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GRAND OPERA HOUSE  
...Tuesday, March 14...  
Mr. Roland Reed, Accompanied By Miss Isadore Rush  
In a Farcical Play,  
"His Father's Boy," By Sydney Rosenfeld.  
Under direction of Mr. E. B. Jack.  
PRICES-25c, 50c, 75c, \$1. Seats now on sale.

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The One Great Musical Event of the Season.  
Wednesday Evening March 15.  
THE WORLD'S  
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The Unrivalled Virtuoso of the Piano.  
Will give ONE GRAND PERFORMANCE on the above date, under the direction of  
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SALE OF SEATS begins Monday, March 13, 9 a.m.  
PRICES-First two rows circle, \$1 50; balance lower floor, \$1; first two rows bal-  
cony \$1; balance, 75c; gallery, 50c.

SUNDAY IN LONDON.  
What Is Going On In the Leading Churches of the City.  
ANNIVERSARY SERVICES-THE  
anniversary services of the Adelaide  
Street Baptist Church will be held  
tomorrow, Rev. O. C. S. Wal-  
lace, M.A., D.D., Chancellor of Mc-  
Master University, will preach  
morning and evening.  
ASKIN STREET METHODIST CHURCH-  
Rev. C. G. Cornille, B.A., of Windsor,  
will preach Sunday morning. Rev.  
A. G. Harris at night. Music under  
the direction of Prof. Philp.  
COLBORNE STREET METHODIST-  
Rev. G. Jackson, pastor. Morning  
subject, "Paul's Curse." Anthem,  
"Thou Dear Redeemer" (Emerson);  
solo and chorus, "Some Sweet Day"  
(Doane). Evening subject, "The  
Request for a Message from Hell."  
Anthem, "Praise the Lord" (Parker);  
duet and quartet, "Beautiful Home"  
(Palmer).  
CEALMERS PRESBYTERIAN  
Church-Rev. Walter Moffat, pastor  
-11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Rev. Robert  
McIntyre. Bible class and Sabbath  
school, 3 p.m.  
CENTENNIAL METHODIST CHURCH  
-Pastor will preach at both services.  
Morning, "The Golden Rule." Even-  
ing, "Man's Abuse of God's Long-  
Suffering." Come and hear.  
DUNDAS CENTER  
METHODIST CHURCH.  
11 A.M. REV. DR. SAUNDERS.  
7 P.M. REV. DR. MUNHALL.  
Special Evangelistic services. Appro-  
priate music by the choir.  
DUNDAS CENTER SCHOOL FOR  
Bible study-Classes for all ages;  
musical service, 2:30; school opens  
2:45. Strangers welcomed.  
EMPRESS AVENUE METHODIST  
Church-Sunday school anniversary  
-10 a.m. classes. Morning, pastor,  
to children. Afternoon, mass meet-  
ing, addresses by Rev. J. Morrison  
and C. G. Cornille, B.A. Evening,  
Rev. C. G. Cornille, B.A.  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH-  
Rev. W. J. Clark, pastor, will  
preach at 11 a.m. subject, "Injuring  
Temptation." At 7 p.m., "The Lost  
Money." Seats free.  
FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST  
(Scientists)-Duffield Block-Sunday  
services: Morning, 11 o'clock; even-  
ing, 7 o'clock. Morning subject,  
"Matter." Evening subject, "Christ  
Jesus Denies Sin and Gives Sight to  
the Blind." Testimonial meeting,  
Wednesday evening, 8 o'clock. Sun-  
day school immediately after morn-  
ing service. All welcome. D. S.  
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HAMILTON ROAD METHODIST  
Church-Rev. J. G. Fallis, pastor.  
Service at 11 a.m. subject, "Injuring  
Temptation." At 7 p.m., "The Lost  
Money." Seats free.  
FIRST CONGREGATIONAL - REV.  
J. W. Pedley. Morning, "The Devil's  
Lie." Evening, "The City Council  
and the Hotel." Everybody welcome.  
HIGH STREET METHODIST MIS-  
SION-Sunday school anniversary.  
Special services, Sunday, March 12.  
At 11 a.m. Rev. W. Trimble (Hill  
Street); 7 p.m. Rev. John H. Fisher  
(Lambeth); 2:30 p.m. Rev. Joseph  
Edge and Mr. Liddicott. Everybody  
welcome.  
KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,  
South London-Rev. J. G. Stuart,  
pastor - Morning, "Mourning for  
Sarah." Evening, "Forgiveness."  
KING STREET PRESBYTERIAN-  
Rev. Thomas Wilson, pastor. Morn-  
ing, "Much Given, Much Required."  
Evening, "Young People's Societies.  
Have They Been Good or Evil? Are  
They Dying?" Members of young  
people's societies invited.  
LATTER DAY SAINTS-MAITLAND  
street. Elder R. C. Evans will preach  
at both services, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.  
Visitors welcome.  
ST. JAMES' PRESBYTERIAN  
Church-Rev. A. J. McGillivray,  
M.A., pastor. Services at 11 a.m. and  
7 p.m. conducted by the pastor.  
Visitors welcome.  
ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL-MORN-  
ING. Venite (Ouseley), Benedicite  
(Gregorian). Benedictus (Whitman).  
Preacher, the Dean. Evening, Mag-  
nificat (Vincent), Nunc Dimittis (Vin-  
cent); anthem, "Thou Wilt Keep Him  
in Perfect Peace." Preacher, Rev.  
Canon Dann, B.A. Holy Communion  
at 8:30 a.m. Collection for mission  
fund.  
SOUTHERN CONGREGATIONAL  
Church, Horton street-Rev. W. H.  
A. Claris, pastor. Services 11 a.m.  
and 7 p.m. Sabbath school and pas-  
tor's Bible class, 2:45.  
ST. ANDREW'S PRESBYTERIAN  
Church-Rev. Robert Johnston, B.D.,  
pastor. Pastor will preach at both  
services, 11 a.m. Communion; 7 p.m.,  
"Dining With Christ"; 3 p.m., pas-  
tor's Bible class and Sabbath school.  
Wednesday, prayer meeting.  
TALBOT STREET BAPTIST CHURCH  
-The Rev. J. J. Baker will occupy  
the pulpit on Sabbath. Services  
at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Seats free. All  
welcome. Come.  
WELLINGTON STREET METHO-  
DIST Church-Rev. Joseph Edge,  
pastor. Morning, Rev. J. V. Smith,  
D.D. Evening, the pastor, subject,  
"The Beloved Son." Morning anthem,  
"Te Deum" (from "Elijah," arranged  
by Dudley Buck); solo, "Come Unto  
Me" (Lindsay). H. R. McDonald.  
Evening anthem, "Sing Praises Un-  
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March 11, in Frohlock's Hall, Bruce street.  
Dr. McWilliam, Mr. McEwan and others will  
also speak. The chair will be taken at 8 o'clock.  
All are invited.  
GRAND ANNUAL ENTERTAIN-  
MENT-Monday evening, 13th, Empress  
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Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 38  
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ing claims against the deceased, are hereby re-  
quired to file the same with the undersigned  
on or before the first day of April, A.D. 1899,  
after which date the estate will be distributed.  
Dated this twenty-seventh day of February, A.  
D. 1899.  
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NOTICE is hereby given that applications  
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Applications for license for premises not now  
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DIED.  
DODD-At his residence, Chicago, on March 9,  
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Chairman. 83t eod

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Hats and caps.....1,188 91  
Fixtures.....113 50  
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# The Federal Life Assurance Company

## SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL STATEMENT.

### Directors' Report.

The seventeenth annual meeting of the Shareholders of The Federal Life Assurance Company of Canada was held at the head office, in Hamilton, on Tuesday, the 7th inst. In the absence of the President, Mr. Beatty, Mr. William Kerns, First Vice-President, occupied the chair, and Mr. David Dexter acted as secretary. The following report and financial statement was submitted by the Directors:

The Directors have pleasure in submitting for the information and approval of the Shareholders, the following report of the business of the Company, together with a statement of receipts and disbursements for the year, which closed on the 31st December, 1899, and of the Assets and Liabilities on that date.

New business consisted of fourteen hundred and fifty-nine applications for insurance, aggregating \$2,248,850, of which thirteen hundred and eighty-one applications for \$2,114,232 were accepted, applications for \$134,618 having been rejected or held for further information.

Annuitants to the amount of \$12,731.50 were also received. In the past year, as in the preceding year, fully 90 per cent of the new business written by this Company was on its investment plans. This, and the fact that the advent of three additional and well-equipped competitors in the field within the past two years has not diminished the share of new business which this Company has been able to secure, indicates the continued growth of feeling in favor of investment insurance, rather than towards other forms of investment on which interest earnings are depreciating steadily.

The income of the Company shows a gratifying increase over previous years, and the addition of \$143,335.14 to the assets is especially noticeable. The total assets having risen to \$666,233.41, exclusive of guarantee capital.

The security of the policyholders, including guarantee capital, amounting to \$1,475,283.41, and the liabilities for reserves and all outstanding claims, \$757,399.20—showing a surplus of \$717,884.21. Exclusive of uncalculated guarantee capital, the policyholders' surplus was \$108,854.21.

Assurances for \$114,575 on fifty-seven lives became claims through death, of which amount the Company was re-insured for \$7,000. Including cash dividends and dividends applied to the reduction of premiums (\$30,878.32), with matured endowments for \$4,600, the total payments to policyholders amounted to \$143,702.25.

In accordance with instructions received from the shareholders at the last annual meeting, your Directors applied for and obtained from the Parliament of Canada a special act of incorporation changing the name of the Company to the Federal Life Assurance Company of Canada, and granting enlarged powers for business and investment in and out of Canada.

The investments of the Company have been carefully looked after and have yielded for years past the best results reported by any Company doing business in this country. Expenses have been kept within reasonable limits, while due effort is being made for new business. The chief officers and agents of the Company are entitled to much credit for their able representation of the Company's interest. The office staff have also proved faithful in the Company's service.

The accompanying certificate from the Auditors, vouches for the correctness of the statements submitted herewith. All accounts, securities and vouchers having been examined by them.

### Financial Statement.

| INCOME.  |                                  |               |
|--|----------------------------------|---------------|
| Premiums, interest and rents.....  | \$                               | 410,831.73    |
| DISBURSEMENTS.   |                                  |               |
| Paid policyholders for death claims, endowments, dividends, etc....              | \$                               | 143,702.25    |
| General expenses, re-insurance and dividends on capital.....                     | \$                               | 127,549.09    |
| ASSETS.  |                                  |               |
| Debentures, mortgages, policy loans, real estate, cash and other securities..... | \$                               | 366,233.41    |
| Guarantee capital.....   | \$                               | 609,000.00    |
| Total resources for security of policyholders.....                               | \$                               | 1,475,283.41  |
| LIABILITIES.   |                                  |               |
| Reserve fund.....  | \$                               | 757,399.20    |
| Surplus to policyholders.....  | \$                               | 717,884.21    |
| Insurance written and taken during the year.....                                 | \$                               | 2,248,850.00  |
| Amount assured.....  | \$                               | 11,125,566.43 |
| JAMES H. BEATTY, President.  | DAVID DEXTER, Managing Director. |               |

### Auditors' Report.

To the President and Directors of the Federal Life Assurance Company: Gentlemen.—We have made a careful audit of the books of your Company for the year ending 31st December, 1899, and have certified their correctness. The securities have been inspected and compared with the ledger accounts and found to agree therewith.

The financial position of your Company, as on 31st December, is indicated by the accompanying statement.

Respectfully submitted,

H. S. STEPHENS,  
SHERMAN E. TOWNSEND,  
Auditors.

Hamilton, March 1, 1899.

In moving the adoption of the Directors' report, Mr. Kerns referred to the steady and substantial growth of the Company's business; the large increase from year to year in its income, assets and surplus. He stated that while the expenditure had been decreased 6.56 per cent in the last year, the assets of the company had increased 19.90 per cent, the net surplus 7.92 per cent and the reserve funds 21.41 per cent, the capital and assets having now reached \$1,475,283.41.

He quoted from the December number of the Economist to show that the company had so carefully managed the investment of funds as to earn a better rate of interest in each of the eight years than the average rate earned by the Canadian life assurance companies. The rate earned by the Federal in 1897—the last year in which the average can be obtained from the report of the Superintendent of Insurance—was 5.64 per cent, and the average rate earned by all the Canadian companies 4.48 per cent.

After the adoption of the Directors' report an interesting report of the mortality experience of the Company and of the history of medical examinations for life insurance was read by the Medical Director, Dr. Woolverton.

Congratulatory remarks regarding the substantial progress of the Company and regarding the management were made by several of the shareholders.

A vote of thanks to the officers, agents and office staff was responded to by Mr. David Dexter, the Managing Director.

The retiring Directors of the Company were re-elected, with the addition of T. H. Macpherson, Esq., M.P.

The Auditors were reappointed.

## CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

Carl Norton Defines the Doctrines of Its Believers.

A Large Audience Listens to His Remarks at the Auditorium—An Able Speaker.

A large gathering assembled in the Auditorium last night to hear Carl Norton, C.S.B., lecture on "Christian Science and Common Sense," under the auspices of the First Church of Christ, Scientists, city. Mr. Norton is an interesting and earnest speaker, and his remarks were listened to with the closest attention. Pastor Robb, of the First Church, presided.

Mr. Norton spoke in part, as follows:

"Christian Science and common sense are synonyms. Christian Science is the science of demonstration under standing of the divine monism of Moses, and the prophets, and of Jesus. Monism in philosophy stands for the science of one universal cause, Ego and God. In religion it signifies that the nature and being of God is universal, omnipotent, and all-wise. Christian Science is practical metaphysics. Common sense, alias the normal mental understanding of mind and mind's laws, is thoroughly in harmony with metaphysics. Metaphysics is pre-eminently practical. Mind, or mental science, psychology and metaphysics, are but three ways of naming one science. Common sense or normal mental understanding, and Christian Science as the demonstrable understanding of the Ego of life are in complete harmony. Metaphysical Christianity is practical Christianity. Ideas and rational divine ideas base the life and teachings of the Founder of Christianity. His religion is impersonated, hence, destined to become universal. Therefore, a metaphysical interpretation and demonstration of the religion of Jesus is a scientific and

common sense way of appropriating its grandeur and realizing its immortal perfection.

A series of popular and general questions concerning Christian Science answered briefly will help to show the practical unity between common sense and Christian Science.

"Question—What is the religious or Christian basis of Christian Science?"  
"Answer—God is Mind, or Spirit, is All in All, the only Reality."

"Question—What is the vital difference between Christian Scientists and religionists at large, and who subscribe at least theoretically, to this answer?"  
"Answer—Christian Scientists accept the idea of the all-power, or allness of God, or divine Mind, and proceed to the logical ultimate of this idea. Hence, their union of bodily and spiritual or mental healing. Religionists in general theoretically believe in the allness of God, but go half-way in their belief. Hence, go to God, or Spirit, for soul-salvation, or perfection, and to material systems and speculations for bodily health."

"Question—Is physical healing the principal work of Christian Science?"

"Answer—No; it is a natural accompaniment of the spiritual reform work of the system. Healing of sin and disease were one in early Christianity; they have become one in this age. Therefore no medical enactment can interfere with spiritual healing as a necessary part of man's religion and right relationship with God. If Christians follow Christ's example in spiritual things and in his methods for the reformation of the depraved, they should imitate his healing the sick without drugs."

"If Christian Science reforms (and it does) the depraved, destroys liquor and drug habits, purifies the impure, heals organic diseases, like cancer, consumption and blindness, transforms the temperamental, spiritually interprets the Bible and re-establishes the religion of Jesus, the people want it. The masses will have it, logic. Scriptures and results are all on its side, and all who either willfully or ignorantly try to obstruct its mighty onward march only increase the number of its victories. Opposition to that which is both Christian and scientific only tends to hastening its general acceptance."

"In 1875 was published the first edi-

tion of the Christian Science text-book. At the close of the year 1898 this book had reached its one hundred and sixtieth edition of a thousand copies each.

"The magnitude of the work of Mary Baker Eddy as reformer, teacher and religious founder can best be observed by a brief review of the growth of the movement which she has founded and so wisely led through spiritual discernment and selfless labor over a period of 33 years. At the present time Christian Science has spread throughout all Christendom. It has over 500,000 avowed adherents and upwards of a million believers. The mother church in Boston, Mass., founded by Mrs. Eddy in 1879, has a general membership of about 13,000, a residential congregation of over 1,200, and has nearly 500 branches in Christendom. At the present time the movement is enjoying marked growth in England, Scotland, France, Italy, Germany, Sweden, Norway, South Africa and in the isles of the seas. The movement has its own publishing house in Boston, Mass., and publishes a regular monthly organ—the Christian Science Journal, a weekly newspaper—the Christian Science Sentinel, a series of quarterly Bible lessons for the churches of the denomination. Mrs. Eddy was the discoverer and founder of Christian Science.

"Christian Science healing is the exact antipode of faith cure, and mind cure, animal magnetism, prayer sure, auto-suggestion, suggestion, mental therapeutics and hypnotism. Mental therapeutics is an exact, rational and normal system of divine mind healing. If spiritual, natural and harmonious mental communion with divine Mind, alias the Over-soul, or Supreme Being, that we call God, can be termed prayer, then Christian Science prayer is of this sort."

The lecturer was tendered a hearty vote of thanks.

## THIRD ACT OF THE TRUST DRAMA

Mayor Wilson and Mr. Purdom at It Again—A Lively Discussion.

There is no argument to this comedy. Only three acts have taken place, and no one knows what the next one will be like, or whether there will be another one or not. The scene of the first act was laid in the dining-room at the city hospital a week ago, and the second act took place in the city council chamber Monday night last. Below is Act III:

CAST.  
Col. Lewis—Chairman of the hospital trust.

Dr. Wilson—Mayor of London.

Mr. T. G. McCormick—Non-committee member of the trust.

Mr. James Gilmour, M. P.—Would-be peace-maker of the trust.

Mr. Thomas H. Purdom—A member of the trust who has decided opinions and is not slow to express them.

Dr. Balfour—Superintendent of the city hospital.

Scene: Col. Lewis' office, Richmond street; second floor. Occasionally sounds of quietly conducted business come from the store below up the wide staircase by the stained glass windows.

Discovered, Dr. Balfour reading the resolution passed by the city council, expressing their indignation.

The Chairman—I acknowledge the receipt of the resolution. It doesn't ask us to do anything, so I guess there is nothing to do.

Mr. Purdom—Yes, it is merely an expression of opinion. All it requires is to be filed.

Portentous silence followed, broken by Mr. Gilmour in a kindly tone: "I would impress one thing upon your worship. Men in public life must not insist too strongly upon proof of another's word. We are bound to receive the statements of others, whether we believe them or not. It was because the mayor pressed his question too unduly that the head nurse's much-discussed answer was given. She did not approve of the statement, but it was forced upon her."

The Mayor (becoming excited)—I did not mind what the head nurse said. I would rather get up and leave as I did than say anything to her. What I was annoyed at was that I was not given an answer to a simple question about a date. Was that pressing? Surely the council's representative could ask such a question. I did not object because the appointment was not made. I simply went out of my way to help the Mayor.

Mr. Gilmour—The trust made its first mistake when it peremptorily granted the mayor's request.

Mr. Purdom—What the mayor should have done was to accept Miss Lind's word.

The Mayor storming because he had not been notified about the appointment being canceled. He supposed he did not get notified because he was not considered a member.

Mr. Purdom (with fire in his eye)—That statement is too absurd for anything. I told you a friendly way that the Mayor was going to doubt Mr. Meredith told you the same thing. Yet you told the council that I had said in an insulting way that you were not a member of the trust. This was on a par with your questions when you were casting doubt upon the honesty of the chairman.

The Mayor (rising)—That's untrue. I was not.

Mr. Purdom—But you were. Listen to me. You were trying to cast doubt upon the genuineness of that letter canceling the appointment. You were insinuating that the chairman put a false date on it. That is a fair interpretation of your question.

The Mayor—That's untrue. No man is going to poke that down my throat. Mr. Purdom—You have simply kicked up a row about nothing.

The Mayor (white and nervous)—I'll forgive you this time, but don't do it again.

Mr. Purdom—I want you to understand, Mr. Mayor, that I am not afraid of any injury you can do me, physically or otherwise.

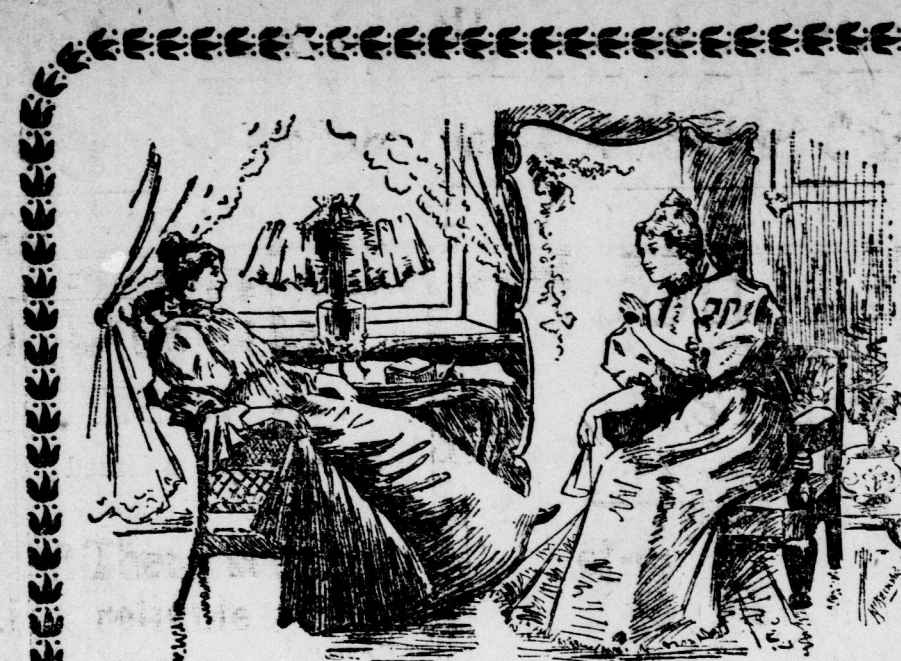
A few more diplomatic exchanges in the same strain follow, in which the Mayor looks down upon the trust from the altitude of his dignity. Conversation finally drifts back to the original dispute.

The Mayor—In future, if I bring up anything of the kind, it will be upon oath.

General comments upon the triviality of the whole matter follow. [Exeunt.]

### THE PONTON TRIAL.

Napane, March 11.—It is reported that Lawyer Porter has been officially advised that the crown will proceed this spring with the bank robbery case against Ponton, but will ask for a change of venue to Whitby, Kingston or Perth.



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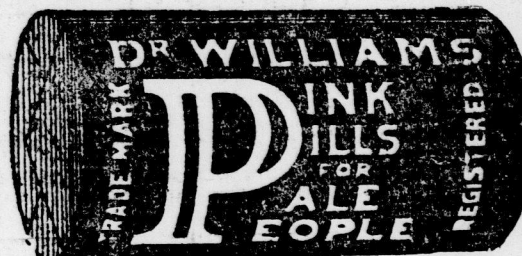
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### IN A DECLINE.

Mrs. W. Goodwin, Argyle Sound, N.S., says:—"After the birth of my first child I was in poor health and unable to recover my strength. I had a severe pain in my left side and lung, which almost made it impossible for me to breathe. I had a bad cough day and night, and was troubled with night sweats, and on awakening found myself very weak. My complexion was sallow, and my appetite entirely gone. All my friends believed me to be in a decline. Our family physician attended me for a long time but I got no better. Then a friend advised me to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Acting on this advice I bought a supply, and continued their use for a couple of months, when my health was fully restored. I am sincere in saying that I believe Dr. Williams' Pink Pills saved my life."

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## FIGURING ON THE FURNISHINGS

Hospital Trust Will Ask the Council for \$8,000 Wherewith to Furnish the New Building—Also \$8,000 on Ordinary Account.

The real business before the hospital trust yesterday afternoon was transacted amicably and with dispatch. Dr. Balfour presented his estimates for the ensuing year. They were based on the assumption that the new building would be ready for occupation about Oct. 1. The mayor thought the new building would be ready about July 1. Last year's expenses totalled \$16,960.37. The estimated expenditure for 1899 was \$18,670, which included a prospective increase in salaries of \$675, and in fuel of \$850. The council's grant last year was \$7,500, of which the trust has a balance on hand of \$1,295.56. Including this, the estimated income for 1899 is \$10,982.86, leaving \$7,687.14 to be provided for by the council this year.

It was decided to ask for \$8,000. The council will be asked to give the same amount for furnishing the new building. This outlay is estimated as follows:

Twenty-eight private rooms, \$100 each; laundry, \$1,200; kitchen, \$500; two operating rooms, \$500 each, and the balance for offices and rooms in the administration building. The sum of \$8,000 would only partially furnish the building. Two thousand dollars more would be required next year. Adopted.

A committee of medical men to advise the trust in reference to revising the bylaws and furnishing the new building was appointed on motion of Mayor Wilson. The committee consists of Drs. Wishart, Meek, Moorhouse, Hodge, Moore, Geo. Wilson, Cl. T. Campbell and Niven.

The report of the medical superin-

tendent showed 65 patients under treatment in the institution, 14 of whom are boys under 12 years of age.

## THE BRITISH IN SOUTH AFRICA

Able Address by Hon. David Mills at the Knox Presbyterian Church.

Hon. David Mills delivered a lecture on "The British in South Africa" last night in the school room of Knox Presbyterian Church, under the auspices of the Bible class. The hall was crowded, and there was a large attendance of citizens other than those of the congregation. The lecturer dealt with the history of South Africa, chiefly since it became a factor in European politics, towards the close of the last century. He presented in a masterly way a comprehensive view of the political situation of the South Africa of today, and showed the remarkable growth of the present conditions during the century. The speaker showed clearly that South Africa was an important factor in the British Empire, Cape Town being a great military station. Cape Colony was also necessary to British integrity and supremacy. The British had to cope with the opposition of France and Germany and the Dutch Boers. "The position occupied by Britain in South Africa," he said, "is of great moment to the empire. The finest regions of the world have fallen to the British lot, because her explorers, merchants and miners were the first to take an interest and invest capital in South Africa. Great Britain has spent more money in building up South Africa than the rest of Europe combined. Yearly the amount of European capital invested in that country is increasing. Yearly the men of other countries have larger and larger interests there. They know that British occupation means an equal chance to men of all nationalities, struggling to make the most of their opportunities. Great Britain has spent many millions in holding her supremacy over South Africa, and her prospects were never brighter. The Boers have been treated with great liberality by the British, who have in return showed a spirit of mischief and injustice. When the British first entered Africa that country was in a state of bankruptcy, and millions were spent in developing the resources and opening up the country. To day the Dutchman's hope lies in a union of the Transvaal and the Free State Union. They think that with such a union they could overcome British supremacy. The British power in South Africa is increasing with each year."

In closing, the speaker said the indications were that the troubles in South Africa were drawing to a close.

Mr. J. M. McEvoy moved a hearty vote of thanks to the lecturer, which was seconded by Mr. Thomas Alexander, and carried amid applause.

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## TEACHERS' SALARIES

Discussed by the School Trustees—Some Changes Recommended.

An interesting meeting of No. 1 committee of the board of education was held last night. Mr. Bayly presided, and the others present were Messrs. MacRobert, Dr. Campbell, Dr. Ziegler, Evans, Boyle, and Mrs. Boomer, and Secretary McElheran.

It was decided on motion of Dr. Campbell to recommend that in the case of future appointments of principals of six-room schools and over, the salary at commencement be \$800, with an annual increase of \$25, until \$1,000 is reached. Principals in schools under six rooms under the motion will receive \$600 at beginning, with an annual increase of \$25, until \$700 is reached.

The salary of Mr. Gibbs, the new principal of the Wortley road school, was fixed at \$600.

The following salaries will also be recommended to the board: Mr. Liddicoatt, Talbot street school, \$900 per annum; Mr. Bryant, West London school, \$800; Mr. Downing, King street school, \$700.

Miss Florence Nichol will be recommended for appointment to the substitute teaching staff. Mr. Emmy's application to be placed on the substitute staff was filed. The chairman and Mr. Boyle will let the contract for printing the annual report.

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## A Record of "Independence."

There is humor in the statement of the Ottawa Citizen that the Senate is the only independent legislative body in the Dominion. No student of the history of Canada during the last quarter of a century can seriously make such a claim. The Senate has been a mere registering machine of the Conservative governments in control of the House of Commons, and a deliberate impediment to every Liberal Administration.

Let us give a few instances of the independence of the Senate, as now constituted, when grave interests were at stake, at a time when the political friends of the Senate majority were in power in the Dominion. Every Canadian was in favor of building the Canadian Pacific Railway, but there were many indications that the large majority of the people were not in favor of binding the Northwest to a railway monopoly. Nevertheless, such a monopoly was established by secret bargain between the Canadian Conservative leader and the syndicate. That bargain was awarded to these rich men without the sanction of parliament, and without tender. Contrary to the decree of Parliament, the Government of the day undertook to complete and hand over to the syndicate 700 miles of the heaviest sections of the road. It offered \$27,000,000 cash and 25,000,000 acres of land along the most fertile section of the country, the control and sale being vested wholly in the company, which was never intended by Parliament.

Thus not only were Canadian capitalists prevented from submitting a far more favorable bargain for adoption by Parliament, but the Northwest and British Columbia were bound hand and foot to the monopoly railway rates until the present Government at Ottawa, by its bargain for the construction of the Crow's Nest Pass Railway, came to the relief of the people. The measure was fought by Liberal and independent members of Parliament, not through any antipathy to the construction of the line—all were agreed on that point—but, as we have pointed out, solely because of the outrageous nature of its provisions and the manner in which it had been manipulated. After a six weeks' fight, the Opposition to the measure was voted down by the majority that sat behind Sir John Macdonald, and it was sent to the Senate. If that body had been the independent chamber which the present Opposition claims it has always been, it had a splendid opportunity to do a good day's work for the people of Canada by compelling a revision of the extraordinary bargain. It declined to make any alterations, however. The majority were ordered to pass it, and they meekly did so, sending it through committee with a rush.

Another illustration of the independence of the Senate, as now constituted, was its treatment of the Gerrymander Bill of 1881. A more shameful measure was never passed by any representative body. Its promoters made no secret of their intentions. They impudently avowed that they meant to "hive the Grits," and they did it by the most outrageous cutting and carving of constituencies. It was a shocking exhibition of political rascality, and four years later Mr. Dalton McCarthy publicly expressed his regret that he had ever given countenance to it as a private member of the Conservative party.

Here again was an opportunity for the Senate to show its fairness and independence. But it failed as miserably then as it did a year or two before when it aided in saddling railway monopoly on the country. This Gerrymander Bill was laid before the Senate on May 15, and on the following day it was rushed through its second and third readings, and made law without so much as a protest from the dominant side of the chamber. And that was how they showed their independence—their independence of equity and political decency.

Again, in 1885, the Senate had a chance to apply the rule of strict justice to its acts, and to see that fair play was given to the whole people. Then the partisan Franchise Bill was placed before it, after it had been clearly shown in the long and memorable fight in the House of Commons that the measure was one that no independent body ought to put on the statute book, and which politicians in desperation would have attempted to force into law. All amendments to insure fair treatment of the minority were contemptuously rejected by the Conservative majority in the chamber, and the bill with all its obnoxious and unfair provisions was approved by the Upper House.

Is it to be wondered at that those who have watched the course of the Dominion Senate as at present constituted laugh at the idea of such a body being impartial? The greater the job, the more indefensible the attack on the liberties of the people, the more eagerly did the "independents" hustle it through.

This is the view which the Liberals held, as the result of bitter experience, when they made Senate reform one of the principal planks in their platform in the last campaign. The people of Canada indorsed that view, and the Liberals now intend to give effect to the popular mandate. The Senate has

forfeited respect, and its constitution must be amended to bring it into accord with the principles of representative government, which for the worst of party purposes, the majority of its members have again and again set at naught. The beneficiaries of the Senate cannot save it from reform by invoking the "constitution," "the old flag," or any other of their bogeys which used to do service, but have lost their power.

## Prohibition.

The Free Press, weeping because Laurier refuses prohibition—what a spectacle! It used to be whisky straight, but now it is diluted with the tears that course one another down its innocent nose. The treatment the prohibitionists have received has cut it "like a knife," to use an aldermanic phrase. But its flood of sorrow and indignation at Laurier's "perfidy" has quite swept it away from the truth. When it says that Laurier promised prohibition if the people gave a majority for that principle, it says what it knows, or should know, is false. The Premier distinctly refused to make such a pledge when asked to do so by the prohibitionists before the vote. He said the plebiscite would enable the Government to determine whether the force of public opinion was strong enough to justify a prohibitory measure. And the Government have decided that 23 per cent of the electorate does not constitute a sufficient warrant for such a law. Many prohibitionists hold the same view. On this matter Sir Wilfrid Laurier's course has been fair and candid, and his enemies will make no political capital by such hypocritical appeals as the Free Press puts forth.

## To Tax or Not to Tax.

Mr. Crawford's bill to abolish tax exemptions on churches and educational institutions has revived the discussion of this question. The assessment on church property in this city amounts, in round figures, to \$700,000, making the tax exemptions about \$15,000 a year. Of course, this sum, like the taxes remitted to charitable institutions or rich business corporations, is paid by the ordinary property owners. It amounts to about one mill in the dollar on the present assessment. Those who don't believe in religion consider it unjust that they should have to contribute to the support of the churches, but this class of people is insignificant in numbers and influence. There are others within the church who also think the exemption is wrong as it violates the principle of strict separation between church and state. They would render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's. For years the Jarvis Street Baptist Church, Toronto, has insisted on paying its taxes in full. It has the courage and cash of its convictions, as the taxes run into four figures. The mass of church members, however, are indifferent to the matter, believing that if exemptions were abolished they would have to put more on the collection plate to help pay the taxes.

There is another point of view which even many non-churchgoers will take. Church buildings beautify a city and enhance the value of adjacent property. Every citizen of London feels a pride in St. Peter's and St. Paul's Cathedrals, the First Methodist, the Dundas Center Methodist, St. Andrew's, First Presbyterian and other stately places of worship which add so much to the appearance of London and impress visitors so favorably. To tax such buildings at their full value would discourage the erection of costly edifices, and reduce proportionately the employment of labor. No doubt the present assessment law which fines a man for improving his house, has largely that effect. From this secular standpoint exemption can be defended, apart from the plea that churches are entitled to it because of their spiritual functions.

A reasonable compromise would be the exemption of church buildings and the taxation of the land. This would prevent religious denominations withholding too much land from use. It would be fair to the less wealthy churches which are not built, as a rule, in a central locality, where sites are expensive. There would also be no discouragement to the building of fine churches.

It is rather rough on W. T. Stead, after his apotheosis of the Czar, to have his book against war barred out of Russia on the eve of the peace conference. Is Russia afraid the book will make for disarmament?

Rhodes is going to interview the Kaiser to ask a concession in South Africa. Cecil is a man after William's own heart, and will doubtless get what he wants. Besides, William should do something for "our great common race."

How thick-headed these British statesmen are! Here's Chamberlain talking about British exports to Canada increasing because of the preferential tariff, while Conservative politicians in this country know very well the tariff is a snare and a delusion.

A dispatch via Buffalo says American and Canadian miners threaten to fight over a disputed strip of land on the Alaskan boundary. The Dominion Government, if it followed Sir Charles Tupper's advice, would send troops there to drive the Canadian miners away. Sir Charles contends that Canada should abandon her Alaskan boundary claims by refusing to renew negotiations with the United States.

## OLD LONDON GOSSIP

Society Grumbling in Regard to the Queen's Levee.

Doesn't Relish the Absence of Her Majesty and the Prince of Wales.

Tommy Atkins' Sympathy for Kipling Expressed in Doggerel Verse—Yachtsmen Criticise the "Shamrock."

[Special London Cable Letter to The Advertiser.]

London, March 11.—The Marquis of Salisbury caught a bad cold while returning from Windsor on the occasion of the formal presentation of the United States ambassador, Mr. Joseph H. Choate, to the Queen, and he has been confined to his house ever since. The premier is unable to preside at the cabinet meetings or to hold the usual reception of the members of the diplomatic corps. Thus Mr. Choate has not yet called formally at the foreign office. Mr. and Mrs. Choate have been inundated with invitations to social events which are about to take place. All the ambassadors have left their cards.

"SOCIETY" GRUMBLES. The absence of the Queen and the Prince of Wales respectively from the opening drawing-room and levee of the season has given rise to much criticism and a great deal of grumbling among society people. As one of the papers says: "This is one of the duties belonging to the throne and the heir, and the public, who pay the piper, expect royal music."

TOMMY ATKINS TO KIPLING. The newspapers here still pay considerable attention to the progress towards recovery made by Rudyard Kipling. The Times on Friday printed prominently a series of verses after the style of "The Barrack-room Ballads," and supposed to be from "Tommy Atkins to Kipling, on his illness." The last verse ran:

"We 'ard that you were fighting 'ard, just as we know you would; But we 'ardly 'oped you'd turn his flank; they said you 'ardly could. But the news 'as come this mornin', an' I'm writing 'ere to say There's no British son more 'appy than your old friend Thomas A."

IN THE MATTER OF OIL. The bill of Mr. Harold James Reckitt, Liberal, raising the flash-point of petroleum from 73 to 100 is the result of a bitter campaign waged by certain evening papers against "the deadly low-flash." It comes before the House of Commons Wednesday, and will meet with strong opposition, its opponents contending that the originators of the legislation seeking to compel the public to use the American oil are the Scotch petroleum refiners. Moreover, it is shown that many of the accidents during the past year were not due to American oil, but to Russian oil, whose test point is 103. The bill, it is stated, would cost the public the use of oils which apparently have been but little favored by the people up to now, and favors Russia at the expense of America.

## TO CORNER THE GREASY.

Three representatives of an American syndicate are over here negotiating for a combination of the English and American oil mills. They expect to carry the scheme through, and in about three months time there will be the biggest trust ever formed on this side of the Atlantic, involving capital to the amount of about \$5,000,000. The idea is that each side abandon competition on the other's ground, and come to a working arrangement regarding the continental business, especially that of Southern Europe, in oil and seed cake. The oil milling industry here is confined to Hull, Liverpool and London. Hull is the principal center, but Liverpool has the largest concern of the kind in the world.

## THE CUP CHALLENGER.

W. Fife, jun., the yacht designer, has been in London frequently during the last few weeks, studying the lines of the Shamrock as she grows into shape. He has not modified his plans in the slightest detail, so he is evidently as pleased with her appearance as an actual boat as he was with the designs. The workmen have now succeeded in surmounting the worst difficulties in working the magnesian plates.

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I have suffered for nine years with sores on my nose. I consulted with a first-class doctor, and he told me it was never so bad as it would soon pass away. I had four doctors treat me for nose trouble, but without seeming to do any good. My trouble was so bad my husband decided that I should go to N. Y. City and get treated. The best doctor in the city for nose, eye, and throat told me I had eczema in the worst form, and I must stay and get treated three times a week. I did not seem to get any relief, so my husband sent for me to come home. While I was home I decided to try CUTICURA REMEDY. I got CUTICURA SOAP, CUTICURA Ointment, and CUTICURA RESOLVENT, and I was surprised to find it was but a short time when my nose was all well. Mrs. C. S. VAN FOSTERLAND, April 23, 1898. Point o' Woods, Bay Shore, L.I.

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From a very small girl I had a breaking out on my head every spring, which would become a solid sore. Finally my father procured a box of CUTICURA Ointment, a cake of CUTICURA SOAP, and a bottle of CUTICURA RESOLVENT. I have never been troubled with the disease since. NORA B. HANNA, April 23, 1898. Mt. Vernon, Ariz.

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## HANDKERCHIEFS

8 dozen Children's Fancy Handkerchiefs; special, Monday, 2 for... 50c  
23 dozen Ladies' Fine Hemstitched Handkerchiefs; special... 50c  
17 dozen Ladies' Fine Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs; regular... 100c  
15c; extra special... 100c  
62 dozen Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs, in 17 patterns; good value at 15c; special at... 100c  
15 dozen Ladies' Fine Lawn Hemstitched Handkerchiefs; regular... 25c  
25c; extra special, Monday, 2 for... 25c  
30 dozen Ladies' Fine Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, pure linen, narrow hem; regular 35c each; Monday, 2 for... 35c  
2 dozen Only Ladies' Extra Fine Lace-trimmed Handkerchiefs; very special, at... 25c  
13 dozen Ladies' Fine Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, pure linen; good value at 40c; special, Monday... 25c  
10 dozen Ladies' Mourning Embroidered Handkerchiefs; special at... 15c  
12 dozen Ladies' Hemstitched and Embroidered Handkerchiefs (odd lines); extra special, Monday, for... 25c  
10 dozen Gents' Linen Handkerchiefs, large size, regular... 100c  
20 dozen Gents' Fine Linen Handkerchiefs, Irish manufacture, fine thread, large size, special sale price... 15c  
At 20c and 25c we show you special value in fine linen Handkerchiefs, and pure linen, superior quality, fine thread and large size, sale prices, 20c and... 25c

## Towels and Towelings

Brown Linen Bath Towels, regular value, 50c; sale price, each... 62½c  
Brown Linen Bath Towels, regular value, 60c; sale price, each... 45c  
Brown Linen Bath Towels, regular value, 75c; sale price, each... 60c

Brown Linen Bath Towels, regular value, 50c; sale price, each... 37½c  
Large Size Bath Towels, striped center and sides; fast colors; regular value, 70c; sale price, pair... 50c  
Large Size Bath Towels, colored stripes; regular value, 60c; sale price, per pair... 45c  
Large Size Bath Towels, cream and white stripes; regular value, 45c; sale price, per pair... 35c  
Large Size Bath Towels, colored stripes, fringe ends; regular value, 45c; sale price, per pair... 35c  
Red and Cream Striped Bath Towels, 25c a pair, the best value in the trade.

## Very Special.

Fine Huck Towels, full bleached, hemstitched, damask ends, fleur-de-lis pattern. Regular value, 75c. Limited quantity. Sale price only 50c each.

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Fine Damask Towels, full bleached, knotted fringe ends, elegant designs in floral effects, scrolls and spots; regular value, 41; sale price, per pair... 75c  
Fine Damask Towels, knotted fringe, red and blue borders; regular value, 75c; sale price, per pair... 50c  
Fine Damask Towels, knotted fringe, fancy colored ends; regular value, 50c; sale price, each... 35c  
Full Bleach Fine Huck Towels, hemmed ends, all white, 22 by 24; regular value, 70c; sale price, per pair... 60c  
Full Bleach Fine Huck Towels, bedroom size, fringe ends, regular value, 70c; sale price, per pair... 60c

Bleached Huck Towels, fringe ends, choice of all white or colored border; regular value, 45c; sale price, per pair... 25c  
Heavy Huck Unbleached Towels, 22 by 45, fringe ends, pure linen warp and weft; regular value, 35c; sale price, per pair... 25c  
Cream Crepe Towels, bedroom size, good wearers; regular value, 33c; sale price, per pair... 25c  
Bleached Huck Towels, bedroom size, nice goods; regular value, 25c; sale price, per pair... 20c  
Pure Linen Huck Towels, half-bleached, good size; regular value, 19c; sale price, per pair... 15c

## TOWELING.

27-inch Fine Huck Toweling, full bleached; regular value, 40c; sale price, per yard... 25c  
27-inch Fine Huck Toweling, full bleached, and good value for 33c; sale price, per yard... 25c  
24-inch Half-Bleach Huck Toweling; regular 25c; sale price... 20c  
24-inch Unbleached Huck Toweling; regular 16c; sale price... 12½c  
19-inch Half-Bleached Huck, colored border; regular 15c; sale price... 10c  
18-inch Bleached Huck, white stripes and border; regular 11c; sale price... 8c  
21-inch Pure Linen Crash, colored border, best stock; regular value, 15c; sale price, per yard... 10c  
28-inch Plain Brown Linen; regular value, 12½c; sale price... 8½c  
Linen Glass Cloth, red border; regular value, 13c; sale price, per yard... 10c  
Linen Glass Cloth, red stripes and border; regular value, 11c; sale price, per yard... 8½c  
Checked Glass Cloth, regular value, 10c; sale price, per yard... 8c  
Checked Glass Cloth, regular value, 9½c; sale price, per yard... 7c  
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several of which were ruined during the first attempts to do so.

The name Golden Rod, which it is said will be given to the American cup defender, is rather startling to Englishmen, most of whom never heard of the American flower. The Yachting World says: "No fault can be found with the name, but all the same it is unpleasantly suggestive of a beating for Sir Thomas Lipton." The owner of the Shamrock returns from the Riviera on March 16, when the date of the launch of the cup challenger will be fixed.

NEWSPAPER EXPERIMENT. The Daily Telegraph announces that it will shortly start a Sunday edition. It will be only an experiment and, except for the New York Herald's experiment, the Telegraph will be the first London paper to have a seven days' issue.

March, April, May.

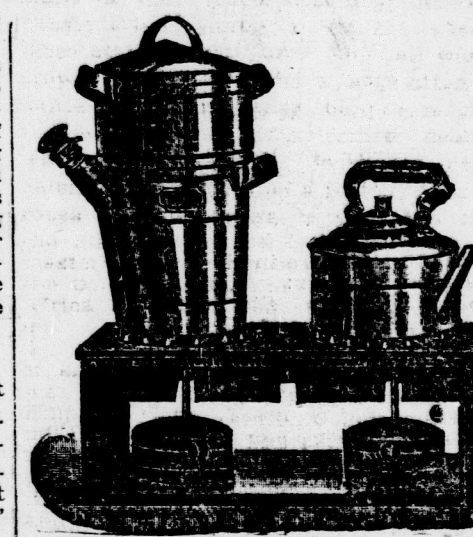
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# THE Imperial Life Assurance Company of Canada.

The annual general meeting of the company was held at its head office in Toronto, Wednesday, Feb. 22, 1899.

Among those present were: Hon. Sir O. Mowat (president), J. W. Flavelle (first vice-president), A. E. Ames (second vice-president), Hon. Sir Mackenzie Bowell, J. H. Plummer, H. J. Baird, Hon. S. C. Wood, A. E. Kemp, Dr. F. R. Eccles (London), J. J. Kenny, Charles McGill, Dr. J. L. Davidson, W. G. Morrow (Petersburg), E. T. Malone, C. C. Baines, David Smith, R. Junkin, H. Cooper, F. G. Cox, T. Bradshaw.

The president, Hon. Sir O. Mowat, took the chair, and the secretary of the company, Mr. T. Bradshaw, acted as secretary of the meeting.

The annual report and financial statements were submitted as follows:

The directors have pleasure in presenting the following report upon the business of the past year ended 31st of December, 1898:

1. **NEW BUSINESS.**—During the twelve months there were received and considered 1,697 applications for insurance, amounting to \$3,719,400. Of these 1,467 were accepted, and policies issued, assuring \$3,485,400; 132 were declined, representing \$203,000; 8 were postponed, representing \$31,000.

The total amount of assurance in force on the 31st of December, 1898, was \$4,169,125.

2. **INCOME.**—The cash income from assurance and annuity premiums was \$169,287 96, and from interest on investments, \$12,464 11, making a total cash income of \$181,752 07. The increase for the year amounted to \$134,794 98.

3. **CLAIMS.**—The death claims, amounting to \$14,844, were considerably below what might have been expected according to any of the standard tables of mortality employed by life insurance companies.

4. **ASSETS.**—On December 31st, 1898, the assets amounted to \$677,061 71, an increase for the year of \$340,813 82. Of the assets, \$633,618 18, or 94 per cent, is represented by government inscribed stocks, debentures, first mortgages on real estate, cash and bank balances.

In determining the amount of outstanding and deferred premiums, the conservative course of deducting the entire charge to which they were subjected, has been adopted, and the net amount only has been carried out as an asset.

5. **VALUATION.**—In calculating the reserves, the same stringent method was pursued as in the previous year. The assurances were valued by the healthy male mortality table of the Institute of Actuaries, the annuities by the latest mortality table of British Government annuities—the highest authorities on mortality prevailing amongst assured lives and annuitants.

The interest which we assumed could be continuously realized on the funds, was the low rate of 3½ per cent, the most conservative used in Canadian actuarial calculation.

In addition to the large reserves called for by the application of these severe standards, a special provision for the immediate payment of death claims, and for suspended or deferred mortality was made.

The reserves at the close of the year amounted to \$180,761, an increase over those held at the close of 1897 of \$142,335.

6. **AUDIT.**—The report of the auditors on their examination of the statement of receipts and disbursements, and of assets and liabilities, is appended to the balance sheet. During the year there was a monthly audit of the company's books, vouchers, etc., and at its close an examination was made of each of the securities held at the head office.

7. **CONCLUSION.**—The marked success which attended the year's work justifies the confidence which has been so widely placed in the company. Such success is unusual in life insurance in Canada.

The volume of new business in 1898 will, the directors believe, be found, when the official report on insurance is published, to compare favorably with that done by any other company in Canada during the same period. By examination of the government report on insurance for 1897 it will be seen that in that year only three companies out of the thirty-three actively engaged in life insurance in Canada did a business exceeding \$3,485,400, the amount completed by this company in 1898.

The deaths during the last year were considerably less than our calculations allowed for, and it is interesting to note, were all due to accidents or acute diseases.

The stringent method followed in the valuation of the company's liability under its various policies and annuities has placed the company in a position of reserves relatively stronger than those of any other Canadian life insurance company, and, consequently, affords extraordinary security to policyholders. Had the valuation been made on the basis provided by the Dominion Insurance Act, which is generally adopted by Canadian life insurance companies, the assurance and annuity reserves would have been 13 per cent less, and the surplus fund correspondingly augmented.

The company's substantial progress and unequalled financial position are no doubt due to: (1) The strong and vigorous policy inaugurated at its commencement; (2) The paramount desire to make policyholders' security as strong as it is possible to make it; (3) The simple and straightforward contract of assurance which it issues; (4) The adoption of attractive and beneficial plans of assurance; and (5) The careful selection of risks.

T. BRADSHAW, Secretary and Actuary.

O. MOWAT, President.

**Abstract of Financial Statement.**

**RECEIPTS.**

To net ledger assets as on Dec 31st, 1897.....\$326,802 92

To premiums, interest and payments on account of capital stock.....417,410 88

**\$744,213 80**

**DISBURSEMENTS.**

By claims under policies, payments to annuitants and expenses.....\$110,597 62

By balance net ledger assets.....633,618 18

**\$744,213 80**

**ASSETS.**

Government inscribed stocks, debentures, first mortgages and cash.....\$633,618 18

All other assets.....43,445 53

**\$677,061 71**

**LIABILITIES.**

Reserves (3½ per cent) on policies annuities, including special reserves for immediate payment of death claims, and for suspended mortality.....\$180,761 00

Other liabilities.....3,056 55

**\$493,244 16**

**\$677,061 71**

F. G. COX, Managing Director.

**AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE.**

We have examined the above statements of receipts and disbursements, and of assets and liabilities, with the books and vouchers of the company, and certify the same to be correct. We have also examined each of the securities held by the head office and in the vaults of the company, and the evidences of the Dominion Government deposit, and the cash and bank balances, and find the same correct and in accordance with the above statements. A running monthly audit has been maintained during the year, and we certify that the books are well and truly kept.

JOHN MACKAY, E. J. HENDERSON, Auditors.

The adoption of the report was moved by the Hon. Sir Oliver Mowat, president of the company, and seconded by Mr. J. W. Flavelle, first vice-president.

The Hon. Sir Mackenzie Bowell moved a resolution, which was seconded by Mr. J. J. Kenny, vice-president of the Western and British Assurance Companies, and unanimously carried, tendering the thanks of the meeting to the company's representatives for the valuable services rendered by them during the past year.

Messrs. E. T. Malone and C. C. Baines having been appointed scrutineers, reported the following gentlemen as directors for the ensuing year:

Hon. Sir Oliver Mowat, P.C., G.C.M.G., Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario.

Joseph W. Flavelle, managing director of the Wm. Davies Company (Limited), and director Canadian Bank of Commerce.

A. E. Ames, of A. E. Ames & Co., vice-president the National Trust Company of Ontario (Limited), and the Toronto Board of Trade.

Hon. Sir Mackenzie Bowell, P.C., K.C.M.G., Senator, ex-Prime Minister of Canada.

Hon. Sir James David Edgar, P.C., M.P., K.C.M.G., Speaker House of Commons.

Hon. Wm. Hart, M.P.P., Commissioner Public Works, Ontario.

Hon. S. C. Wood, managing director Freehold Loan and Savings Company.

J. J. Kenny, vice-president Western and British-American Assurance Companies.

Hugh N. Baird, grain merchant, director Western Assurance Company.

F. R. Eccles, M.D., F.R.C.S., etc., London, Ont.

A. E. Kemp, president Kemp Manufacturing Company, and president Toronto Board of Trade.

Wm. McKenzie, president Toronto Railway Company.

Warren Y. Soper, of the firm of Ahearn & Soper, director Ottawa Electric Street Railway Company, Ottawa.

Charles McGill, manager the Ontario Bank.

Frederick G. Cox, managing director.

At a subsequent meeting of the directors, Hon. Sir Oliver Mowat was re-elected president, and Messrs. J. W. Flavelle and A. E. Ames, first and second vice-presidents, respectively.

Albert N. Reid is district manager for London.

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People of Finland.

The Unknown—An English Lady's  
Experience.

In no other European state, not even in Sweden and Norway, are life and property so secure as in Finland. The confident, matter-of-fact way in which trunks, parcels and portmanteaus are left for hours in the public streets of cities could not fail to electrify an Englishman or a Belgian, whose portable property seems to disappear by magic. "On arriving at Helsinki or Abo by sea," says an English writer, who toured Finland in 1896, "I have myself occasionally left my trunk on the quay for a couple of hours, till the departure of the train, meanwhile taking a drive in the country around, and, although on one occasion my portmanteau was not even locked, I never lost anything. In the country districts the houses are for the most part unbarred, unbarred and unlocked. More than once in my excursions I have come up to a house, the occupants of which were miles away at the time, and yet not a door of it was bolted or barred. Then, again, it is no uncommon thing for a blooming girl of 17, or a young married woman to drive alone in her cart a distance of 50 or 60 miles through dense forests and by the shores of gloomy lakes, conveying the family's butter, cheese and cheese to market, and to return home alone with the proceeds. Finnish honesty is proverbial. In trade, Finns, as a rule, are not only scrupulously honest, they are heroically, quixotically, so. A tradesman will tell you the whole truth about his wares, even when he knows perfectly well that by doing so he loses a customer, when the partial truth, a slight suppression, would have secured him. "This seems exactly the kind of apparatus I am looking for," I said to a merchant in Helsinki some months ago, in reference to an article that cost about £15, "and I will buy it at once, if, knowing what I want it for, you can honestly recommend me to take it. No, sir, I do not recommend you to take it, nor have I anything in stock just now that would suit you." And I left the shop and purchased what I wanted elsewhere. "Here's your fare," I said to a peasant who had driven me for three hours through the woods on his drotsky, handing him 4 shillings. "No, sir, that's double my fare," he replied, returning me half the money. And when I told him he could keep it for his honesty, he nodded his thanks with the dignity of one of nature's noblemen, from which defiant and cringing obsequiousness were equally absent.

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The daughters of the poorer classes in France and of the bourgeoisie are usually famous cooks, and make a science of marketing; but in other departments of domestic economy their knowledge is painfully rudimentary, and the average French housekeeper would drive a Dutch or German or Swiss housewife to despair. Among persons of higher social standing in France the women have departed from the traditions of their ancestors. The chateaux of old France gloried in their domestic skill, and guarded their recipes more jealously than their jewels. Mme. de Sevigne made waffles that were more delicious than her letters. Mme. Recamier's sauces were as famous as her beauty, and rivalled that famous sauce invented by a French count, who swore that he could even serve his mother-in-law with it so as to disguise her bitter flavor. The Empress Josephine prepared Creole dishes so wonderfully that, if Napoleon had been a gourmet, he would never have had the courage to divorce her. But the modern French demoiselle is as ignorant of culinary matters as the average American girl, and nothing more sweeping than that could be said.

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## WESTERN ONTARIO

Dr. J. A. Smith has been re-elected chairman of the Windsor license board. Andrew Stephenson, of Sandwich street, Walkerville, died Thursday of paralysis.

Essex county wants to do away with its last toll road. The company may be persuaded to sell out.

The Grand Trunk engines came together near Point Edward Wednesday, smashing their pilots and doing minor damage.

A breach of promise suit for \$5,000, brought by Regina Rivard against Edouard Renaud, will be heard at the Windsor assizes which open March 20. Both parties live in Sandwich East.

Four of the six men arrested in connection with the burglary of Powell's bank, in Blenheim, Ont., have been identified by the warden of St. Vincent de Paul penitentiary as ex-convicts. The names given by them are, of course, bogus.

A meeting was held in Knox Church, Aylmer, on Tuesday evening last, to select a new pastor, and the result was an almost unanimous call extended to Rev. Mr. Bethune, of Toronto, by the churches here and in Springfield. The call will no doubt be confirmed at the first meeting of the London presbytery.

Ernest Langtry, 14 years old, was sentenced at Windsor on Thursday to five years in Penitentiary for stealing a pair of jam from Sutherland's grocery. The young lad had stolen a quantity of butter from Nalrin's grocery some weeks ago and was then released under suspended sentence.

Alex. Brown, a Princeton farmer, was relieved of \$25 at Duke's hotel Thursday night. Brown produced a warrant for the arrest of Ernest Howes, a boy 18 years old. Howes was taken to Woodstock jail to await trial. About 10 o'clock Friday morning Brown's pocketbook containing part of the money was found on the street at the south side of the village.

John A. Askin, ex-county registrar of Essex county, celebrated his 82nd birthday Thursday night, when his descendants presented him with an easy chair and a variety of other presents. Mr. Askin is the grandson of a county registrar, the father of a county registrar, he filled the office himself for upwards of 30 years, and he is the father of the present incumbent.

Next Tuesday a shooting tournament under the auspices of the Dutton gun club will be held in Dutton. In the morning the Highgate and Dutton clubs will try their skill at target shooting. In the afternoon the programme consists of six events at blue rocks and sparrows. A number of crack shots are expected to be present from St. Thomas, London, Hildesheim and other places.

R. O. Smith, one of Chatham's oldest citizens, died at Hildesheim Tuesday at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Arthur Delmage. Born in 1827, he came to Chatham in 1835, and his whole life had been closely connected with the growth of that city. He had enjoyed all the offices in the gift of the citizens, being mayor in 1853, George D. Smith, Walkerville, and Stephen, of Chatham, are sons.

Mr. Dennis Crimmon died at his home, south of Wallacestown, the other day at the age of 81 years, his death being due to the infirmities of old age. The deceased was the last of a family of three brothers, who were born in

the windows of the car. The motor-man, after jumping into the river, managed to climb onto the roof and keep his head above water until he was dragged out.

## MORE ALARMIST DISPATCHES

The Russians Reaching Out for the Pamirs.

Italy Said To Be Getting More Warships Ready.

Increase in British Exports to Canada—Healy and Redmond Engage in a Newspaper Duel—Good Results of Preferential Tariff.

London, March 11.—A dispatch from Allahabad, capital of the northwest province of India says it is reported there from Yarkand, Chinese Turkestan, that a large force of Russian troops has arrived at the Russian post, Fort Murghabi, on the Murghabi River, in the Sari (Great) Pamir, with the intention of seizing Sir-I-Kel, the hundred-mile stretch of territory north of the Mustagh Mountains, which was left undefined by the Pamir boundary commission in 1895. Its seizure by Russia would cause communications with Great Britain.

The Pamirs, great and little, are an extensive table land of Central Asia, called by the natives "the roof of the world." They are bounded on the south by the Hindoo-Koosh Mountains, and the plateau forms the Central Node, from whence radiate the principal mountain ranges of Asia. The tract is mainly under Russian authority, but Sir-I-Kel, in which is Lake Sir-I-Kol, the head waters of the Oxus River, has remained disputed ground since 1895.

ITALIAN NAVAL MOVEMENTS. The Rome correspondent of the Daily Mail says: "The government has ordered three more cruisers to get in readiness to proceed to Chinese waters in connection with the demand of Italy for a cession at San Mun, Province of Che Kiang."

The Pekin correspondent of the Times says: "In retaliation for blocking the extension of the French concession at Shanghai, the French and Russian ministers instructed their consuls to block the extension of the cosmopolitan settlement. China, therefore, refuses to extend the latter, on the ground that the consuls are not unanimous."

RESULTS OF PREFERENTIAL TARIFF.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain said the exports from the United Kingdom to Canada, from July last to Dec. 1, showed an increase of over 6 per cent as a result of the preferential tariff. Exclusive of duty the increase was 3 per cent.

The period, however, he added, was too short to form an accurate judgment as to what the ultimate effect would be. Reply to an increase of over 6 per cent. The period, he added, was too short to form an accurate judgment as to what the ultimate effect would be. Reply to an increase of over 6 per cent. The period, he added, was too short to form an accurate judgment as to what the ultimate effect would be.

On Tuesday next Mr. Chamberlain will introduce a bill empowering local authorities to advance money to enable occupiers to acquire ownership of small houses on the principle of the Irish land acts and the small holdings acts.

HEALY VS. REDMOND

The newspaper duel which has been going on for some time between the Irish factional leaders, Timothy Healy and John Redmond, through their respective organs, the Daily Nation and the Daily Interview, is likely to kill the Irish unity movement, which is making favorable progress of late.

COMPLAINT OF NAVAL MEN.

The admiralty has decided to spend £1,250,000 during the coming year on building new war vessels and completing and fitting out one that is finished. Naval men are complaining of the smallness of the new building programme, especially in the matter of cruisers and torpedo boats, in which France and Russia are rapidly outstripping Great Britain. They accuse the chancellor of the exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, with having cut down the estimates, in defiance of expert opinion, so as to avoid a bigger deficit.

THE GERMAN ARMY. Berlin, March 11.—The budget committee of the reichstag has adopted the proposals of the Centrists (the Clerical party) which met the government half-way in its demands for an increase of the peace footing of the infantry and cavalry. The proposals of the Centrists are rapidly outstripping Great Britain. They accuse the chancellor of the exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, with having cut down the estimates, in defiance of expert opinion, so as to avoid a bigger deficit.

Brest, France, March 11.—News has been received here of the capsizing of a pleasure yacht, off the Brittany coast, drowning nine persons, among them five French military officers.

AN AWFUL LEAP.

London, March 11.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Malaga, Spain, says a madman leaped yesterday (Friday) from the highest tower of the cathedral of Malaga—a distance of 200 feet from the ground—and was dashed into an unrecognizable mass. A large crowd witnessed the leap.

TWO HUNDRED PERISHED.

London, March 11.—According to a dispatch to the Times from Sydney, N. S. W., no fewer than 200 persons perished in the hurricane that has just swept the northeast coast of Queensland.

BETTER TIMES

Journeymen Carpenters Delighted to Hear That Wages Had Been Raised.

Toronto World: The better times which are being talked about by every merchant in Toronto and business people in general are being shared by the laboring classes of this city. In nearly every branch of trade work is on the increase, and better wages are in sight. The first to benefit by the trade boom are the carpenters and joiners, who for the past few years have been working

against tremendous odds, owing to many new inventions in machinery, which do away with many wooden fixtures. For six years the carpenters in Toronto have been working for 20 cents per hour, and the good news came from the bosses yesterday that hereafter they would receive 22½ cents per hour for their labor. The heads of the union shops in the city have accepted the increase.

At the meeting of the representatives of the Canadian Marine Engineers' Associations of Toronto, Vancouver, B. C., and St. John, N. B., Thursday night, in Toronto, it was unanimously decided to amalgamate the three distinct societies. The name will hereafter be the National Association of Canadian Marine Engineers, and it at present boasts of a membership of 350. Branches will also be instituted in Kingston and Montreal.

## BUSINESS OUTLOOK

In Canada and Across the Border, as Reported by the Commercial Agencies.

Bradstreet's Weekly Review says: Canadian trade is of fairly good proportions, Toronto reporting an active spring business, with especially good results, and expectations in the Northwest, the immigration into which is very heavy. It is estimated that 50,000 settlers will go into this region this year. American refined sugar is being offered at lower prices than at New York, and Canadian refiners therefore are selling little. Montreal reports that unseasonable weather and bad roads decreased the volume of settlements on March 4. Wholesale trade in drygoods and shoes is specially good, while in most other lines it is seasonably active. Failures are small and liabilities light, except in the case of a few shoe and drygoods concerns. Business is dull in the Maritime Provinces, but the lumber trade promises better than for several years past. Failures for the week ended March 31 last week, and 31 in this week a year ago.

Dun & Co.'s weekly statement says: Returns from Canada are generally a shade less satisfactory for the week ending March 10, rather slower distribution of products. At St. John trade is fair in groceries, drygoods and shoes, and fishing supplies are in increased demand, but prospects for spring are only fairly sustained. Halifax reports spring trade not active as yet, although there is a fair movement, and prices are not maintained in staple, hardware and groceries. Payments have been fairly well met. Quebec reports that milder weather has helped retail trade in most lines, and shoe manufacturing is fairly busy. At Montreal a seasonable distribution of merchandise is reported, with collections very good. Money is rather firmer. Toronto reports trade good in hardware, metals and leather and fairly active in groceries and tea, with much larger deliveries of drygoods than in previous years. Payments at Winnipeg were met fairly, and trade continues noticeable in all lines. Bankers report noticeable declines in trade, with collections at Vancouver slow, especially in view of the alien law, which had a bad effect on outfitting. In Victoria business continues fairly satisfactory, and the volume of turnover compares favorably with former years.

OVER THE LINE.

Bradstreet's statement: Industrial and trade activity is still a prominent feature of the general situation. Prices' strength, too, is noticeable, especially in view of the midwinter rise of February, except in the case of the leading lines of iron and steel. In manufacturing the situation is not of great activity. Additional advances in wages announced this week seem likely to swell the number of workers whose wages are reported advanced to close wages of \$15,000. The iron and steel trade is still excited by reports of feverish demand, inadequate supplies and further advanced quotations.

An easier tendency in wool is one of the disappointing features of the week. Lumber is active at most markets, and prices are firm. Wheat is weaker, notwithstanding crop damage reports, and other cereals are in sympathy therewith, chiefly because of the weakness of the farmers and a tendency to discount the generally expected heavy government estimate of wheat in farmers' hands.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s review: By far the best assurance of good business in the future is found in the general rise of wages. The volume of trade shows no sign of decrease, and for the first full week of March has been about 51.7 per cent greater than in the same week of last year, and 69.9 per cent greater than 1892. The woolen manufacture has been hampered by doubts about the price of wool, and the season continues disappointing.

Exports of wheat did not yet fall below last year's, as many have for some months expected, and the Atlantic exports, flour included, have been for the week 3,309,092 bushels, against 2,890,879 last year, and Pacific exports 603,187 bushels, against 1,200,018 last year, with other exports of 407,569 bushels, against 2,752,918 for the same week last year, and the output from the country goes far to check apprehension as to deficiency of the crop. The price of wheat is about 2c lower for spot, and corn is about 1c lower, with western receipts 4,569,404 bushels against 5,487,263 last year, while exports have been for the same week 3,537,887 bushels, against 2,957,887 last year. Exports of the week have been 182 in the United States, against 248 last year, and 37 in Canada, against 36 last year.

A TRUE STATEMENT

By Foreman White, of the Hamilton Screw Works.

Hamilton, March 6.—If a vote of the people were to be taken to ascertain which is the most popular medicine on the market, Dodd's Kidney Pills would lead by a large majority.

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## ONTARIO'S GREAT SCHOOL SYSTEM

The Annual Report of the Minister of Education.

The Amounts Spent for Public, Separate and High Schools.

Increase in the Number of Pupils—Truancy Serious—Increase of Libraries.

According to the report of the Department of Education, just issued, the total amount expended upon public schools last year was \$3,915,501, an increase of \$24,058. Of this sum \$350,457 was expended for sites and buildings, \$2,717,921 for teachers' salaries, and \$847,123 for all other purposes. The number of registered pupils of all ages in the public schools was 441,157, while the average attendance was 248,548, or an increase of 1,824. The total number of teachers employed was 3,376, of whom 2,639 were men, and 6,556 women. The women teachers increased by 158, while the men decreased by 36, leaving a net increase of 122.

The number of pupils in the Roman Catholic separate schools was 24,996, an increase of 774. The average attendance was 24,496, an increase of 366.

**THE HIGH SCHOOLS.**  
Upon high schools the total amount expended was \$715,976, of which \$332,832 was for teachers' salaries, \$46,627 for sites and buildings, and \$336,517 for all other purposes. Some 24,390 pupils attended the high schools, a decrease of 177 for the year, while 573 teachers were employed, an increase of 5.

The total attendance at kindergartens was 10,693, and the average attendance was 4,362. At the night schools the total attendance 317, 1,496, and the average from which it can be seen that the number of pupils in the fourth and fifth forms of the public schools has been steadily increasing. There is also a very gratifying increase in the number of pupils receiving instruction in temperance and hygiene has increased from 33,926 in 1922, to 215,543 in 1927.

**HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION.**  
The report has this to say upon the subject of the diffusion of high school education: "When the high school system of the province was first inaugurated its primary object was to prepare pupils for the learned professions, and especially for the university. While in that respect our high schools amply fulfill their original purpose, in later years the course of education which they provide have been considered a desirable qualification for various other pursuits in life. Many young men in preparing for mercantile life or for agriculture take advantage of the high school, perhaps not so much because of the direct training which it gives for their intended calling as for the superior culture which it provides. In 1872, 486 high school pupils, when they finished their high school education entered mercantile life. In 1887 the number had increased to 1,585. Similarly 300 high school pupils left the high school for agricultural pursuits, and in 1897 1,153 pupils pursued a similar course. In all, the high schools gave to mercantile life and to agriculture in 1897 2,501 pupils of well recognized educational standing, and to the universities and learned professions the same year 961. The whole number who left the high school for mercantile pursuits in 1872 was 22,603, and for agriculture 17,870."

**INCREASE OF LIBRARIES.**  
The free library system has been very successful. In 1895, when the act regarding free libraries was passed there were only twelve such institu-

tions in the province. Now 103 report, and several others have been established since Jan. 1 of the present year. The total number of public and free libraries for 1898 was 384. From 1883 to 1898 volumes to the number of 16,297,033 have been issued, and \$1,903,115 expended for public and free libraries, and the assets have increased from \$255,190 to \$870,167.

**AGRICULTURAL INSTRUCTION.**  
The report reviews the steps taken to promote the study of agriculture in the public schools, and intimates that the text-book prepared by Mr. C. C. James, deputy minister of agriculture, has been authorized by the department. Beginning with September next, the teaching of agriculture will be compulsory. Public school trustees in the rural districts will also be empowered to engage instructors to give lectures in agriculture.

**TRUANCY IS SERIOUS.**  
The minister indulges in some common touching truancy. It appears from the returns that 3,228 cases of truancy were reported in the whole province, but that only 140 complaints were laid before a magistrate, and only 53 convictions obtained.

**CONTINUATION CLASSES.**  
Hon. Mr. Ross points out that continuation classes have been established by many public school boards. "Were every pupil attending our public schools," he says, "in a position to attend a high school as soon as the course for the fourth form had been completed, the necessity for continuation classes would not be so apparent. In many rural school sections there are children whose parents are not in a position to send them away to high school, and whose claims for consideration should not be ignored. In these days, when the rural school problem is pressing for solution in other countries as well as Canada, it would be a very mistaken policy to adopt any method that would force children to attend a high school after having completed the work of the fourth form."

**APPORTIONMENT OF GRANT.**  
The apportionment of the legislative grant for 1898 was as follows:

|                 | Public Schools. | Separate Schools. | Total.    |
|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------|
| Counties .....  | \$126,478       | \$6,393           | \$132,871 |
| Cities .....    | 43,657          | 9,649             | 53,306    |
| Towns .....     | 33,339          | 5,061             | 38,400    |
| Villages .....  | 15,639          | 1,194             | 16,833    |
| Districts ..... | 35,000          | .....             | 35,000    |
| Totals .....    | \$255,190       | \$21,287          | \$276,477 |

## Kipling's Illness.

There was something like general consternation at the news of Mr. Kipling's illness. It had been confidently rumored that when he came this last time to America he came full of good resolutions to see everyone, to be a nice lion and roar sweetly, to hurt no one's feelings, to do everything in reason that it was desired that he should do, whether it suited his humor or not. Maybe these really were his intentions; maybe not. At any rate, he seems to have lived pretty well up to them, for one hears of a great multitude of persons whom he has talked with or dined with or otherwise edified, and of no one whom he has displeased. Even the reporters whom he wouldn't interview have not reviled him.

The English reading world sets more store just now by the Imperialistic British gentleman than by any other single writer going. It is more dependent on him for current entertainment than on any other one person, and it is very appreciative of what he does for it. It is mortifying to New Yorkers that New York's meteorological filip should have made him ill. At this writing he is sick enough to cause anxiety; but then pneumonia always causes anxiety while it lasts. Get well quickly, Mr. Kipling! It is none of us to have you ill. There is none of all the fine sentiments we have towards that finds expression in lung-fever. That is something we would far rather have kept to ourselves than imparted to you.—E. S. Martin, in Harper's Weekly.

## GLIMPSES OF THE ENGLISH FATTENING OF CATTLE

Julian Ralph's Impressions of London Life.

The Englishmen's Deliberateness and Mental Make-Up—The Effect of Royalty.

Julian Ralph, the American writer, who has been long resident in London, March some racy studies of English life and character. The following are extracts from his article:

**A PECULIAR ENGLISH CUSTOM.**  
The most part of the English usages some of us copy, and the rest of us can get used to; but there is a feature of formal dining there which is different. I refer to the failure to introduce all the company to one another. There are no general introductions at an English dinner. If all the guests are acquainted there is no need to introduce them, but if they are strangers they must remain so, or trust to chance or personal magnetism for making acquaintanceships. Every man is introduced at a dinner party to the lady he is to escort to the table. There it stops. It is a custom which has some close relation to the experience of an ancient race through many centuries. I leave the reader to analyze it.

**THE EFFECT OF ROYALTY.**  
Let us see some of the effects of caste some of the curious effects that I have noted. On Jubilee Day I stood so near the procession that I could have touched the door of her majesty's carriage with my walking-stick.

When she had ridden by the lady next to me said: "Oh, dear, now she's gone, and I didn't see her." I repeated, in astonishment: "I couldn't," she replied. "I was so excited I could not look at her. This is the third time I have seen her, but something always comes up and blinds me."

Once I was walking in Hyde Park with a little English lady, who suddenly cried out: "Oh, there's the princess" (meaning the Princess of Wales), "and I'm blind!"

"Well, there, they have gone," said she, after the royal carriage had passed, "and I shall be in a flutter for half an hour. I suppose you'll never understand it, but I go perfectly silly whenever I see royalty."

**THE ENGLISHMAN'S MENTAL MAKE-UP.**

I shall say nothing of Englishmen which I have not said in other places, and without contradiction to any other writer. To begin an analysis of their mental make-up, I have said that they always put their worst foot forward. The best homes in London—those that are most palatial within—have the dirtiest exteriors, and reach away in blocks of ugly, box-like, soot-grimed, factory-like buildings. Englishmen nearly always make the worst impression when they are adding to their acquaintances, and the kindest of them seem rude when they are addressed by strangers, or when their comfort are in the slightest degree encroached upon. They go about doing themselves injustice. This proceeds either from awkwardness, shyness or confidence in themselves. They leave it to you and me to do what we will to find out for ourselves their virtues, their attractions and all the nicer attributes which they hide within the shell of their reserve.

It is not true that they lack a sense of humor or a love of fun. I have heard of many funny stories, and as good jokes as any I have heard. True, they are not so much given to joking. Then, again, their jokes are of a different sort. Their wit is not as quick and as dependent on unexpected situations and distorted views of things as is ours. They are slow-minded than we; slower in every way—more deliberate, more patient, more given to reflection, to procrastination, and to taking their ease in every way. An American's first month in London is a month of his nerves. Every day is a month of his nerves, and more a rest. As long as you expect to do anything, get anything, or reach anywhere in a hurry, you are on the rack of despair. Once you realize the folly of trying to reform the Englishman, you begin to feel grateful for the calm and peace and restfulness they carry about with them like an atmosphere.

**DELIBERATENESS OF THE ENGLISHMAN.**

To illustrate their deliberateness, let me tell of a hat which blew off a mechanic's head on the top of a bus crossing Albert bridge only a few days ago. A stiff breeze blew up the Thames, and the hat was whirled against the side of the bridge, and then went spinning down the footway in the opposite direction from that which the omnibus pursued. "I say," said the mechanic, reaching over and touching the driver on the shoulder, "me hat's blown off." The driver flinched at this sudden interruption, then took a tighter grasp of the reins, and clucked to the horses to quicken their pace. The hat and the vehicle spun along in opposite ways. "I say, driver," said the mechanic, "me hat's blown off." The driver flinched again, but now his mind grasped the situation, though most unwillingly. "It 'as, 'as it?" he said, turning to the man. "Well, then, that'll teach you to buy 'ats to fit your 'ead. I 'ad a 'ole lot of 'ats blow off before, and me 'ead 'as got 'em to fit me 'ead. After that 'ad no more trouble."

The hat was still blowing along, and was now at the farther end of the bridge. The mechanic looked at it dully. I was in a fever of gratuitous impatience for the bus to stop, or for the man to climb down. The driver turned back to his work and clucked to his horses, who quickened their gait. Just then a vagrant stopped the flight of the hat and ran and caught the bus, and got a penny for his pains. So everyone was happy, even I.

**DRESS AS DENOTING CASTE.**  
A high silk hat is a badge of gentility (in London rather than in England at large), which even a cabman respects, and a first-class railway ticket has inspired most deferential behavior from a station agent, who had been very rude to me when I bought a third-class ticket at his window. Dress denotes a badge of rank, because men do not presume to, and in above their station, as a rule; and in a city where you may distinguish the proprietor by his silk hat and frock coat, the clerk by his silk hat and short coat, and the porter by his round hat. I have been told again and again—though I am thankful never to have had to experience it—that a business

man who receives you freely at his house as a friend, will prove difficult of access and stiffly ceremonious if you go to his office on business.

Prof. Robertson's Recommendations of the Proper Rations.

Experimental tests in the fattening of steers were commenced at the Central Experimental Farm in December, 1890. The main object of the experiments was to obtain information on the comparative cost of fattening steers:

1. Upon a ration of which the bulky fodder portion was mainly corn ensilage, hay and roots.  
2. Upon a ration of which the bulky fodder portion was mainly hay and roots, and  
3. Upon a ration of which the bulky fodder portion was mainly corn ensilage.

For the purpose of arranging such data as would be obtained from the tests in a manner which would be clear to the farmers and useful to them in making a comparison between the cost of feeding steers on the three different classes of rations, a cash value was estimated for the component fodders in each. The prices at which the several fodders were valued for the purposes of these comparisons, are higher than the cost of production to the ordinary farmers, and may be higher or lower than the prices which could be realized from their sale as fodders. The following is a summary of the results from the feeding tests for three years with 2-year-old steers.

From the tests of 1890-91 it appears that:

1. During the feeding period of 20 weeks, the steers which were fed upon ration No. 3 (corn ensilage, straw and meal) gained in weight, on the average, 33 pounds per head more, and cost 7.33 cents per head less, per day for feed consumed, than the steers which were fed upon ration No. 2 (hay, roots, and meal).

2. During the feeding period of 20 weeks, the steers which were fed upon ration No. 3 (corn ensilage, straw and meal) gained in weight, on the average, 61½ pounds per head more, and cost 3.58 cents per head less, per day for feed consumed, than the steers which were fed upon ration No. 1 (hay, roots, corn ensilage, straw and meal).

3. When the experiment was ended the steers which were fed upon ration No. 3 (corn ensilage, straw and meal) were in the most attractive condition of the three lots for handling and selling.

From the tests of 1891-92 it appears that:

1. During the feeding period of 18 weeks, the steers which were fed upon ration No. 3 (corn ensilage, straw and meal) gained in weight on the average 55½ pounds per head more, and cost 3.75 cents per head less, per day for feed consumed, than the steers which were fed upon ration No. 2 (hay, roots, straw and meal).

2. During the feeding period of 18 weeks the steers which were fed upon ration No. 3 (corn ensilage, straw and meal) gained in weight on the average 36 pounds per head more, and cost 3.81 cents per head less, per day for feed consumed, than the steers which were fed upon ration No. 1 (hay, roots, corn ensilage, straw and meal).

3. The cost of feed consumed per 100 pounds of increase in live weight, was 62.95 per cent greater on ration No. 2 (hay, roots, straw and meal), and 48.32 per cent greater on ration No. 1 (hay, roots, corn ensilage, straw and meal), than it was on ration No. 3 (corn ensilage, straw and meal).

From the tests in 1892-93 it appears that:

1. During the feeding period of 24 weeks, the steers which were fed upon ration No. 3 (corn ensilage, straw and meal) gained in weight on the average 19 pounds per head more, and cost 5.06 cents per head less, per day for feed consumed, than the steers which were fed upon ration No. 2 (hay, roots, straw and meal).

2. The cost for feed consumed per 100 pounds of increase in live weight, was 66.34 per cent greater on ration No. 2 (hay, roots, straw and meal), than it was on ration No. 3 (corn ensilage, straw and meal).

From these tests for three years with 2-year-old steers, it appears that:

1. On the average the steers which were fed upon ration No. 3 (corn ensilage, straw and meal) gained in weight on the average 35.8 pounds per head more, and cost 5.38 cents less per head per day for feed consumed, than the steers which were fed upon ration No. 2 (hay, roots, straw and meal).

2. On the average of two years, the cost of feed consumed per 100 pounds of increase in live weight, was 64.64 per cent greater on ration No. 2 (hay, roots, straw and meal) than it was on ration No. 3 (corn ensilage, straw and meal).—Prof. Robertson.

## FODDER CORN

Some Pointers From Prof. Robertson—How to Start It.

In the cultivation of the Indian corn crop, a few points are important. They are still either unknown or overlooked by many farmers. A corn crop should get a good start. The land should be fully manured near the surface, or the corn should be planted in a seed bed prepared by the plowing under of sod or clover.

If the land be foul with weeds or grass, a surface cultivation at two intervals of ten days each, early in spring, will give the weeds a chance to start, when they will be destroyed by the tillage preparatory to the planting of the corn. The labor of keeping the field clean during the summer will be very much lessened by such a treatment in the spring.

A variety of corn should be selected which will arrive at the glazing stage of growth before the usual period of frost in the autumn.

It should be planted in rows or hills not less than three feet apart. If the rows, it should be planted so thin that stalks will not be closer than three to

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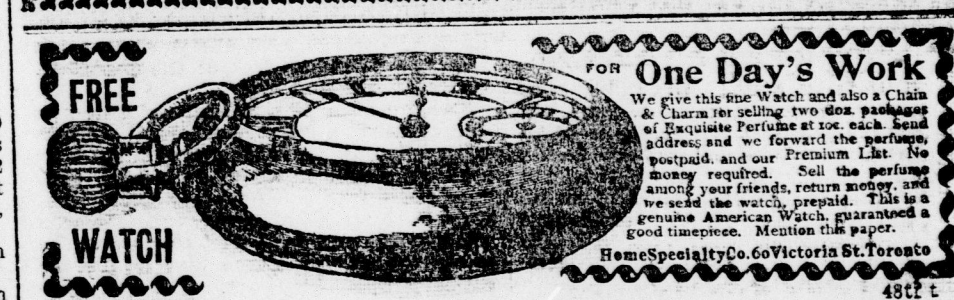
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the foot in each row; if in hills, from four to six stalks per hill. If the seed be sound and of a high percentage of vitality, about twenty pounds of seed per acre is enough.

It is usually a good plan to harrow the corn crop with light harrows when the plants are about four inches above ground. That is particularly beneficial if the ground is at all crusted, as after a rain. But the ground should be dry enough to be in good working tilth before the harrowing is done. The cultivation should be frequent and always shallow. The roots of the corn plant grow out sideways; where the cultivation cuts these off, great injury to the crop is done.

The best stage at which to cut the corn crop for ensilage, is when the kernels in the ears are full size, but before they begin to harden. That is usually the stage when the lower leaves of the corn stalk become yellow and withered. At that time the plants will contain the largest quantity of digestible matter, and will be in their best condition for preservation. The feeding value per acre is greatest when the crop is nearly mature but not ripe.—Prof. R. Robertson.

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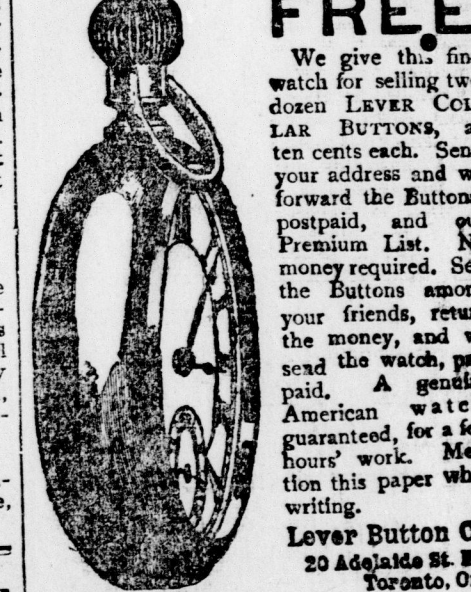
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## OUR SHORT STORY

### The Sermon in a Saloon.

I spent a week in an enterprising little western city in attendance upon a Methodist annual conference. The leading merchant was my host. After dinner, the first day of my visit, we were talking of the growth of the city from a small frontier settlement. My host was proud of the little city, relating many incidents connected with its early history. Among other stories he told me how Methodism began by a sermon in a saloon.

"I attended the first Methodist meeting ever held in the town. It was a terrible service. I tremble now when I think of it, although it was so many years ago. Our town was a pretty tough place. The chief businesses were liquor selling, gambling and undertaking. There was a funeral every day. If someone did not die from disease or accident, there was a murder. The street or bar-room fight that was not to a finish attracted little or no attention. The bowie knife and revolver were never concealed. They were always within ready reach. If ever a place deserved to be called hell, it was N—."

"I was a youngster who had run away from home in the east to try the frolic of frontier life. I had been a resident about a week. As I was passing down our principal street I noticed a horseman in a very peculiar garb riding slowly along, as if he were looking for someone. He drew the reins of his horse and said:

"'Young man, is there a hall or room of any kind in this place large enough to hold a meeting in? I am a Methodist itinerant, and would like to add this town to my circuit. I desire to hold a service tonight.'"

"I was so amazed that for a moment I was silent as I looked closely at the stranger. He was a tall, powerful-looking man. He had a clear, resolute eye, a lip and chin that revealed a determination nothing could balk. I felt that he was a man who did not know fear, but the folly of the question became more and more amusing, until I broke out in a merry, mocking laugh.

"The face grew stern; the eyes shone with a light like the gleam of steel; the voice hardened to a cutting unction almost like anguish you, my young friend, to have me ask you a civil question?"

"I replied hastily: 'I beg your pardon, sir, for my discourtesy, but the idea of anybody wanting to hold a religious meeting in this town is funny enough to make anyone laugh. You might as well try to hold a meeting in Perdition.'"

"I would certainly hold a meeting in Perdition if I felt it to be my duty, and could get in; but this town can't be as bad as that."

"I directed him to the Coyote, the largest gambling hall in town. I said: 'It is large enough to hold a good sized congregation, and it has one advantage over any other place. It is always full. You will be sure to find a crowd there, night or day. I do not believe they will allow you to speak, if "One-Eyed Jack," the proprietor, is in a good humor he may kick you into the street; if he is cross, and he generally is, he may shoot you.'"

"I saw the circuit rider fasten his horse in front of the saloon and enter. I slipped in to see the sport. The preacher stood for a moment just inside the door, riding around. At the farthest end of the building a powerful man with a black patch over one of his eyes was swearing at a bartender. In a most sultry manner the stranger approached the sweeper and said, as he removed his hat and made a courteous bow:

"'Are you the proprietor of this place?'"

"'One-eyed Jack' was about to reply with a savage oath, according to his usual custom, when the peculiar garb of the questioner caused him to hesitate. With a politeness unusual to him, he said:

"'I am, sir; what can I do for you?'"

"'I am a Methodist preacher, and I would like permission to preach in your saloon.'"

"'Preach in my saloon! When?' said Jack, in a tone of amazement."

"'Now,' said the preacher."

"'Well, I'll be—, I beg your pardon, Parson, I'd almost said a cuss-word; but preach in my saloon!' He looked about and heard the clink of the glasses, the banging of cards upon the tables, the harsh laugh and the awful oaths, and said:

"'I think, Parson, you have come

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eternal ruin. He uncovered the hard and cruel hearts about him with the fearless and steady hand of a master surgeon. You could hear the quick gasp of suppressed breathing as each one of the pack of rebels felt the unsparing hand reveal his own guilty secret."

"The prayer for Jack, the ringleader in sin, was like a blast from a furnace. Jack covered his face with his slouch hat and trembled like a leaf. The petition for 'Slippery Dick' was a picture of awful sin revealing its awful penalty in accordance with divine law. It brought a sob of terror from a score of hearts. When the prayer reached 'The Baby,' the hard voice trembled and broke into a wail and ended in a heart-breaking sob. The strong man pleaded in the name of the mother, who through her burning tears prayed day and night for the loved boy's return. I have seen trees sway by a cyclone, until I felt as if they must be torn from their roots by the next fierce blast. So that mass of heads swayed and bowed while the preacher poured every man a breath like a sigh parted the lips of every man as he looked into the white face of his neighbor."

"Jack was the first to regain his composure. His voice had lost all of its rollicking tone as he gently and solemnly said:

"'A collection, gents, for the Parson.'"

"He passed through the crowd, receiving a coin or a bill from every hand, and poured the handful of money into the Parson's pocket. The Parson and 'The Baby' went out together. As soon as the door closed behind them, Jack said:

"'The Coyote' is closed until tomorrow morning at 6 o'clock."

"The crowd passed out in silence."

Jay Benson Hamilton, D.D., in The Independent.

## A Smile: A Laugh.

English town councillors as critics of poetry are blunt and sweeping. There was a town council which, sitting in committee as the burial board to improve proposed inscriptions on grave-stones considered the application of the friends of a deceased person to have four lines from Tennyson inscribed on the stone. The clerk duly read the following famous gem from "Crossing the Bar":

"Sunset and evening star,  
And one clear call for me,  
And may there be no moaning of the bar,  
When I put out to sea."

A councillor said: "I object. That's what I call doggerly." And the council ruled it out.

An American, who years ago served as our minister to Spain, was fond of telling the following joke upon himself. Shortly after he had become settled in his new home he was bidden to a state ceremonial, where he was to be presented to the king. His knowledge of the languages was limited to English and French, and being desirous of adding to the sovereign in his own tongue, he took pains to "coach" for the occasion. Several phrases were rehearsed until he felt that he had mastered them. When the critical moment arrived he saluted the king with great dignity, spoke a few words in Spanish, and passed on.

"What do you say?" asked an English gentleman.

"I spoke in Spanish," was the rejoinder. "I said, 'I cast myself at your feet,' which I am told is the most respectful form of salutation."

"Ah, no," corrected a Spaniard, who had been observing the incident at the ambassador's greeting, "you are mistaken; you transposed your words, and quite altered the meaning."

"What did I say?" asked the diplomat.

With a twinkle of his eye, the Spaniard made answer: "What you really said was, 'I throw my heels at your head.'"

But the king had not betrayed by so much as the fluttering of an eyelid, that anything unusual had occurred. From "The Drawer," in Harper's Magazine.

While standing on the top of Look-out Mountain a few days ago, says W. L. Visscher, in the Chicago Times-Herald, I was carried back to the memories of dear old Bill Nye, for we had stood upon that same spot some years before, and a guide told us that point could see seven states—Tennessee, Virginia, Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Alabama.

"Where's North Carolina?" Nye inquired.

The man pointed to a place in the

## Over-burdened Women.

Many a man sees his wife bend and tug at burdens that strain the back and the heart as if, writing any idea of the children follow in too quick succession to allow the mother time to recuperate. The woman's organs become displaced, there are debilitating, disagreeable drains, with the added strain of the woman bravely tries to carry her household load, afraid to take the rest she needs lest a meal will be late. No wonder she is pale, weak, wretched, surly of temper and snappish of tongue. She would fain to nature if she were anything else. No persons need help so much as the class of whom this woman is the type. And for such women no help is so sure, so wonderful, as that given by Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It restores all the womanly organs to perfect health. It establishes regularity in their functions. It restores the strained and shattered nervous system. It clears up the complexion, rounds out the form and makes life a daily happiness.

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horizon to which distance gave a purple hue.

What makes you think that is North Carolina?" Nye asked.

"Oh, we know by the direction and the conformation of the mountains there," the man replied.

"Well, I know that's not North Carolina," Nye declared, with some vehemence. "And you know it, too, if you would stop to think. Here is a map of the United States, and you can see that considerably, and I have helped to paint it red, but, of course, I go away sometimes, and it fades a little, leaving it pink. No, sir; you can't stuff me. The place you are pointing at is a color-blind man could see is purple."

Nye said those things so seriously, that the man was almost dazed. He

gave Nye a puzzled look, and then went on pointing out the other sister states in the late confederacy.

Some Frenchmen were boasting of their "affairs of honor," when one of them, a Marseillais, declared that he had inflicted upon an antagonist the most dreadful fate that a duelist had ever met.

"How was it?" asked everybody.

"It was at a hotel, and I chanced to insult a total stranger. It turned out that he was a fencing master. One of the other of us, he declared, in fearful wrath, 'will go out of this room alive. So let it be!' I shouted in response, and then I rushed out of the room, locked the door behind me, and left him there to die."—Argonaut.

## In Woman's Interest

### Vulgar Glory.

Emily Holt says the women of New York city overdress. If what she says is true, then pity 'tis. She says:

"If anybody doubts the charge of overdressing, let her betake herself to one of the smart morning functions at the Waldorf-Astoria. It may be a dramatic breakfast or a musical luncheon, for New York women love anything in the form of a matinee, and as the crowd in the big ball room, just take stock, if you please, of the jewels alone that she adorns herself with before 11 a.m. A certain amount of diamonds and turquoises dropping to her knees, a watch and chain of star sapphires and diamonds at her belt, a string of pearls with a diamond clasp from which swings a diamond incrustated locket closed about the throat, a huge pearl and diamond brooch in her neck, three diamond earring studs, a pair of gold-rimmed card-cases studded with jewels, a gold net purse with a diamond clasp, and a couple of gemmed bangles, is a veracious statement of the articles itemized in the adornment of a lady of vast social position who swept into a dramatic breakfast the other morning in a huge public hotel."

Shades of good taste! You may well exclaim, but she was not alone in her vulgar, inappropriate glory. Those who went to the same breakfast had also emptied their jewel boxes over themselves, and they all wore white gloves, tossing white plumes and embroidered velvet gowns. At the opera and theater matinees they flaunt their sartorial splendor with even greater recklessness. You will see any Saturday, slim beauties, such as Mrs. Paget, Mrs. Whitney and Mrs. McKay, in snow-white cloth and cream satin gowns, sparkling with diamonds, trimmings and coats of white velvet, while satin slippers and openwork silk hosiery after breakfast.

But if New York women have lost all equilibrium in dress they are trying very hard to make up for it in manners. The manner that marks an influential Fifth avenue wife in her credit to a bronze statue in its unbending hauteur. With shoulders back and nose well up and eyes set with a freezing stare—that is the approved bearing. The body is held quite rigid, and the stare stiffens into a stony glare when a stranger is observed. In drawing-rooms, on introduction no one shakes hands. It is considered familiar to do so; you incline your head in a slow nod merely, and it seems almost indecent to bring to the cordial and hospitable; at least this is the rule among the women whose names stand at the head of the social register and by whom society manners and customs in New York are judged.

### Teas That Are "Crushes."

The hostess who wishes to pay off a large number of minor social obligations and thinks to do so by giving a "tea," should remember that "crushes" to which one has asked everybody are not in very good repute socially. People do not feel much complimented to be asked where everybody else is asked.

Better, therefore, to send out invitations "to meet" someone, and thus give an added compliment to the invitation. If one has a friend visiting here it is pleasant for her to invite a number of people for a gift afternoon, and to have a little music, some other form of entertainment to add to the occasion.

Crushes are still encountered on all sides, but while the fashionable woman may do almost anything, the woman who is making a position for herself in society, especially of living on anything less than an unlimited income, should seek to give distinction to whatever she does.

### A Friendship Teacloth.

Hemstitch a piece of linen a yard and a quarter square, making a two-inch hem. In the center of the cloth stamp a design of a true-love-knot, and a bunch of violets or forget-me-nots. Embroider these in white or in delicate colors. White is always good taste, and if colors are used they should be of delicate shades.

Have your friends write their names upon the cloth in any way their fancy dictates, and outline these with black, white, or colored etching silk. Use only fine threads, and do the work neatly, taking short, compact stitches. This is a pretty conceit, and almost anyone would like one such cloth. A scarf might be embroidered in a similar fashion, or a pillow cover. The summer girl might find it a pastime to embroider such a piece in the winter, having it written and made ready during the summer, other masculine and feminine friends being represented in this autographical way.

### What the Queen Eats.

The Queen of England breakfasts at 9 o'clock, lunches at 2 and dines at 9, and the waiting at each breakfast and luncheon is done entirely by two Indian servants.

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Of course, she seldom partakes, except a demitasse after dinner. With her soup is served a glass of old white sherry; this the lady drinks from a cup of gold, formerly the property of Queen Anne. She often takes a glass of beer. The apples which the Queen eats grow in New York State. It was Lady

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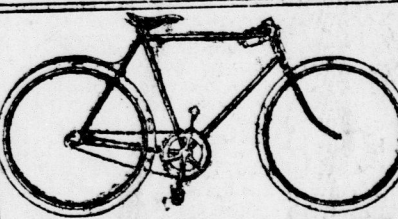
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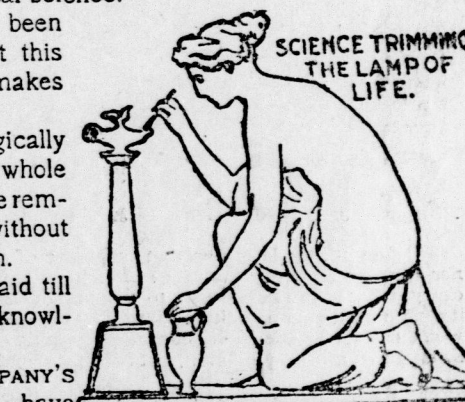
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| Merchants                      | 123   | 123  |
| Commerce                       | 123   | 123  |
| Imperial                       | 123   | 123  |
| Dominion                       | 123   | 123  |
| Standard                       | 123   | 123  |
| Hamilton                       | 123   | 123  |
| British America                | 123   | 123  |
| Western Assurance              | 123   | 123  |
| Consumers' Gas                 | 123   | 123  |
| Montreal Gas                   | 123   | 123  |
| Dominion Telegraph             | 123   | 123  |
| Northwest Land                 | 123   | 123  |
| Canada Pacific Railway         | 123   | 123  |
| Commercial Cable Company       | 123   | 123  |
| Commercial Union               | 123   | 123  |
| Com. Registrar                 | 123   | 123  |
| Bell Telephone Company         | 123   | 123  |
| Bell Telephone, new            | 123   | 123  |
| Reliance and Ontario           | 123   | 123  |
| Montreal Street Railway        | 123   | 123  |
| Toronto Street Railway         | 123   | 123  |
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| Huron and Erie L. & S.         | 123   | 123  |
| Huron and Erie, 20 per cent.   | 123   | 123  |
| London and Canada L. & S.      | 123   | 123  |
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| London and Ontario             | 123   | 123  |
| Ontario Loan and Debenture     | 123   | 123  |

**Montreal Stock Market.**

| Stock                          | Asst. | Off. |
|--------------------------------|-------|------|
| Canadian Pacific               | 123   | 123  |
| Duluth, common                 | 123   | 123  |
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| Commercial Cable               | 123   | 123  |
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**Yesterday's Close.**

| Stock      | Open   | High   | Low    | Close  |
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| Atchafalpa | 21 1/2 | 21 3/4 | 21 1/4 | 21 1/2 |
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**Toronto Produce Market.**

**TORONTO, March 11.**—Wheat is dull and easy, at 67 1/2c to 68c for red, and 8 1/2c to 8 3/4c for white, western. Manitoba wheat is steady at 8 1/2c to 8 3/4c. No. 1 hard, North Bay, 7 1/2c. Midland. Flour is quiet, at \$3 for cars of straight roller, in barrels, west. Millfeed is firm, at \$14 to \$16 for shorts and \$13 to \$14 for bran, west. Barley is dull and nominal, 46c for No. 1, west. Buckwheat firm, at 52c to 53c. Oats are firm at 23c to 24c. Corn, eastern, at 36 1/2c, for Canada, yellow, west, new American is quoted at 41 1/2c. Toronto, and old sold today at 44 1/2c. Toronto freights, Oats steady, at 29 1/2c to 30c for white, west. Eggs plentiful, and lower, at 12c to 12 1/2c. Butter, large rolls, 14c to 15c; dally tubs, 10c to 13c; creamery, more offering, steady, at 20c to 22c for prints, and 19c to 20c for packed. Dressed hogs steady, cars of western mixed, \$4 95 here.

**Chicago Exchange.**

**CHICAGO, March 11.**

| Stock      | Open   | High   | Low    | Close  |
|------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Wheat-May  | 69 1/2 | 69 3/4 | 69 1/4 | 69 1/2 |
| Wheat-July | 68 1/2 | 68 3/4 | 68 1/4 | 68 1/2 |
| Corn-May   | 35 1/2 | 35 3/4 | 35 1/4 | 35 1/2 |
| Corn-July  | 34 1/2 | 34 3/4 | 34 1/4 | 34 1/2 |
| Oats-May   | 25 1/2 | 25 3/4 | 25 1/4 | 25 1/2 |
| Oats-July  | 24 1/2 | 24 3/4 | 24 1/4 | 24 1/2 |
| Pork-May   | 9 1/2  | 9 3/4  | 9 1/4  | 9 1/2  |
| Lard-May   | 5 1/2  | 5 3/4  | 5 1/4  | 5 1/2  |
| Ribs-May   | 4 7/8  | 4 9/8  | 4 7/8  | 4 7/8  |

**American Markets.**

**Chicago, March 11.**—Opening—Wheat, May, 69 1/2c; July, 68 1/2c. Corn, March, 35 1/2c; May, 35 1/2c; July, 34 1/2c. Oats, March, 25 1/2c; May, 25 1/2c; July, 24 1/2c. Pork, March, \$9 1/2; May, \$9 1/2; July, \$9 1/2. Lard, March, 5 1/2c; May, 5 1/2c; July, 5 1/2c. Ribs, March, 4 7/8c; May, 4 7/8c; July, 4 7/8c. **Buffalo, March 11.**—Spring wheat, No. 1 northern, 78 1/2c. Winter wheat, No. 2 red, 76c; No. 1 white, 76c. Corn—No. 2 yellow, 38c; No. 3 yellow, 37 1/2c. No. 2 corn, 37c; No. 3 corn, 36 1/2c, on track. Oats—No. 2 white, 33 1/2c asked. **Detroit, March 11.**—Wheat—No. 1 white cash, 71 1/2c; No. 2 red, cash, 71 1/2c; May, 72 1/2c; July, 70c. **Toledo, March 11.**—Wheat—Cash, 71 1/2c; May, 72 1/2c; July, 69 1/2c. Corn—Cash, 34 1/2c; May, 35 1/2c. Oats—Cash and May, 28c.

**MILWAUKEE, March 11.**—Wheat—Cash, 69c.

**NEW YORK, March 11.**—Flour—Receipts, 15,357 bbls; sales, 1,500 packages; state and western dull and easier with wheat; Minnesota patents, \$3 50 to \$4 10; winter patents, \$3 75 to \$3 95; do, straight, \$3 55 to \$3 60. Rye flour—Dull; good for sale, \$3 10 to \$3 25; choice to fancy, \$3 30 to \$3 55. Wheat—Receipts, 62,400 bu; sales, 1,115,000 bu; options opened weak and declined under bearish cables and the big government estimate of firm reserves; March, 80 1/4c to 80 3/4c; May, 74 1/4c to 74 1/2c. Rye—Quiet; state, 62c; No. 2 western, 60 1/2c; G. B. A. soft, Corn—Receipts, 60,675

bu; sales, 80,000 bu; options dull and weak under liquidation and the government figures. Oats—Receipts, 40,000 bu; quiet; on track, white state, 36c to 38c; on track, white western, 36c to 38c. Butter—Receipts, 2,975 packages; very firm. Cheese—Receipts, 1,077 packages; firm; large white, 12c; small white, 12 1/2c; large colored, 12c; small colored, 12 1/2c to 12 3/4c. Eggs—Receipts, 5,700 packages; steady; state and Pennsylvania, 14c; western, 14c; southern, 14c. Sugar—Raw strong; fair refining, 31 1/2-15c; refined firm. Coffee—Dull. Hops—Quiet. Lead—Steady; bullion price, \$4 20; exchange price, \$4 40 to \$4 45.

**Live Stock Markets.**

**NEW YORK, March 11.**—Bees—Receipts, 216; nothing doing; feeling steady. Exports, 610 cattle, 20 sheep and 3,645 quarters of beef. Calves—Receipts, 2; nominal; veals, \$8 75. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 1,943; sheep steady; lambs lower; sheep, \$4 25 to \$5; lambs, \$5 45 to \$5 55, mainly \$5 65 to \$5 85. Hogs—Receipts, 1,072; none for sale alive; feeling weak and nominal; quotations, \$4 10 to \$4 25.

**CHICAGO, March 11.**—Hogs—Estimated receipts for today, 21,000; tomorrow, 35,000; left over, 2,721; 5c higher; mixed and butchers, \$3 65 to \$3 90; good heavy, \$3 75 to \$3 95; roughs, heavy, \$3 60 to \$3 70; light, \$3 60 to \$3 85. Cattle—Receipts, 400; unchanged.

**OLD COUNTRY PRICES.**

**Liverpool, March 10.**—Prices of cattle here and in London continue weak. American steers sell at 11 1/2c to 12 1/2c (dressed weight); live sheep are quoted at 13c to 14c (dressed weight). Refrigerator beef is 9c per lb.

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**Latest Probabilities**

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+ Probabilities for the lower lakes +  
+ region for the next 24 hours: +  
+ Unsettled and mild, with local +  
+ showers today and on Sunday. +

**Minister of Justice To Speak Tonight.**

The Minister of Justice, Hon. David Mills, will address a public meeting tonight in Treblecock's Hall, South London, under the auspices of the South London Liberal Club. The chair will be taken at 8 o'clock sharp. A general invitation is extended. Mr. Malcolm McGugan, M.P., and Mr. McWilliam, of Thamesford, will also be present and deliver addresses.

**LATE LOCAL ITEMS**

—Rev. W. J. Clark expects to occupy his pulpit tomorrow as usual.  
—Mr. Davis Rougier, hardware merchant, of Goderich, is visiting in this city.  
—Miss May Cater, of this city, has left on an extended visit to her sister, Mrs. C. H. Collinson, of Detroit.  
—About 75 witnesses have been summoned to attend the trial of Marlon Brown, the notorious peg-leg.  
—Mr. John Chapman, is able to be around again after over two months of severe attack of acute rheumatism.  
—A special meeting of the Y. M. C. A. board of directors was held last night, and a number of matters discussed.  
—There will be no men's meeting in the Auditorium tomorrow, on account of Rev. Dr. Unnall speaking in the Opera House.  
—Two Pullman cars will be turned out of the G. T. R. car shops here this afternoon, and will be at the depot at 5 p.m. They are works of art.  
—Mr. Charles Clark is somewhat better today. He has so far recovered as to be able to ask those around him to pray for the one who slugged and robbed him.  
—The Orient Minstrel Club will appear at the Grand Opera House on Monday, March 27. The members are practicing nightly for the performance, which promises to be of exceptional merit.  
—George Forsythe has been summoned to appear before Squire J. B. Smyth on Wednesday next to answer a charge of threatening and abusive language, preferred by George Jeffries.  
—Mrs. M. Perdu, who went to Exeter to visit her sister, Mrs. Dyer, some two weeks ago, was called back to London Thursday, owing to the severe illness of her sister, Mrs. A. A. Lind, at 34 Bruce street, South London.  
—Preparations for the Arlington Club's fancy dress ball, to be held in the Grand Opera House, April 3, are being elaborately made. The music will be from the latest operas, and imported from New York for the occasion.  
—James Wilson, the vagrant arrested a week ago for begging, and in whose possession was a bogus letter, to which the name of Dr. Smith, of Detroit, is alleged to have been forged, was sent down for a month by Magistrate Parke this morning.  
—A caucus of the city council has been called for 8 o'clock this evening to ask one or two of the aldermen to resign. If the resignations are not forthcoming, the other members of the council refuse to sit with the black sheep.  
—Rev. Dr. Munhall will give a confidential talk to young men, in the Grand Opera House tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. All young men between the ages of 14 and 30 are in-

cluded. A male chorus, under the leadership of Dr. Ziegler and Mr. W. H. Hewlett, will lead the singing, assisted by the Sunday school orchestra of Dundas Center Church, led by Mr. Roselle Pococke.

—A runaway team traversed Dundas street center about 2:30 o'clock today. The horses were attached to a democrat wagon, and were given a clear road as they dashed along the crowded thoroughfare. They belonged to Robert Verner, of Hyde Park, and ran from near Waterloo street to the Market Lane, where they were caught without any damage being done.

**RETURNED TO LONDON.**

Mr. A. W. Woodward, who has been accountant for the Carling Brewing and Malt Company for nearly 24 years, and who has been in St. John, N. B., for several months past, as manager of their branch, has returned to his home here and severed his connection with the above-named company. His many friends welcome him back, and wish him success in any new undertaking. Within the last year or so Mr. Woodward has been through Canada, from Atlantic to Pacific coasts, and says there is no place like London.

**"VAIN AND FOOLISH EXCUSES."**

This was Dr. Munhall's theme last night in Dundas Center Church. A large audience listened again to this popular and eloquent preacher of righteousness. Every excuse made by men why they should not now accept Christ was brought under review and thoroughly refuted. The speaker, with object to excitement were shown that excitement in politics, business or athletics is readily excused and condoned, how much more in a matter so vital might excitement be expected. Those who complain of hypocrisy in the church were reminded that they will dwell with hypocrites for ever if they reject Christ. The address was one of the most powerful the doctor has yet delivered, and over twenty more indicated their surrender to Christ. The work goes on grandly; between 300 and 400 have confessed faith in Christ Sunday afternoon in the Opera House and the evening service in Dundas Center Church are looked forward to with great interest.

**ROSENTHAL'S TRIUMPHS.**

Rosenthal, whom foreign critics deem a greater virtuoso than Paderewski, will be heard here next Wednesday, and it is confidently predicted that he will repeat or duplicate his old world triumphs. Rosenthal, it is true, is not a stranger to Americans, for he gave over 100 concerts in America ten years ago, when only 24 years of age. His initial appearance, successful as it was at the time, did not reveal the wonderful powers he has since acquired. Every season brings out a new fad, and as it seems certain that Rosenthal will be the fad of the musical world this year, it is fortunate that he comes upon foolish adulation, and will probably prohibit exhibitions that characterized a number of recitals in the eastern cities last year. Most of Rosenthal's dates are already taken or spoken for, and his original tour of 50 concerts has been extended.

**REV. A. CUNNINGHAM DEAD.**

Rev. Andrew Cunningham, pastor of the Methodist Church at Kincardine, died yesterday morning, after a severe illness, lasting several months. He leaves a widow, daughter of the late Rev. Dr. Rice, general superintendent of the Methodist Church in Canada; three sons and two daughters. For 35 years deceased had been actively engaged in the ministry, during which he has held positions of great prominence at various stations in the province, including this city, St. Marys, Hamilton, Stratford, Guelph, Galt, Orangeville, Mitchell and Kincardine. In 1893 he was honored by being elected president of the Guelph conference, and at the time of his death was chairman of the annual district of the denomination. He was 55 years of age. Deceased was in his 55th year. Interment will take place in the Kincardine cemetery on Monday afternoon, and the funeral services will be conducted by Rev. Walter Rigby, president of the conference, assisted by the local clergy.

**DEPUTATION HAS RETURNED.**

The deputation composed of Lieut.-Col. Leys, M.P.P., Mr. C. S. Hyman, Lieut.-Col. Smith, Lieut.-Col. Gartshore, Major Cronyn, and Major Little, have returned from Ottawa, having interviewed the government upon the necessity of erecting a new drill shed here. The deputation put forward the view that it would be more profitable to provide a new building than to expend \$10,000 in repairing the present drill shed. Dr. Borden, the minister of militia, and Major-General Hutton are both favorable to the deputation's proposal. Sir John Carling and Mr. Thos. Beattie, M.P., did not accompany the deputation. The former excused himself on the ground that he would have to be in Ottawa on Tuesday, and the latter sent a private communication to Hon. Dr. Borden giving his views on the matter. The deputation interviewed several of the ministers in connection with the drill shed. There is every reason to believe that the matter will receive favorable consideration.

**"THE TURTLE"**

A Dubious Play at the Grand—Good Acting Debased.

A first-class company, an erotic play and a large and masculine audience, were events at the Grand Opera House last night. "The Turtle's" reputation for nastiness had preceded it, but it scarcely filled the measure of expectation. There was a good deal of indecent suggestion, but last night's version had evidently been purged of some of its flagrant obscenity, and was no more offensive than many of the plays which wear the cloak of respectability. The company is so clever that it is a pity their talent is thrown away on such stuff as "The Turtle," though the comedy is clever and bright enough according to the French standard. The leading man, Signor Perugini (Johnnie Chatterton), is a member of the old Holman Opera Company, and has just left the operatic stage. His work was decidedly good.

**Religious Notice.**

Hear Dr. Munhall at Dundas Center Church at 8 and 7:30 p.m. every day. 74 1/2

**LEGAL RULINGS**

**At Osgoode Hall—Conviction Re Sab-bath Desecration Quashed.**

The following cases came before Judges Armour, Falconbridge and Street, at the divisional court, Toronto: **Patmore vs. Crane-Helmuth** (London), for plaintiffs, appealed from judgment of Boyd, C., at the trial at London, dismissing the action with costs. The action was for the price of a carload of wheat, which the plaintiffs allege them contracted to sell to defendants, and which they forwarded, but which the defendants refused to accept. The contract was by telegraphic messages. The chancellor held that the defendants were an unreasonable time in shipping the wheat, and the defendants were justified in saying the contract was at an end. The plaintiffs contended that it was the duty of the defendants to furnish the car, the contract being for delivery f. o. b. cars, and the plaintiff shipped the wheat as the defendants' agent, and the delay, if any, must be attributed to defendants themselves. C. Millar, for defendants, contra. Reserved.

**Reg. vs. Reid-Du Vernet**, for defendant, moved absolute a rule nisi to quash a conviction of the defendant by justices of the peace for the county of Simcoe for doing work in violation of the Grand Trunk Railway Company at Midland on a Sunday, contrary to the Lord's Day Act, upon the grounds that the defendant, being a servant of the company, did not come within any of the classes of persons named in the act; that the work done by defendant was a work of necessity; that the Grand Trunk Railway Company, being a Dominion railway company, was not subject to be impeded in its operations by a provincial statute; that the conviction was bad for uncertainty, and upon other grounds. A. E. O'Meara, for the informant, showed cause. Rule absolute quashing the conviction upon the ground that the defendant did not come within the terms of the statute. Costs to be paid by the informant, half of the penalty imposed being payable to him.

**The Imperial Life Assurance Company**

Sir Oliver Mowat presided at the annual general meeting of the Imperial Life Assurance Company, a report of which will be found in another column. The directors presented a most satisfactory statement, which recorded phenomenal progress in every department. During the twelve months ending Dec. 31, 1898, 1,467 applications for insurance were accepted, and policies issued to the amount of \$2,435,400. The total assurance in force at the above date was \$4,169,125. The cash income last year was \$181,752.07, showing the remarkable increase of \$134,794.38, while the death claims paid were only \$14,841. The company's surplus below the average of mortality. The assets amount to \$577,061.71, an increase in the year of \$240,813.82. The directors point out that the stringent methods followed in the valuation of the company's liability under its various policies and annuities have placed the company in possession of reserves relatively strong, or rather than those of any other Canadian life insurance company, and consequently affords extraordinary security to policyholders.

Sir Oliver Mowat, in moving the thanks of the report, congratulated the shareholders and policyholders on the rapidly increasing business, and took occasion to deny the rumor that the Imperial intended amalgamating with the Canada Life. The Imperial did not desire amalgamation, but, on the contrary, intended to remain as a distinct and separate organization.

**CRICKET.**

**TO ACCOMMODATE 30,000.**  
A London, England, exchange says: "The cricket ground at Lord's—the most famous in the world—which is the London headquarters of the Marylebone Cricket Club, has been quite transformed during the winter. In answer to the public complaint that unless visitors to the ground were members of the Marylebone Club, or members' friends, they could obtain no seats at the great matches in the summer, a huge semi-circle of iron seats has now been raised around the ground, which will give to the public 12,000 additional free places. This summer about 30,000 people will be able in comfort to look on at the great matches against what will probably be the finest Australian team which has ever come to Europe. It was otherwise the last time the Australians were here, three years ago. Then the passage around the ground was blocked by thousands for whom there were no seats; the huge crowd encroached on the grass. What should have been an easy catch in the 'long field' fell harmlessly among the on-lookers and scored four runs."

**BASEBALL.**

**CASEY AT THE BAT.**  
Who is the author of the poem "Casey at the Bat?" and what is meant by "Sir Timothy?" in that same poem in the line, "He signalled to Sir Timothy, again the spheroid flew?" G. B. H. Alphonzo Thayer, a writer for the St. Francis Examiner, in the original, the line runs: "He signalled to the pitcher." The name "Sir Timothy" has been inserted to localize the poem, "Tim" Keefe having been the pitcher of the New York team some years ago.

**LAKE SHORE.**

Lake Shore, Bosanquet, March 11.—There has been a dearth of marriages in this vicinity this last winter, but the spell was broken on Wednesday evening, March 8, when Mr. Henry Hodgson and Miss Alma Blunden, of Lake road east, were married at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Simon Blunden. The groomsmen and bridesmaids were Mr. James Hodgson, jun., and Miss Bertie Blunden, sister of the bride. The company were almost exclusively composed of the near relatives of the contracting parties, and they were a goodly number. Let us all heartily congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Hodgson.

John D. Johnson returned last week to his home at Austin, Manitoba. He had renewed old acquaintances, and made many new friends.



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**BISHOP POTTER**

Writes a Peppery Letter on Prohibition to Dr. Lyman Abbott.

New York, March 11.—Bishop Potter has written another peppery letter, giving his views of the liquor question in response to a request in a letter from Dr. Lyman Abbott. The bishop says: "It is the old situation, as old as the religion of Christ, with the scribes and Pharisees on the one hand, the Sadducees on the other, and ever against them, the truth. No more perfect reproduction of the first-named has appeared in our day than the prohibitionists, arrogant, denunciatory, ignorant, unscrupulous, and untruthful, holding one meager fragment of the truth to their eyes, and denying great and fundamental facts in human nature, in their foolish and futile endeavor to remedy the perversion of human instincts by extirpating them. The grotesque hypocrisy of the prohibition system from Maine to Kansas is a sufficient commentary upon their theories. There is no one cure for so vast a mischief as the saloon stands for, and the regeneration must be brought about, not by extirpation, but by transformation."

**THE QUEEN IN FRANCE.**

London, March 11.—Her majesty arrived at Boulogne-sur-Mer at 3:25 p.m. The weather was superb.

**CREED MEN MEET DEATH.**

Creed, Col., March 11.—An explosion of several hundred pounds of powder in tunnel No. 3 of the Commodore mine killed at least four miners. The names of the dead so far found are: Scotty Watson, Frank Heas and John Sauer. It is believed that the dead number six, and that there are several seriously injured.

**A SURPLUS OF \$4,124,417.**

Montreal, March 11.—The C.P.R. balance sheet shows that the gross earnings for the year were \$26,138,977; working expenses, \$15,663,805, making the net earnings \$10,475,172, leaving a surplus for the year of \$4,124,417. The working expenses for the year amounted to 59.32 per cent of the gross earnings, and the net earnings 40.68 per cent, compared with 57.16 and 42.84 per cent, respectively, in 1897.

**SIR JOHN THOMPSON'S WREATH.**

Kingston, March 11.—A writer in the Canadian Freeman (Catholic) calls the refusal of the late Conservative cabinet to pay for the wreaths "of affection" for the late Sir John Thompson an outrage on the memory of the deceased premier, and remarks that the Catholics of Canada cannot afford to have a debt of this character unpaid, but should pay it and "put Messrs. Bowell, Foster, etc., to the blush of shame for their unparalleled act of meanness. The writer indicates his willingness to pay \$10, and calls on fellow-Catholics to do likewise, and not allow an unpaid bill to remain on the tomb of the man who in life was an ornament to both church and state. The Freeman says it will acknowledge contributions.

**STRATHROY.**

Advertiser Agent, J. D. Meekison. Strathroy, March 11.—The Collegiate Literary Society met Friday afternoon at the usual time, Mr. A. K. Reynolds in the chair. After the reading of the minutes, the programme was presented, including short readings from Kipling; an address on "Our Object in Life" by Rev. Mr. Cluff; a solo, by Miss Ruth Hodgkinson; essay, entitled "The Pleasures of Hope," by Miss McLeish; selection by the orchestra; glees, from the Collegiate Glee Club. Anniversary services will be held in Kerwood Methodist Church on next Sunday. Rev. J. R. Gundy, pastor of Front Street Methodist Church, Strathroy, will conduct service in the morning, and Rev. J. Neelands in the evening. Auditors John Buttery and Charles Rappley have completed the audit of the Western Dairy School accounts with its patrons in 1898. The balance sheet shows that the amount received from the product of the school last summer was \$23,297.73. Of this \$4,373.53 was paid for manufacturing. The balance of \$18,924.20 was distributed among the patrons. Wheat brought 70 cents a bushel in Strathroy market on Monday last. At the last meeting of the shareholders.

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## To Whom She Said "Yes."

Hitherto her life had been such an uneventful one; and her mother had so sedulously guarded her from harsh words or looks, that she had been more amused than annoyed by the occasional ill-nature of such persons as the Tibbetts. Well educated, and intelligent, she had never recognized until now what a barrier her poverty placed between her and many who, in all but wealth, were her inferiors.

Mrs. Aubrey's consistent self-respect had compelled the inhabitants of Eastham to treat her as a lady, and the Tibbetts had never made Eden feel her position. The shock therefore, tonight, had stung her deeply enough to have satisfied Mrs. Merstham, could she have seen into the heart of the young creature, who, with her throbbing head bared to the night winds, hurried down the trim carriage-drive, eager to get away from the brightly-lighted dwelling she would never, never enter again.

Eden did not hear a step following her own. She did not know that as soon as Frank Lyssendon could quit the house unperceived by the inquisitive servants, he had darted in pursuit of the figure he could dimly discern flitting rapidly before him.

Unconscious, therefore, that he was so near, she started in alarm when the gate was pushed open for her, till her hand was taken and drawn through the arm of the tall form that had come out of the darkness, as if by magic to reassure and protect her.

However, she would not acknowledge, even to herself, the gladness that made her think of him; and the stood still to protest that his coming with her was quite unnecessary.

She was too familiar with the road to feel any fear. Everyone knew her, and

"Is it at all likely that I shall let you go alone?" was the only answer she obtained; and, nothing loth, after all, she permitted herself to be taken under Capt. Lyssendon's care. Her cloak drawn more carefully about her, and the hood pulled over her glossy hair, and a little lecture, half jesting, half grave, inflicted on her for her carelessness of the health of mamma's heedless daughter.

But in a little while her newly-awakened instincts made her exclaim: "You will be missed! You will be inquired for; and Mrs. Merstham—what will she say?"

"Of me? Pooh! Don't you think I am big enough to take care of myself? I shall expect her best thanks for fulfilling the duty she contrived to neglect, and seeing you safely home."

"But she did not neglect it; I was to have gone with the Misses Tibbetts in her carriage, only I could not. Pray, go back, Capt. Lyssendon. I should not like to give her cause—real cause to think ill of me."

But he was not to be moved from his determination.

"As soon as we reach Mrs. Aubrey's door I leave you, but not before. You must force me to explain to Verna that I forced myself upon you—that is, if an occasion for it should arise; but for the life of me I cannot see why my walking with you has to do with her or anyone else. I am my own master, except when at home, and then, I believe, my mother rules me."

"Then you have a mother?" said Eden, relinquishing her opposition, and giving herself up to the pleasure of leaning on his arm, and listening to him.

"Yes, and a revered old pater, of whom I used to stand in great awe in my boyhood, and who looks inclined to scold me sometimes even now that I am half a head taller than he is; and he remembers that I am a man of war and dangerous to meddle with, and lets me alone."

"Go on," said Eden softly. "I like to hear you talk about your home. You tell me, I am a painter, I would not let it for you. It is only a quiet country rectory; but it stands in some of the fairest scenery in England. It is built on the side of a green hill, crowned with firs; and standing in our porch on a summer's morning, one looks down the sloping lawn, and away over the green meadows, to a bright little river, so fringed with cypresses, that it is only here and there it peeps out, till it widens into a lake, or broad, as the country people call it, where the wild birds dwell in dole, and the wild flocks of the fen country begin."

"I could almost fancy that I see it," murmured Eden.

"And I used to waken from dreams of it when I was first in Canada; and it was then I hated with a fierce hate the Circe who made me nearly break the life of me I cannot see what my weeping and praying there for me!"

He spoke with sudden intensity, as if the bitterness of that time still rankled within him; but remembering himself immediately, he began to talk in a lighter strain.

"If I should carry out a half-formed intention, and exchange into a regiment under orders for India, this walk will be one of my pleasantest reminiscences. When it is too hot to do anything but lie on my back, and let my servant fan me, I shall say, 'Oh! to be here in the Eastham lanes in the cool, dark

night of an English February with—you know who!"

"To India! Are you going to India?" asked Eden, with sobering looks.

"Perhaps. I am quite tired of Aldenby. Do you think you shall know me again when I come back, brown, and yellow, and haggard, and gray-headed, and chafed as a Nabob?"

But Eden could not jest tonight; she was too sore at heart; and if at one moment she said to herself, "He no longer loves Mrs. Merstham; he will not marry her," at the next she sorrowfully repeated the words, "He is going away—away!"

The carriage with the Misses Tibbetts now rolled past, and Eden quickened her steps.

"I wish you would not come any further," she said, irritably, for she wanted to be alone, and wrestle with her feelings before she presented herself to the vigilant eyes of her mother.

"But why? I have done nothing to displease you tonight, have I?" she asked, lowering his voice to a tender tone, and laying his hand on the little fingers resting on his arm. "More than once I have nearly bitten my tongue off to keep back one little word that will come to the end of it. It seems so much pleasanter to say Eden, than to quite a task to resist myself to the formal Miss Aubrey."

"Call me Eden for this once, if you like," she answered recklessly. "If you are going to India, what can it matter?"

"But I am not going tomorrow, nor the next day, and I hope to see you often—very often," he said, in tones so soft, so earnest, that her cheek grew crimson, though he could not see it. There was some talk tonight of a rinking party at The Heeches, to come off, I think, on Friday. You will be there? I long to give you another lesson. Remember, Halliss contrived to forestall me the last time."

Eden said decidedly that it would be impossible for her to do so, but she determined never to risk encountering Mrs. Merstham again? But when Frank Lyssendon pleaded, she wavered, and on his declaring that he should depend upon seeing her, she confessed that, unless mamma objected, she should like it very much, indeed.

"I venture to predict that Mrs. Aubrey will not object, and that we shall have a delightful afternoon. But here we are, and by the light of your window, I suppose mamma is watching for you, and I must bid my pupil good night. What a short walk it has been, after all!"

## IN SPRING TIME

**Paine's Celery Compound**  
Is the Giver of Health and New Life to the Sick and Diseased.

Spring, with its bright sunshine, lengthening days, warm rains, and its promises of a new life in nature, is fast approaching and will be hailed with true delight by the old and young who are enjoying full health and bodily activity.

To thousands the coming of spring means a fuller cup of agony and suffering; it is a time when the dark grave claims many victims.

When men and women are burdened with death-dealing sickness, such as kidney disease, liver complaint, blood troubles, rheumatism, neuralgia, and the terrible after-effects of grippe, spring has no charms for them. They have allowed themselves to sink into a condition of misery and helplessness during the winter that must quickly terminate life, unless that true health and life-giver, Paine's Celery Compound, be made use of without delay.

The nervous system, weak and unstrung, must be fortified; the blood, sluggish, impure and watery, must be made clean and fast flowing, and every organ of digestion must be toned up to true healthy pitch.

Nature's wonderfully successful medicine, Paine's Celery Compound, does this good work as no other remedy can do. It acts as a nerve and brain food. It gives life to stagnant blood, it banishes permanently kidney disease, liver complaint, rheumatism, dyspepsia, and other troubles that make life a misery.

The thousands of thankful letters received from Canada's best people are the best and strongest proofs that Paine's Celery Compound cures. When your life is in danger do not be misled by common advertised medicines, and many of them are dangerous and unsafe.

Ask for the kind that has cured friends and neighbors—the kind that "makes people well."

The guarantee fund for the Paris Exposition of 1900 amounts to \$15,000,000. The balance will be defrayed by state and city.

**Minard's Liniment for sale everywhere**  
Codfishes weighing 36 pounds have been caught lately in the Penobscot River, whence these species disappeared 50 years ago, driven away by sawdust from the lumber mills.

Why will you allow a cough to lacerate your throat and lungs and run the risk of filling a consumptive's grave, when, by the timely use of Bickie's Anti-Consumptive Syrup, the pain can be allayed and the danger avoided? This syrup is pleasant to the taste, and unsurpassed for relieving, healing and curing the affections of the throat and lungs, coughs, colds, bronchitis, etc.

Within a year Thomas Sanderson, 6 years old, of Fall River, has fallen from a second story window, drank a pint of kerosene, been run over twice, and escaped without breaking a bone.

**Cure a Cold in One Day.**  
Take Laxative Bromo-Quinine Table. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure 25 cents.

The heron seldom flaps his wings at a rate of less than 120 to 150 times a minute. This is counting the downward strokes only, so that the bird's wings really make from 240 to 300 distinct movements a minute.

**PAGGED OUT.**—None but those who have become fagged out know what a depressed, miserable feeling it is. All strength has gone, and despondency has taken hold of the sufferers. They feel as though there was nothing to live for. There, however, is a cure. Ask for Farnie's Vegetable Pills. They will do wonders in restoring health and strength. Mandrake and Dandelion are two of the articles entering into the composition of Farnie's Pills.

The fir tree is the commonest of all trees, being found in every part of the world.

**Religious Notices.**  
Hear Dr. Munhall at Dundas Center Church at 8 and 7:30 p.m. every day.

## MUNICIPAL REFORM

**Mr. Pattullo's Bill to Apply to Towns.**  
Fewer Councilors and No Ward System—Caricallan Against Exemptions.

Toronto, March 11.—The house yesterday discussed two important municipal bills, both of which were sent to the committee.

**TOWN COUNCILS.**  
The first was Mr. Pattullo's bill respecting town councils. It provides, first, for the number of councilors, as follows: Towns over 7,000, mayor and ten councilors; towns between 5,000 and 7,000, mayor and eight councilors; towns between 3,000 and 5,000, mayor and six; towns of 3,000 or under, mayor and four; villages, reeve and four. Members are to be elected for two years and by general vote.

The attorney-general said the bill would make the present act more uniform and logical, but it would be again disturbing matters. He thought local opinion was working well. The house should prescribe the number of councilors to the electors in various municipalities. He favored the two years' term.

The bill went to committee with these suggestions.

The second bill, which proposes to exempt from payment of market fees all farmers' produce not hitherto exempted, was only allowed to pass the second reading after Mr. Gorman, who introduced it, explained that it was only intended to apply to markets where no conveniences had been provided for the farmers.

**ANOTHER ANTI-EXEMPTION BILL.**  
Mr. Carscallan introduced a bill which repeals that section of the municipal act permitting councils to grant exemptions from taxation to manufacturers and others. It also enables the municipality to provide out of the general funds of the municipality for not more than 40 per cent of the cost of constructing granolithic, asphalt, cement or brick sidewalks on an affirmative vote of three-quarters of the members of the council. It restricts the exemption on real property assessed for local improvement from general assessments for similar purposes in the municipality to the land, exclusive of improvements thereon. It is provided that the value of land shall be determined at so much per foot frontage. The bill likewise provides that in cities and towns to which the municipal franchise registration act applies the board of registrars shall fix polling subdivisions for the purpose of provincial elections. The bill also increases the limit of the number of voters in subdivisions from 200 to 300. This does not apply to the city of Toronto. It also enables the clerk to go on making up voters' lists on the return of the assessment roll without waiting for the revision and correction of the roll by the court of revision and the judge.

**A LIEN FOR PASTURE.**  
Mr. Hodgins introduced a bill which gives the person allowing horses, cattle, sheep or other animals to be pastured on his lands a lien for the cost of such pasture, and provides for the sale of the animal to realize the amount of the lien.

**TRUST COMPANIES.**  
Last night Hon. Mr. Harcourt gave notice of the following resolution: "Every trust company which transacts business in the Province of Ontario shall pay a tax of \$250 where the paid-up capital is \$100,000 or less, and the sum of \$50 on every additional \$100,000 of paid-up capital."

**GAY SCENE AT GLENCOE.**  
The new town hall, Glencoe, was a scene of gaiety and splendor Thursday night, when an "At Home" was tendered to the members of the Glencoe dancing class by Messrs. Dayton & McCormick, the well-known dancing masters of this city. The new town hall, which was just completed a few weeks ago, is a splendid structure, containing a spacious hall and council chamber, with ante-rooms adjoining and the new fire hall in the rear. The entire upper story is devoted to an opera house, with a good-sized stage and a large seating capacity. The main hall was used as a ball room, and the supper was served in the council chamber adjoining. A well selected programme, including all the latest dances, was thoroughly enjoyed. Excellent music was furnished by the academy orchestra, under the direction of Prof. Dayton, assisted by Mrs. McCormick as pianist. A large number of guests attended from outside towns, including London, Stratford, Dutton, Appin, St. Thomas and other places. The visitors, one and all, congratulated the Glencoe citizens upon their enterprise in erecting such a fine building for municipal and pleasure gatherings. The affair was the most fashionable and enjoyable dance held in Glencoe for a long period.

A letter which Mayor Prefontaine, of Montreal, received from Mr. Robert Gurn, London, England, asking for the heirs of the late Mr. John Lacy, of Canada, who were entitled to a million dollars left by deceased, has resulted already in three applicants for the sum.

**"77"**  
Dr. Humphreys' Famous Specific For Grip, Influenza and Stubborn Colds Like a Warm Blanket.

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## BAD COLLISION

**ON GRAND TRUNK**  
Two Trains Come Together at Granger, Ind.

Several Persons Supposed To Be Fatally Injured—Mrs. F. W. Emsley, of Toronto, a Victim.

Granger, Ind., March 11.—Two Grand Trunk engines collided here last night, as the result of which the following persons were injured:

Downey, engineer, badly hurt.  
James Elliott, Erie, Pa., thought to be fatally hurt.

Mrs. Fred W. Emsley, Toronto, Ont., injuries probably fatal.

—Henderson, laborer, stealing a ride, fatally hurt.

—Lynch, fireman, serious.

The collision occurred near the intersection of the Grand Trunk and Big Four tracks. A west-bound passenger and an east-bound freight met on the Grand Trunk, the freight having a signal to sidetrack. The switch was thrown, but seems to have been tampered with, and at this juncture the rear brakes refused to operate. The collision followed.

A score of passengers were bruised somewhat, but only those named above were seriously wounded.

**TEMPLARS DINE**  
Forty-Second Annual Banquet Productive of Eloquent Oratorical Efforts.

The forty-second annual banquet of the Sir Knights of Richard Coeur de Lion Preceptory, No. 4, Knights Templar, was held at the banquet hall, Masonic Temple, last night, immediately following the regular assembly, and was one of the most successful ever held. Among those who graced the occasion by their presence were R. E. Sir Knights Clarke, Windsor; J. S. Dewar, A. A. Campbell, H. C. Simpson and Joseph Dambra; E. Sir Knight A. M. Stewart, of Windsor; and Sir Knights A. E. Cooper, Fred A. Andrews, W. H. Escott, Thomas H. Weldon, C. B. Edwards, Darius O'Neill, W. H. Chittick, John Graham, A. D. Holman, S. J. Southcott, A. H. Gammon, John Paul, John Fried, S. Baker, E. W. R. Eardley, Wm. Wyatt, A. B. Greer, Dr. J. D. Balfour, John Robertson, F. H. McLeod, Benjamin Goutley, John M. Slater, J. A. Gauld and others. E. Sir Knight Chas. W. Davis, the presiding preceptor of 1899, occupied the seat of honor. After a hearty supper had been partaken of, the following toasts were proposed, and responded to in an able manner: "The Queen, Royal Family, and the Templar Order," "God Save the Queen," "The Sovereign Great Priory of Canada," responses by R. E. Sir Knight A. H. Clarke, provincial prior; "The Great Officers," R. E. Sir Knight A. A. Campbell, grand registrar; "The Glorious Martyrs of a Glorious Order," drank in silence, response by Sir Knight Clarence E. Edwards; "Visiting Sir Knights," response by E. Sir Knight Stewart, of Windsor; "Other Branches of Masonry," R. E. Sir Knight H. C. Simpson and C. E. Turner, A. and A. S. Rite; Sir Knights J. A. Gauld and J. D. Balfour, Grand Chapter, Royal Arch; Sir Knight A. B. Greer, Grand Lodge; "The Grand Encampment of the United States," response by Sir Knight W. H. Chittick, London; Volunteer toasts, songs, etc. "Auld Lang Syne."

**19th Century North Men**  
A lusty young giant among the life insurance companies of Canada is the North American, whose entry into its new and beautiful home offices in Toronto, Ontario, is contemporary with the most prosperous year of its history.

The annual meeting of the North American Life, on the 2nd inst., has added another milestone to those along the successful way this well-managed Canadian financial institution is advancing.

The leading features of the year's work are that the new business of the North American exceeded that of any preceding year, and the maintenance of the relatively large amount of net surplus to liabilities, such a ratio being one of the best tests by which to judge of the comparative merits of different companies.

These marked increases were made during the year:

Premium income ..... 11.56 per cent  
Interest income ..... 13.11 per cent  
Insurance in force ..... 13.15 per cent  
Assets ..... 10.01 per cent  
Net surplus ..... 10.78 per cent  
Insurance reserves ..... 15.18 per cent

Special attention is directed to the excellent character of the investments of the company. Of these 77 per cent are in first mortgage securities, nearly 20 per cent in debentures, nearly 14 per cent in stocks and bonds, and 6 1/2 per cent in loans on policies, the balance consisting of cash in banks and accrued interest, etc., and although the assets had increased very largely, the outstanding and accrued interest had been very materially decreased, which is proof of the excellent character of the investments.

The North American Life, which is "a policyholders' company," does not owe its conspicuous success in development to chance, but clearly to the men who have from the first composed its directorate. These have been representative Canadians, distinguished in various spheres of activity—men known far and wide for their ability, and appreciated as worthy of every dependence for their honor and integrity.

But the good fortune for which the North American Life is to be complimented in great part has not been under the management of able and experienced executive officers—Mr. William McCabe, L.L.B., F.I.A., the managing director, so well known in actuarial circles, and Mr. L. Goldman, the secretary.

In the establishment and continuing prosperity of the North American Life, certain essential elements have ever been kept in view—that the company has not pushed for business beyond its capacity, that it has not pushed for business where such business could only be secured at a heavy outlay, and, best of all, knowing well that the solid basis upon which desirable business is to be had is the keeping in the field a few men, who will work from a spirit of freedom, and not at the extremity of forceful methods; the terrors of over-pressure are an unknown quantity in the conduct of the company's field work—Insurance Spectator, New York, Feb. 22, 1899.

# OAK HALL

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### Men's Suits

Dark Wool Canadian Tweed, regular price \$6.50, Saturday at... \$5 00  
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Good Dark All-Wool Canadian Tweed, regular price \$3.75, Saturday at... 3 00

# OAK HALL

ALFRED TAYLOR, Manager. 154 Dundas Street, London.

## A Busy Seed House.

One of the busiest places in Toronto was recently visited by our correspondent when he was shown through the seed establishment of Wm. Rennie. The rapid increase in this firm's business has necessitated a large addition to their premises to enable them to provide for and handle the many thousands of orders annually received from abroad and throughout Canada. They now occupy the buildings from Adelaide to Lombard street. The department on Lombard street, under the management of Mr. John Rennie, is devoted to the handling of seed grain and clover and grass seeds. A complete line of the most improved machinery is kept running night and day preparing these seeds for market, and Rennie's best reclaimed grades have now come to be recognized as a standard for excellence, and are in brisk demand by European buyers. Hoppers holding eighty tons of seed keep the machines constantly supplied.

After passing through a number of large storerooms filled from floor to ceiling, we come to the mail order department, where we find a large number of clerks busy collecting, checking and packing orders all day long, and through the busy season another lot come on for all night as well. This department has been greatly enlarged and arranged on the latest and most improved lines.

To judge from the extensive preparations made, and facilities provided for handling a large number of orders quickly, this firm is justly acknowledged to be the largest mail order house for seeds and plants in Canada. The manager of this department, Mr. Thomas Rennie, is thoroughly versed in its requirements, and the most reliable sources of supply from all over the world.

As this firm believes that the only way to give satisfaction is to always supply fresh seeds, customers can rely on the seeds offered by Wm. Rennie as being always pure and fresh, and only those selected which are adapted to stand our Canadian climate.

It is a curious thing that a number of people in their haste to secure this firm's reliable seeds forget to give either their names or addresses, and so their orders still wait for them to write again.

Before leaving, you pass through the store and offices on Adelaide and Jarvis streets, where you meet the courteous head of this department, Mr. Robert Rennie, and his efficient staff of office help.

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Society is founded on hero worship.—Carlyle.

## MIDDLESEX.

Mr. Isaac Thirwall lost a valuable roadster last week from lockjaw. Cornelius Degraw, of Caradoc, is busy preparing for the erection of a handsome dwelling during the coming summer.

Miss Mary McRae, of Iderton, has returned home after three weeks' absence in Bradford, attending the funeral of her niece, Miss Maggie Thompson.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered in the Ivan Presbyterian Church tomorrow. The preparatory service was held on Friday, at 2:30 p.m.

A new string band has been organized on the town line near Bowdoin, with Wm. Noyes as leader, Dave Atkinson, second violin; John Levi cornet, and Neil McLachlan, bass.

The Lobo Hunt Club, under the able leadership of Crow Brothers, have secured twelve foxes this season. The pack is composed of four fine foxhounds, and they are clipper to run.

The Lobo township auditors' statements this year show total receipts of \$28,604.82, balance cash on hand on Jan. 1, \$7,247.14; uncollected taxes, \$5,946.19; liabilities, \$4,945.98. The accounts were audited by D. A. Stewart, V.S., and W. H. Vanderburg, auditors.

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## METEOROLOGICAL.

Toronto, March 10—8 p.m.—The southwestern depression is now central over Kansas, and is moving direct to the lakes. High pressure continues at present over the Northwest and from the lakes eastward to the Atlantic. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Victoria, 32-44; Kamloops, 32-33; Calgary, 10 below-12; Battleford, 2 below-12; Qu'Appelle, 6-10; Winnipeg, 8-18; Port Arthur, 4-26; Parry Sound, 14-33; Toronto, 30-36; Ottawa, 8-29; Montreal, 10-26; Quebec, 2-26; Halifax, 20-38.

Local temperatures.—The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory here on Friday, March 10, were: Highest, 38; lowest, 31.5.

Sun rises today at 6:38; sets at 6:19. Moon rises at 6:07 a.m.; sets at 6:34 p.m.

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## A LOCAL BUDGET

—Miss Nellie Welburn is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Palmer, near Fingal.

—Mrs. Porte, of Lucan, who is in the hospital here, is reported to be improving.

—Ailsa Craig Banner: Will we get an electric railway from London to Fernhill this year?

—A mammoth calendar has been issued by the M. C. R., advertising the Niagara Falls route.

—Principal Eckert, of Lorne avenue school, who has been ill for several weeks, was able to be out yesterday.

—Miss Scott, late with Hodgins Bros., Clinton, has taken a position with the Runians, Gray, Carrie Company.

—Judge Greene, for many years a summer guest at Fraser's Hotel, Port Stanley, died at his home, Springfield, Ill., on Feb. 26.

—Messrs. Wm. Gurd & Co., 185 Dundas street, have been appointed sole agents for A. G. Spalding & Bros.' sporting goods.

—Mr. John C. Curry, after spending a few weeks at the bedside of his sick brother, left for his home this morning. St. Cloud, Minn.

—Dr. Eccles will shortly begin the erection of a handsome brick residence at the corner of Queen's avenue and Wellington street.

—Sadler Bros., general store, Warton, have assigned to C. B. Armstrong, of this city, and a meeting of creditors has been called for the 15th.

—Miss Tye, principal nurse at the general hospital, who has been in California for the past few months, will resume her duties on April 1.

—The summer term of Harding Hall Girls' School commences April 15. The classes for physical culture and elocution have already commenced.

—The many friends of Rev. J. J. Durkin, of Somerset, Ohio, formerly of this city, will be pleased to know that he is visiting his parents on Hill street.

—Before the master-in-chambers at Osgoode Hall, P. Mulken, London, in the case of McDonald vs. London and Western Fruit Company, moved, for defendants, to dismiss the action for

## All Who Want

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want of prosecution. No cause was shown for the plaintiff, and an order was made dismissing the action with costs.

—Mr. W. H. Weeks, of the C. P. R. at McAdam, N. B., who has been visiting his brother, George Weeks, at Woodstock, has secured a situation on the G. T. R. here.

—The funeral of Walter J. Dodd, who died in Chicago, will take place tomorrow (Sunday) from the residence of Mr. J. G. Dodd, 477 Queen's avenue, this city, at 2:30 p.m.

—Petrolia Advertiser: Mr. A. D. Armstrong, of Bridgen, was in town last week on his way to London, where he is commencing his military course for the commission of lieutenant.

—Hon. David Mills, minister of justice, will deliver an address on England and Egypt under the auspices of the Waterloo County School Teachers' Association, at their convention at Berlin on May 25.

—St. George's Day this year falls on Sunday, April 23, and St. George's Society has appointed a committee to arrange for divine service on that day. On Monday, April 24, a banquet and "at home" will be given by the order.

—Sheriff Cameron presided at the regular monthly meeting of the County's Aid Society, held on Thursday afternoon, when there was a large attendance. Secretary Sanders submitted an interesting report, and read some pleasing letters from wards of the society.

—At the St. Patrick's concert, which is promised, will be exceptionally good. Mr. Thomas Alexander and Miss Edith Hyman have kindly consented to recite. There will also be mixed choruses of 40 voices, sextets, quartets and Irish songs.

—"Have our young people's societies been productive of good or evil in the church? Are they dying?" will be Rev. Thomas Wilson's subject in King Street Presbyterian Church tomorrow evening. A special invitation is given to members of young people's societies.

—Tomorrow Adelaide Street Baptist Church and congregation commemorate the anniversary of the opening of their present place of worship. Special services will mark the occasion. Rev. Chancellor Wallace, of McMaster University, preaching both morning and evening. Collections go toward the building fund.

—Mrs. Groves, an employee of the Tecumseh House, while crossing Dundas street at the corner of Maitland street, was knocked down by a trolley car, but was uninjured. She exonerated the driver from all blame, as she was lost in a reverie regarding her mother's recent death, and did not hear the car approaching.

—In order to give the early closing movement a favorable start, Messrs. Smallman & Ingram have decided to pay their large staff of employees on Thursday morning of each week, instead of Saturday evening, as has been the custom. The change took effect last Thursday, March 3. Early closing promoters will doubtless read this item with pleasure, and the firm's numerous employees will have another reason to feel grateful to their thoughtful employers.

—The Ariel Ladies' Quartet will appear at the Auditorium on Thursday evening next. It is the last of the quartet of concerts. The following is from the Lawrence (Mass.) American of a recent concert given there: "The Ariel Concert Company is probably the strongest company which has visited the city during the season. They are known and admired throughout the United States, and are always heartily welcomed in Lawrence. On the stage they present a charming picture. For sweetness and harmony they cannot be surpassed."

—The Ramblers' Pleasure Club gave an enjoyable concert last evening in the East End Hall, which was well-filled. The programme included selections from London's musical life, songs by Mr. V. Chamberlain, Highland fling by Miss Appleton, comic songs by Mr. M. Keough, quartets by Messrs. T. M. O'Hagan, W. Mullens, J. Leech, and J. Connors (London male quartet), recitations by Miss Daisy Lewis, solos by Miss Lighthouse, songs by Master Sid Chamberlain, negro sketch by Taylor brothers. The entertainment closed with a farce entitled, "The Day Key Wood Dealer," by Corbin brothers and Williamson, and a duet by Taylor brothers.

—The following list of patents recently granted to inventors residing in Canada is reported for The Advertiser by P. J. Edmunds, international patent solicitor, London: Canada patents—John Hayden, Brantford, method of securing bicycle cranks to axles; Thos. L. Wilson, St. Catharines, process of manufacturing metallic carbides; G. D. Pearson, Montreal, acetylene gas lamp; N. McDougald, et al., Allenford, cattle feed heater; Dodds, Medicine Company, Toronto, medicine (trade mark); O. Smith, Montreal, "The Accountant's Indicator" (copyright); United States patents—Wm. V. Chisholm, Ashdale, wrench; J. A. Dion, Point St. Charles, cooking utensil; R. C. Goff, Charlottetown, ice-creper; J. P. Fowley, Galt, invalid bed.

—The invited guests at the party given to Miss Anna Gair at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. S. Munro, Ridout

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street south (already referred to in The Advertiser) were: Misses Gair, M. Macfie, A. Paine, A. Somerville, D. Cowan, Love, I. Love, E. Miller, K. Ferguson, M. Campbell, M. McLeay, Nelles, Nelles, Ellison (Marquette, Mich.), A. Templeton, B. Jackson (Arva), M. Thompson, I. Jackson, Messrs. W. Little, A. Magee, C. Cowan, F. Macfie, W. Somerville, B. Elkins, J. Carson, M. Miller, F. Goforth, W. Payne, F. Ware, J. Ferguson, H. Walker, A. Gunn, J. Stone, R. Yates, Dr. McLeay, F. Miller, B. Kippen, F. McCormick, G. Sutherland. The rooms and tables were tastefully decorated in pink and white, and the young people were prettily attired for the occasion.

## UNRIVALED ROSENTHAL.

Such dash and precision, such perfection of execution, and such an exhibition of skill, pure and simple, have never been witnessed before in New York. Rosenthal is entitled to the distinction of being an innovator in this line of effort. Not even the delicately-adjusted might and swiftness of Paderewski, nor the nimble and exquisite finger work of Joseffy, can compete with this new conqueror of the keyboard achieved at his recitals. He stands unrivaled in his field. Rosenthal will appear here next Wednesday, which will be his only appearance here this season.

## TAXATION OF THE SPRINGBANK RAILWAY.

At a minority meeting of the legislation and reception committee, held last night, a communication was received from City Solicitor Meredith, inclosing the bill which the street railway company are seeking to have passed by the legislature. Col. Leys had forwarded the bill to Mr. Meredith. It is to confirm a Westminster bylaw, which limits the taxation of the company's Springbank line for 28 years at \$75 a year. Mr. Meredith suggested that a clause be inserted in the bill providing that in case the territory is annexed to the city the act will be annulled. The committee were in accord with the suggestion, and Col. Leys will likely be asked to attend to the matter. The mayor of Port Arthur wrote asking that a public meeting be called for the purpose of advertising Northern Ontario. Maps and specimens of the natural resources of the country will be shown. The letter will be replied to, asking for a date. A resident of Laporte, Ind., wants to hold a street fair here, and the secretary will write for further information. Ald. McPhillips presided, and Ald. Jolly and Plant were present.

Y. W. C. A.

The monthly report of the Y. W. C. A., presented at their recent meeting, shows that the total attendance at the rooms for February was 1,243, of which number 882 called during the day; 482 were present at the lunch hour, and 361 attended the evening meetings. The classes in physical culture and sewing were held regularly on Thursday evenings. Health Talks were given on Friday evening by Miss Short. Two literary evenings were held. At one "Grey's Elegy" was discussed, and an account read of the poet's life, and the village and cemetery which he immortalized. At the other, "The Tale of Two Knights," from the Canterbury Tales, was read and discussed. A social evening was held early in the month, when an excellent literary and musical programme was provided. Refreshments were served, and the evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all present. Another reception took the form of a Five Sense Party, where each one was tested in regard to her sense of smell, taste, sight, feeling and hearing. Miss Winnifred McDonald, of Toronto, commenced a series of talks to young women, the last Saturday evening of the month, by a Bible reading on "Personal Work." The following Sunday afternoon a meeting was held in Wesley Hall, when Miss McDonald spoke on "Two Types of Young Women—Esther and Herodias's daughter." Monday and Tuesday evenings Miss McDonald continued her talks in the rooms, discussing on "The Touch of Christ" and "The Queen of Sheba's Visit to King Solomon." Friday afternoon a series of talks to young women, the last Saturday evening of the month, by a Bible reading on "Personal Work." The following Sunday afternoon a meeting was held in Wesley Hall, when Miss McDonald spoke on "Two Types of Young Women—Esther and Herodias's daughter." Monday and Tuesday evenings Miss McDonald continued her talks in the rooms, discussing on "The Touch of Christ" and "The Queen of Sheba's Visit to King Solomon." 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