

Births, Marriages, Deaths

DIED.
TACKABURY—At the family residence, lot 4, con. 3, London township, Nov. 25, 1900, Maria Augusta, third daughter of James Tackabury, in her 75th year.
Funeral on Tuesday, at 3 p.m. Friends will kindly accept this intimation.
ASHMAN—On Sunday, Nov. 25, 1900, at the family residence, Missouri West, Sarah Jane, beloved wife of Frank Ashman, aged 36 years and 4 months.
Funeral on Tuesday, from lot 5, con. 1, at 2 o'clock, to Webster's Cemetery; services at 1230. Friends and acquaintances will please accept this intimation.
KING—At the residence of Mr. George Collins, 247 Oxford street, on Nov. 25, 1900, Mrs. Alice Grace King, in her 35th year.
Funeral private, on Tuesday.
LEWIS—In this city, on Nov. 25, 1900, Jennie, beloved wife of Peter B. Lewis, of the Lewis House, Sarnia road, in her 35th year.
Funeral from Clarke & Smith's undertaking parlors, on Tuesday morning, at 8:30, to St. Peter's Cathedral.
SAUNBY—At the family residence, 133 Mill street, on Nov. 25, George Weir Saunby, youngest son of Geo. W. Saunby, in his 18th year.
Funeral will take place to Mt. Pleasant Cemetery, Tuesday, at 2:30 p.m.; services at the house at 2. Friends and acquaintances kindly accept this intimation.

Amusements and Lectures

LONDON OPERA HOUSE.
All this week, **MARKS BROS.**
Specialties and Cinematograph.
Tonight, "Paradise Regained."
Prices—10c, 15c and 25c.
NIGHTS OF PYTHIAS ATTENTION.
A Smoking concert, Alton Road, Tuesday evening, 7th inst., to celebrate the anniversary of Myrtle and Columbia Lodges. Members and friends welcome. James Dean, C.C., 21c.
EXCHANGE-AMERICAN MONEY EX.
CHANGED, Dominion Express orders and foreign drafts issued on all parts of the world. Checks cashed. F. B. Clarke, Richmond street, next Advertiser.
BOATS SAILING FROM NEW YORK
to Liverpool, Southampton and Glasgow this week. St. Paul, Wednesday, Nov. 28; Campania, Dec. 1; California, Dec. 1; Astoria, Dec. 1. F. B. Clarke, Richmond street, next Advertiser.
BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT
The Chicago Marine Band have been secured for an afternoon concert, in the Auditorium, Thursday, Nov. 28, at 4 o'clock. Reserved seats 60c. Plan opens Tuesday night, 7th inst., at 8 a.m.
WEDNESDAY, DEC. 13—OPENING
Date advanced class; membership limited to 100 pupils. Register at academy any evening. Dayton & McCormick.
PRIVATE LESSONS IN DANCING BY R. B. MILLAR
345 Princess avenue. Special attention given to the waltz and two step. Rapid teaching. Low rates. Lessons any hour.

Meetings

THE WESTERN ONTARIO COMMER.
Cial Fraternity Association. The regular general meeting will be held on Saturday, December 1, at 8 p.m. Nomination of officers for ensuing year. All members are requested to attend. W. J. Underwood, president; A. H. Robinson, secretary.
Domestics Wanted.
1c per word first insertion, and 1/2c per word each subsequent insertion. No advt. less than 10 words.

Male Help Wanted.

WANTED—RESPECTABLE BOY
About 15 or 16, at City Binery.
WANTED—MEN TO LEARN BARBER
trade, can earn scholarship, board, tools transportation, special November offer, only two months' tuition. Apply by mail, 21c. Barber College, Chicago, Ill.
Female Help Wanted
WANTED—STRONG WOMAN TO TAKE
care of an invalid; references required. Apply 304 Colborne street.
WANTED—HAT TRIMMERS; ALSO
sew hat sewers. J. R. Shuttleworth, E. S. Clarence.
WANTED—CHOP PACKERS—FOR THE
Tuckett Cart Company, Limited, Hamilton. Apply to W. G. Jones, 134 York street, London, or write Tuckett Company, Hamilton.
WANTED—MORE GIRLS—AT ONCE
—15 & Fern & Co.

Teachers Wanted.

WANTED—SCHOOL TEACHER—FOR S.
No. 2, North Oxford; state salary; references required. Address L. Riddick, Banter P. O.
WANTED—TEACHER FOR S. NO. 9
London Township, second-class certificate preferred. State experience and salary expected. Duties commence 1st January next. Address H. Needham, Brynaston P. O.

Board and Lodging.

WANTED—BY YOUNG LADY—BOARD
in private family, north of Dundas street, within two blocks of postoffice. Address Box 53, this office.

Light and Heavy Coats for Fall

My range of Fine Overcoatings is very complete and the patterns are exclusive. These goods I imported direct. They will please careful dressers.

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Opposite Free Press Office.

THE trimmest-looking STRICTLY fine shoe for men and women ever offered you is the new American

Astoria Shoe... at \$4.00

They are truly without an equal. 20 styles for men, 14 for women. Patent leather and enamel are the same price as kid and calf. Don't ask for your size—ask to be fitted. Sold exclusively by—**J. P. COOK,** 167 Dundas Street.

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WANTED—THOROUGHLY COMPETENT
canvasser. Address Box 59, this office.
AGENTS WANTED—FOR NEW HOUSE
HOLD articles; fast sellers; send for circulars. For C. O. Sarnia.
WANT—LADIES OR GENTLEMEN
to represent a large business house; can make \$5 to \$6 daily; commission or salary; \$200 per annum. Apply any evening this week to room 21, Bernard House.
CITY CANVASSER TO SOLICIT ORDERS
for tinware, tea and coffee, 123 Richmond street.
AGENTS—CHRISTMAS IS COMING
A. Our new sets of holiday books now ready; prices from 50c up; samples of four books in a neat black case for canvassers mailed for 25c; order now. McDonald & Logan, London.
WE START YOU IN BUSINESS
Selling Dr. Roberts' remedies. No money needed. A postal will bring the goods. We trust you. Write today. Address The Dr. Roberts' Medicine Company, drawer 88, London.

Articles For Sale.

FOR SALE—MCCLEARY FAMOUS BASE
BURNER, with oven; good as new. Apply at 622 Prince avenue.
LONDON NURSERY—ANYONE WHO
wants trees, shrubs, vines, etc., send in your order. You cannot get better or cheaper. C. Baker, London.
FOR SALE—HOMER PIGEONS; CHEAP
Apply 202 Eglar street.
\$20 FOR A FIRE PROOF SAFE—ALL
kinds of repairing at lowest prices. McKenzie & Co., 285 Richmond street, one block from G. Z. R. station. Bicycles stored for winter.
DIG REDUCTION IN BEEF SIRLOIN
at Porthouse steak, 10c; rib roast, 9c; shoulder roast, 7c and 8c; boiled meat, 5c and 6c. At Park & corner market lane.
PARISH'S IS THE PLACE TO GO AND
buy a cook or parlor stove. Gasburners and cook stoves (wood or coal) and all kinds of furniture in exchange. Goods exchanged. 357 Talbot street, south Market Square.
IF YOU ARE TROUBLED WITH OLD
sores, piles, burns, skin disease, use New Central Magic Salve. No. 9 Market Square.
STORM SASH MUST BE PUT ON LAYERS.
ST. THOMAS cleaned, trees pruned. Now is the time to buy an extension ladder. Factory, York street, Catalogue free. Address: The Waggoner Ladder Co., Limited, London.
OSTERS ARE ALL RIGHT WHEN
they are handled right. We get our oysters direct from Baltimore and sell them as we get them; solid oysters, not melted ice. 45 York street. Catalogue free. Address: The Waggoner Ladder Co., Limited, London.
NEW PROVISION STORE—NO 13
Market House—Having purchased the provision business of James Clark, all friends of the former proprietor will be welcomed with any new ones. Finest butter and fresh eggs only will be handled. J. C. Abbott.
STRIKE ENDED—THE SUBCORNERS
have reduced the price of hard coal. All kinds of the best hard and soft coal, and the best kind of soft wood, at the lowest cash prices. Yard, William street and Grand Trunk railway. Green & Co. Phone 1361.
BUCHANAN'S COAL AND WOOD DE-
LIVERED TO ANY PART OF CITY. Office 633 Colborne street. Phone 1098.
FOR SALE—OCTAVE PIANO CASE
Bell organ; nearly new. Piano case. Tremblay, 132 Dundas street (Anderson's Bookstore).
COVERS—NEW AND SECOND HAND
very cheap at Keene's Stove and Furniture Store, 14 King street.
HARD WOOD—RECH and MAPLE
Best quality; also soft wood. Prompt delivery. S. Gillies & Son. Phone 1312.
IRON AND BRASS BEDSTEADS AT ALL
prices from the very cheapest to the best. Prices from 15c to 100c. 15 King street, opposite Market House.
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1c per word first insertion, and 1/2c per word each subsequent insertion. No advt. less than 10 words.
TO LET—SIX-ROOMED HOUSE AND
barn; \$4 a month. Inquire 506 Quebec street.
TO LET—TWO-STORY BRICK 230 OX-
FORD street, near Richmond street. Low rent.
TO LET—FRAME COTTAGE—SEVEN
rooms, hard and soft water and large garden. Apply to 79 Colborne street.
TO LET—COMMODIOUS BRICK COT-
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TO LET—LARGE STORE, NO. 173 DUNDAS
street. Possession Dec. 1. Apply Fitzgerald, Scandrett & Co.
TO RENT—424 PARK AVENUE ALL
modern conveniences. Immediate possession. Apply to J. C. Tremblay, 235 Dundas street.
TO LET—OFFICE IN ODELLS
Furniture etc. fully fitted. John Biggs, Cuthbert and Bruce, South London, late of London Furniture Co. Phone 416.
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1c per word first insertion, and 1/2c per word each subsequent insertion. No advt. less than 10 words.
WANTED—TO BUY—A SMALL GROC-
ERY business, in suburbs of London. Apply Box 22, Muncey, Ont.
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Cutting done by a first-class system. Address Box 57, this office.

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We must be. The quality of cloth. The perfection of fit and finish. Characterizing the clothing leaving our store demands that we remain wide awake. A little negligence here, a trifle of don't care there, and our business would melt away like snow before a hot sun. We know it. We are, therefore, vigilant.

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FOR SALE—FIRST-CLASS FARM OF 120
acres, 100 acres cleared, good buildings, water, etc. Apply to Mrs. Reith, lot 3, con. 18, London township.
NO. 15 PROSPECT AVENUE IS NOW
fitted with a plumbing throughout, and will rent for not sold in a few days. It is offered at a bargain. For particulars see J. F. Saugster, 403 Richmond street.

Lost and Found.

1c per word first insertion, and 1/2c per word each subsequent insertion. No advt. less than 10 words.
LOST—SATURDAY EVENING A SUM OF
money, \$3. Reward on return to John Cambridge, 261 Dundas street.
LOST ON SATURDAY EVENING, ON
Dundas street, between John H. Chapman and the envelope, which had owner's name on it, containing sum of money. Reward if returned to John H. Chapman.
LOST—NOV. 15—BLACK COLLIE—LAST
seen in Kemoka. Send any information to Peter McNeill, Oshawa.

Insurance.

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DAS Center Methodist Church, teacher of piano, organ, theory and composition. 41 Queen's avenue, telephone 115.
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POLITICAL POINTS

Three Candidates in the Field in
Welland—The Liberal Banquet at Halifax.
IN WELLAND.
Niagara Falls, Ont., Nov. 26.—In the bye-election for member for the Legislative Assembly for Welland, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of W. M. German, Welland county, besides the Liberal and Conservative candidates in the field, E. Mordeca, county councillor for Stamford township, has announced himself in the field as an independent candidate.

THE NIPISING ELECTION

Ottawa, Nov. 26.—There is an impression here that Mr. Kiock's legal proceedings about the Nipissing election, and his declaration that he would ignore the new writ, may be part of a plan to throw the Liberals off their guard. Reports from the riding indicate that the Conservatives are preparing for the contest under the new writ, and that a canvass has been quietly proceeding all the time.
NOTES.
The Conservatives have been granted a recount in Nipissing, where Dr. Horsey's majority is 51.
The Liberal banquet at Halifax will be held on December 13. Sir Wilfrid Laurier and several of the ministers will attend.
Mr. Bernier was elected Saturday in St. Boniface over V. Mager for the Local House by 154 majority. Both are Conservatives.
La Riviere's election in Provencher will be protested by the Liberals.
The Conservative candidate in Champlain, Quebec, is Alfred Trudel. Hon. L. P. Pelletier will be opposed in Dorchester by Elize Letellier. J. H. Bourget will carry the Liberal standard in Wolfe.

JOHN I. HOBSON DEAD

Guelph, Ont., Nov. 24.—After an illness of only two or three days, John I. Hobson died at his residence here last night. He was one of the best known and most highly respected citizens of Guelph. Mr. Hobson had been one of the chief promoters of the Provincial Fair Stock Show, and has always been interested in agriculture. He was 65 years of age, and a brother of Joseph Hobson, chief engineer of the Grand Trunk. He leaves a widow and an only child, Mrs. A. F. H. Jones, of this city.
SUFFER NO MORE.—There are thousands who live miserable lives because dyspepsia duels the faculties and shadows existence with the cloud of depression. One way to dispel the vapors that beset the victims of this disorder is to order them a course of Parmelee's Vegetable Pills, which are among the best vegetable pills known, being easy to take and are most efficacious in their action. A trial of them will prove this.

FATAL ISSUE NOW FEARED

Condition of Emperor Nicholas Is Considered Critical.

His Majesty's Illness Believed To Be Much More Serious Than The Bulletins Indicate.

Berlin, Nov. 25.—The following special dispatch, dated St. Petersburg, Nov. 25, 3:49 a.m., has been received here: "It is persistently rumored in St. Petersburg that the condition of Emperor Nicholas is critical. Well-informed people here declare that the disease has made far greater progress than the czar's physicians have publicly admitted. A fatal issue is now feebly feared."
St. Petersburg, Nov. 25.—Midnight.—The following bulletin was issued this morning from the ministry. "The czar passed a quiet day yesterday. At 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon his temperature rose to 103.4, the pulse being 88. At 9 o'clock in the evening the temperature was 102.2 and the pulse 80. His majesty slept well during the night. This morning his general condition and strength are satisfactory. Temperature 99.5, pulse 75. No complications whatever have been observed."
SUCCESSOR TO THE RUSSIAN THRONE.
The succession question is believed to have occupied the ministry, and the imperial council, and it is thought that if the czar's illness should terminate fatally, Grand Duke Michael would assume the regency until after the accomplishment of the empire.

CONDITION SERIOUS.

From three sources of information, directly connected with the czar's ministers of state, a St. Petersburg correspondent has ascertained that imperial officials are becoming extremely pessimistic regarding the condition of Emperor Nicholas, and asserts that the Ljovla bulletins conceal the gravity of the illness, and many believe that the chances of the czar's recovery are diminishing. One report says that the emperor, in addition to typhoid fever, with pectoral complications, has brain fever, the result of a blow he received from a fanatical policeman during his tour in Japan, and it is even asserted in some quarters that trepanning has become necessary.

CABLE NOTES

A bill submitted to the Berlin reichstag, shows that the imperial budget for 1901 balances at 2,249,947,301 marks, an increase of 174,303,289 marks over 1900.

PARISIANS WERE PRUDENT

Welcomed Kruger, But Avoided Anti-British Demonstrations.

Paris, Nov. 26.—The city of Paris welcomed Mr. Kruger in a wholehearted manner, according to him a sincere reception at the railroad station, showing by the cheering of the crowds along the route that he was cordially welcome. The thoroughfares through which Mr. Kruger passed were not lavishly decorated, but a few flags were flying and the hotel was nicely decorated, while from early morning the street hawkers did not permit the pedestrians to forget that it was Kruger. All sorts of insignias were offered for sale. Small Boer flags, banners of the Boer colors and scarves of the same character were called out by vendors on the boulevards, and almost everyone wore a Boer emblem.
Among those gathered at the railroad station were Count Boni de Castellane and several other well-known Nationalist deputies, and Miss Maud Gonne and a party from the Irish delegation.

KRUGER'S FAITH

Mayor Krugervan, and the president of the pro-Boer committee and others presented the aged traveler with addresses of welcome, to which Mr. Kruger replied that he was touched to the bottom of his heart by the welcome he had received. He concluded with saying he had faith in the Boer nation, which, though tempest-tossed, would keep afloat and never sink. Replying to the words of the Paris Boer committee, Mr. Kruger said: "I am deeply touched by the sympathy the people of all the French towns I have passed through have displayed towards me by such striking demonstrations of independence, feeling that the independence of the people, in itself, guarantees peace. It is in order to obtain this peace, founded on liberty and justice, that we are struggling on the soil of the two republics, and that I myself have come to Europe. Never will I dream of soliciting the least favor of an unjust character. I have clearly proved this by never ceasing to ask for arbitration, and that is what I still demand. In order to accomplish this work I rely on the good offices of the people, and especially on the sympathy of the French people."

AT THE ELYSEE PALACE.

Just before 4 o'clock a gala band from the Elysee Palace was driven to the Hotel Scribe, and Mr. Kruger, his interpreter and M. Crozier proceeded to the Elysee, escorted by a strong detachment of Cuirassiers. The scenes of enthusiasm of the morning were repeated. Mr. Kruger, the French president was warmly acclaimed during his drive to the Hotel Scribe, and during his stay at the hotel the crowds raised the shouts of "Vive Kruger!" and "Vive Loucheur!" After President Loucheur's departure Mr. Kruger withdrew to his own room and declined to see further visitors, even the officials of the municipal council (who were desirous of ascertaining the day on which he would accept a reception at the Hotel de Ville) being refused, and leaving in a very discontented frame

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Caught on the Fly.

The United Irish League of Boston has invited Kruger to America. The Nickel-Copper Company of Hamilton is now refining nickel and copper.

DISMISSED THE ACTION

Close of the Taylor-Davis Will Case.

The Will of the Late Mrs. Burkholder Sustained.

Justice Meredith Finds No Suspicious Circumstances in Mr. Davis' Actions—Plaintiffs Pay All Costs.

The action brought by Mrs. Helen Taylor, of Pickering, and Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, of Sanilac, Mich., to set aside the will of their sister, Mrs. Margaret Burkholder, who died in August, 1899, leaving her entire estate to the four children of Ven. Archdeacon Davis, of South London, was dismissed by his lordship, Mr. Justice Meredith, at the non-jury sittings on Saturday afternoon. The plaintiffs, he said, had failed in all branches of the case, and they must pay the entire costs. The court could not discern a single suspicious circumstance in the relations of Mr. Davis to Mrs. Burkholder. His lordship did not consider it strange that Mrs. Burkholder should pass over relatives who had not written to her since her mother's death in 1870 or 1871. In giving judgment Mr. Justice Meredith said that the case, from a legal point of view, presented no difficulties. The truth in regard to the facts in issue between the parties was not very difficult to find according to the evidence. The law applicable to the case was plain. His lordship was not concerned with the case from what was usually called an ethical or moral point of view further than to say he had no doubt the question whether it was proper for a priest to receive from his parishioner a gift by way of will was right or wrong had entered into the case to some extent and given it what little prominence it had attained. The evidence had to some extent been tinged by the feelings of the witnesses upon that subject. There could be no doubt that sides had been taken, having regard to that particular question, and he could not help saying that to some extent the feelings of the witnesses had been fomented by the feelings of the parties, who had concerned themselves in the case upon that question. Looked at from a legal point of view, only a gift by will from parishioner to priest or priest to parishioner was valid.

There was nothing in law to prevent any parishioner from giving to a priest a gift of this character any more than there was to prevent a father giving to a son or a son to his father. In determining the issues in this case it might become a matter of very great importance whether the gift was one of that character, whether it had been neglected the dictates of nature, the natural instincts and feelings in favor of others who were relatives and had given priority to a stranger. Mrs. Burkholder's husband died in 1882, leaving her and a daughter. The daughter died in 1891, and Mrs. Burkholder was left alone in the world. She had relatives, but her relations were such that she might as well have had none. Thirty years ago she and her sisters and brother met at their mother's grave. From that day until the day of her death they never met again, nor had any of them ever communicated with each other. She stood all those years practically in the position of strangers to each other. In 1892 Mrs. Burkholder sold her real estate and acquired the whole of her husband's estate, aggregating about \$5,000. So far as the evidence showed she properly managed the whole of this property and cared for herself. No one at any time seemed to have thought it needful for any interference in the conduct of her affairs, nor had anyone thought it needful to have her money placed in the control of someone.

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Silver mounted, for ladies and gentlemen.

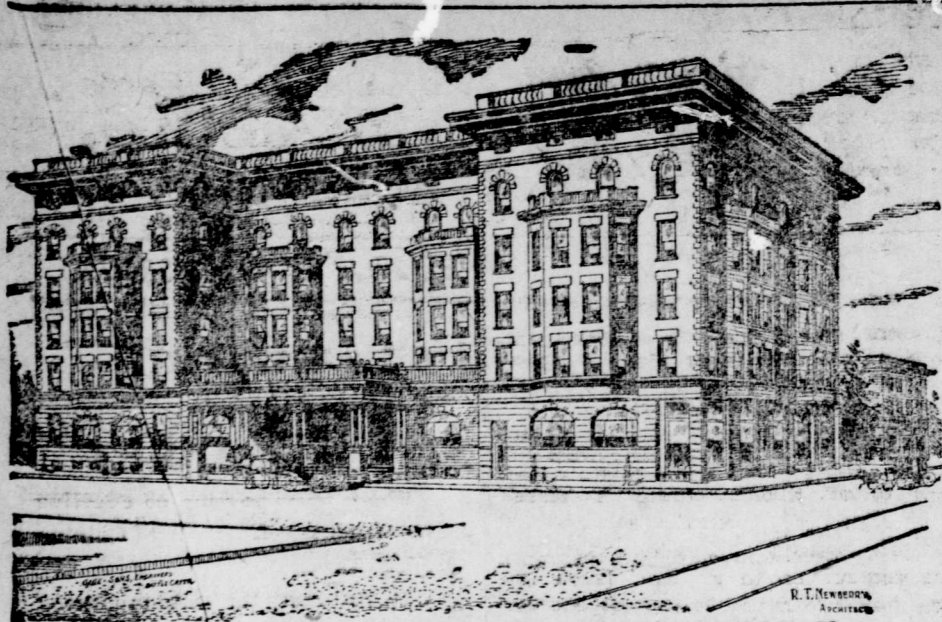
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TRAINS COLLIDED

In the Grand Trunk Yards at Windsor.

Engines Badly Smashed—One Passenger Hurt—Essex Man Struck By a Train.

Windsor, Nov. 26.—Two engines came together with a crash in the Grand Trunk yards on Saturday afternoon, and were badly wrecked. Both were attached to passenger trains, but, fortunately the only injury to any of the passengers was to a lady, whose knee was bruised by the force of the collision.

The trains in the smashing were the sections of the St. Louis Wabash express. It runs in two sections from London to Windsor in order to make better time, and the first section had arrived and been backed into the yards by a yard engine in charge of Engineer Thomas Howe. It was on the main line, and had to remain there in order to allow the Grand Trunk passenger train to land from the car ferry, after which it was the intention to run it on the boat to be sent to Detroit.

The second section of the train, in charge of Engineer John Rice, came around the Walkerville curve at a high rate of speed, and as the engineer swung on the straight track he noticed the other passenger train in the way. He immediately applied the air brakes, but they refused to work, and he then reversed the engine without success. The two engines came together with frightful force and every piece of woodwork on both was smashed to splinters. The guards and fronts of the boilers were also badly broken, and it took some time to separate the engines.

There was only one coach in the two trains which was damaged to any extent, a sleeper attached to the first section. The tracks were soon cleared for traffic. The loss will be nearly \$2,000.

ESSEX MAN STRUCK BY A TRAIN.
Windsor, Nov. 25.—S. B. Green, a prominent resident of Essex, was struck by a train on the Michigan Central Railway yesterday, and was so badly injured that fears are entertained for his recovery. He was walking on one of the main tracks, and, noticing a train approaching, stepped to the other track just as a train was pulling into the depot. It struck him in the back and hurled him several feet. He was picked up unconscious, and it was found that his face was badly cut and his back injured. The physician fears that there are several fractures. He is a brother of A. J. Green, of Windsor.

FIFTY AGAINST TWO THOUSAND.
Washington, D. C., Nov. 24.—Mail advices from Manila give in detail the story of the rescue of Captain Shields and 50 men of the 25th Infantry after their capture by the insurgents in Marinduque. The fight Capt. Shields put up against an overwhelming force

men to follow the example of the large manufacturers of New York, who recently adopted a resolution pledging themselves not to employ boys who used cigarettes. The government will be asked to enforce the anti-cigarette law.

TWENTY-SIX LIVES LOST

By the Wreck of the Coasting Steamer Olaf

In the Lower St. Lawrence—Seven Passengers and Crew of Nineteen All Lost.

Quebec, Nov. 26.—News reached here Saturday afternoon that the steamer St. Olaf, which had been coasting between this port and Point Aux Esquimaux, and the lower St. Lawrence, for the last two years, had become a total wreck off Seven Islands, and that her crew of nineteen and seven passengers were entirely lost. Capt. Lemaitre, in command of the steamer, and several of his officers and crew belonged to this city.

The St. Olaf was an iron steamer of 305 tons, and was built on the Clyde in Glasgow, in 1913. The St. Olaf was valued at about \$40,000, and insured for about \$20,000.

Before coming to this port she ran between Picton and Magdalen Islands, and was chartered by the Canadian Pacific & Co. to replace the steamship Otter, wrecked on her last trip to Quebec two years ago.

The St. Olaf left here on Sunday, Nov. 12, on her trip to Esquimaux Point, carrying government mail, passengers and a large cargo. All apparently went well on the way down, and the steamer left immediately on her return trip. The St. Olaf was last heard of the St. Olaf up to Saturday, when she left Sheldrake on Wednesday afternoon, and shortly after this the signal station dispatches reported her with gale force wind and snow, and it is supposed that during one of these gales the St. Olaf ran ashore on one of the rocks at the entrance of the Seven Islands, as the dispatch stated that she was wrecked on Boule Island.

Capt. Lemaitre was a careful and skillful coast navigator, and had been a resident of this city for some years. The officers and crew of the St. Olaf were: P. T. Lemaitre, captain; Louis Caron, first mate; Charles Boudreau, second mate; F. T. Veit, purser; Joseph Tremblay, steward; Joseph Roy, cook; Art. Levesque, Joseph Gauthier, Joseph Doyle, William Blainey, seamen; Amédée Vigneault, lamp trimmer; Joseph Arseneau, cabin boy; Gus Lafleur, mess room boy; Eugene Belanger, chief engineer; Wilfrid Belanger, third engineer; Odilon Cormier, John Gagne and Thomas Doyle, firemen.

Passengers, Louis Gagnon, of Penticton, on his way to Quebec to spend the winter with his brothers; Joseph Bacon, Clarence Bond, Jerome Chénier, Michael Mahar, Sheldrake; Napoleon Beaudin, of the River, and Miss Marie Page, of Thunder River.

The latter's body has been found. As soon as the news of the wreck reached Seven Islands, a searching party was sent to Quebec to look for the vessel, but everyone aboard the vessel seems to have been lost. The residents of Seven Islands are searching the shores for bodies. The place where the steamer was wrecked is about seven miles off Seven Islands, and about 300 miles from this port.

MARK TWAIN AND THE CABBIE

The Humorist Says the Complacent New Yorkers Encourage Dishonest Men.

New York, Nov. 26.—Samuel L. Clemens, better known over two continents as Mark Twain, secured the revocation of a cab driver's license and incidentally paid his sarcastic respects to the complacent residents of New York, who through fear or lack of patriotism, encouraged robbers, big and little, to prey upon them. "The only way to right these things is to make them public," said Mr. Clemens in his slow drawl. "If I am clubbed and robbed I shall not stand back from prosecuting the criminal on any sentiment at grounds, even though I stand a chance of being set upon by him on another night. If a man comes without a club and tries to rob me, why should I act differently? Why should I not come forward and bring him to justice?"

Mr. Clemens said that on the night of Nov. 20, Katie Leary, a maid working for his wife, came from the Grand Central station to Mr. Clemens' house at 14 West Tenth street in a cab.

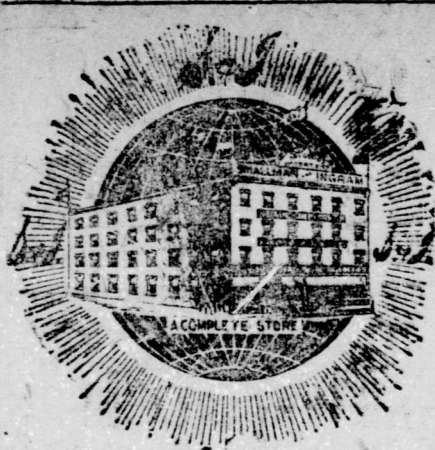
The driver in the cab, Wm. Beck, charged \$1.50 for the trip, and the maid objected, and sent him to the house for Mr. Clemens. Mr. Clemens came out and remonstrated with the cabman, saying that the ride was only 32 blocks (less than two miles), and according to the city ordinance, 50 cents a mile was the charge, and the fare should be \$1. Mr. Clemens said the cabman insisted on his original charge, but finally reduced it to \$1.25, but Mr. Clemens refused to give it to him, and finally paid \$1.

Beck was asked what he had to say about the case. He acknowledged that he charged an exorbitant fee, and said that he was in the wrong. A man named Winston, who said he represented the Public Hack Owners' Union, appeared for leniency for Beck.

"Well, Mr. Clemens," said Winston, "we are in this case, but you must know that if we had two or three fares an hour we would make a great deal of money, but we do not have that many. We are trying to cure for hours at a time, trying to get them to pay for the time that we have waited."

Mr. Roche told Mr. Clemens that he would suspend the license of Beck, and would keep the record of the case in his possession until he had looked it over. Mr. Clemens said he was not sure if anything else was done in the matter.

A reporter for a Cincinnati paper was registered at the Royal Hotel, Hamilton, his mission being to try and locate Frank M. Brown, an absconding cashier of the German National Bank, Newport, Ky., who disappeared a couple of weeks ago, and who is supposed to have embezzled \$250,000. A reward of \$2,000 is offered for Brown's apprehension.



THE WEATHER TODAY—Fair; not much change in temperature.

EARLY CLOSING—Customers will kindly bear in mind that this store closes at 7 o'clock every Saturday evening to permit employees to enjoy a well earned rest.

Skirt Made for 50c.

You have often paid five times the amount for a skirt that wasn't as stylish and didn't fit you as well. You will be thoroughly pleased with any of our three styles, and then there's the saving. Every piece of goods in our Dress Goods Department is at your disposal, and while so many are buying we would respectfully urge you to make your selection early while the assortment is unbroken. We suggest the following

Specials in Colored Dress Goods.

42-inch Navy Serge, smooth and rough finish, now at 25c
42-inch Navy Serge, smooth finish, medium twill, now at 35c and 40c
44-inch Navy Serge, uncrushable, now at 50c
44-inch Navy Serge, Homespun finish, now at 55c and 65c
46-inch Navy Serge, cloth backed, will not spilt, smooth finish, special make 50c and 65c
46-inch Navy Serge, heavy twill, cannot be equalled at 75c
50-inch Navy Homespun Twill, special for tailor-made suits, and special in price \$1 00
48-inch Navy Serge, heavy, guaranteed thoroughly waterproof, now at \$1 25
Have you seen our Court Serge, guaranteed thoroughly shrunk at 65c, 75c, 85c and 95c

Ladies' Underwear.

Specially selected garments of the finest and purest wool will be found in this popular department. Customers no doubt fully appreciate its many advantages, but we want those who are not customers to know about it. Prices are never high. Ladies' heavy Scotch Lini wool vest and Drawers, very fine quality, medium and extra sizes. Ladies' Knitwear Combination Suits, unshrinkable, a perfect-fitting garment. Ladies' Natural Wool Vests and Drawers, unshrinkable, in all sizes, selling at 90c, 95c and \$1 00 Ladies' Union Vests and drawers, splendid quality at 80c, 85c and 90c

Tapestry Covering

Just what you want for brightening up your furniture and cozy corners. You never saw anything so desirable at so small a price. These few pieces will be bought early:

1 piece Light Ground, brown figure, very choice, 52 inches wide. Per yard, only 65c
1 piece Bronze Ground, fawn and green flower, very rich. Per yard, only 65c
3 pieces Blue and Green Tints, floral design, very choice. Per yard, only 50c

Remember, a Skirt now for 50c means a direct saving of from one dollar and a half to two dollars.

New Notions

We have in this department many articles very suitable for Christmas gifts, and just let us remind you that those who buy early buy best. These few hints: Cocque Feather Boas, all black 75c
Cocque Feather Boa, black and white \$1 00
Ostrich Feather Boas, suitable for street and evening wear, in black, white and black, gray, natural and white. Prices ranging from \$1 50 to \$15 00
Ostrich Feather Boas, with chenille ends, in black, white and black, and gray. These are very stylish. Prices from \$5 00 to \$10 00

Good News

Being able to import La Forma Interlinings at a much lower cost, we now place them on sale at nearly half their former price—75c; now 39c

As a Jacket Interlining La Forma is a practical and reliable article, the good qualities of which should appeal to everyone.

It has been said that only a man tailor could make a tailor-made costume right. Any dressmaker can use La Forma and make a perfect-fitting tailor-made waist. Next time ask your dressmaker to use it.

It is worth your while to remember that here you can buy the most stylish furs at drygoods prices. When you are considering what to buy for Christmas gifts you'll be sure to think of furs. Then recollect that your gift bill will be smaller if you do your buying here.

SMALLMAN & INGRAM

149, 151 and 153 DUNDAS STREET.

Western Ontario.

Ex-Ald. James Dixon fell into the river at Sandwich, and was rescued with difficulty.

William C. Beech, from Kincardine, died in the Hotel Dieu, Windsor, of typhoid.

John Chevallier, of Gosfield, Essex county, claims to have discovered a ledge of gold quartz on his farm.

Robert Taylor has been appointed chief clerk of the M. C. R. yard at Windsor, to succeed the late William Atkinson.

Charles Botright, a Southwold farmer, was knocked down by a horse on Talbot street, St. Thomas, and run over. He received a bad shaking up and a cut over the eye.

The quarterly board of the Windsor Avenue Methodist Church, Windsor, has unanimously decided to invite the pastor, Rev. James Livingstone, to remain in Windsor for another year.

Laura Semour, a colored domestic in Windsor, bordering upon 50, was to have been married Thursday night, but the bridegroom was missing at the appointed hour. The bride-elect has been a servant in one of the best families of Windsor since her childhood. Mr. Towsey who works in Detroit, in her affianced.

The executors of Richard T. Bradley, the Petrolia oil man, who died in California a year ago last March, asked the court of appeal at Toronto to set aside a judgment of \$5,000 given Miss Annie Ward, of Petrolia. Richard had promised to build her a house or give

This Space Will Be Devoted to Advertising

The Greatest Sale of the Century

Going Out of Business

\$150,000 in Crockery, China, Glass and Fancy Goods to be disposed of at once. Prices from one-quarter to one-half price.

Sale to Commence Next Saturday, December 1

Warehouse to Lease or For Sale

The Crystal Hall

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her \$5,000, but failed to do either. Wm. J. Bradley is the executor. Judgment reserved.

The December sittings of the division court for Essex county will be held as follows: Belle River, Monday, Dec. 2; Essex, Tuesday, Dec. 4; Amherstburg, Wednesday, Dec. 5; Sandwich, Thursday, Dec. 6; Harrow, Monday, Dec. 11; Kingsville, Tuesday, Dec. 18; Leamington, Wednesday, Dec. 19; Comber, Thursday, Dec. 20; Windsor, Thursday, Dec. 27.

The next to the last day of horse show week opened at the Madison Square Garden with but a handful of spectators.

Grave fears for all the craft now in the southern seas is caused by the news of a terrific hurricane that has swept Samoa, Hawaii and Japan.

Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator does not require the help of any purgative medicine to complete the cure. Give it a trial and be convinced.

HAMPERED WITH BACKACHE.

No man can do his best work if hampered with backache or lame back.

When the kidneys quit doing their duty the poisons which they ought to filter out of the blood, stay in, and are carried all through the system. Then the back gives the warning of trouble ahead by aching and pain.

The only way to cure the backache is to set the kidneys acting right. That's what

DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS

are for—to cure sick kidneys—to relieve and cure aching backs—to make men, and women too, stronger and better able for the battle of life.

Here's what one man says: "For about five years now I have suffered from kidney complaint. I had so got up about six times nearly every night, had much pain in voiding my urine, and the pain in my back was sometimes beyond endurance. I read in the papers about Doan's Kidney Pills and sent for a box. I did not want to say anything about them until I was sure I was cured. Now I can say from personal experience that Doan's Kidney Pills are the best remedy I know of for kidney troubles. They have given me perfect relief from pain. I now get rest at night without being disturbed and in every way my health is much better and I feel stronger than I have in years."

(Signed) CHAS. AUGUST GEISLER, Box 157, Bark's, Pa. Always ask for Doan's Kidney Pills and refuse substitutes and imitations. THE DOAN KIDNEY PILL CO., Toronto, Ont.

WHISKARD'S

Three Busy Stores, 228, 230 and 232 Dundas St. Give the Cold Wave a Warm Reception

We provide the "defences."
The ever-changing story of the "Three Busy Stores," presents a series of "ad" news for your consideration. We stand firmly on the principle of selling as we buy—AND BUYING AS WE DO, the surprises are frequent and forceful. It is a genuine advantage to be a patron of the "Three Busy Stores." Our customers will easily understand that this fortunate purchase of

FIRST-CLASS FURS

insures them a remarkable buying opportunity, one that deserves immediate acceptance, seeing that these Furs are about half price.

LADIES' LARGE CAPERINES, worth \$22.00, for \$11.50.
LADIES' GRIMMAN BEAVER CAPERINES, worth \$14.00, for \$7.50.
LADIES' FUR RUFFS, worth \$2.50, for \$1.25.
LADIES' BLACK AND BROWN CONEY FUR RUFFS, worth \$1.75, for 90c.

LADIES' LARGE BLACK FUR MUFFS at \$1.00 and \$1.25, special.

Preparations for Christmas are going on here

Large lines of goods are coming in worthy of your attention. Special lines in Opal Ware, in Toilet Bottles, Brush and Comb Trays, Glove Boxes, Handkerchief Boxes, Cuff and Collar Boxes, Trays, Jewel Boxes, Match Boxes, etc. Prices ranging from 5c to 50c each. All beautifully decorated and tinted in beautiful shades. You are invited to call and see them. You will find our prices about half.

50c Black Cashmere Hose, Marked 35c Pair
That's an offer that must appeal to every lady in the city. We go still better, 3 PAIRS FOR \$1.00.

ROMAN EMBROIDERY PILLOW SHAMS, beautiful open work, large squares. Our price, 25c, 45c, 55c each.
EASTERN CENTER PIECES, FINE HAND WORK, large squares, 45c, 55c, 65c, \$1.19, \$1.29 each.
LARGE, SOFT, DOWNY CUSHION FORMS at 25c, 45c, 55c each.

In Our Millinery Department
Those lines of special OUTING HATS we bought, and are selling at 50c each, are going very fast. The assortment of colorings are complete yet. These Hats were worth this season \$1.00 to \$1.25. Our price now, 50c each.

Our Curtain Department
We have always special lines in Nottingham Curtains. Notwithstanding the rise in price all our lines are the same value.
3 yards, taped all round, 50c pair.
3 1/2 yards, taped new patterns, 75c pair.
3 1/2 yards, taped, new design, \$1.00 pair.
3 1/2 yards, taped, very special, \$1.25 pair.

Gentlemen's and Ladies' Silk and Fancy Handkerchiefs
22-inch square, all silk, 1 1/2-inch hem, worth 50c, our price 25c each.
Ladies' Fine Lawn, Lace and Insertion Handkerchiefs, regular 40c, for 25c each.

ONTARIO CROPS

Estimate of the Yield for the Year 1900.

Grain Crops Quite Up to the Average
—An Interesting Statement.

The Ontario department of agriculture has just completed the estimate of the yields of crops for 1900. The following is a condensed statement of the bulletin, which will be published in full in a few days:

The most noticeable temperature feature has been the fact that the months of August, September and October were 5.4, 4.0 and 8.9 degrees, respectively, above the average. During the same three months the rainfall was about half an inch lower than the average. The rainfall for the six months, April to September, was exactly the average of the past twenty years.

On the whole the grain crops of the year were in quality and quantity quite up to the average. The new fall wheat crop is in fair condition, but the damage by Hessian fly is quite widespread. The "pea bug" has increased to an alarming extent in some sections. Corn was one of the best crops of the year. Potatoes, beans and buckwheat were in good condition, and bush beans, peas, and turnips were good, although extra, but turnips were rather poor. Fall fruit was quite above the average, the apple crop falling but little below a record yield. Live stock generally are in good condition, and have been sold in large quantities. A large number of silos have been built this year. The following statement shows the average and yield of the leading crops of the province, as revised to date:

	Acres.	Bush.	Yield per acre.
Fall wheat—			
1900	1,068,640	23,369,787	21.9
1899	1,049,891	14,439,827	13.8
1898-1900	917,096	18,491,171	20.2
Spring wheat—			
1900	876,905	6,940,333	18.4
1899	398,736	7,641,317	17.7
1898-1900	465,314	7,291,007	15.5

That Spot.

Did you ever have that little tickling spot in your throat? Felt as if you could almost touch it with your finger, didn't it? How hard you tried to reach it, but couldn't! It's easy with Vapo-Cresolene, for you breathe it. There's nothing in the world equal to it for stopping these tickling coughs; and it's so pleasant, too. For asthma, croup, bronchitis, catarrh, and whooping-cough, it's the great remedy.

Vapo-Cresolene is sold by druggists everywhere. A Vapo-Cresolene outfit, including the Vaporizer and Lamp, which should last a life-time, and a bottle of Cresolene, complete, \$1.50; extra supplies of Cresolene, 25c and 50c. Illustrated booklet containing physicians' testimonials free upon request. Vapo-Cresolene Co., 25 Fulton St., New York, U.S.A.

THE TALK OF OLD LONDON

Pessimistic View of the Far East Situation.

Looks as if the Powers Would Have to Climb Down—The Metropolis Afflicted With "Tube Mania."

[Special Cable Letter.]
London, Nov. 24.—The pessimism reflected by the Washington specialists dealing with China finds a keen echo in Great Britain's cabinet. The gloomy forebodings that the United States will be compelled to withdraw from the concert of the powers is only one of the causes of this feeling, for the British ministers are now inclined to believe the present lines of negotiation cannot result satisfactorily. "The United States," said an official of the foreign office, "cannot be any more anxious than England to get out of the China muddle. The cabinet ministers are reluctantly coming to believe that the endeavors to compel China to punish individual offenders are merely

WASTES OF TIME.
"Death by edict is a farce and a fairy tale. The powers' forces now in China are utterly inadequate to overrun the country and enforce their demands. England has no intention of augmenting her troops to such an extent as would be necessary if the European powers were to undertake such a venture. It looks very much as if we shall all

HAVE TO CLIMB DOWN.
The only question is, how can it be done with the best dignity and under circumstances giving the most satisfactory results? The policy of indefinite declination, which the American journals seem to attribute to Germany, is not in the slightest shared by Great Britain.

This view is not that of a majority of the British press, who generally condemn what they call the "weak-kneed policy" of America.

THE "PINO JUNTAS."
The request of the United States ambassador, Mr. Joseph H. Choate, for the suppression of the Filipino junta at Hong Kong has been put in the hands of the colonial office. It will probably take some weeks to ascertain the facts, with doubtful results. An official said: "Hong Kong, of course, is part of a free country, and we cannot take too arbitrary steps, even to please America. Most of the international powers are hunched right here in London, but we are quite powerless to suppress them."

AMERICAN COMPETITION.
London's new lord mayor, Mr. Frank Green, takes a very practical and friendly view of the American competition of the city's finance, trade and transportation. "It is merely a matter of utilitarianism," he said. "American capital is bound to improve business, and the absence of a formal assignment tending to bring the two nations the most good, even though it may appear to result only to the advantage of one of them. Together, England and America are made powerful in every way than the rest of the world. Regarding placing government loans in America, patriotism naturally compels me to say English financiers should have the first chance, but if Americans give better terms, why, let them have them by all means."

THE TUBE MANIA.
Hot on the heels of Mr. Charles T. Yerkes' underground railroad scheme company, the announcements of projected roads are so many that London may be said to have become the victim of the tube mania. If all the companies were allowed to operate, half of London would be underground. Parliamentary sanction will be applied for in the case of no less than ten electric tubes, necessitating the deposit of \$25,000,000 as parliamentary guarantee. It is likely that several of these will never materialize.

PAIR OF DUKES COMING.
Two dukes will soon arrive in the United States. Besides the Duke of Manchester and his bride, who sail today, the Duke of Newcastle sails on Dec. 6. The latter intends to spend a few months in Florida, returning in April. He will not be accompanied by the duchess.

SPORTING TALK.
All sorts of rumors are current about the Jockey Club's investigation into Lord Durham's charges against Lester Reiff, among which is the allegation that the well-known racing favorite, with large amounts during the past season, with large profits. Whatever the truth of this, it is certain that the investigation has developed into a far larger scope than when it commenced, and now involves grave issues, in which English as well as American jockeys and owners are concerned.

FAIR MOVEMENT

In Business Throughout the Dominion—Bradstreet's Summary of the Situation.

Toronto, Nov. 24.—Bradstreet's weekly summary of the business situation in Canada says:
A fair business is reported in wholesale circles at Montreal for the past week, the close of navigation not having had the quick influence usually experienced in this season. Values in all departments of business are steady to firm. Country remittances are improving.

Unfavorable weather at Toronto checked the demand for seasonal goods. Trade in that department of wholesale business has been disappointing so far this month. There has been quite a business done in spring goods, and the holiday goods are moving out well now. Labor is well employed, and good wages are being received. Country remittances are fair. Trade at London has been moderately active. The weather has not favored any increase in the movement and retailers are looking forward to cold weather to improve the demand for heavy goods. The grain movement in the country has been tight, and payments rather slow.

At the Pacific coast business has suffered from mild weather, seasonal lines being slow. The lumber industry has been suffering from the scarcity of vessels for the ocean carrying trade. Freight to Britain have been very light lately in comparison with those prevailing at San Francisco. The out-

look for the December trade is fair. At Hamilton there has been a fair movement, considering the poor weather for selling winter goods. Values are fairly maintained, with the lines of staple goods, the conditions of business are sound, and with colder weather there would be more activity. Improved weather conditions have materially bettered trade in the Northwest, and reports of business at Winnipeg are more cheering. There is more farm produce being marketed at country points, and retail sales have been somewhat better than in sympathy with eastern markets.

At Osgoode Hall.

COURT OF APPEAL.
Chadoner vs. Township of Lobo.—T. T. Macdonell (London), for defendants, appeared from judgment of Meredith, C. J., in action to restrain defendant corporation and defendant Oliver, their executors, from proceeding with the construction of Crow's Creek drain, to declare invalid bylaw 423 for its construction and for damages. The chief justice held that the petition required by S. O. c. 22, sec. 3, to support the bylaw had not been signed by the majority in number of the resident and non-resident persons (exclusive of farmers' sons not actual owners), as shown by the last new assessment roll to be the owners of lands to be benefited, that the act requires that at the time action is taken by the council by passing the bylaw at the meeting to be held under section 17, it must have before it a petition, signed by the necessary majority according to the then last revised assessment roll, as provision is made for the withdrawal of the sum of \$500 by the council, and names of owners affected, and, if then there is a majority, the bylaw may be passed, otherwise the proceedings end with the meeting; and held, also, that the words "exclusive of farmers' sons not actual owners" did not mean actual owners in fact, but as shown by the last revised assessment roll. T. G. Meredith (London) opposed appeal. Reversed.

This is the third case argued at the present sittings of the court of appeal in which the question of finality of assessment in drainage cases is directly raised.

SINGLE COURT.
Collins vs. Burwell.—Judgment (E. B. B.) on appeal by plaintiffs for report of master at London on the grounds inter alia that no sufficient evidence was given of the investment of the sum of \$500 by the deceased, C. G. Anderson, one of the trustees named in the deed of settlement under which the plaintiffs are beneficiaries, and that the report should declare that the defendants, C. H. and W. F. Lockwood, the executors of the deceased, took part in the winding-up of his estate, did not give notice to creditors, and are equally liable with the defendant Burwell, the co-trustee, or the executor of the estate of Anderson, in the deed of settlement under which the plaintiffs are beneficiaries, and that the finding of the master is correct. Held, also, that for the loss of this security the estate of Anderson is liable to account for interest at the bank rate of 4 per cent per annum on the whole fund from May 29, 1892, to September, 1893, and report should be varied accordingly. Any error in computation of interest should also be corrected and defendant Burwell charged with interest. This may be done in issuing the order; a receiver should be appointed to receive the proceeds of the mortgage to Burwell do not make Anderson's estate liable. One might, and no doubt upon request, would have been given any time. Held, also, that the estate of Anderson is liable to account for interest at the bank rate of 4 per cent per annum on the whole fund from May 29, 1892, to September, 1893, and report should be varied accordingly. Any error in computation of interest should also be corrected and defendant Burwell charged with interest. This may be done in issuing the order; a receiver should be appointed to receive the proceeds of the mortgage to Burwell do not make Anderson's estate liable. One might, and no doubt upon request, would have been given any time. 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Lord Rosebery.

Many people regard Lord Rosebery as the spoiled child of fortune. He married the richest heiress, one of the Rothschilds. He was Prime Minister, and a thing that some value even more highly—he won the Derby. No doubt he, like all mortals, has had his troubles and disappointments, but the eye of the crowd is fixed upon the outside, and pictures the noble lord as one of fortune's favorites, whose lot is to be envied. This much is no doubt true, that Lord Rosebery is a man of high position, great gifts and privileges, who has had a fair share of what the world calls success. The question now is as to whether he takes to politics with sufficient seriousness to be willing to make sacrifices in the service of his country. There has been lately an abundant display of patriotic feeling within the Empire on the part of high and low, rich and poor. Men of all classes and conditions have toiled hard to help the country out of a difficulty, and we have a right to expect politicians to manifest something of the same spirit. Lord Rosebery has no doubt manifested deep interest and realized the seriousness of the situation, but something more is needed than an occasional smart letter or brilliant speech. The active politician, whether in or out of office, must be a hard worker; he must have a purpose, and work for the realization of it in dark, dull days, as well as in times of excitement and success.

Of course, in one sense, politics has nothing to offer Lord Rosebery; that is, from the point of view of those who regard politics as a sphere in which a man may advance his own worldly interests. Yet in another sense it can offer him the highest that the world has for a man—that is, the opportunity to serve his fellow-countrymen, and through them the world at large. Lord Rosebery is now being appealed to by politicians and journalists. Some would like to see him form a third little party of his own. This proposition seems to us absurd and un-English, and ought not to be made unless every other door was closed. The leader of the Liberal party has practically offered to retire in favor of Lord Rosebery, but at the same time he said things about Liberal "imperialists" which seem partly to have spoiled the effect of his offer.

The situation is awkward, yet it seems as if it ought somehow to be possible for Lord Rosebery to work in connection with the Liberal party. The best elements of that party are certainly in favor of strengthening the defenses of the country, and making the army more of a real fighting machine, and less of an expensive toy, but they wish a less blustering policy abroad and more attention to reforms at home. Lord Rosebery is as strong in foreign affairs as any man the Conservatives have, while he is in sympathy with the best traditions of the Liberal party. It is felt by all that the country needs an effective Opposition, and Lord Rosebery will now have to take his choice as to how he will use his great powers. We trust that they will be applied to the strengthening and upbuilding of the great party to which he belongs, and that both he and it will have in the immediate future a career of usefulness.

The German Eagle.

We often hear about the American eagle screaming and screeching, but it looks as if the German eagle was now having a turn. The Kaiser's mailed fist has reached to China, and now the eagle goes forth on its civilizing mission, and does not object to the company of the lion. It was very unfortunate for China, and it may turn out to be so for Germany, that the German ambassador was killed. The Germans, so the Chancellor tells the world, always treated China kindly, and always cherished the most kindly feelings towards the Chinese. But as we know, when two German missionaries were killed by a mob, the German Government seized one of the best bits of Chinese territory. It is true that Germany helped to keep Japan from getting any territorial gain from the late war, but it is questionable whether that action was prompted by pure love for the Chinese. And now that the sacredness of the German ambassador has been violated, revenge and compensation is demanded in a dramatic fashion.

It would be a striking spectacle to have a Chinese prince travel to Germany to carry an apology, but whether it would do any good to Germany, China, or the rest of the world, may also be questioned. The Chinese authorities are willing to give up any amount of "heads," so long as these are not their own. To get hold of the real "heads" is a different and difficult matter. However, Germany has gone into this tragic business and will have to make something out of it. One thing is certain, a new power has come upon the scene to take part in

the flag-waving, and it is not certain what it will lead to at home or abroad. The Germans, then, have their "expansion" policy also on hand, and it will cause much difference of opinion in the fatherland.

The emperor is accustomed to going ahead without paying much heed to other people's opinions, but he cannot altogether avoid political problems. The German workmen are heavily taxed to support an immense army at home. The chancellor tells the world that the expedition abroad will not weaken them at home. Unless money can be squeezed out of China, which seems a pretty difficult thing, this means more expense. The high protectionist policy also presses heavily on the artisan. If he has to pay for the opening out of markets abroad, and be heavily burdened to keep the market for German agriculturists at home, he will find himself unpleasantly squeezed. This will play into the hands of the Socialists, and the position will be still more strained.

Germany is becoming a world-power, competing with Britain and America in the world's markets, and looking

out for colonies. This means a bigger navy, and altogether the programme is very ambitious. We trust that the influence of Germany in the world's politics will be for good, but one thing is clear, that if she goes too fast, the speed may be awkward for the Germans themselves as well as for others. It may be that this Chinese crisis may mean a crisis for Germany as well as for China.

Kruger.

Mr. Kruger is having quite a good time in France. So had his envoys on their visit to the United States, but fine words butter no parsnips, and our American cousins soon politely bowed them out. The Government of France will be heartily glad when Mr. Kruger says them good-bye.

The Ottawa Journal has got in a big press, and is evidently prospering.

The Chatham Banner has changed hands. It is called The Banner-News, is published by A. C. Woodward, walks the avenues in a brand-new dress, and looks forward to a prosperous future.

CABLED COMMENT

On Old World Topics---John Bull Laughs at Kruger's Visit to France---Bitter Attack on Kitchener---The Bear's Shadow---The Czar's Illness---Promotion of Kitchener---Novel Form of Amusement at Sea.

London, Nov. 25.—Mr. Kruger's triumphant passage from Marseilles to Paris is regarded with curious and unexpected indifference in Great Britain. Every detail of the remarkable ovations has been read here with interest, but the underlying feeling here is more of amusement than irritation. The nation that boiled over with fury when Queen Victoria was caricatured by Paris journalists, takes the French homage to its arch-enemy as an exhibition of inevitable Gallic enthusiasm, not likely to affect international issues or create any more serious friction than already exists among the populace of the two countries. The recognition of Mr. Kruger as being still president of the Transvaal by both the French Government and the Queen of Holland calls forth from the Westminster Gazette the remark that this apparent unfriendliness is really due to Great Britain's own fault in not communicating to the powers the annexation of the South African republics. So long as this is not done, Mr. Kruger, according to this English authority, has a perfect right to be treated as a sovereign traveling incognito. This failure to notify the powers, the same paper declares, militates so much seriously against Great Britain, for, until this international formality is observed, no right exists to treat the inhabitants of the Boer republics as rebels.

GENERAL KITCHENER.

The forthcoming promotion of Major-Gen. Lord Kitchener to a lieutenant-generalship elicits from Mr. Chas. Williams, one of the leaders of the war critics, the bitterest indictment that general ever published in England. He declares Gen. Kitchener meditates a reckless and ruthless extermination of the Boers, hoping to execute his atrocities amid silence, like that of the toms of the mahablis. He believes the British officers and men will not endure this, and that Kitchener will stand revealed to the country as a scourge inexorable. Mr. Williams apologizes to Kitchener for mentioning him in the same breath with Kitchener, and maintains that the return of several general officers and the removal of Kelly-Kenny from Bloemfontein confirms the suspicion that they "have nothing to do with Kitchener's dirty work." It is almost needless to say that this bitter attack by no means represents the average opinion.

THE BEAR'S SHADOW.

What exercises Great Britain more than the progress of the war in South Africa and Mr. Kruger's visit to France is the illness of the czar. The shadow of the bear couchant is ever present as a source of dread and suspicion to the average British statesman. How much more would he be feared if rampant is evident from the grave tone of the editorial articles of the London press when their writers contemplate what might happen should the hand of death remove the present pacific ruler of Russia. The possibility of an avowedly anti-British regency, with aggressive proclivities, looms up so keenly that it is doubted if the daily bulletins from Liavdia are awaited any more keenly in Russia than in Great Britain.

LONDON TIMES ATTACKS HAY.

The bitterness with which the London Times attacks every move made by Washington in Chinese matters seems to increase daily, and is all the more surprising on account of the attitude of the British foreign office. The principles laid down in Secretary Hay's latest note were given to a representative of the Associated Press by a British official before the reception of Mr. Hay's note as voicing the opinion of the British cabinet. And yet the Times comes out with a vigorous protest against the very idea of Mr. Hay's principles being considered. Referring to the Cincinnati speech of Wu Ting Fang, the Chinese minister to the United States, after saying that this promising the United States better commercial chances when peace is restored, would, in some countries, be resented as an injury, the paper adds: "But Wu Ting Fang seems to have known his audience. All the comment on an influential American paper makes is that Wu Ting Fang knows that Americans, like all others, give their own interests first place."

The Times then compares this attitude with that of Li Hung Chang on his trip around the world, during which, it is asserted, he acted on the conviction that pecuniary self-interest was the sole guiding principle of the people and governments "which proved unsatisfactory recipients of the multitudinous promises which he failed to redeem." Secretary Hay is taken

severely to task for daring to differ from the demands as now formulated.

THE PEKIN FARCE.

Mr. H. J. Whigham, the newspaper correspondent and golf player well known in America who is now representing the London Morning Post in China cables from Shanghai as follows: "The Pekin farce continues. When I left all the legations were trusting Li Hung Chang. It was believed the court would return to Pekin and that any attempt on the part of the dowager empress to arrest Prince Tuan would be absurd. Prince Chwang who was arrested is simply Prince Tuan's scapegoat. It is obvious, therefore, that the court will not return to Pekin. It can only be attacked during the winter through the Yang Tse Valley."

THE CZAR'S ILLNESS.

Isaac N. Ford, in this special cable letter this morning, says: "A real source of uncertainty and alarm is the illness of the czar, with its bearing on the Chinese complications. The Lancet, reasoning from the medical diagnoses of the czar, asserts that the range of temperature and rate of pulse indicate a mild attack of enteric fever, and that convalescence will be speedy and sure. There are various sensational reports from the continent, including a rumor that the attack of typhoid is acute and has affected the patient's brain. The latest telegrams tend to increase rather than diminish the apprehension respecting the czar's condition, and there is apparently a deep feeling of uneasiness and alarm among the great dignitaries at St. Petersburg, although the rumors about a regency have not been fully confirmed. When special prayers are offered throughout Russia by the czar's health there may be some uncertainty in all European capitals respecting the maintenance of the strongest bulwark of peace in the Far East. While the czar lies there is reason to expect a prudent and amicable settlement of the Chinese question."

KITCHENER'S PROMOTION.

The promotion of Lord Kitchener to the rank of lieutenant-general was the chief result of the cabinet council. He attains this dignity at the early age of 50, and is now fully equipped to take Lord Roberts' place in South Africa without exciting jealousy over points of seniority and military etiquette. Kitchener is almost the only general in the British army who is without a social clique in London. He is a social outcast, and is no carper knight, he even has the reputation of being a woman-hater. He has, however, what is more valuable than social prestige, namely, the active support of the prime minister. Lord Salisbury has the greatest admiration for him, and is probably responsible for his succession to the chief command in South Africa as he was for his appointment as chief of staff last December.

NOVEL SPORT.

An extraordinary novel form of amusement, recently innovated from Iceland, was described before the board of trade at Hull, when the skipper of a Grimsby steam trawler charged the skipper of another Grimsby trawler with wilfully ramming the former's boat while off the coast of Yoland. It appears that the captain of the trawler Balmoral Castle became facetious at the expense of the captain of the trawler St. Paul, who immediately put on a full head of steam and charged on the Balmoral Castle. By skilful maneuvering a collision was avoided. But again the furious skipper of the St. Paul charged at his enemy. Again the Balmoral Castle slipped away. Mad

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"CHRISTIAN BURGLARY."

The approaching departure of the Rev. Campbell Morgan to follow up the work of the late Dwight L. Moody has caused Dr. Parker, speaking this week, to refer to that act of America taking him as a "Christian burglary." Some quibbles are expressed if Mr. Morgan's health will stand the strain of a sailing evangelist.

LIBEL SUIT—VERDICT \$55,000.

A verdict of \$55,000 against the Daily Chronicle for libeling a preserved meat concern causes bitter comment in the English papers over the ridiculous libel laws now in existence. Commenting on the court proceedings, in which a retailer described the firm's goods as more deadly than the Boer's shells, the Daily Chronicle remarked: "If the government patronized the firm they would be certain of giving the Boer a nasty jab. The case alone constituted the 'Daily Chronicle' of defense, and although the man making the original remark won his suit, the company sued the Daily Chronicle, securing the aforementioned sum already. The Star declares: 'The truth is that the press is still regarded as fair spoil for all comers. The fourth estate is still the milch cow of litigants and a milch cow it will remain until the law of libel is brought into the line of common sense.'"

AGONY THE KAISER.

The German Reichstag debates last week on the China indemnity bill evolved a mass of interesting facts, showing that Emperor William's personal China policy of the last six months is either wholly or partially disproved by almost the entire nation, as evidenced by the fact that every party leader has thus expressed himself—even the extreme Conservatives—but that now the reichstag, unless it is willing to precipitate the gravest kind of a conflict, which it is not, must needs approve the sum already expended. Another noteworthy fact is that the reichstag, for the first time since the empire's creation, indulged in free and unrestricted criticism of the emperor's words and acts, every party sharing therein, without once being interfered with by the president of the house. This is regarded by parliamentarians as an important gain for Germany. Further political development was that it was remarkable that some of the most severe criticisms of his majesty's unmeasured "troop speeches" came from Conservative speakers.

There is great Kruger enthusiasm at Berlin. The papers are commenting approvingly of the Boer statesman's reception in France, and arrangements have been made by the German committee to send a nation postcard, prettily illustrated, tendering Mr. Kruger the sympathy of the German

nation, for distribution by the Transvaal general at Paris. The Vancouverian thereupon editorially says: "Therein lies much hypocrisy and national hatred towards England."

Ross Has Got a Gait On.

The Marchand government managed the provincial affairs of Quebec so well that, now when Hon. Mr. Parent goes to the country for an indorsement of its acts, there is practically no opposition from the Conservatives. We cannot expect to see Hon. Mr. Ross have such an easy walkover in Ontario when his turn comes, yet Conservatives as well as Liberals are aware that the Ross government is doing splendid work for this province, especially in the exploration and development of the northern district. An illustration is given by the Peterboro Examiner. When the Algoma Central Railway bill was before the Ontario Legislature for its third reading on April 10, 1900, Hon. Mr. Ross said that one of the conditions was that the company was to build a \$200,000 ore dock, and build a fleet of ore vessels to convey ore wherever smelters might be established. The way in which this condition has been fulfilled is shown by the fact that a few months ago Michipicoten Harbor was backed by a howling wilderness, along a bleak and barren coast, and miles away in the midst of the unbroken wilderness a tremendous deposit of ore—an iron mountain, containing 30,000,000 tons of ore in sight. Now at Michipicoten Harbor a 300 feet ore dock has been built with chutes capable of loading 2,000 tons in four hours. A railway has been built from the harbor to the Helen Iron mine, where 300 men, to be increased to 700 during the winter, are working day and night, and although work at this mine, then in the heart of the unbroken wilderness, was only begun last spring, by July shipments were being made. And now shipments are going forward from the mine at the rate of 1,000 tons a day, and over 800,000 tons of ore have been conveyed to the blast furnaces at Midland by the company's four steel steamships. Just think of the short time that has elapsed and the great things that have been accomplished, which are only an earnest of the tremendous results of the future. A little more than two months ago the first ore on the Algoma Central Railway (to run 200 miles from Sault Ste. Marie to Hudson's Bay) was not turned. Today, north from the Soo it runs completed 25 miles, and it is going northward at the rate of half a mile per day. This railway is solidly built, and to last. It was originally projected to supply pulp wood to the big mills at the Soo, but will be the means of developing the whole region between the Sault and Hudson's Bay, which is fabulously rich in minerals and timber of all kinds, to say nothing of fish and game. Spread all over the enormous deposit of ore—on an easy development, surrounded, close at hand, by sufficient available resources to keep the power, now running to waste, fully occupied, and to profitably employ hundreds of thousands of hands, who will constitute a demand for the produce of the thousands of

fertile acres in the valleys, capable of sustaining a large agricultural population. All this means demands upon the industrial and commercial activities of Ontario, and there is no calculating the far-reaching results that will follow the development of this new country. The Ontario government has acted wisely in aiding development, without burdening the financial resources of the province—making the now dormant resources, at present valueless, and to remain so without development—contribute to their own development.

TOTALLY DEAF—Mr. S. E. Cranford, Port Perry, writes: "I contracted a severe cold last winter, which resulted in my becoming totally deaf in one ear and partially so in the other. After trying various remedies and consulting several doctors, without obtaining any relief, I was advised to try DR. THOMAS' ELECTRIC OIL. I warmed the oil and poured a little of it into my ear, and before one-half the bottle was used my hearing was completely restored. I have heard of other cases of deafness being cured by the use of this medicine."

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METEOROLOGICAL.

Toronto, Nov. 25, 8 p.m.—The storm is now centered in Virginia, and from present indications it will pass seaward, and severe gales will prevail near the coast of the Maritime Provinces. Light snow has fallen in Southern Ontario and Western Quebec, and rain and sleet are now falling in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. The weather has turned much milder in Manitoba and the Northwest Territories. Minimum and maximum temperatures: Kamloops, 28-34; Calgary, 14-22; Prince Albert, 8-13; Qu'Appelle, 2-32; Winnipeg, 6 below-18; Port Arthur, 6-30; Parry Sound, 26-24; Toronto, 24-34; Montreal, 22-28; Quebec, 18-26; Halifax, 29-32.

Local temperature—The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory on Saturday, Nov. 24, were 35 and 39 degrees; on Sunday, Nov. 25, 35 and 25.5.

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A LOCAL BUDGET.

—Rev. J. H. Turnbull, B. A., of Bowmanville, preached at both services at the First Presbyterian Church yesterday.

—Mrs. A. Weldon and Mrs. (Dr.) White, of this city, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon, East Street, St. Thomas.

The evangelistic services being conducted by Rev. J. J. Smith at the First Methodist Church will be continued during the present week.

—Car No. 38, belt line, jumped the track at the Wortley road curve, on Stanley street Saturday morning. The grooves in the track were clogged with mud.

—Mr. Wm. Gorman, of this city, has been chosen president of the Canadian Baking Powder Association, and Mr. A. W. Mayell, of Toronto, the secretary.

—The Principal, D. B. Bessmer, of the London Normal School, read two interesting papers before the North Essex Teachers' Association at Sandwich last week.

—Mr. Joseph Gibson's address on the "Essentials of Religion" was listened to with much pleasure by a large audience of men in the Auditorium yesterday afternoon.

—At the annual meeting of the Huron auxiliary of the C. C. M. A., which will be given at St. James' Church, South London, on Tuesday evening, addresses will be given by the bishop, Rev. Heber Hamilton, and others.

—A man attempted to make away with some poultry owned by Mr. Cushing, of the Wharncliffe road, West London, on Friday night. He was frightened away, and left a bag in the yard, in which was six ducks, four of them dead.

—Duncan Fisher, a Muncie Indian, was committed by Squire Lockwood on Saturday to stand trial on a charge of stealing a watch from George Robinson, also of Muncie. The theft occurred on Oct. 27. The watch was found in Fisher's possession a few days later by Constable Lucas.

—Woodstock Sentinel-Review: Mrs. Charles Tatham has been called to London on account of the death of her

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grandfather. This is the third time Mrs. Tatham has been called to London in the last month, each time the occasion of a death in the family.

—St. Catharines Journal: W. Smith, the produce man of London, did not appear at the police court Friday morning when called, but as he is on his way to the court, he will be taken in the matter for a few days.

—Chatham Planet: Hugh Stringer, of London, who was formerly in partnership with George Stephens, was in the city Saturday on business. Mr. Stringer says that T. B. Esbeck, another former Chathamite, is putting up a \$10,000 residence in London.

—The Westminster offers the suggestion that all the Presbyterian churches in Canada—or, better still, all the Christian churches in the country—should hold sacrament on the first Sunday of the twentieth century. The idea is meeting with general favor.

—The reception committee met on Saturday night, but reached no decision in regard to the form of souvenir to be presented to the Londoners who participated in the South African campaign. The meeting was largely attended, and the members of the city were present in large numbers. The committee will meet again this afternoon, when a decision will probably be arrived at.

—Several instructive addresses have been given to branches of the W. A. M. during the past week by Mrs. Hamilton, of this city. At the union W. A. M. meeting in Cronyn Hall she appeared in native costume, and gave a graphic description of the life and customs of the Japanese. At this meeting a letter membership was presented to the diocesan secretary, Mrs. Sage.

—The death of George Weir Saunby, the youngest son of Mr. George W. Saunby, of No. 132 Mill street, took place yesterday. He was only 18 years of age, and was in the 18th year of his life. By reason of an injury to his knee, the whole limb became diseased, necessitating the amputation. He appeared to recover, but it is believed that the original trouble eventually brought about his death.

—His Lordship the Bishop of Huron will meet the clergy of the Diocese of Huron for a quiet hour from 11 to 12 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 26 (St. Andrew's Day), the anniversary of his consecration to the episcopate. There will be Holy Communion at 12 o'clock. The quarterly meeting of the Sunday school will be held in the afternoon and evening of the same day, commencing at 2:30 o'clock. Papers and addresses by prominent clergymen and laymen will be given.

—A correspondent from Moray township of McGillivray writes: "Mr. Wm. Noble has exchanged single blessedness for matrimonial bliss, having taken to himself a better half in the person of Miss Alice Bean, of London. The wedding ceremony was performed at the residence of the bride's parents, London, on Wednesday, after which the happy couple left for Mr. Noble's farm and residence, on the 29th inst. of McGillivray, where they intend to reside. Mr. and Mrs. Noble's many friends here join in extending congratulations and in wishing them a long, happy and prosperous life."

—Guelph Herald: Mr. J. D. MacNeeley, who was recently married in London to Miss Annie Gay, was, together with his estimable wife, tendered a reception at the home of his father-in-law, Mr. J. H. MacNeeley, on Wednesday. Quite a large company of the friends and relatives of the family were present to offer greetings to the bride and groom. A pleasing feature of the evening was the presentation to Mr. and Mrs. MacNeeley of a handsome silver service from the father and mother of the groom. They also received many beautiful gifts from their Guelph friends. The reception was a most delightful one.

—In the First Presbyterian Church, yesterday morning and evening, able discourses were delivered by Rev. J. H. Turnbull, of Bowmanville. Rev. W. J. Clark being at Bowmanville preaching anniversary sermons. Mr. Turnbull, who has a fine voice and good presence, preached two unusually good sermons, that in the evening being particularly strong and inspiring. The text was taken from Isaiah 40:3, "Prepare ye the way of the Lord." His address was a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it. London will be glad to hear Mr. Turnbull again.

TENDERED A FAREWELL RECEPTION.

Mrs. I. F. Hellmuth was tendered a farewell reception by the London Ladies' Golf Club at the Kennels on Saturday afternoon, which was largely attended. The members universally deplore the great loss they are sustaining in the removal of their best player and some time captain to Toronto. Mrs. John Labatt expressed the regret of the club and on their behalf presented Mrs. Hellmuth with two pieces of silver for the tea table. Mrs. Hellmuth, in thanking the members for their sorrow in leaving London and hoped never to sever her connection with the club. The handsome loving cup presented to the club by Mrs. T. H. Smallman, and which has been on by Mrs. Hellmuth in the president's prize competition, was also presented on the same occasion. The following were some of those present: Mesdames Hellmuth, Beddome, W. J. Reid, Frank Reid, Ginge, Talbot Macbeth, George Brown, H. Cronyn, Ingles, Kent, Carling, Buchanan, Robert Puddicombe, and Misses Magee, Marshall, Beddome, Pines, Kibbie, Belton, MacKenzie, Moore, Richardson, McKinnon, Bann, Bethune, Parfitt, Michie, Buchanan and Zimmerman.

OLD MAN BURNED TO DEATH.

Paisley, Nov. 25.—The home of Mr. Donald Blue, at Gilles Hill, was burned to the ground, and the old man has since died from the effects of the burns received. Mr. John Penwick was driving home when he noticed the blaze in the house, and at once went over. Mr. Blue was outside, just as he had got out of his bed, and with his hands was throwing snow into the flames, in a vain effort to extinguish them. He was badly burned. He was taken over to his son's home, where he was cared for until he died, three days later. Mr. Blue thought the fire was caused from the sticks of wood that he had overheated and put in bed to keep himself warm.

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one else. To the last she seemed to have looked after everything.

After making the will of 1896, leaving \$500 each to a niece and Mr. Davis, and the balance to Church of England institutions, she desired Mr. Davis to take care of her property, and have it absolutely in consideration of his supporting her until death. He was unwilling to do that, and she made another will, leaving the estate to his children. Two sisters of the deceased now bring action to set aside that will. They impeach the will on the ground that it was not duly executed in the manner required by law. They said Mrs. Burkholder did not know and approve of the contents of it. They said that when the will was executed she was not of sound mind, and did not have the mental capacity to make a will. The will of 1896 was also attacked on the same grounds as that of 1899. That the will was executed in the manner required by law was indisputable. That Mrs. Burkholder knew the contents of the will was obvious from the defendant, Mr. Fisher, who showed that Mrs. Burkholder alone gave the instructions and named the beneficiaries. The only point in the case was that Mrs. Burkholder was not of sound mind, and could not know the true contents of the will. She knew her sisters were living, she knew of the existence of the nieces. She had no doubt an aversion to her relatives, whether that was with or without reason, but that was not the point. No doubt she considered it. The sisters had not seen fit to communicate with her for all of those years. The nieces had done nothing to keep or comfort her. Alone in the world, none of them was willing to take her to them or come and live with her. There was no expression, nor act, nor any word of any affection, or regret, or care, for her until she was in life, until her end was approaching. Then the husbands of two nieces came to her and receive what seems to them peculiar treatment. But was it so under all the circumstances of the case? Was it natural for her to imagine with her death at no distant date, that her property was the moving cause of the visits? If so, and having regard to all the circumstances in connection with the case, was it an extraordinary thing that the woman should give her property to those who might be called strangers, rather than to those of her own blood? It was difficult for one to say that it was. The relatives had become estranged, and it was not accountable that she should desire to give it to the priest of the parish, and upon his refusing to accept to give it to his children? It did not seem strange to the court, but it did seem strange to the jury. The thing which was in the mind of the person was in the very best testamentary capacity. Against all the direct testimony of the woman's ability to make the disposition of her estate, there were statements of a number of things which were said to have been peculiar or odd about the deceased.

Was there enough in those statements to outweigh the direct testimony of the woman's mental capacity? The statements were insufficient. The court was unable to find anything in the testimony of that character which at all weighed in the balance with the evidence in support of the will. Mr. Fisher, who gave evidence as to the execution of the will, was a most satisfactory witness. No one has sought to impeach his respectability or credibility. The defendant, Mr. Davis, gave evidence positively in saying that the court gave credit to that testimony. No reason whatever could be seen for doubting any statement made by the plaintiff. The case made by the plaintiff seemed to entirely fall away in branches. His lordship said he did not find a suspicious circumstance in the present case.

If any suspicion did exist in regard to Mr. Davis, it had been entirely removed. There was nothing in the case to show that there was any understanding or improper conduct on the part of any person connected with the execution of the will. In disposing of the question of costs, Mr. Justice Meredith said that if the plaintiffs had merely asked the beneficiaries to prove their rights and show that they (the plaintiffs) were rightly deprived before they assented to the will, they would have occupied a different position. They brought the action attacking both wills; they made statements against respectable persons, and failed to support them. The court would not be acting wisely or well to deal with the case otherwise than according to the general rule and let those who have failed pay the costs of those who have succeeded.

In concluding his charge Mr. Justice Meredith said that there would probably have been no occasion for litigation arising out of the woman's estate if those who now impeach the will had half as earnestly endeavored by kindness and ordinary treatment of a near relative, to procure the execution of a will in their favor. A little kindness and a little consideration in the woman's lifetime, which would have cost much less than this attempt, would have induced her to make a will in their favor.

The plaintiffs, Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Smith, pay all costs, including the costs of the postponement of the trial in May last.

Messrs. Meredith, Judd and Cronyn, solicitors respectively for Mr. Davis, Mr. Fisher and the official guardian, offered no argument in support of the will. Mr. McEvoy, reading counsel for the plaintiffs in the absence of Mr. A. B. Aylesworth said he would not go so far as to say that Mrs. Burkholder was insane. The evidence would not support such a claim. It was possible the old lady had a delusion as to a desire on the part of Mr. Davis to his children. She made statements in keeping with that to Mr. and Miss Smith, Miss Frost and others. Mr. Davis flatly denied such a charge, and if his evidence was true, Mrs. Burkholder was certainly laboring under a delusion.

His lordship said that there was a simpler way than that of accounting for it. The woman was not inclined to be friendly to her relatives. Was there any person in her narrow circle that she would think better entitled to her property than Mr. Davis or his children or Miss Robinson? Mrs. Burkholder practically had no relatives.

Mr. McEvoy said there were some to whom she had no aversion. The correspondence showed that she had not forgotten two of her nieces.

"Why should she have given her property to any of her relatives?" asked the court. "On the ground that blood is thicker than water? Because we know that animosity is sometimes stronger than affection. Unfortunately, it is the case very often in litigation."

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Judge Meredith remarked that lack of recognition did not make out a case of senile dementia.

Mr. McEvoy did not think that her thoughts of departed friends were sufficient to cause her to forget. She was forgetful in regard to facts, localities and occurrences. There was almost a complete loss of memory on many subjects. It would be dangerous to conclude that on May 2 the woman was in a position to understand all her affairs.

Mr. Justice Meredith said he would be inclined to agree if there was no evidence to the contrary except the execution of the will. The evidence of Miss Robinson and Mr. Fisher, however, could not be overlooked.

Mr. McEvoy asked the court to overlook Miss Robinson's evidence. Was there in Mr. Fisher's evidence enough to displace the case made out by the plaintiffs? What occurred at Miss Robinson's the day the last will was drawn was only a drop in the bucket. He thought Mrs. Burkholder's management of her own affairs from the time of her husband's death was quite consistent with lack of capacity to make a will. The business she transacted did not require the consideration or concentration necessary in disposing of a \$5,000 estate. Mr. McEvoy could not say what changed Mrs. Burkholder's intention of giving to the missions of the Church of England. Her idea apparently was that in giving her money to the Davis children she was furthering the object of the missions. Asked as to the letters, Mr. McEvoy said those of 1898 indicated mental capacity—to which the court inquired if they did not indicate that Mrs. Burkholder was more than ordinarily intelligent, and a good woman. Mr. McEvoy called the court's attention to the absence of letters after 1898.

Mr. Cook, acting for Sarah Keffer, of Toronto, a niece of the deceased, argued that no evidence was adduced to successfully impeach the will of 1896, under which Miss Keffer was to receive \$500. He called attention to Mrs. Burkholder's letter in 1895, asking Miss Keffer to accept her household effects and also a money bequest.

Mr. Bartlett appeared for Hannah Decker, another niece, who was made a party to the action, and asked that she be relieved from all costs, as she was not claiming any right to a share in the estate.

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