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BOERS ARRIVE TO RELIEVE CRONJE

Lord Roberts Defeats Them With Heavy Loss Taking One Hundred Prisoners Including a Commander.

Cronje's Position Shelters Him From the Artillery but he is Short of Ammunition—The British have Captured 460 Prisoners so far—
Details of the Fighting.

London, Sunday, Feb. 25, 3:55 p. m.—The war office published the following from Lord Roberts:—

Paardeberg, Feb. 24, 12:20 p. m.—Parties of Boers recently arrived from Natal attacked our outposts in force again yesterday. They lost a good many killed and wounded and nearly 100 prisoners, including a commandant and three field cornets.

Our casualties were nine men killed, 23 men wounded, two men missing. On the 21st and 22nd one officer and 13 men were wounded.

Six men were wounded yesterday by hollow-nosed Mauser bullets. The nickel case is still with four slits, making the projectile of the most expansive and exploding nature possible. A wounded Boer brought to our hospital yesterday, had forty of these bullets in his pockets.

During the advance to and at Kimberley, the casualties were:—Officers

killed, two; 13 wounded; men, four killed, 78 wounded.

BARLEY WEST OCCUPIED.

Lord Roberts has sent the following additional advice to the war office:—Paardeberg, Saturday afternoon, Feb. 24.—Meiburn reports that Barkley West was occupied by British troops on Feb. 22. The loyal inhabitants displayed great enthusiasm.

The country west of the railway from Cape Town to Kimberley is gradually settling down. A detachment has started from De Aar for Britstown, and Douglas and Prieska will shortly be visited by our troops. Meiburn's account of the admirable manner in which the Kimberley hospital is managed made one desire to send some of our sick and wounded there.

UNDER GOOD COVER.

The Times publishes the following from Paardeberg, dated Wednesday, Feb. 21:—Gen. Cronje's forces have good cover from the British artillery fire, and have considerable store of provisions.

A despatch to the Morning Post from Kimberley, dated Friday, says:—Gen. Cronje is reported to have plenty of provisions, but to be running short of ammunition. Rhodes is extremely hopeful that the war has reached its concluding stage.

October's mail arrived at Kimberley Friday by the first passenger train from the south.

CLOSING IN ON CRONJE.

Paardeberg, Orange Free State, Wednesday, Feb. 21.—The fourth day of Gen. Cronje's fine defence opened in startling fashion. Soon after dawn a most terrific rattle of rifle fire broke out, waking the sleeping camp. It soon developed that the Gloucestershire and Essex had lost their way and had bivouacked, in error, close to the Boer laager on the north side of the river. The enemy fusillade, but the British casualties were practically none. There was desultory firing all day long on both the north and south banks. Gen. Knox's brigade holding and pushing forward the line south of the river, while Gen. Smith Dorrien, with the Canadians on the north side, worked toward the laager. Meanwhile Gen. French advanced, in a far easterly direction.

NEAR A KOPJE.

held by a strong force of Cronje's men, reinforced by a Ladysmith contingent. At the same time Gen. Broadwood's brigade, with a battery of horse artillery, took up position to the rear of the same kopje. The front of the hill was thoroughly searched by a raking fire. Suddenly the Boers bolted from every side toward Gen. French, who headed toward the drift, shelling vigorously. Many were killed by shrapnel and about forty were captured. Our first contact with the Ladysmith Boers was singularly unfortunate for them. A great deal of forage, provisions and equipment was captured, and the kopje was frequently dotted with blood, showing

that many wounded had been removed. A British doctor, who visited the Boer lines to see the wounded, found the trenches along the river full of wounded and saw many dead. The position to-day is practically the same. The Boers are strengthening the entrenchments around the laager, but the case is hopeless. The capture of the kopje to-day has given the British a splendid position and will prevent a Boer relieving force making headway. Everyone admires the splendid stand of the burghers, but from a humanitarian point of view it is considered that further resistance on the part of Gen. Cronje would be criminal. To-day Gen. Roberts sent Gen. Cronje an officer, for the sake of the women and children, with an order for a free passport to them, and also an offer of medical assistance. Cronje's answer was a curt refusal. Desultory firing was resumed.

MULES AGAIN STAMPEDE.

Paardeberg, Thursday, Feb. 22.—Artillery shelling continued through the early part of last night. As soon as the last gun was fired the shopkeepers, who had been occupying the trenches since Sunday, rushed forward, seized an additional 200 yards of new ground and entrenched a fresh position before daylight. At dawn Gen. Cronje found himself docketed that amount of space, work under a galling fire, since Sunday, and they were relieved by the Gordons to-day. During the artillery firing last evening the mules of the 82nd battery, which had remained hitched to the carriages, suddenly stampeded and galloped off en masse, and to-day the wagons, with one exception, were recovered. Gen. French has sent in 75 prisoners. A British patrol, eight miles to the west, discovered thirty Boers wandering away and corralled them. Altogether this force has already captured 460 of the enemy, while many dead Boers have been seen. The Boer prisoners are all depressed at the present course of the war, and they comment bitterly on Gen. Cronje's persistence, which they call "murder."

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WILD CONSTERNATION

Reigns at Pretoria Where Cronje's Position is Regarded as Hopeless.

London, February 26.—The Lorenzo Marques correspondent of the Times says:—"The feeling in official circles at Pretoria borders on consternation. Gen. Louis Botha and President Steyn are both urging President Kruger to sue for peace. At Bloemfontein, Gen. Cronje's position is regarded as hopeless."

The campaign is in a most interesting stage. In about a fortnight the council of the Afrikaner Bond will meet, and it is rumored that Mr. Hofmeyr will then propose peace terms on the basis of the Republic's attaining absolute independence, but offering to disarm. If these terms are not accepted, a proclamation will be issued calling on the Dutch colonists to throw off their allegiance to Great Britain. Probably the Boer rumors are exaggerated, but there is no doubt the greatest anxiety prevails in Cape Town over coming events.

Dr. Leyds, in the official Berliner Post, asserts that all reports of German intervention are quite without foundation.

The Standard has the following from Cape Town, dated Saturday:—"A proclamation has been announced by Pres-

ident Steyn, annexing the Prieska section to the Free State, and all loyal British subjects have been given 48 hours to leave the place. I am informed from Prieska, that unless troops are speedily sent there, the whole north-western district will rise."

THE SITUATION.

London, Monday, Feb. 26, 4:35 a. m.—Perhaps never before in the course of the present campaign have such crowds visited the War Office as went there yesterday (Sunday). As the Times remarks to-day:—"The dearth of news is somewhat trying at the time when a general success was regarded as imminent. No diminution of confidence in Lord Roberts is felt, however, and the public is ready to believe that he had good reasons for not mentioning Gen. Cronje in the official despatches. Probably he is in no hurry to end a situation that is daily brightening." Small parties of Boers in vain endeavor to reinforce Cronje. Lord Roberts has already captured over 400 Boers, and at this rate he will soon have quite a respectable array of prisoners to hold as hostages for the three hundred British already in Pretoria. Gen. Cronje's failure to accept the offer of Lord Roberts regarding the women and children indicates that his position is less perilous than was supposed, or that he has been able to gain an absolute, safe place.

HE'S ALMOST IN TOUCH

Only Two Miles Separate Buller From General White at Ladysmith.

London, Monday, Feb. 26, 4:35 a. m.—Everything goes to show that Gen. Buller's advance is most stubbornly opposed. It is hoped that he will soon be in a position when Gen. White will be able to assist him materially.

The Times publishes the following despatch from Colenso, dated Saturday:—"The British are now within two miles of being in touch with Ladysmith, but the ground still to be covered is the hardest part, and very severe fighting must be expected."

BOERS MADE A STAND.

London, Monday, Feb. 26, 4 a. m.—A despatch, dated Colenso, Natal, Saturday, Feb. 24, says:—"The Boers, who had been reinforced, made a stand on Thursday at Grobler's Kloof and on a range of hills running east. They had been forced from all their positions on the right. Gen. Lytton's division on Thursday advanced under cover of the kopje. The Boers fired a Crescut and a 'Long Tom.' The British artillery was well sheltered in the action at daybreak and until late in the afternoon, when a heavy rifle fire on both sides developed. The fire on both sides advanced a mile and a half, the movement being kept up till after dark. The Boers stuck to their positions. The British artillery fire was irregular. A few shells were sent towards the thickly-wooded spots and ravines, from which the Boer fire was heaviest. The Boers sent shells into the headquarters' baggage, close to the hospital, but no material damage was done. Gen. Wynne was slightly wounded."

THE BOER POSITIONS.

are not considered strong, with the exception of Grobler's Kloof. The hills eastward are not so high and cannot be entrenched so well as the mountains which the British have taken. The Somersets were the first across the pontoon on Wednesday. They were subjected to a heavy fire for five hours in an isolated position. It was the first time they had been under fire, and they behaved excellently. Early on Friday a severe rifle fire was resumed on the right and front from

the positions held over night by both sides. The British naval guns, howitzers, mountain and field batteries shelled the Boer entrenchments incessantly. The Boers replied with two heavy guns, some of their shells bursting over the hospital. As a result the British wounded were removed. During the afternoon the 5th Brigade of the Inniskillings and Dublin leading, began to advance up the hills. In spite of the constant shelling, the Boers stood up in their trenches, aiming deliberately down the hills. The infantry advance was further covered by parties on the right and left firing volleys. It was slow, the British taking advantage of every bit of natural cover. The Boers on the crest of the hills, as well as from the trenches, part of the way down, poured lead upon the advancing line. At dark the British infantry had reached within a few hundred yards of the Boers' trenches.

WAR NOTES.

The Boer method of removing their dead is to tie a couple of reins to the body, which is thus dragged off by two horsemen at full gallop.

General French captured 75 more prisoners, who had previously escaped the cordon, and a patrol of the Canadians on the westward side took 30 more.

The British took 80 prisoners as the result of yesterday's engagement. A balloon ascended and discovered several air works, which the British shelled to-day.

There were several pour parlors on Thursday on the subject of a short armistice. It seems that Gen. Cronje is willing to surrender, but that the young Transvaalers refuse. The other beleaguered Boers are anxious to give up.

A Sterkstroom despatch of Feb. 23 says a British refugee from Heidelberg asserts that the Boers have admitted losing 500 men in the assault on Ladysmith, Jan. 6, and that it was true General Joubert was no longer in command. He added that some Vere Starkers were publicly flogged for cowardice after the battle of Belmont.

A deserter who came into camp last night, says that yesterday's bombardment was appalling in its effects, especially in the case of the howitzer batteries enfilading the river. Every shrapnel shell finds a victim and unless a miracle occurs Cronje's force must be wiped out or captured. The former result is terrible to contemplate; but, although it would require a few days, it would be easy to accomplish.

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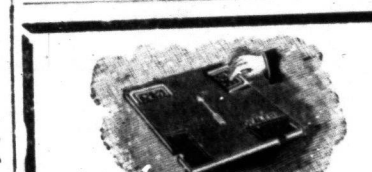
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This city would vary much like a tobacco or any other factory, but at the same time should not be drawn into making bids for one. Such bids are more likely to be used as a lever with which to raise other towns than to prove an inducement to a factory to locate here. If the gentlemen behind any proposed tobacco factory think Chatham a favorable site, let them tell the city council just what inducements they require to come here and then the council can answer them, yes or no. As a matter of fact, we believe if the council would pay the preliminary expenses of a local company and find the right man to manage it, the citizens would readily subscribe the stock themselves. We don't want to discourage any industry from coming to Chatham by any means, but all the same we do not care to see this city played off against Windsor, Leamington, Essex and Kingsville in bidding each other up for an industry which if established would probably pay its projectors well without any bonus.

A SAMPLE AMERICAN DIVORCE CASE.

An unusual divorce suit is in progress in Philadelphia, wherein the petitioner, Emma Jane Jones, a deaf mute, charges her husband, who is also deprived of vocal and auricular powers, with acts of incredible cruelty. She was patient under his beatings, but when he began to "revile her with shocking oaths, calling her all manner of bad names," she rebelled and demanded a decree of separation. If there is justice in Philadelphia, her prayer will be granted. Profanity of a personal nature is always disagreeable under the most favorable conditions, but when it is resorted to from the fingers it becomes unbearable. What more blood-curdling experience for a gentle wife could well be imagined than that of having her husband consign her immortal being to caloric flames by a series of smoky finger exercises? Think of her feelings in the unbroken silence while those convulsing fingers traced terrible sentences and the awful anathemas were burned in upon her shuddering soul and her own paralyzed dexterity could frame no adequate response!

COLLAPSE OF THE SEMIN MINISTRY.

Fighting Joe Martin has proved too much for the Semin Government of British Columbia, and it collapsed on Friday afternoon. The Government has been struggling along on a majority of one for some time, but found it hard work. Finally Premier Martin decided to carry a redistribution measure, dissolve the House and measure the votes in the Province. However, even in carrying out this limited program he has met with defeat. The direct cause was the moving of the previous question on the redistribution bill by Mr. Hall, member for Victoria, which was supported by Messrs. Martin and Prentice. The vote resulted in nineteen to eighteen in favor of the motion. The Speaker declared the bill lost, and the Opposition benches and galleries, which were crowded, immediately broke into cheers. The Government did not expect defeat, as Mr. Martin had stated he would support the redistribution bill if it was a fair measure. As soon as the result was known Mr. Martin asked for an adjournment until Tuesday, which was granted, and the members swarmed out into the corridors, where an angry altercation took place between Ralph Smith and Joseph Martin, whom the former accused of dishonorable tactics in withdrawing his support from the Government. A Government caucus followed, and it is understood they will ask the Governor for a dissolution and appeal to the country. It is doubtful, however, if Governor Melnes will grant the dissolution, as the estimates have not yet been reached. It is believed that he will call on some member of the present House, and there is a well defined suspicion that it will be Martin, as the Governor is understood to have a high opinion of him. The impression prevails that Mr. Martin will make a junction of forces with W. W. B. Melnes and then appeal to the country. Mr. Turner, the leader of the Opposition, when spoken to, said he would not entertain the idea of a coalition with the present Government if he were called upon to form a Government.

MID-FEBRUARY IN VANCOUVER.

Vancouver Province, Feb. 16. To-day the roses are blooming out of doors, the early primrose is drinking in the kisses of the sun, the buds of shrubs and trees are getting ready to uncurl the green leaves nestling within like the helpless hands of little babies. And the breeze comes up across the ocean moist and soft after its long ride, and all is glad and all is beautiful; and British Columbians, if they had nothing else to comfort them, would be happy in the knowledge that there are still such perfect days as this to be enjoyed on earth.

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Scrofula Sores.—"My baby at two months had scrofula sores on chin and arms. Local applications and physicians' medicine did little or no good. Hood's Sarsaparilla cured him permanently. He is now four, with smooth fair skin." Mrs. S. S. Wooten, Farmington, Del.

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Archibald Giekie, in a recent lecture, claimed that the formation of the stratified rock of the earth's crust dated back one hundred million years. It is pretty nearly true in that case our esteemed local contemporary, the Banner, got hold of the occurrence as an item of news.

According to the latest, or at least one of the latest, interpretations of our school by-law, a pupil refusing to allow punishment on the part of the principal is "elsewhere."—Toronto Globe.

In the word "elsewhere" specific enough for the proper administration of the spirit of the Toronto school by-laws?

To be sure, it was wrong for Sir Richard Cartwright to abuse his franking privileges and distribute 300,000 copies of his speech free through the mails. But what magnificent impudence the Tory leaders display in denouncing the thing of which they were themselves guilty when they were in power!—Hamilton Herald.

Not at all. Didn't the Liberals ask to be entrusted with power so that they could reform all these abuses? Now they perpetuate them.

WHY NOT?

Bobcaygeon Independent. Is there any way of getting rid of partisanship? Yes. A very easy way. Let the votes in parliament be taken in the same way as the votes of the electors,—that is, by secret ballot,—and partisanship would be instantly struck dead. If the ballot is good, out of parliament, why should it not be good in parliament?

THE BOND SEALED WITH BLOOD.

Montreal Star. We Canadians have grown up. We are no longer in leading strings. We can no longer look abroad upon the great wrongs and the tyrannies of the world, and plead our childish weakness as a reason for bearing none of the burden. We are now an adult member of the world empire; and the boys dead by the Mosler will forever forbid that we shrink back again into a provincial and cowardly impotence. Their death was more than the incident of a bloody campaign—every bullet that struck down a Canadian youth became a rivet driven with irresistible force into the steel bonds that fasten the empire together.

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY LOST.

Since Reformer. Come to think of it we are something of an Irish Canadian ourselves, and we know where our sympathies lie, and they are not with Paul Kruger. Further than this we believe that the conduct of the Irish parliamentary party has done more to alienate the people of Canada, irrespective of descent, from the cause of the Irish, home rule, than anything that has happened since the murder of Cavendish and Burke. The Irish parliamentary party had a golden opportunity for winning the friendship of the remainder of the British Empire. Had it seized it, the object they affect to seek, would have been moved very near them. The loyal support of the British cause in South Africa would have won over to their side tens of thousands of waverers.

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BRIC-A-BRAC.

Germany has about 25,000 physicians and surgeons.

Game cocks in Ponce, Porto Rico, bring as high as \$100 each.

Smoking, long common among Burmese children, is on the increase.

Benares, India, was an ancient capital, before Babylon or Nineveh were founded.

There is an Icelandic superstition that ambidextrous people are born to good luck.

Milkweed, commonly believed to be poisonous, is used as food in some parts of the Tyrol.

A Belleville (Ill.) man recently added \$63,000 to his tax returns because his "conscious commanded it."

An apparatus has been devised for automatically photographing people as they enter shops and other places.

Six companies have been formed in Baltimore for manufacturing automobiles. Two of these already are in operation.

A community in Alabama containing four hundred colored people and but two white persons, is about to be incorporated.

The Hebrew community of Athens, Greece, consisting of eighty families, has taken steps for the erection of a synagogue.

Lord Kelvin in a lecture stated that as a result of recent investigations it was estimated that the earth had been the abode of life for about 20,000,000 years.

A Port Angeles (Wash.) man took 300 chickens into Dawson last summer. During the trip they average three dozen eggs a day, and the eggs were sold for \$4 a dozen.

Notwithstanding the fact that there is nothing new under the sun, the United States Patent Office granted nearly 25,000 patents last year to people who had hit upon a new idea.

The Government is paying from \$200 to \$600 a day for each vessel carrying horses, supplies and army baggage to the Philippines, and \$1,000 a day for each vessel that carries troops.

The men-of-war of the Romans had a crew of about 225 men, of which 174 were oarsmen working on three decks. The speed of these vessels was about six miles an hour in fair weather.

Although one-half of the rubber product of the forests along the Amazon goes to the United States, most of the steamers, wharves and banking houses in the region belong to the English.

The military household of the Czar is composed of ninety-eight officers of various ranks, eighty-three of whom belong to the army and fifteen to the navy. Nineteen members of the Royal family are included in this list.

WOMAN'S WAYS.

Women are things of beauty and jaws forever.—Central Illinois Democrat.

A woman doesn't need a blotter when she writes. She uses her fingers.—Washington Democrat.

When a woman meets a mind reader, somehow, she always shudders.—Little Falls Transcript.

Ever since Eve thought of dress, woman has thought of nothing else.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

The woman most greatly to be envied these days is she who has naturally curly hair.—Philadelphia Times.

When a man offends a daughter, her mother and all her sisters go out on a sympathetic strike.—Athensian Globe.

It is a habit with some women to set a whole house to rights before they think of taking off their hats.—Berlin (Md.) Herald.

Money and women are at the bottom of all a man's troubles. Usually it is a lack of money and another woman.—Baltimore Herald.

There may be some women who find a greater joy in saving money than in spending it, but we have not met them.—Feminine Observer.

One reason why Eve went around as she did was because like other women, she disdained to be her own dressmaker.—Kansas City Star.

NOTES OF NOTABLES.

Lord Kitchener is the fourth bachelor who has been elevated to the peerage in the last seven years.

Thomas Bain, new speaker of the Canadian house of commons, is the first farmer to gain that post.

Cecil Rhodes is confirmed in his misogyny that he employs none but men even around his house.

Archduchess Stephanie, daughter of the King of the Belgians, is known to her friends by the nickname of "Step."

The Duchess of Portland is the tallest woman in England. She married the Duke in 1839. She was then Miss Dallas York.

John Philip Sousa owns a more or less good-sized example of the musical manuscript of nearly every great composer since the time of Bach.

Professor William Somerville, doctor of economies at the Durham college of science, has been elected to the newly established professorship of agriculture at Cambridge.

The father and brother of Ethel Root have both held professorships in Hamilton college, where they were known among the students as "Cube" Root and "Square" Root.

Lasker, the world's champion at chess and winner of the first prize at the recent tournament, is only thirty-one. Yet he has been a conspicuous figure in the chess world for the past ten years.

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A marked cheque for 2½ per cent. of the amount of the contract must accompany each tender, such cheque will be returned to the unsuccessful tenderers. Successful tenderers will be required to give good and sufficient bonds for the due performance of the work.
H. J. Powell, Architect.
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Notice to Contractors.
Sealed, separate or bulk tenders will be received by the undersigned, marked tender, until Thursday, March 1st, 1900, for the erection of a frame summer residence to be erected at Eris Eau. The plans and specifications can be seen at the office of T. J. Rutley, Architect. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.
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Of Valuable Real Estate, in the City of Chatham, in the County of Kent, under Power of Sale contained in a certain registered Mortgage made by James Lamont to the Vendors, will be sold by Public Auction by A. Thompson, Jr., Auctioneer, at the Garner House, in the City of Chatham, on Friday the Second day of March, 1900, at 2 o'clock p.m., the following freehold property, namely:—FIRSTLY, Those parts of Lots numbers Four and Five, in Block "C" on the North side of King Street, in the said City of Chatham, known and described as follows: Commencing at a point on King Street in said Lot number Five, distant Seventy-five feet from Third Street and butting on land sold to John McDowell, thence Easterly along King Street a distance of One hundred and three feet more or less on said Lots Four and Five, thence at right angles from King Street to the River Thames, thence down the stream to the limit of that portion of Lot number Five purchased by John McDowell, thence in a line at right angles to King Street to the place of beginning, being the two parcels of land heretofore conveyed by instrument Number 13584 and number 11086 respectively.

SECONDLY, The one undivided part or share in part of Lot Eighty-five, on the Southern side of King Street, in said City of Chatham, particularly described in a certain deed dated Sixth of October, 1886, to one Charles Northwood, from the Canadian Bank of Commerce and Joseph Northwood and duly registered, save and except that part thereof heretofore conveyed by registered deed to Edwin C. Radley.

THIRDLY, Part of Lot number Fourteen, on the corner of King and William Streets, in the said City of Chatham, as describe in said deed to said Charles Northwood, fifty feet more or less on William Street by Seventy-five feet more or less on King Street.

FOURTHLY, Lots numbers One Hundred and Eighteen and One Hundred and Nineteen, on the North side of King Street, in the said City of Chatham.

FIFTHLY, Lots numbers Ninety-nine and Fifty-seven, Northwood's Survey, in subdivision of park Lots One and Two, on the West side of the Gravel Road in the said City of Chatham.

SIXTHLY, The Southern part of Lot One Hundred and twenty-two, in the Government Survey of the said City of Chatham, described as follows: Commencing at a point on the South East side of King Street Fifty-six feet South, Westerly along King Street from the angle of King Street, formed by said Lot at the North West angle of said Lot, then South Easterly parallel to the South Westerly boundary of Lots One hundred and twenty-one and One hundred and twenty-two, thence South Easterly along said boundary Eighty-three feet, more or less, to the South Westerly boundary of said Lot number One hundred and twenty-two, then North Westerly along said boundary One hundred and fourteen feet six inches more or less, to King Street.

On Parcel No. 1 there is a large three story brick block 48x65 feet, all in good order. There is also frame warehouse 36x65.

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LOCAL BRIEFS

There was a big fire in Montreal this morning, a whole block, including the Theatre Francaise, being burned.

Radley's drug store is situated now nearly opposite the Standard Bank, and next to Young, the grocery.

The fire at the residence of Mrs. Finn, St. Clair St., on Saturday, did damage to the extent of \$75, and was caused by a defective chimney.

At noon to-day the new large Wondriand building in Detroit was destroyed by fire. This is the second time the place has been burned out in about twelve months.

Mrs. Pender, wife of James Pender, passed away at the residence of her husband, Sunday. The funeral will take place on Tuesday.

Sunday, at St. Joseph's Church, Father Francis Solanus, requested the prayers of the congregation for the late John A. Donegan. On Thursday, March 1st, mass will also be solemnized for the repose of his soul.

Radley's Drug store is supplied with a full line of drugs and well known special preparations that are offered at the lowest prices.

The management of the late patriotic concert unintentionally omitted to express their gratitude to the Gas Company for free lighting. They wish to remedy this omission.

The Humane Society is determined to enforce the by-law against persons leaving their horses tied on the streets. These animals will be taken to a stable, and the owners will be prosecuted.

A BRUTAL ASSAULT

Mrs. L. M. Simpson, a colored woman, lives on Dover St. Stephen Phillips was calling at her place Saturday evening when she came to the back door. Phillips answered the summons and was vigorously assaulted by an unknown man armed with a knife. Phillips, who was off in bed shape, hit Phillips hard, inflicting a number of scalp wounds and badly lacerating him about the face.

Dr. McKeeough was summoned and had the injured man, who was bleeding profusely, removed to the Public General Hospital, where his injuries were attended to. He is resting easier to-day. Phillips is the husband of the woman of that name who formerly resided in North Chatham.

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Society Dress Hints....

The correct dress for gentlemen for social functions occurring after 6 o'clock is the full dress suit.

There is but one exception permissible, that is the Tuxedo or dinner coat. These may be worn at theatres and dinner parties respectively.

The Inverness is worn as an easy top coat over dress suits.

The Paletot is becoming quite a favorite among good dressers, while the frock suit is the correct day dress.

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REPULSED WITH LOSS.

Boer Relief Forces From Ladysmith Defeated-700 Prisoners Taken.

New York, Feb. 25. — A London despatch says: — It is reported that reinforcements for Gen. Cronje have been repulsed by Gen. Roberts at Paardeberg. Gen. French has captured over 500 prisoners from Gen. Cronje's camp and 200 other prisoners have arrived at Cape Town.

ANOTHER BOER REPULSE.

Paardeberg, via Modder River, Feb. 25.—Evening — The Scottish Borderers and the Yorkshires have repulsed a Boer attack, inflicting heavy loss.

SOME HARD FIGHTING.

Paardeberg, Saturday, Feb. 24.—Yesterday there was a most interesting series of fights along the British front. One thousand Boers, commanded by Gen. Dewet, who were known to be operating in the immediate front, at early dawn yesterday determined to attempt to break through the British lines and aid Gen. Cronje.

A body of 500 Boers moved toward the British left and entered in the direction of a kopje with the object of occupying it. Unfortunately for the Boers, however, the kopje was held by a company of Scottish borderers, who opened a heavy fire. The Boers galloped off, but moved again toward another British position with exactly the same result. They then made a third attempt to occupy another position, but the borderers were again ready to receive them. The third repulse thoroughly disconcerted the Boers, who galloped away in a panic.

Later, perceiving another kopje, the Boers moved quickly towards it. This kopje was unoccupied, but the borderers, not to be beaten, raced the Boers for the position, and won, occupying the kopje and driving off the Boers. A portion of the latter partially occupied a kopje partially flanked by the borderers and facing another kopje held by the Yorkshires. A vigorous fusillade ensued the British firing truly and accurately and succeeded in silencing the Boer fire.

Meanwhile the Buffs were ordered to reinforce the Yorkshires in case the Boers should be reinforced. The British attack worked around to the right of the kopje held by the Yorkshires, where the seventh battery was stationed, the sixty-second battery being placed at a farm near the center of the borderers' position. A vigorous fusillade, accompanied by British fusillade, completely silenced the Boers. A company of Yorkshires were sent to clear out the Boers, but the attempt failed, the Boers opening a heavy fire, and the British having no cover.

The British then again opened a heavy rifle fire and again silenced the Boers. The Boers made several attempts to run, but the Maxims opened on them effectually and checked them. The Buffs now worked carefully and cautiously around and got within 150 yards of the Boers. Eight Boers were killed, but many, it appears, escaped going singly.

Most of the prisoners had just arrived from Ladysmith. They complained of the bad generalship of their leader. Nearly every man carried explosive bullets and five British were wounded with these missiles. I have seen the bullet, of which one Boer carried 50.

There is no longer the slightest doubt that the Boers are gradually discarding all rules of civilized warfare. The other day they poured the contents of a Vickers-Maxim gun into an ambulance, which happened, however, to be empty, some 300 yards away from the nearest troops.

The war balloon, is doing excellent service. Early this morning it arose to a great height and discovered in the bed of the river four wagons which contained ammunition. These were exploded by the British shells an hour afterwards. The balloon observer also discovered a number of horses concealed near by and these also received attention from the British sharpshooters.

The Gordons are now incorporated in the Highland brigade, making four light regiments. The Highland light infantry, who are not killed, and are a fine body of men, are going to join Gen. Smith-Dorrien's regiment.

TO AVENGE MAJUBA.

London, Feb. 26.—The Leader says: Up till Saturday night, Gen. Cronje seems to have held out. It is strange that he should have elected to have a citadel in a river bed, with heavy rains due any day. All we have been able to do is to wound him with artillery, not nearer 70 than 50 guns.

The militia are now arriving at the Cape and will be able to release the regulars on the lines of communication, who can be sent to Roberts, Clements and Gatacre's aid.

Buller burrows forward, but the Boers around Ladysmith are not yet in a hurry to be gone. It is rumored that Buller and Roberts are waiting to strike the final blow simultaneously on Majuba.

The Leader's expert compares the Transvaal with Scotland, and says that often when armies are broken up into guerrilla warfare may go on for months or years.

MAKING HOLDING OUT.

London, Feb. 26.—The Times has the following special today from Bulwer, Feb. 20.—Nothing further has occurred at Crocodile Pools. Col. White is back here in the hospital wounded. The following was received today by the government from Col. Buller-Powell, dated Mafeking, Feb. 15.—All well here. The enemy actively pushing their trenches against us and treating us to much musketry and artillery fire, including incendiary shells at night, but as we have taken all precautions, no harm has resulted. Our men have been obliged to move their big gun again owing to our advanced entrenchments being pushed forward. They have mounted it 4,000 yards due west of the Stadt, where they deliberately put two shells into the camp of the women and children.

MUST TAKE THE KLOOF.

Reliable news as to Gen. Buller's advance on Ladysmith is published this morning. It is now settled beyond all question that the country north of the Tugela, between Colenso and Pieter's Station is in the hands of the British. The heavy firing which was officially reported to have occurred on Thursday and Friday, it appears, took place to the west of Pieter's station, and it was here, in the rush of one of the Boer positions on Tuesday night, that Gen. Wynne fell wounded. The Boers had been strongly reinforced, but they were, notwithstanding, compelled by Friday afternoon, to fall back from their entrenchments in disorder. The Boers still hold a splendid position on Grobler's Kloof, and they must be driven from it before the advance can be continued.

A. B. Milnes, of Brantford, was killed by falling down stairs.

The Marconi system of wireless telegraphy was tried in the British naval manoeuvres and proved very successful.

Postmaster-General Mulock has arranged with the authorities of Great Britain and Cape Colony that letters from the Canadian troops in South Africa shall be forwarded and delivered whether paid or not.

As the result of a fire that broke out at St. Ouen, a suburb of Paris, in a collection of alcohol and oil stores, a series of explosions occurred, spreading the flames until a block of six immense warehouses was involved. A large number of people, including some firemen, were more or less injured.

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There will be a big run on plain colored organdies this season, we have them in pink mauve, light blue and cardinal, special values per yard 25c.

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A complete range of satin checks now in stock for children's dresses and aprons, at 10c, 12c and 15c per yard.

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54 patterns, in light and dark prints and foulards, 26 and 27 in wide, these goods are much better value than you will find elsewhere, but we will sell them while they last at 5c and 6c per yard, come early and make your purchase.

New Dress Suitings for 1900

The advance heralds of spring have already come to hand for our Dress Goods Section, and being here we cannot resist the temptation to give them immediate showing. You'll likely be as glad to see these new early spring cloths and suitings as we are to show them. These are some of the new fabrics that are getting first showing.

2 special's, in plain navy and navy and white striped, excellent, pure alpaca, a pretty cloth for shirt waist, you should see the value, our special prices at per yard 40c and 50c.

8 pos. French broad-cloth, pure wool, in the new soft clinging finish, not too heavy, weight, 52 in. wide, in all the newest colorings, our prices at per yard \$1.00.

4 pos. pure wool Halifax home spun suiting, 56 in. wide, in choice shades of gray, brown, fawn mixed, gray mixed, excellent cloth for separate skirt or tailor-made costume, our special prices at per yd. 75c.

8 pos. fine Scotch pure wool home-spun, in neat check color combinations, the newest fancy cloths for costumes or skirts, 54 in. wide, see our special prices at per yd. \$1.25.

3 pos. dark worsted plaids, especially for skirts, the very newest ideas, only short lengths, come and secure your skirt, they are pretty, our special price at per yard \$1.50.

5 pos. 42 in. wide, plain all-wool amazon cloth, in shades of copper, brown, new green, navy blue, cardinal, myrtle, green, perfect finish, special value at per yard 50c.

5-pos. French poplin, pure soft wool dress cloth, 48 in. wide, in shades of new blue, new green, blue gray, pearl gray, choice designs, this season's extra value at per yard \$1.00.

3 pos. French covert suitings, 48 in. wide, a fine made cloth, suitable for tailor-made costume, pretty shades in blue mixed, fawn mixed, green mixed, no better value at per yard 95c.

5 pos. 42 in. wide covert suiting, in mixed green, mixed blue, dark gray, light gray, blue gray, new goods just passed into stock, see the value, at per yard 50c.

4 pos. whipcord, in pretty colors, 48 in. wide, in shades of copper, brown, new blue, royal blue, light lawn, excellent value, new this season, come and see them, our special price at per yard 60c.

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BULLER'S LOSSES.

They Will Probably up to Saturday Exceed 350

Germany Now Convinced of Great Britain's Success—Feeling is Consequently Changing.

London, Feb. 26.—The war office has received from Gen. Buller a list of casualties resulting from the fighting of Feb. 22, as follows:
Killed—Lieut. Hon. R. C. Cathcart (son of Lord Cathcart), of the rifle brigade; Lieut. Coe and Parker, of the Lancashire regiment.
Wounded—18 officers, including Maj. Gen. Wyndham and Col. Harris, of the East Surreys.
Gen. Buller concludes: "Owing to the continuous fighting, it is impossible at present to give the number of men killed or wounded." However, 17 officers killed and wounded would mean about 340 casualties to the rank and file.

CONVINCED AT LAST.
Berlin, Feb. 24.—The German press is now convinced that the British have really defeated Gen. Cronje, and that the latter's position is desperate. Sympathies here remain on the Boer side. Even Herr Eugene Richter, the radical leader, in an editorial speaks admiringly of Gen. Cronje's gallant resistance against a four fold force. The Neueste Nachrichten and many other papers avoid the British generals for the lack of chivalry shown to the enemy. It is quite plain, however, that the current of German feeling is changing towards Great Britain.

HIS PLAN FAILED.

Bishop McEvay Said to Have Abandoned the Struggle

For Separate Schools in Essex and Kent—Catholic Lay Opinion Was too Strong

Detroit News-Tribune.

It looks as though Bishop McEvay's elaborate scheme for establishing separate schools throughout Essex county, wherever there are sufficient Catholics to support one, has been abandoned.

It is nearly six months since the bishop announced his determination to have separate schools, but in only one place, Belle River, has his order been carried out, and it was done there at the expense of a big breach in the church that nothing now seems able to heal. In Windsor Catholics were told that they must convert their schools, public in name, but altogether Catholic in practice, into regular separate schools, and that such as refused would have to leave the church. It was also threatened that St. Mary's Academy would be opened as a separate school if due haste was not made in carrying out the bishop's order. No steps have been taken to do the cleric's bidding, and no excommunications have followed, nor has St. Mary's Academy been converted into a separate school. Bishop McEvay has paid several visits to Windsor since he announced his school policy, but has made no further reference to the matter.

Some Catholics say that the Belle River trouble has cooled the bishop's ardor for separate schools; others believe that the representative of prominent Catholics has caused him to change his mind, while not a few believe that the attitude of the Ontario government, as voiced by its chief organ, the Toronto Globe, had a good deal to do with the matter. Whatever the reason may be Windsor Catholics are satisfied that they have heard the last of separate schools.

"There is no little enemy," Little impurities in the blood are sources of great danger and should be expelled by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Little Incidents Interesting the Citizens at Present.

SAY THEY ARE TIRED OF MR. HICKEY.

"I see," said a city Liberal. "The Planet mentions in its list of applicants for the license inspectorship James Dillon, of this city, and County Councillor William Hickey, of Merlin. Now, I just want to tell you, James Dillon is not pushing his claims and William Hickey is wasting time if he tries to push his. The Liberal party has more than paid Mr. Hickey for all he has done for it. Why, it gave him the government inspectorship for the dredging at the Eau last year for over two months at \$2.50 a day. When we did that we considered Mr. Hickey's account settled for good and do not propose to be bothered with him any longer. Mr. Campbell came up here and mentioned the matter to a few of his friends. He first offered the job to James Dillon but Mr. Dillon said he was too old to go ditching and declined it. However, that squired with him and offer him a government position. On Mr. Dillon refusing Mr. Campbell offered it to Mr. Hickey. Mr. Hickey didn't want it himself but accepted it for his son. That amounts to just the same thing, and we consider we have settled with Mr. Hickey. You may use this in your paper, in fact I wish you would, for I am overlastingly sick of William Hickey being the field for every government job that comes up. As for the other applicants you may say to them that the present incumbent, Mr. Macnabb, will be confirmed in the office."

Some people think three or four times before speaking once, and then never say anything worth listening to.

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THE I. O. O. F. BOOMING.

Chatham Lodge, No. 29, I. O. O. F., held their last meeting in their old hall on Tuesday evening last. A large number of the members turned out. Quite a lot of business was transacted. One candidate was balloted for and elected, and three other names were brought before the lodge as probable candidates. At the close of the meeting the brothers all turned out to assist in moving the furniture to their new rooms, and from this out the meetings will be held there, which we think is one of the finest in Ontario, a full description of which will appear later. The Order in this town is booming. Not a meeting passes but what there are from one to three, and sometimes more, names brought up as candidates. By a very little exertion on the part of each brother, we could soon double our membership. Our officers' chairs are now completed and everything will be in readiness for the dedication of the Temple on the 8th of March.

ITS DARKEST DAY.

Kimberley had Reached it when French Came Thundering up.

The Garrison was as much Surprised as the Boers—The Latter Fled in Great Haste.

London, Feb. 25.—Kimberley, long resuming its normal aspect, slow stories of incidents of the siege are now arriving. The two generations of the garrison sustained were the death of Major Scott Turner and Mr. Labram, the American engineer, who was killed four days before the relief arrived. The correspondent's remarkable genius. It was he, it will be recalled, who built the gun known as "Long Caed," which materially aided in the defence of the town. He was, at night, the enemy's shells falling at the foot of the funeral procession and the grave.

It is reported that M. Leon, the agent at Pretoria of the Schneider, the makers of the Croquet gun, who while he was directing the fire of the Boer 100-pounder upon Kimberley, died on Feb. 16. M. Leon, according to a letter from Col. M. de la Motte, which is printed in the press, was the principal director of the artillery and engineering departments of the Transvaal. Gen. Joubert delegated to him complete authority as required the reputation of possessing almost supernatural power in the Boer camps.

HORRORS OF THE SIEGE.

Extracts from the diary of the Reuter correspondents at Kimberley give an insight into the horrors of the garrison. They are in brief, as follows: Jan. 11.—Scurvy attacks the natives alarmingly. They are dying fast. The anti-scurvy pills are exhausted. Vine cuttings are being tried in lieu of green food.

Jan. 12.—Typhoid is very prevalent. Neglect to boil the water is probably the cause.

Jan. 13.—Fifty typhoids in the hospital.

Jan. 16.—The military authorities have commandeered all the food stuffs and other stores. Leave has been granted to the inhabitants to shoot small birds for food.

Jan. 17.—The mules slaughtered are pronounced superior to horse flesh.

Jan. 24.—Five hundred shells poured into the town at haphazard, the hospital, scurvy compound and residences receiving the attention properly due the defenders of the earthworks.

Jan. 25.—A small family shell proof shelter has been dug in nearly every garden.

Feb. 11.—Twenty-five hundred women and children were lowered into the mines throughout the night. The men are also seeking places of safety.

Feb. 15.—All the morning there was a heavy cross fire of the British occupying Alexandriafontein. The 100-pounder and shrapnel are bursting over Kimberley. Everyone is lying low. The shops and banks were closed.

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The glad tidings spread with marvelous rapidity. From all directions mounted and dismounted men hastened to welcome the relief column. Those remaining hoisted flags and there was a universal feeling of joy and thankfulness.

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DRESDEN.

Feb. 26.—The residence of D. A. Warner, North Dresden, was consumed by fire last Saturday evening. Between eight and nine o'clock the alarm was given and the firemen responded to the call. By some means, however, the engine froze up and the brigade was unable to render any more assistance. The burning building, several out-buildings, were also burned, some of which were used by Mr. Warner to store furniture stock in. In spite of a very high wind neither his furniture store nor any of the surrounding houses were damaged. No doubt Mr. Warner will be a very heavy loser, as we understand he carried only a very light insurance.

H. M. Pougnet, of Sarnia, paid Dresden a business visit on Saturday.

Harry Bishop, engineer for the fire company, had his ears frozen during the fire Saturday evening.

Seven Years in Bed.

"Will wonders ever cease?" inquired the friends of Mrs. S. Peas, of Lawrence, Kan. They knew she had been unable to leave her bed in seven years on account of kidney and liver trouble, nervous prostration and general debility, but "Three bottles of Electric Bitters enabled me to walk," she writes, "and in three months I felt like a new person." A lady from Headache, Backache, Nervousness, Sleeplessness, Melancholy, Fainting and Dizzy Spells will find it a priceless blessing. Try it. Satisfaction is guaranteed. Sold at A. I. McCall & Co's Drug Store.

WALLACEBURG.

Feb. 26.—Rev. Dr. Cook preached a sermon on temperance last evening. A number of the W. C. T. U. and Royal Templars were present.

The Jefferys-Sharkey fight shown by the biograph, was given in the opera house Saturday night, to a good crowd.

D. C. Doherty returned from London Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Forhan, who have been in Toronto, have returned home.

Miss Belle Stewart was in Chatham on Saturday.

Norman Gurd, of Sarnia, visited relatives here Saturday.

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AN INCIDENT FIVE.

Yesterday afternoon Mayor Smith telephoned the department that fire had broken out in the residence of W. J. Moore, Victoria Ave. The department turned out and found that the wood work had caught fire from the grate in the drawing room. The chemical extinguisher was used to put out the blaze. Damage nominal. There was only one layer of bricks between the fire and some boards, and when the bricks became red-hot they ignited the lumber. From the time the alarm was telephoned in until the fire arrived at the scene was only 3-1/2 minutes.

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LOCAL BRIEFS

P. J. Doyle, councillor, of Raleigh, was in the city to-day.

Wm. Eber, Poplar street, died this morning, aged 64 years.

Andrew Neal, of Harwich, had an operation on his knee this morning.

Fred, Carter, of the C. B. C., has secured a situation as stenographer and bookkeeper.

W. H. Moore and family are moving to Courtwright to day where they will reside in future.

The official thermometer registered three below zero at the lowest point last night.

The sacrament of the Lord's supper was dispensed at the First Presbyterian Church yesterday morning.

The C. P. K. midnight express No. 4 from the west was delayed nine hours in ferrying the river at Detroit.

Father Francis Solanus, will leave on Thursday, March 1st, to conduct a Mission in the South, he will be absent a month.

Benjamin Blonnie left to-day for Northern Ontario, in the interests of his firm. While away he will order lumber for the coming season.

Butter is very scarce just now. A good many of the grocers are out of dairy butter and the only supply available to them is creamery at 25 cents a pound.

On Saturday, Secretary Thomas O'Rourke, of the Y. M. C. C., forwarded copies of the resolution passed by the club in memory of their late member, to the parents and brother of the late John A. Donegan.

Ladies had found on Head street on Sunday morning. The owner can have it by paying for this notice and applying to Jacob Labombard, Ursuline avenue.

Fred, Fitzsimmons, the popular fireman, leaves Friday, for Elkhorn, Col., where he intends working in the mines. Mr. Fitzsimmons has a married sister at Elkhorn.

Rev. J. J. Ross went to Brantford to-day, where he will remain all week conducting a mission in connection with the First Baptist Church there. He will return to Chatham on Saturday.

The returns from the patriotic concert received by Major Rankin up till noon amounted to over \$300. It is expected when the full returns are in nearly \$500 clear of expenses will be realized.

Some twenty members of the Chatham tennis club, who proposed availing themselves of invitations to attend the ball of the Thamesville club to-night, were doomed to disappointment, owing to the fact that no arrangements could be made to have the Wabash train stop for them.

Recently Mrs. James Keir, Dover, received a telegram announcing the death of her mother, Mrs. Neil Bell, in British Columbia, on February 11th. The deceased lady had been an invalid for over one year and her death was not unexpected. Mrs. Bell went to British Columbia in 1892 and leaves three sons who reside in the province and one daughter, the wife of Mr. James Keir, of Dover.

OUTLOOK FAVORABLE.
"I think," said Mayor Smith to the Planet, "the Ontario government is favorably disposed towards bonussing beet sugar factories. When our deputations waited on the ministers at Toronto all seemed favorably impressed with the idea that if factories were to be built, Chatham was the place for them. It is my opinion that the bonus will be given by the government, that several factories will go forward, and that we stand a very good chance of getting at least one of them."

The initial practice of those taking part in the special services in connection with the opening of the new pipe organ at Victoria Ave. Methodist Church will be held this evening in the Sunday school room, when all are requested to be present.

HOTEL KEEPERS WARNED.

At the police court this morning W. J. Kitchen, proprietor of the Idlewild Hotel, was assessed \$10 and costs for allowing liquor to be given to Frank Shea, against whom prohibitory papers had been issued. George Gregg, on the charge of attempted larceny of a plough while under the influence of liquor, was released on suspended sentence. Judge Houston stating that if it came to his knowledge that any hotel man in future allowed him to quarrel he would personally petition the license commission to refuse a renewal of the license.

KILLED HIS WIFE.

A Quebec City Policeman Commits an Awful Crime.

He was Drunk at the Time and Became Infuriated Because His Dinner was Cold.

Quebec, Feb. 26.—An awful crime was committed in a tenement on the third floor of No. 3 Police Station, situated on St. Francis street in rear of the Jacques Cartier market, at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, which resulted in the instant killing of the wife of Constable Oakes, of the police force. On account of sickness in his family, Oakes had been off duty since Monday last, and it appears that he had been drinking very hard the whole week. On Saturday he came home late for dinner, nearly tipsy in the afternoon, and he was under the influence of liquor. He had to split some wood and start the fire in the kitchen stove to warm his dinner. This gave rise to a very heated discussion. At last Oakes, getting mad at the severe reproaches of his wife, fired at her five times with his revolver. Death was instantaneous. After committing the terrible deed, the murderer attempted to escape, and raced wildly along the street till he reached Mignier's factory, on St. Valer street, when the constables, who had given him chase, overtook him, and conveyed him to the station with a great deal of difficulty. A coroner was notified and ordered the transfer of the body to the morgue. Here an inquest will be held to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock. Dr. Marois held a post-mortem examination upon the remains at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Oakes is 28 years of age, and his wife, who was of Irish descent, was 32 years old. She leaves two small children, a baby six months old and a little girl one year and a half old. The murderer slept soundly in the jail last night, and says that he does not remember anything of yesterday's deed.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—Dec.	66 1/2	66 3/4	65 1/2	65 3/4
May	66 1/2	66 3/4	65 1/2	65 3/4
July	66 1/2	66 3/4	65 1/2	65 3/4
Corn—Sept.	34 1/2	34 3/4	34 1/2	34 3/4
May	34 1/2	34 3/4	34 1/2	34 3/4
July	34 1/2	34 3/4	34 1/2	34 3/4
Oats—Sept.	22 1/2	22 3/4	22 1/2	22 3/4
May	22 1/2	22 3/4	22 1/2	22 3/4
July	22 1/2	22 3/4	22 1/2	22 3/4
Pork—Dec.	10 67	10 67	10 60	10 62
May	10 67	10 67	10 60	10 62
July	10 67	10 67	10 60	10 62
Lard—Dec.	5 82	5 82	5 77	5 77
May	5 82	5 82	5 77	5 77
July	5 82	5 82	5 77	5 77
Ribs—Dec.	5 80	5 82	5 77	5 77
May	5 80	5 82	5 77	5 77
July	5 80	5 82	5 77	5 77

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LIGHT IN NIGHT.

Black winds across the sky, and the night—
No star shines from the blue,
But over all the forgotten light
In the dear eyes of you.

In what strange pathways may your footsteps be
I may not dream or know,
Only this joy comes in the dark to me—
That I have loved you so!

It was not much to love—O heart of mine,
All that was pure and bright—
Robes of red and crimson to resign
For raiment that is white.

It was not much to yield earth's gold and dream
For rest with joy and ease,
And in the darkness, clinging to a cross,
Find mercy at your feet.

So night is never night when the sweet thought
Of love is with us still,
If to love's cross our scourged, sad limbs are
brought.

Lo, love is with us still!
O winds across the meadows and the night!
O stars that leave the blue!
There shines, sweetheart, the forgotten light
In the dear eyes of you.

—Atlanta Constitution.

CUPID WITH A WOODEN HAND

How a Bachelor Outwitted His Sister and Got Married.

In his youth my Uncle David, according to my mother, was a flower of beauty. He may have been, but when he came to live with us he had faded and was a short, thick man of 50, with scowled eyes, the whites being streaked yellowish brown, a knobby face and a wooden hand strapped to his right wrist. But, as he had done well on the sea, he was still beautiful. As I was his heir presumptive, I was likewise assistant custodian of him, for my mother was ever one to guard her treasures.

My duty was to go abroad with him and see to it that no woman had private conversation with him, my instructions being, if they endeavored to do so, to hurry him home, resorting, if necessary, to pretended rams, a sickness to which I was predisposed. And my office was not an easy one, for he had in his day been quite a blade and had never lost his edge, and the vigilance I had to exercise to keep him from harm would have saved a congregation of ordinary sinners. He would always wink his scowled eyes at the girls we met and occasionally stop to speak with them, despite my tugging at his coat and having cramps. All his transgressions I would report at home, and my mother would then blacken the characters of the young ladies in question to a degree that satan himself would not have associated with them without wearing an amulet.

By these and similar means we saved him for a year, and might have saved him to the day of his death had I not been taken down with my first love affair and become correspondingly mushy. How true it is that lovers are the temples of the gods! Being mushy, I fell to pitying his isolation from feminine charms and was thereby led, on the 11th of a February, to sending him a valentine—a pair of plump red hearts spitted on a golden arrow. It duly posted, and later it was delivered to him. That evening, being a Wednesday, my mother went, as was her inviolate custom, to prayer meeting, leaving me on guard. As the door closed behind her, Uncle David got out of his chair and went to the window.

"She's aboard," he said, peering out. "There's a light on her port side."

"A what?" said I, knowing I must report the remark.

He made no reply, but came back to his chair.

"Bennie," he said presently, "did you ever get a valentine?"

"No, sir," said I faintly. "Did you?" He did not answer.

"Do you know when you are going to wear a watch?" he asked suddenly.

I was going to say when he died, but thought better of it.

"I do," he went on; "tomorrow. It is in my chest. It doesn't go, but when you want to know the time you can run home and find out."

"Of course," I exclaimed joyfully. "Why not?"

"Answer yourself," he said. "Tomorrow it is yours. Tonight we are going out. Fetch me my feathers."

I got between him and the door.

"Come to think," he said, eyeing me sharply, "the watch does go, and there is a chain to it."

Eve got only an apple. What would she have done for a watch? Without a word I brought him his best suit, which he always spoke of as his feathers, from the press in my mother's room and where she was keeping it against his funeral.

"You can't get them on," I said hopefully, noting their size.

"No more have I for 30 years," he answered, "but I can pull in. If you hear me ripping, look sharp and turn the other way. There is a charm to the chain."

He shouldn't have mentioned the charm, for the rapidity with which I got him into his clothing damaged his wind, but when I had him crowded into them he looked fine, barring alarming symptoms of suddenly coming out of them at all points. As soon as he was dressed we started, taking along his great coat, to be used in case of accident.

A square down the street we stopped. Then my heart beat comfortably. It was Miss Hannah Baxter's house, and I did not consider Miss Hannah at all dangerous, she being my mother's bosom friend and with a reputation as a man hater, having once in public meeting prayed for the saving of men, whom she designated as de-throned devils. In response to my uncle's knock, Miss Hannah opened the door.

"The Lord save us!" she exclaimed inhospiably. "Is it you?"

"It is," said my uncle, snapping for

breath, being much blown from walking and the tightness of his garments. "It is. As I said, I'm doing."

Though I saw that she did not understand the speech, she let us into the sitting room and asked us to be seated. It was the one thing my uncle should not have done, for as he touched the settle there were rippling sounds, and I knew I should have trouble in getting him out of the house. He was but little affected.

"She's let go all over," he said calmly and then, "Hannah Baxter, come here."

"I won't," said Miss Hannah, standing on the other side of the fireplace. "I won't! Why should I?"

"Because you have done it again," said my uncle. "After 30 years you've done it again, red hearts and all. You know what I said I'd do if you did it again."

Miss Hannah started. "I never!" she exclaimed. "I never!"

"You did," shouted my uncle. "Bennie, fetch her here!"

I hesitated, but suddenly remembering the watch, I sprang upon her and, catching her around the waist, began pulling her toward the settle, my uncle encouraging me by cries of "Bravo!"

and by pounding on the settle with his wooden hand. She was no match for me, and so, though she fought valiantly, I soon landed her on the settle.

Then, to my horror, my uncle grabbed her and repeatedly kissed her on whatever part of the face came conveniently to his lips, for she still struggled, though hardly as a virgin of 50 should have struggled.

Seeing this brought me to my senses, and I flew at them and tried to tear her from him, but as she evinced no desire to be liberated, and as my uncle beat me soundly on the head with his wooden hand, I desisted and took to cramps on the floor. This had no effect whatever, so I recovered, and, rushing from the house, ran to the church where my mother was, and, dashing up the aisle, whispered to her the dreadful news that Uncle David was kissing Miss Hannah Baxter.

Never will I forget the look that overspread her face. Ever a woman of prompt thought and action, she then and there boxed my ears and, this done, hurried out and ran as fast as she could to Miss Hannah's, I following.

But we were too late. The doors and shutters were locked and all in vain did we pound for admittance. Not a word, not a sound, came from within the house. My mother's agitation was terrible. I was glad when she left off beating on the door and fell to beating me, for I knew that she would feel better for it, and that I would have so much less to receive later on. Notwithstanding, I cried lustily, and, "church having been hastily dismissed, a crowd quickly gathered, and as I was crying 'Murder!' the rumor got about that Miss Hannah was murdering Uncle David. Some of the men were for breaking down the door and would certainly have done so had not my uncle, flanked by Miss Hannah, bearing a lamp, appeared at an upper window.

"David Hamilton!" screamed my mother on seeing him. "Come out of that!"

"I will not!" shouted my uncle defiantly.

"You shall!" screamed my mother. "Come home!"

For answer my uncle deliberately put his arm around Miss Hannah and kissed her. My mother fainted, but no sooner had she touched the ground than she was again on her feet.

"Stop it!" she screamed. "Stop it! You ain't married!"

He again kissed Miss Hannah. "Break down the door!" commanded my mother.

It was an exciting moment. Although half of the crowd were laughing, some of the men threw themselves against the door. My uncle leaned over the window sill.

"We ain't married," he shouted, "but we're going to be, and there isn't any power on earth can stop it, because I'm not coming out," and he shook his fist in the direction of my mother.

"Hannah Baxter and me," he continued, "has been fools for over 30 years. The why is no one's business, but we've got over it, and there ain't no power on earth can stop it, because I'm not coming out," and again he shook his fist in the direction of my mother, who was now hammering on the door.

"Is the preacher among you?" he shouted.

The preacher was pushed forward. Realizing that if the day were to be saved, I must save it, I fell in a pretended fit under the window. When I got back, drenched and shivering, from the pump, whether kind hands had conveyed me, the crowd was cheering, and my uncle and Miss Hannah were bowing from an upper window.

As for the rest, I never got even the watch.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

She Paid the Fine.

The Boston Herald says: "A man was brought into the Springfield police court the other day charged with neglecting to support his wife. He pleaded guilty and was fined \$20. Thereupon his neglected wife stepped up to the clerk's desk and paid the fine, which was promptly refunded to her under the provision of the law relative to nonsupport cases, which provides for the payment of the amount of the fine imposed on the husband to the wife when the court so directs. The law appears to be based on the right principle, but it operates queerly sometimes, as in this case."

A Fraction.

"What is a fraction?"
"A part of anything, sir."
"Give an example."
"The sixteenth of June."—Melbourne Times.

KEEP ENGAGEMENTS

There is One Thing That is as Sacred as the Marriage Relation.

That is an Appointment—A Man who Fails to Keep his Promise in this Respect is a liar.

There is one thing that is almost as sacred as the marriage relation—that is, an appointment. A man who fails to meet his appointments, unless he has a good reason, is practically a liar, and the world treats him as such.

"I give it as my deliberate and solemn conviction," said Dr. Fitch, "that the individual who is tardy in meeting an appointment will never be respected or successful in life."

"If a man has no regard for the time of other men," said Horace Greeley, "why should we have for their money? What is the difference between taking a man's hour and taking his five dollars? There are many men to whom each hour of the business day is worth more than five dollars."

"It is not necessary for me to live," said Pompey, "but it is necessary that I be at a certain point at a certain hour."

Franklin said to a servant who was always late, but always ready with an excuse: "I have generally found that the man who is good with an excuse is good for nothing else."

On the eve of Nelson's departure on a famous cruise, his coachman said that the carriage would be at the door punctually at 6 o'clock. "A quarter before," said the admiral. "I have always been a quarter of an hour before my time, and it has made a man of me."

Napoleon once invited his marshals to dine with him, but as they did not arrive at the moment appointed, he began to eat without them. They came in just as he was rising from the table. "Gentlemen," said he, "it is now past dinner, and we will immediately proceed to business."

What Women Fear to Do.

It is a common remark with hundreds of men that they wonder "what women find to do all day." Sometimes curiosity gets the better of a man, and he asks his wife what she has done all day. "O, a hundred and one little things," she says. Then he thinks of some momentous scheme over which he has been working all day, and makes a mental comparison in which his wife's work takes second place. He overlooks the fact, however, that a woman's life in the home is made up of "little things," and that these same "little things" are absolutely vital to the even adjustment of the domestic machinery of his home. They are "little" only in a woman's eye; they would be a very serious proportion of men's life in the home if the man's hand were to try to do them.—Edward Bok, in Ladies' Home Journal.

Lost Her Sense of Humor.

It is an Italian doctor who specializes in recommending laughter as a cure for modern ills. The diseases influenced by a hearty laugh and numerous, and range from bronchitis to anaemia. It will be interesting to see how the treatment is selected. Our medical contemporary suggests that there is a great opening for professional gelototherapists—the very name makes one smile—who should study various ways of inducing laughter. A course of tickling is prescribed for bronchitis, for example, a course of forced giggles might suit an anaemic patient; while puns, fired at intervals, would be found efficacious in cases of pleurisy.

Telephone of Japan.

Japan apparently favors telephones. The Imperial Diet recently voted to expend \$12,800,000 within the next seven years for the improvement of the Government telephone system.

Riga Nakayama, a young electrical engineer, has been sent to the United States to investigate the latest improvements and inventions. The Government work will be executed by Japanese electricians.

THE WEATHER-SPIRIT.

A voice in the roaring pine-wood,
A voice in the breaking sea,
A voice in the storm-driven morning,
That will not let me be.

It is calling me to the forest,
It is calling me to the strand,
The Weather-Spirit is calling me,
To fare over sea and land.

Till my cheek with the rain is aching,
And my hand is wet with the spray,
There is that within my bosom
Which will not let me stay.

Might in the pine-wood tossing,
Might on the racing sea,
The Weather-spirit, my brother,
Is calling, calling to me.



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Lord Rosse, who built the famous telescope that bears his name, was an expert mechanic, and was also somewhat careless about his dress. On one occasion the Earl was looking through the engine-room of a large manufactory. He suddenly became much interested in something he saw, and taking out his watch, stood looking from it to the machine with a peculiar smile on his face.

The engineer came along. "Well, what's up?" he growled. "What are you grinning at? What have you to find fault with?"

"Oh, nothing," answered Lord Rosse. "I am not finding fault; I am calculating how long before the boiler explodes."

"Boiler explodes? Why you're crazy, man. You get out of this!"

"Well," said the Earl, "if you work ten minutes longer with that screw loose there, the boiler will certainly explode."

The engineer looked at the screw indicated, jumped at it, and fastened it as soon as he could.

"Why didn't you say that sooner?" he demanded.

"Why should I?" demanded Lord Rosse. "I've never yet had an opportunity of seeing a boiler explode."

The engineer, in a hazy brain, imagined himself dead. Nothing could drive this delusion out of the man's brain. One day his physician had a happy thought, and said to him:

"Did you ever see a dead man bleed?"

"No," he replied.

"Did you ever hear that a dead man bled?"

"No."

"Do you believe that a dead man can bleed?"

"No."

"Well, if you will permit me, I will try an experiment with you, and see if you bleed or not."

The patient gave his consent, the doctor whipped out his penknife and drew a little blood.

"There," he said, "you see that you bleed; that proves that you are not dead."

"Not at all," the patient instantly replied; "that only proves that dead men can bleed."

COURTIERS IN SILK.

Georgious Kings and Queens Wild savages, Gladiators, Nymphs.

All Were at the Famous Moulin Rouge but it was Difficult to Obtain Entrance.

As the Bol des Quatre Arts is not open to the public, and as none but accredited members of the four arts are admitted, the greatest precautions are taken to prevent the intrusion of outsiders, and wonderful is the ingenuity exercised to surmount the authorities. Inside the vestibule of the Moulin was erected a tribune (a long bar), behind which sat the rulers of the different studios of Paris, all in striking costumes.

It was their task not only to identify the holders of tickets, but also to pass on the suitability of the costumes of such as were otherwise eligible to admittance. The costumes must all have conspicuous merit, and be thorough. Nothing black, no dominoes, none in civilian dress, may pass. Many and loud were the protestations that rang through the vestibule as one after another was turned back and firmly conducted to the door.

Once past the implacable tribunes, we entered a dazzling fairy-land, a dream of rich color and reckless abandon. From gorgeous kings and queens to wild savages, all were there, courtiers in silk, naked gladiators, nymphs with paint for clothing—all were there, and the air was heavy with the perfume of roses. Shouts, laughter, the silvery clinking of glasses, a whirling mass of life and color, a bewildering kaleidoscope of mazes of tangled visions in the soft yellow haze that filled the vast hall. There was no thought of the hardness and sordidness of life, no dream of the morrow. It was a wonderful withy that sat upon every soul there.

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In youth, tears without grief; in age, grief without tears.

We like to have, in our great men, something that is above question; we like to place an implicit faith in them, and see them always on the platform of their greatness.

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The smile doctor is the very latest professional in the English capital. He's a gainer from Winesville, and he's bound to have hosts of imitators.

He has a system peculiar to himself. He takes the common, or garden, mouth, and after a series of exercises transforms it into an orifice which, in repose, resembles the lips of a Michael Angelo cherub and in action suggests the dawning of the southern sun. All this he does for a consideration. The consideration varies according to the difficulties the smile doctor has to overcome before bringing about the desired effect. For instance, Miss Lottie Youthful, from school, can have an effective ingenu smile built to order for about one-fourth the price charged Miss Lottie Chorus for cultivating a captivating expression—for in this new industry age must pay the freight.

Actresses form a large percentage of the London smile doctor's patronage. They say he is filling a long felt want, and is a positive benefactor to the profession. For years they have been compelled to bear the odious criticism

of the stage manager when rehearsing and acting new pieces. The leading lady has been told by the author that her smile is all deflated and needs an energetic pumping up. She has been asked by the stage director if she wants to turn a babbling comedy into a reminiscence of the first and second grave diggers. The manager of the house has offered to order the property man to provide her with an artificial smile—and the poor leading lady has been compelled to take it all from the author, who tells her just what brand of smile is required at the proper intervals. Then she hurries off to the smile doctor, explains the situation to him, and is put through a course of exercises the conclusion of which leaves her with the proper expression. All sorts and conditions of smiles are on tap in the business office of the specialist. He can produce the smile hilarious, the smile repulsive, the smile delighted, the smile seductive, the smile convivial, the wan smile the wee smile, the broad smile, and any other old smile that his customers desire. The soubrette, the ingenue, the comedienne, the first old man and the polished villain all go to the smile doctor to be perfected in their parts.

But the expert does not draw solely upon the stage for his patronage. He has others on his list. Women who like to look winning while mentally flaying their dear friends go to the smile doctor and order the best he has. They are made to repeat certain words and phrases over and over again until their lips have taken the form necessary to bring about the wished-for expression. Just where the man got his idea is not on record, although some persons are of the opinion that he conceived it from a recollection of the old line running, "Papa, potatoes, prunes, prisms," which, if repeated frequently, will put a pleasant smile on the lips of even a Broadway gripman.

The New Fad in Sending Letters.
My lady has a new fad about her paperie which this time has nothing to do with the size or shape of the envelope or the tint of the paper. The fad has just begun to gain a hold on New York society girls, but it is seen often enough for the letter carriers to have noticed it, and if you carefully inspect envelopes the fair sex have used that come to your notice you will soon see what it is.

When she seals her letters now the up-to-date girl no longer puts the seal in the apex of the triangle made by the flap of the envelope, but carefully sets it down two inches to the left as the envelope lies address side down on her writing table.

Just what the reason for this is or what the origin of it is, none of the fair ones who are following the fad seems to be exactly sure.

As so novel, though, one of them explained, "and the seal really looks much more artistic off to one side than planted right in the centre."

Rumor has it that the fad started from a letter received from a New York girl now resident in Paris who has quite a reputation among her friends for doing original things. As so many of the styles and fads come from the capital of France, that seems as good an explanation as any.



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A farmer living four or five miles east of Herrington, Kan., was out in his cornfield shucking corn, and a little four-year-old boy went along for company, as the afternoon was pleasant, and the little fellow wanted to "help papa shuck corn." Along toward night he started alone to go to the house, which was but a little way off, and that was the last seen of him till about sunrise the next morning.

The father finished picking his load of corn and went to the house, supposing the boy was there, but on inquiry found that such was not the case. Search was at once instituted, and the neighbors were called upon to assist, and it wasn't long before the cornfields were alive with men and lanterns looking for the lost child.

And to add to the grief of the parents and friends, the rain began to pour down in torrents between 10 and 11 o'clock—but the boy was nowhere to be found. They continued the search in the rain, calling for the little fellow, but hearing no response. The next morning one of the searching party came upon the one traveling in one of the neighbors' cornfields, a little over a half a mile from home, wet through to the skin, his clothes covered with mud, indicating that he had probably tired out during the night and had lain down to take a snooze.—Herrington Times.

Indians Not Dying Out.

"The Indian is by no means an extinct portion of civilization," explained an Indian bureau official to a Star reporter, "as the coming census will clearly demonstrate. Indeed, instead of running out, the last ten years will show that he has got almost as good a hold on life as the most favored of our people. The poems regretting his passing away will have to be sored for some years. The Indian of late years has been generally engaged in minding his own business. He is not much improved morally from what he was, but he has not fallen behind to any noticeable extent. It is a case of the survival of the fittest, and while eventually the Indian will have to go, he is not gathering up his traps and getting ready to start as yet. Those who regard the Indian as a scattered race, existing in small camps in the far West, will be considerably informed when I can tell them that there is to-day a record of 250,000 Indians in the Western States. There are many kinds there. The Choctaws number over 15,000; the Creeks even more; the Seminoles about 3,500; the Cherokees about 30,000; Chickasaws about 5,500. There are over 10,000 Indians in the State of New York alone. The Indian is still in it, and will be in it for many years yet, and I would not be surprised if the coming census will show that there are over 300,000 of them."—Washington Star.

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VERY DESERVING.

The N. W. Home For Neglected
Children a Useful Charity.

The Public Are Responding Liberally
For its support—An Acknowledgement From the
Collector.

To the public.—Having been requested by the president of "The Children's Aid Society" to undertake the work of collecting funds throughout the county for the purpose of providing a shelter, having visited every important point in the county and being unable to continue the work for want of time, I take this means of attesting to the very generous manner in which the call has been responded to by the public. Our thanks are due to the officials of the Lake Erie & Detroit River R.R. for free transportation over their road, and the generous offer of a subscription as well.

The human objects and purposes of this society have been explained to the public have made my mission a pleasant duty, rather than a difficult task. In a great many instances, I have received donations without any request on my part from parties who called at the office or met me during my canvass. I would like to say that we are now gathering our strength to make the project a success at the start, all parties who have not already donated and are willing to do so, will call at the Garner House, or send their names and addresses either to Dr. R. V. Bray, or myself, such assistance will be greatly appreciated by all concerned.

COUNTY SHOULD RESPOND.

I would like to call attention of our friends in the county that where we have had the opportunity to talk with them on the subject, they have acted generously, but I may say the larger portion of the donations so far received have come from the business and professional men, public officials, clerks and other various employees in the different towns in the county, they being that portion of the community easy of access by a personal canvass. As it is difficult or impossible to reach the farmers by a personal appeal, and in as much as a large number of the children rescued have come from the townships, we trust our rural friends will meet us joyfully with their encouragement and support, and send in such donations of apples, potatoes and such other provisions, as they can spare from their farms.

The Children's Home is located on the corner of Stanley street and Eight street, near the court house, and all goods delivered there will be properly cared for by the matron in charge. It is the spirit in which this aid is given that we appreciate. Therefore, any form of assistance—clothing, furniture, bedding, provisions, money in all amounts, from ten cents to ten dollars—will be cheerfully received with equal gratitude.

R. J. EBERTS.

DEATH OF A FORMER CHATHAM-ITE.

The death occurred recently in California, where he had gone in search of health, of Francis Smith, a prominent barrister of Muskogee, Mich., and a former resident of this city. The deceased was an uncle of Barrister Frank Smith, of Chatham, and a brother of David Smith, of Raleigh, who has just returned from attending the funeral at Muskogee. The late Mr. Smith, it may be incidentally mentioned, commenced the study of law in the office of the late Albert Prince, of this city, in which office Joseph M. Eberts was a fellow student. Speaking of the deceased the Grand Rapids Sunday Democrat says: "Mr. Smith was one of the leading attorneys of Muskogee and was in many ways identified with the prosperity of the city. He was a man of great liberality of mind, who on all occasions took a charitable view of the weaknesses of his fellow creatures. He was at all times a most diligent student, to which fact he largely owed his great success in his chosen field of labor. He was dignified and apparently austere, but in reality he was of the opposite character, invariably kind and generous and full of sympathy for the unfortunate. He was public spirited, prudent, temperate and in fact possessed all the virtues of a good citizen, an honorable lawyer and an affectionate husband and father."

Mr. Smith was a native of Ontario. He was born in the town of

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Beamsville on Oct. 10, 1834, and was the second youngest of four children, only two of whom still survive. They are a brother, David Smith, of Raleigh, Kent county, Ontario, and a sister, Elizabeth Ann Smith. After receiving his education in the public schools of his native town and an institution of learning at Toronto, Mr. Smith taught school for two years in Kent county, Ont. The Democrat then goes on to describe how he went to Detroit, graduated with honors from the law department of Michigan University and from the first proved a brilliant and successful member of the bar. On hearing of his death the Bar Association at Muskegon met and passed suitable resolutions.

CRONJE'S RECORD

Tells Against Him in Dealing
With Roberts and Kitchener

In the Campaign of 1881 he Committed an Unpardonable Breach of Civilized Warfare.

That Cronje should have been refused the armistice for which he asked on Monday after his first day's success in his hastily-formed league is not altogether surprising. Irrespective of the military necessity compelling the British commander-in-chief to finish his task completely at the earliest possible moment, General Cronje's past record in treacherous negotiations has been such as to render Lord Roberts wary.

When in 1881 an armistice had been actually arranged between Kruger, Joubert, and Sir Evelyn Wood after Majuba, Cronje, in defiance of the usages of civilized warfare, withheld the news from the garrison of Potchefstroom and continued the siege until Colonel Winslow was obliged to surrender in order to save the lives of the wounded and the women and children. When the incident became known after the terms of peace had been settled, the Transvaal Government was required by Sir Evelyn Wood to allow a British force to march up from Natal and recapture Potchefstroom as a formal acknowledgment of Cronje's treachery.

In the case of the Jameson raiders he hid himself open to the charge of failing to abide strictly to the terms of the surrender under which Dr. Jameson's men gave up their arms. Cronje gave a distinct promise to spare the lives of those who surrendered, but this promise was set aside, and the question of sparing the lives of the prisoners was afterwards used as a lever by President Kruger in the subsequent negotiations.

IN ANOTHER MESS

General Gatacre Meets Reconnaissance in Force

And Succeeds in Getting his Scouts all Cut in Pieces.

Starkness, Feb. 26.—Gen. Gatacre, has issued a divisional order announcing the killing at Scherpenberg farm on Saturday of Captain Montmorency, commanding Montmorency's scouts, and Lieut.-Col. F. H. Hoskier, of the Third Middlesex Volunteer Artillery. A reconnaissance in force under Gen. Gatacre, with eight guns, found the Boers occupying a ridge three miles beyond Montmorency's position, and the Boers, who crept around the south flank, pouring in a deadly fire. The scouts were finally compelled to retire, having lost heavily. Fourteen men are missing.

The reconnaissance was valuable and would have been most satisfactory had it not been for the unfortunate disaster to the scouts, with whom Lieut.-Col. Hoskier happened to be. Their loss was four killed and many wounded and missing.

Harvey De Montmorency, who was killed in Gen. Gatacre's reconnaissance Saturday, is the heir of Viscount Francis De Montmorency and is the second heir to a peerage who has fallen during the present war.

DEATH'S DEADLIEST WEAPON.

Nothing so much neglected as coughs and yet more people die of lung troubles than of all other diseases combined. Be wise. Get a bottle of Four T's, the great guaranteed cough and cold cure, to-day. The only remedy known that cures in 24 hours. Sold at the Central Drug Store.

MORE CANADIANS HURT.

Four Additional Casualties at Paardeburg on Tuesday Last.

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—A cable was received yesterday (Sunday) from Lieut.-Col. Otter at Paardeburg, dated Kimberley, 25th February, stating that the following men of his command were wounded on Tuesday, the 20th inst.: "C" Co.—Pte. R. Kinder, 10th Royal Grenadiers; J. Holland, Toronto. "E" Co.—Pte. W. Downing, 62nd St. John, N. B., Fusiliers (severely). "H" Co.—Pte. A. Parker, 68th King's County Battalion.

Pte. Adams, of the 7th Fusiliers, London, was reported missing, has since turned up.

To Save Her Child.

From financial difficulties Mrs. Nannie Gallagher, of LaGrange, Ga., applied Bucklen's Arnica Salve to great sores on her head and face, and writes its quick cure exceeded all her hopes. It works wonders in Sores, Bruises, Skin Eruptions, Cuts, Burns, Scalds, Piles, Etc. Cure guaranteed by A. I. McCall & Co., druggists.

LOCAL BRIEFS

G. N. W. Special.
Toronto, Feb. 23.—Fine and very cold. Tuesday, easterly winds, fair, with slowly rising temperature.

OUR SPRING HATS

ARE HERE
THEY'RE THE VERY LATEST
IN
SMALL CROWN DERBIES
AND
LIGHT FEDORAS.
DROP IN AND LOOK THEM
OVER.

STONE & CO.
GARNER HOUSE BLOCK.

Miss Mabel Crawley, of Detroit, is visiting Miss Gertrude Slagg, Selkirk St. Western City Lodge, No. 93, I. O. O. F., will meet to-night in the new Temple, King St.

The Allen Lumber, California, is ashore outside Portland, Maine, and will likely be a total loss. Six cable passengers, all Canadians, and all the average passengers and mails have been safely landed.

This morning Major J. B. Rankin received application from H. B. White, J. A. McFadden and H. A. Rispin for enlistment with the Strathcona Horse for South Africa and has forwarded the same to the militia department. H. A. Willoughby is also an applicant.

The Ladies' Aid and Altar Society of St. Joseph's church will give "a tea" in their rooms on the corner of Queen and Cross streets, on Tuesday evening, February 27th, from 5:30 to 8, as it will be Shrove Tuesday, not pan-cakes with maple syrup will be served. A cordial invitation is extended to everyone to come.

In connection with the recent patriotic concert, Major J. B. Rankin received communications regretting inability to take part from Warden John Davidson, whose child was seriously ill, and Miss Elda Ide, who was suffering from a severe attack of la grippe. Miss Ide, however, rendered valuable assistance in the preparatory committee work.

HOW THE CHURCHES GAVE.
The collections for the Patriotic Fund in the diocese of Huron, as received so far amount to \$1,172.41. Some of the contributions are as follows:—Comber \$3.12; Maresca, 90c; Tilbury, \$10.10; Meritt, \$3.31; Leamington, \$6.03; Wheatley, \$4.00; Charing Cross, \$3.52; Raleigh, \$1.07; Ridgeway, \$6; Highgate, \$5; Howard, \$6.40; Blenheim, \$8.77; Oshawa, \$10; Mervin, \$6.65.

MR. FISHER'S FUNERAL.
The funeral of the late S. J. Fisher took place on Sunday afternoon from the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. Jos. Innes, and notwithstanding the intense cold, was largely attended.

The services were conducted by the Rev. J. J. Ross, pastor of the William St. Baptist Church, assisted by Dr. J. R. Battisby. The hall-bearers were: Judge Bell, Judge Houston, G. S. Heyward, W. E. Rispin, H. Macaulay, and A. F. Fells. The deceased was a man of great respect and his scrupulously upright dealings gained him a host of friends to whom his sudden death was a source of great regret. The remains were interred in the Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

A MEMORIAL SERMON.

Last evening, at the First Presbyterian church, the pastor, Rev. F. H. Larkin, preached an impressive memorial sermon on the Canadian soldiers, who recently lost their lives in South Africa. The rev. gentleman alluded to the righteousness of the British cause in which they were engaged and said that while all true Canadians mourned the loss of their gallant sons, they could thank God that they had died in the cause of righteousness and honor. The speaker had been impressed with the thought that the Canadian volunteers were a representative and as such had died for us. In concluding he alluded to the divine ruling, which governed all events. God was with the right, and although temporary reverses might be sent to the weaker side, he prayed for and predicted the ultimate complete triumph of the British arms in the cause of right.

At the conclusion of the service, the choir gave an exquisite rendition of the Requiem Hymn, with quartette by Mrs. Jno. Cooper, Miss Ada Ross, H. W. Anderson, and W. H. Brackin. As the congregation were dismissed the organ pealed out the Dead March in Saul.

TO CURE A COED IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bronzo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. W. Grove's signature in each box.

WANT AN OFFER FROM CHATHAM.

Saturday morning, J. S. Bruner and Fred Fox, of Ruthven, were in the city interviewing Mayor Smith. These gentlemen represent a company that has been formed in Essex county to establish a tobacco factory. The capital stock of the company is \$40,000. Windsor, Leamington, Ruthven, Kingsville and Essex Centre have all been asked what they will offer to get the factory, and this delegation was in the city Saturday for the purpose of getting Chatham's terms. Leamington and Kingsville have all offered to give water, gas for fuel and exemption from taxation. Windsor has not yet put in a bid for the factory, but will do so next week. Mayor Smith met the delegation from Ruthven and went over to Harrison Hall, where the whole project was talked over. Messrs. Fox and Bruner don't ask for anything specific. They only want to know Chatham's best offer and they intend to locate in the town which will grant them the greatest bonus. Horatio Angle, of Leamington, is said to be behind the new scheme, and plans and specifications for a brick building 40x100 feet and four stories high are now being prepared. It is understood that the company would like to locate in Chatham owing to the splendid shipping facilities of this city. Mayor Smith has called a special meeting of the finance committee for Monday evening to discuss the whole matter.