality, and
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**CHRISTMAS APPEAL
FOR
The Hospital for Sick Children
COLLEGE ST., TORONTO**

Dear Mr. Editor:—
Thanks for your kindness in allow-
ing me the privilege of appealing at
this Christmas time on behalf of the
Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto.
—It would take more space than you
can spare to tell of the good work done
for the sick and deformed children of
this Province. Let me, however, in a
few words, tell you of the progress of
the work of the Hospital.
One nurse, six little white beds, a
few dollars, a few friends—this was
the beginning. The beds have grown
to 250, the dollars to thousands, the
friends to hundreds. 1875, the first
year, 44 in-patients, 67 out-patients;
1913, last year, 1,648 in-patients, 25,607
out-patients; 1875, 1 nurse; 1913, 70
nurses.

Since 1875, thirty-eight years ago,
the Hospital has admitted within its
walls 21,018 children as in-patients,
and 159,231 as out-patients, a total of
180,249, or an average of 4,743 per
year. Of the 21,018 in-patients, 15,200
were from Toronto, and 5,818 from
other parts of the Province; 10,150 of
the total in-patients were cured, and
6,367 were improved.

In the Orthopedic Department last
year, of the 1,548 in-patients, 278 were
treated for deformities, 25 hip disease,
37 Pott's disease, 2 knock-knees, 19
bow-legs, 62 club feet, 8 lateral curva-
ture of the spine, 44 infantile paralysis,
6 wry neck, and 75 tubercular disease
of knee, hip and ankle. In 1912, the
Surgical Apparatus Shop manufactured
427 appliances for in-patients and out-
patients, including ankle braces, spinal
braces, hip splints, bow-leg splints,
club-foot splints, plaster jackets, etc.

In this Department in 38 years near-
ly 800 boys and girls have been treated
for Club Feet and 650 corrected.
Half of these came from places out-
side of Toronto. Surely we have a
fair claim for help from the people of
this Province.

Will you, the reader of this letter,
help to give crippled children a fair
start in life?
Busy dollars are better than idle
tears. The sympathy that helps is
good, but the Hospital has to have the
sympathy that works.

While Christmas Bells are ringing
to the glory of Him "Who made the
lame to walk and the blind to see,"
give, give, give, and help the Hos-
pital to help God's little ones, upon
whom the heavy hand of affliction has
been laid.

Will you please send a dollar, or
more, if you can spare it, to Douglas
Davidson, the Secretary-Treasurer of
the Hospital, or
J. ROSS ROBERTSON,
Chairman of the Trustees, Toronto

My thirty anniversary services were
conducted in the Methodist church on
Sunday last by the Rev T. C. Brown
of Brockville, who was a pastor in
Athens twenty-nine years ago. He
was heard with special pleasure by
some who had enjoyed his ministrations
when he was a resident of Athens—
and the moment his discourses in
Athens were being given, one of personal
experience and a host of others
were recalled to mind. The choir and
congregation were all singing.

**Sale of Remedies for
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There are more ZUTOO tablets for
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other remedies combined. Think how
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all users say they are, that is, a perfectly
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RAILWAY TIME-TABLE**

GOING WEST		No. 1	No. 3
Brockville (leave)	9:35 a.m.	3:45 p.m.	
Lyn	10:05 "	4:00 "	
Seeleys	*10:15 "	4:07 "	
Forthton	*10:35 "	4:18 "	
Elbe	*10:42 "	4:23 "	
Athens	11:00 "	4:30 "	
Soperton	*11:20 "	4:46 "	
Lyndhurst	*11:27 "	4:52 "	
Delta	11:37 "	4:58 "	
Elgin	11:57 "	5:12 "	
Forfar	*12:05 "	5:18 "	
Crosby	*12:13 "	5:23 "	
Newboro	12:23 "	5:33 "	
Westport (arrive)	12:40 p.m.	5:45 "	

GOING EAST		No. 2	No. 4
Westport (leave)	7:20 a.m.	2:30 p.m.	
Newboro	7:30 "	2:47 "	
Crosby	*7:40 "	3:00 "	
Forfar	*7:45 "	3:06 "	
Elgin	7:51 "	3:12 "	
Delta	8:05 "	3:40 "	
Lyndhurst	*8:11 "	3:50 "	
Soperton	*8:18 "	3:59 "	
Athens	8:35 "	4:00 "	
Elbe	*8:42 "	4:06 "	
Forthton	*8:47 "	4:43 "	
Seeleys	*8:58 "	4:54 "	
Lyn	9:05 "	5:15 "	
Brockville (arrive)	9:20 "	5:40 "	

*Stop on signal
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As yet chiefly hardwoods are treated because when rendered impervious to decay, their superior strength enables them to resist mechanical wear for a longer period than softwoods.

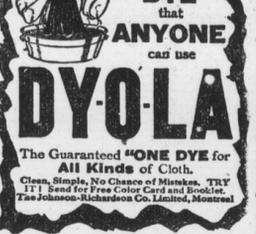
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THE MOTHER'S PART. (Rocheater Post-Express) The promoters of political and social movements in our restless age too often lose sight of the fact that the entire fabric of civilization must have the family for its foundation.

GUIDE THE BOYS. (Brantford Expositor) That "boys will be boys" is an old saying, and it is undoubtedly true.

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NEWS OF THE DAY IN BRIEF

Berlin Boy Burglars Blame Cheap Novels.

NO LIQUOR BY POST Welsh Rail Strike Throws Out 20,000 Miners.

The Toronto Epworth League is to enter politics.

Boys arrested in Berlin confessed to robberies, to which they said they were led by reading 5-cent novels.

Berlin citizens, led by the Mayor, will enter on a "milk strike" to bring down the price from 8 to 7 cents.

Henry Smith, 74 years old, long a resident of Kingsville, Ont., was found dead on the road half a mile from his home.

Galvin Robinson, engineer on the Reid tug Diver, went insane while the boat was towing an oil barge up the River St. Clair.

Rev. Edward H. Murray, parish priest of Cobourg, was invested as domestic prelate, with title Monsignor, by the Bishop of Peterboro.

Delgate Gibbons of the Street Railway Union, claims that the Toronto Railway Company lost a million dollars a year through inadequate service.

The Hon. George William Spencer, Lyttelton, who was private secretary to Mr. Gladstone in 1892-94, died in London. Mr. Lyttelton was born in 1847.

The steamer Manitow of the Dominion Transportation Company was released by the tug Harrison from the sandbank on which she was aground west of Killarney.

Wallis J. Brooks, 50 years of age, a boarder at 50 Robinson street, Toronto, was found dead in his room. The gas jet was turned on full, and every possible outlet was plugged.

Hastings County Council resented the aspirations east upon the agricultural and especially those upon the moral conditions in North Hastings, in Dean Fernow's report, recently published.

Genevieve Victor, 11, the magnificent steer which won for Canada the championship of the International Live Stock show at Chicago this week, will be brought to the Guelph Winter fair.

Bias Viollit died in the County Hospital, Welland, as the result of a broken back. When a number of C. P. R. men became intoxicated, he fell or was pushed from a hulk at the depot.

The Corporation of Morrisburg has entered action to obtain return to it of the power plant supplying the Hydro-Electric Power Commission in eastern Ontario, and to recover a year's water-power rent, \$1,549, from J. L. Sharkey.

So great has been the passage on the White Star line Canada, a "Christmas ship," she had to leave no fewer than five hundred would-be voyagers behind when she sailed from Halifax for Liverpool.

Although no official decision will be given until the full text of regulations governing the parcels post has been published, it has practically been decided by the Post-office Department not to allow liquor to be carried by means of this new facility for transmission.

Nearly 20,000 miners in South Wales are idle through the spread of the Great Western Railway strike. The strike originated through the dismissal of an engine-driver, and although it is authorized by the union, the movement has developed very rapidly.

APPEAL TO HARDINGE

Hindus in Canada Ask Vice-roy's Assistance.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 8.—The Hindu colony of Victoria has sent the following self-explanatory telegram to Lord Hinge, Viceroy of India:

"The Hindustanis of the City of Victoria and of Vancouver Island, as a body, desire that in the matter of new regulations or modification of the old in the Canadian Immigration Act, that your Government protect our rights as you have done in India. The racial element in the immigration of South Africa, economic expediency in lieu of fundamental justice and fair play to Hindustanis, subjects of His Majesty's crown, are the reasons for our appeal."

PANKHURST IN EXETER JAIL.

Exeter, Eng., Dec. 8.—Mrs. Emma Pankhurst, the militant Suffragette leader, was lodged today in Exeter Jail. The police, who had arrested her on her arrival from New York, outwitted the women who had been watching. After they landed from the tug at a dock on the Tamar River, they started off in the direction of London, but afterward changed their route, and made direct for this city, and reached their destination without encountering any obstruction.

HEARN ART TREASURES.

New York, Dec. 8.—George A. Hearn, the millionaire merchant, who died recently, did not leave his art treasures to the Metropolitan Museum of Art, as had been predicted. On his will, filed for probate today, the collection goes to his widow, with the provision that it be sold on her death.

ALL-RED-LINE RY.

British Capital Behind New Transcontinental

Montreal, Dec. 8.—The Montreal Star today says: The All-Red-Line Railway has entered an application with the Government for permission to build a transcontinental line from Cape St. Charles on the Atlantic coast to the head of Dean's Channel on the Pacific. The announcement of the building of this new railway across Canada has been kept quiet by the British capitalists who are backing the scheme. The first knowledge of the actual incorporation was received in Montreal this afternoon. What capital the new scheme has, and who are the backers, is not definitely known. J. K. Downesley, solicitor, of Prescott, Ont., is named as the company's legal agent.

The line of the All-Red route, which is part of a scheme to circle the earth with a transportation line in the British Empire is much farther north than any of the other sea-to-sea Canadian routes.

JOHN KRAFCHENKO

Ex-Convict, Believed to be Banker's Murderer.

Dyck, Auto Liveryman, Now Under Arrest.

Winnipeg despatch—The police search for the murderer of Bank Manager Arnold of Plum Coulee is centred to-night in Winnipeg, although twenty Provincial police and many specials are still scouring the country south of here. The police have known since last night just the man they are looking for, as they are convinced that the robber and murderer is John Krafchenko, an ex-convict, who has done time for robberies here and at Regina and who left Winnipeg only a short time ago. Only a month ago he complained bitterly through the press that he was suspected of every robbery that occurred in the country, and declared that he was "living straight." He was well acquainted in the Plum Coulee district, and several people of the village declare that they saw him in the town during the morning of the murder.

William Dyck, the liveryman who drove the auto in which the murderer and his companion escaped, is under arrest, and was brought to Winnipeg this afternoon. The stories he tells are said by the police to be very contradictory. The police state that all the descriptions they have of the men who committed the murder tally exactly with what they know of Krafchenko.

The body of Arnold, accompanied by his wife, passed through Winnipeg this afternoon for Brandon, where internment will take place.

The exact amount of cash taken from the bank is not now to have been \$4,400. The Bank of Montreal will offer a reward for the capture of the murderer, but the amount has not yet been announced.

At Plum Coulee this afternoon the inquest was opened, and after some witnesses were heard, was adjourned until Monday next, when Dyck, the liveryman, will be taken down to give his evidence.

THE BOOK ROOM

Methodists Will Build on Original Toronto Site.

Toronto despatch—It was decided yesterday by the Book and Publishing Committee of the Methodist Church that the new Book Room building would be erected on the Beverly House site, Queen and John streets, as originally intended. The decision was reached only after a somewhat lengthy and acrimonious discussion, which necessitated several sittings of the whole committee in addition to numerous sessions of a representative subcommittee. Briefly, the finding is that no better or more suitable site could be secured, that the price paid for the property was not excessive, and that the vendors had not used their official positions to promote the sale. It is regretted, however, that their identity was not disclosed to the committee in the first place, so that all possibility of a misunderstanding might have been avoided.

PAISH ADVISES CAUTION.

Toronto despatch—"Take it all, like good sea captains, when a breeze is coming," was the advice offered to Canadian business men in the present financial situation by Sir George Paish, editor of the London Statist, in his address to the Canadian Club at luncheon at McConkey's restaurant yesterday. Sir George was confident of the ability of the Dominion to meet its obligations, and to continue its development. But he believed that the time was at hand when the influx of capital into the country would be temporarily diminished. Therefore he warned the traders of the Dominion to exercise caution in carrying on their business and in increasing their stocks.

EARTHQUAKE IN PERU.

Lima, Peru, Dec. 8.—Another very serious earthquake occurred today in the vicinity of Chacabambas, capital of the Province of Ayacucho, in the department of Apurimac, southern Peru. About a month ago a series of earthquakes destroyed scores of villages in this mountainous section and resulted in the loss of more than 20 lives. No details of today's disturbances have been received, but it is believed that a volcanic eruption has occurred or is imminent.

S-OLE PRINCE'S SHIRT.

Berlin, Dec. 8.—Karl Engelhardt, a plumber, was fined 50 marks (\$120) today for stealing a shirt from Prince Sleswig-Holstein, a second cousin of the Kaiser. The Prince changed his shirt after dinner in Berlin, and sent it to his home by a servant. The servant was riding on a suburban train. The shirt has been recovered.

CRISIS NOW IN GERMAN HOUSE

The Heavy Non-Confidence Vote Against the Chancellor.

THE ZABORN AFFAIR

Ends in Trouble for Von Bethmann-Hollweg.

Berlin, Dec. 8.—The Reichstag adopted by an overwhelming majority a vote of lack of confidence in the Imperial Chancellor and the Government this afternoon as an expression by Parliament of its disapproval of the Government's support of the military against the civil authorities in Alsace-Lorraine. The vote was 293 to 54.

For the second time in five years Donauessingen, where the Kaiser is hunting foxes, will be the scene of an important conference affecting the future of the German Empire. Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, the Imperial Chancellor, left for Donauessingen this evening. Count von Wedel, the Viceroy of Alsace-Lorraine, and General von Deimling, commander of the troops in 1908, the Kaiser also went to visit his friend, Prince von Puersteinberg, whose estates are at Donauessingen.

It is a peculiar coincidence that when the effects of the Daily Telegraph interview with the Kaiser were shaking the throne in 1908, the Kaiser also went to visit his friend, Prince von Puersteinberg, whose estates are at Donauessingen.

MAY INSIST ON RESIGNING.

It is believed in Parliamentary circles to-night that Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg will insist on resigning if the Kaiser fails to support the Chancellor's attitude in the Reichstag. The same result is looked for if the Kaiser supports the military authorities in Alsace against the civil authorities.

While it is the opinion of many persons in authoritative circles that yesterday's and today's events in the Reichstag make the downfall of the Imperial Chancellor inevitable in any event, it is stated on the authority of persons in close touch with the Government that as the Imperial Chancellor is responsible only to the Kaiser he will remain at his post if the Emperor requests him to do so.

UNPOPULAR FOR TWO YEARS.

Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg has been extremely unpopular for two years. There is no doubt that all parties, including even the Conservatives who voted for him today, desire his downfall. This is the feeling even in high military and Government circles, where he is regarded as being too weak in foreign policy and afraid to tell the Kaiser the truth about internal affairs.

The Chancellor, who was not in serious mood in the Reichstag yesterday, spoke passionately and angrily today in defending himself. He admitted that the country is passing through a grave crisis as a result of the clash between the military and civil elements.

Had an attempt been made to bow to the popular outburst and the declaration been made that the Kaiser strongly disapproved the attitude of the military element at Zaborn it might have averted today's vote of censure. The delay was, however, and it was evident that the outburst would have exhausted itself without delay. One of the German leaders said this evening:

"It is characteristic of Germans in politics to make a noise, protest, howl themselves the loudest, and then, when they have done their duty, and then sit back contented. It rarely goes any further." The Socialists are elated that they have their party for the first time voted with them solidly, with the exception of the Conservatives.

ENGINEER INSANE

And Tugboat Crew Have an Exciting Time.

Sarnia, Dec. 8.—Late yesterday Galvin Robinson, engineer on the Reid tug Diver, went insane and caused much excitement on board the craft until he was taken from the boat when she arrived at this port. When the boat was at the lower end of the river bringing up an oil barge the man went violently insane, believing that some one was chasing him to kill him. He kept running about the boat and there was great fear that he would jump overboard. The captain and the crew managed to get him into the hold, where he was fastened to Robinson, who is well over six feet in height, and very powerful, soon escaped from this, and was on deck for the second time. He was again placed in the hold, house with the captain. The tug in the meanwhile had a narrow escape from being grounded on the river bank. The engines were taken over by the fireman, and when the tug reached here the man was taken to the local police station. He will recover, it is thought.

BELLEVILLE APPARENT SUICIDE.

Belleville despatch—A Finlander by the name of Frank Lonnet, employed in the Canadian Sulphur mine near Queensborough until about two weeks ago, left a note at his boarding house this morning, bidding good-bye and asking that his people in Finland be written to. The note was found about noon. A searching party was sent out, and he was found in a field near the mine dead with his right hand and one side of his head blown off by dynamite. A knife and a piece of unburnt fuse was found by the body. It would appear to be a case of suicide. An inquest will be held.

M. FELIX RIBOT

May Form a Composite Ministry for France.

Paris, Dec. 8.—The Ministerial crisis is a step nearer settlement to-night. President Poincare, after lengthy consultations to-day with M. Caillaux, leader of the Radicals; Emil Almond, President of the Finance Committee of the Senate, and others, principally on the situation, requested ex-Premier Felix Ribot to undertake the task of forming a composite Ministry acceptable to all groups of Republicans.

M. Ribot at first declined, pleading ill-health, but finally consented to consider the matter and give his answer to-morrow, after he had consulted with his friends. Parliamentary circles, however, are confident that he will accept, in the event that he definitely declines, it is probable that H. Doumergue, ex-Minister of Commerce, will be asked, as he is generally considered the most capable of forming the required type of Cabinet.

100 YEARS' PEACE

American Committee Settles on Its Plans.

And Cables Greetings to British Board.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 8.—The American Committee having in charge the preparation of a programme for the celebration next year of one hundred years of peace among English-speaking peoples concluded its work here to-day after full discussion of the features, which are to be of world-wide interest. The erecting of an international monument around which Great Britain and the United States will pledge themselves to keep internal peace was urged in a resolution adopted unanimously by the conference.

The church, civic organization, patriotic societies, schools, the nation and individuals were requested to cooperate in the proper observance of the centennial.

The following message, written by Oscar S. Straus, of New York, was called to the attention of the committee:

"The American committee for the celebration of the one hundred years of peace among the English-speaking peoples, now assembled at a national conference in Richmond, send greetings to the British committee for the celebration of the one hundred years of peace among the English-speaking peoples, now assembled at a national conference in London, and beg the Duke of Teck to convey to them and to the committee of the Anglo-American Exhibition the assurance of our fullest co-operation in fittingly celebrating an event which shall at the same time be a link uniting the two nations and a hopeful harbinger for the peace of the world."

The conference closed to-night with a banquet, at which was read an appeal to the American people, signed by Secretary of State Bryan and other prominent citizens of the country, asking wholehearted participation in the proposed celebration.

HOUSING PROBLEM

Conference at Cincinnati Will Hear Taft.

Cincinnati, Dec. 8.—When the delegates to the National Housing Conference assembled this morning there was no fixed programme before them, but three questions were up for discussion that proved very interesting and allowed many of the delegates to express their views in five-minute talks. The questions were: "What is the Housing Problem?" "How Can We Keep Our City a City of Homes?" and "How Shall we Enforce our Housing Laws?"

Later, at a luncheon Walter A. Draper, President of the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce, Mayor Hunt, and others, were to lead in an informal discussion of "The Government and the Housing Problem."

At the afternoon session Dr. Charles Hastings, medical health officer of Toronto, Ont., was to deliver an address on "Health Department Organization and Housing." This subject was to be discussed by George B. Young, Chicago; Frank Wright, New Haven, Conn.; Robert E. Todd, Detroit, Mich., and Miss Mildred Chadsey, Cleveland.

To-night the conference will conclude with a banquet at the Business Men's Club, at which the principal speaker will be former President W. H. Taft.

CAR ROBBERY

Alleged Against G. T. R. Engineer in Detroit.

Detroit, Dec. 8.—Hugh Lamb, a railroad engineer, 29 years old, who says he lives in Montreal, was arrested here to-night on a charge of grand larceny.

Lamb was employed by the Grand Trunk for nine years as an engineer and always had the confidence of his employers. Several months ago, when he was suspected of being a member of a gang of thieves, who broke into the freight cars at Montreal and stole merchandise valued at between \$500 and \$1,000.

The Montreal police say they searched Lamb's house in Montreal and recovered silverware valued at several hundred dollars, which they believe was stolen from freight cars. Lamb has been living in Detroit with relatives for several weeks under an assumed name. Detective Parker and Shepherd located the home of his relatives this evening and arrested Lamb on description furnished them by the Montreal police. He is said to have admitted his part in the theft and signed papers, waiving extradition.

IN HORSES, TOO

Canada Did Well at Chicago Show.

Is Leading States in Awards Thus Far.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—This was another day of keen competition between the United States and Canada for honors at the International Live Stock Exhibition. As a whole, the Dominion has outshone her neighbor in the awards thus far made. Yesterday Canadian horses and sheep carried off the majority of the honors, and to-day's competition was mainly in the horse department. In the sheep department, where Ontario is well represented, the Dominion does not have such keen competition.

In the judging of Clydesdales to-day the American entries had the better of the argument over their rivals from Saskatchewan.

The Western horses have, however, a phenomenal record of wins to their credit. Twenty horses were shown, and their are twenty prizes to carry home. In only one class did they show and not get in the money. The exact number and character of the wins is as follows:—Three first prizes, six second prizes, three third prizes, two fourth prizes, three fifth prizes, two sixth prizes and one seventh prize.

Canadian exhibitors took down the majority of the ribbons in the sheep department to-day, the Dominion nominations carrying off the championships in the breeding Lincoln classes and Uncle Sam's representatives taking the premier prizes in the classes for breeding Oxford.

H. M. Lee, of Highgate, Ont., was the fortunate Lincoln exhibitor. He scored both champion ram and ewe, and took first in four of the seven classes shown. F. B. Goswell also of Highgate, scored a second in this class. There were no Canadian exhibitors in the Rambouillet classes, and Ohio and Wyoming carried off the honors. John Kelly, of Shakespeare, Ont., and A. and W. Whitelaw, of Guelph, are the only contestants in the Leicester classes, which will be judged to-morrow. J. Lloyd Jones, of Barford, Ont., was the only Canadian exhibitor in the Southdown sheep classes. Mr. Jones had plenty of competition, and secured two second prizes and one third. Charles Leet & Sons took the major part of the honors in this class mostly all the breeders in Saskatchewan.

Competing against entries from Indiana, Illinois and many other states in the central West, the Shorthorn cattle owned by J. A. Watt, of Elora, Ont., took four prizes in that division.

The cattle car lot exhibits were sold to-day. The champion cattle sold for \$13.25 per cwt., and the reserve champion car lot, which were two-year-olds, at \$11.80. The Aberdeen-Angus society sold 22 head at an average of \$24 each, nearly \$100 over the average of last year.

The highest priced bull brought \$2,005. He is only a calf yet. J. D. McGregor bought a couple of very handsome females for his herd.

U. S. CABINET WOMEN

Join Great Egg Boycott in Washington.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Eggs are to be banished from the tables in the home of nearly all the Cabinet Ministers whose wives have pledged their support to the egg boycott campaign, which is being waged to reduce the price. One of the first to give her approval and join the movement in Washington was Mrs. Bryan, wife of the Secretary of State.

"Any subject that touches the home touches the heart of every woman, who ever she is," is what Mrs. Bryan told Mrs. Ellis Logan, a leader in the boycott movement here, when she called upon Mrs. Logan to obtain her support.

Mrs. Bryan assured Mrs. Logan that she was in thorough accord with the movement.

Following Mrs. Bryan's lead, nearly all the other Cabinet wives have joined the effort to bring lower egg prices. Lindley M. Garrison, wife of the Secretary of War; Mrs. Albert S. Burleson, wife of the postmaster-general, and Mrs. William B. Wilson, wife of the Secretary of Labor.

A non-ter petition is being prepared, with which Congress is to be stormed by Mrs. Logan and her co-workers. It is expected that by next Monday night more than 25,000 names will have been signed to the document. Mrs. Logan declares that already fifteen thousand Washington housewives have joined the movement. It is planned, the club women say, to immerse Congress with the need for legislation that will bring about lower food prices.

GETTE FIREBUGS BUSY.

Glasgow, Scotland, Dec. 8.—Fire today destroyed Kelly House, one of the finest mansions at Wemyss Bay, a favorite outlying suburb of Glasgow. The fire was apparently the work of an "arson squad" of militant suffragettes, as a considerable quantity of suffrage literature was found on the premises.

IDENTIFICATION BY VEINS.

Rome, Dec. 8.—Prof. Tamassia, of the University of Padua, advocates that adoption of an identification system on the basis of which is the photographing of the veins of the hands.

He says the most notable cause of the difference in the veins is the difference in the thickness of the veins.

24 DIE IN FLOODS

And \$2,000,000 Damage is Done in Texas.

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 8.—The Texas flood centre shifted southward to-night toward the Gulf, centering from Herne to Richmond, where the flood crest of Brazos River continued to do great damage. This caused some loss of life. At the same time the general floods situation improved when rains began to cease after three days' continuous downpour over most of the State, and the creeks in North and West Texas began to fall slowly. Before relief came the floods had overtopped five large river basins from the head waters of the Sabine, in north-east Texas, to the San Antonio River, in the southwest.

The total number of dead as a result of the floods stood early to-night at 24. Estimates of property damage ranged between one and two million dollars, with Waco and San Antonio the heaviest sufferers among the cities. The San Antonio loss was a quarter of a million, and Waco's damage was expected to be as great.

As the water receded pilfering began in Waco, and militia was put on duty to guard property in deserted houses and stores.

BLOW TO BOAT MEN

Great Lake Owners, Who Insure Themselves.

Get 50 P. C. Assessment Over Recent Storm.

Cleveland, Dec. 8.—Vesselmen were hit pretty hard by the big gale that swept the lake last month, as many owners carry all or part of their own insurance. Most of the big American freighters that were lost in November were in the Great Lakes Protective Association, which carries 25 per cent. of its subscribers' insurance. At a meeting of the advisory committee of the association a statement of the attorney, in fact, was presented, showing that on account of the losses sustained by the association during the severe gale of Nov. 9, the initial contribution was not going to prove sufficient to pay all losses. A resolution was adopted authorizing and directing attorneys to call for extra assessments from all subscribers, amounting to 50 per cent. of the initial contribution. The assessment will amount to about \$200,000. Notices of the action taken by the advisory committee were sent to the members of the association to-day.

The loss on insured vessels that were lost and wrecked will be not far from \$1,000,000. The steamers William Nottingham, J. T. Hutchinson and F. B. Hartwell, which were driven ashore in the big storm, were released, but they were badly damaged. The wrecking and repair bills will be very heavy. The Nottingham and Hartwell are at Toledo, and the Hutchinson is at Lorain. The boats were not insured with the regular companies.

An effort will be made to float the steamers Turret Chief and L. C. Walde, ashore on Lake Superior this year. Captain Alex. Gunning, wrecking master for the Great Lakes Towing Company, is working on the stranded boats, but no word has been received from him for several days. The underwriters will try to get the steamer I. W. Nicholas, ashore at North Point, Lake Huron. The wrecker Reid is working on her.

SPAIN IN MOROCCO

Gen. Weyler's Appointment Evidences Serious.

New York, Dec. 8.—A cable from Madrid to the Tribune says:

It is officially announced that General Valeriano Weyler, former military Governor of Cuba, will be appointed Spanish resident in Morocco, to succeed General Marina. The fact that General Weyler, who is considered by the public as an evidence that the situation there is more serious than the Government will admit.

Furthermore, General Weyler does not belong to the Conservative party now in power, and it is believed that only the absolute necessity for the presence there of a strong man and an able soldier has compelled the Government to appoint him.

One of the problems which are giving no little concern to the Government concerns the large number of Spanish Jews who were expelled from Spain more than three hundred years ago, and who now under the Spanish protectorate in Morocco, have asked for protection as Spanish subjects. The Catholic party objects very strongly to this, declaring that it will result in a race struggle that it is necessary to avoid.

STARS ARE COOLING

Universe Will End in Darkness and Frigidity.

Princeton, N. J., Dec. 8.—In a lecture Wednesday on "The Heat Action of Stars," Prof. Henry N. Russell, of the University of Pennsylvania, declared that upon their creation the stars become hot, but are gradually cooling, and that the ultimate end of the universe, therefore, is absolute frigidity in the blackness of interstellar night.

The stars excited first as a field of comparatively non-luminous gases, said Prof. Russell, gradually began to contract, at the same time heating themselves, and when they had reached a semi-liquid, semi-gaseous state began to gradually cool off. This process means a gradual waste of energy in the form of heat radiation. Eventually the whole system will be run down.

"The ultimate end of the universe then, although inconceivably far off, is absolute frigidity in the blackness of interstellar night."

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—“Choice Thoughts” will be on sale Dec. 20th. at G. W. Beach's store. Each, 25c.

Have you paid your taxes? The Collector must make return of his roll on Dec. 15.

The Council of Rear Yonge and Escoffier will meet on Monday, 15th inst., at one o'clock.

Mr Robert Hollingsworth of Calgary, Alta., is here visiting his old home and relatives.

Some men are born great, some achieve greatness, and some manage to put up a successful bluff.

Every man lives to congratulate himself that he didn't marry the first woman he thought he was in love with.

—See the artistic private greeting cards at the Reporter Office.

Don't forget the Presbyterian S. S. entertainment in the basement of the church on Wednesday evening, Dec. 17th.

Mr Leonard Booth, who recently returned from the West, is taking a course at the Brockville Business College.

No, Alonzo, the world doesn't care how you get your money; all that interests it is what you are going to do with it.

A meeting of the W. A. of Christ's church will be held at the home of Mrs Ogle Webster at 2.30 p. m. on Thursday.

Your mail order for “Choice Thoughts of Athenians” will be attended to promptly. Each 25c. Address A. M. Lee.

At Kemptville fair on Nov. 28, turkeys brought from 20c to 24c, geese 14c, ducks 15c to 18c, hens and chickens 17c to 18c.

Elgin station on the B. W. & N. W. has been changed to Philipsville to save confusion with Elgin station on the C. N. R.

—Fun and music in the town hall on Thursday evening, Dec. 11th. Bring your friends who have not yet heard Mrs A. Fraser.

This fall Mr J. Layng has been shipping cattle extensively to the United States, and on Saturday last sent over 76 head.

—Remember absent friends by sending them one of the beautiful greeting cards on sale at the Reporter Office.

Messrs. Harry Halladay, Clifford Morris and Fred Spence left Saturday for Kingston, where they will attend the Short Course at Dairy School.

At Almonte poultry fair last week the ruling prices were: Turkeys, 20c to 21c; geese, 12c to 13c; chickens, 15c to 16c, and ducks, 12c to 13c.

Canada exported nearly nine million pounds of butter in 1911-12. In 1912-13 the export fell off to 828,000 pounds, only 681 pounds going to Great Britain.

—Before buying Christmas gifts in Watches, Clocks, Jewelry see the elegant line offered by R. J. Campo. Value is excellent and prices will meet the competition of mail order houses.

Since November 19th, ten cases of scarlet fever have been reported to the Brockville Health Department. In seven of these cases there are two and three patients in the one family.

Local Option is becoming a live issue in Brockville. An overflow meeting in the interests of the By-Law was held in Victoria Hall last week and the speakers were warmly applauded.

The Reporter congratulates Messrs Ross Kilborn of Plum Hollow and Everett Latimer on their success in passing the recent civil service examination. Both were trained in the Brockville Business College.

Turkey Fair next Friday. The milk fattened birds will bring the top price. Buter-color doesn't fool the buyers; they know properly prepared birds at a glance and are willing to pay the price.

The People's Column

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Comfortable accommodation for boarders or roomers may be had on application to MRS. S. HALLADAY, Church St., Athens.

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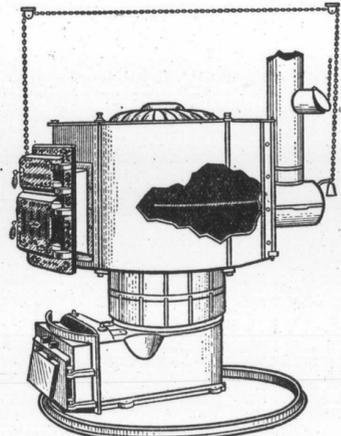
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